VILLAGE OF METAMORA FULTON COUNTY

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Village of Metamora, Fulton County, prepared by Lublin Sussman Group LLP, for the audit period January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Auditor's Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Auditor's Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State permits.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Village of Metamora is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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April 12, 2007

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of Metamora Fulton County 114 E. Main Street, P.O. Box 299 Metamora, OH 43540-0299

We have audited the accompanying combined statements of cash receipts, cash disbursements, and changes in fund cash balances - all governmental fund types and enterprise funds of the Village of Metamora, Fulton County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Village has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The effects on the financial statements of these variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Village to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2005 and 2004, the revisions require presenting entity wide statements and also to present its larger (i.e. major) funds separately beginning in 2004. While the Village does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Village has elected not to reformat its statements. Since the Village does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraphs do not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

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Douglas J. Welch, CPA, CVA Lee D. Wunschel, CPA Thomas J. Jaffee, JD, CPA Terri S. Lee, CPA The aforementioned revisions to generally accepted accounting principles also require the Village to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. The Village has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America had determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of the financial statements.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Village of Metamora, Fulton County, as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and their respective combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 13, 2006 on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audits.

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December 13, 2006 Toledo, Ohio

VILLAGE OF METAMORA FULTON COUNTY COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

			(Government	al F	und Types		
		General		<u>Special</u> Revenue		<u>Capital</u> Projects	<u>(</u> N	<u>Totals</u> lemo. Only)
Cash Receipts: Property Tax and Other Local Taxes Municipal Income Tax Intergovernmental Receipts Charges for Services Fines, Licenses, and Permits Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous Total Cash Receipts	\$	45,863 181,307 44,449 700 499 5,364 8,321 286,503	\$	0 35,426 0 1,341 0 <u>36,767</u>	\$	0 0 1,852 0 0 0 0 1,852	\$	45,863 181,307 81,727 700 499 6,705 8,321 325,122
Cash Disbursements: Current:		40.005						
Security of Persons and Property Leisure Time Activities Community Environment Transportation General Government		12,825 15,456 909 0 127,923		0 0 21,251 0		0 0 0 0 0		12,825 15,456 909 21,251 127,923
Debt Service: Principal Payments Capital Outlay	_	00		717 0		0 <u>3,201</u>	_	717 <u>3,201</u>
Total Cash Disbursements		157,113		21,968	_	3,201		182,282
Total Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		129,390		14,799	_	(1,349)		142,840
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements): Transfers-In Transfers-Out Advances-Out		0 (67,061) (30,300)	_	0 0 0	_	1,349 0 0		1,349 (67,061) (30,300)
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)		(97,361)		0	_	1,349	•	(96,012)
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements		32,029		14,799		0		46,828
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		280,265		76,244	_	0		356,509
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	312,294	\$	91,043	\$	0	\$	403,337
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$	656	\$	17	\$	0	\$	673

VILLAGE OF METAMORA FULTON COUNTY COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	<u>Enterprise</u>
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services Fines, License and Permits Miscellaneous	\$ 297,081 3,920
Total Operating Cash Receipts	303,192
Operating Cash Disbursements: Personal Services Travel Transportation Contractual Services Supplies and Materials Capital Outlay	125,805 899 181,852 20,867 <u>98,718</u>
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	428,141
Operating Loss	(124,949)
Non-Operating Cash Receipts: Property Tax and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental Receipts Proceeds of Note Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts	14,613 121,420 54,970
Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts	191,003
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements: Redemption of Principal Interest and Other Finance Charges	74,275
Total Non-Operating Cash Disbursements	106,928
Excess of Receipts Under Disbursements Before Interfund Transfers and Advances	(40,874)
Transfers-In Transfers-Out Advances-In	131,970 (66,257) <u>30,300</u>
Net Receipts Over Disbursements	55,139
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	92,269
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ <u>147,408</u>
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$ <u>1,433,867</u>

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VILLAGE OF METAMORA FULTON COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

	Governmental Fund Types							
				Special		<u>Capital</u>		Totals_
		<u>General</u>		<u>Revenue</u>		Projects	<u>(M</u>	emo. Only)
Cash Receipts:								
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$	43,459	\$	0	\$	0	\$	43,459
Municipal Income Tax		186,832		0		0		186,832
Intergovernmental Receipts		46,325		32,194		3,966		82,485
Charges for Services		700		0		0		700
Fines, Licenses, and Permits Earnings on Investments		395		0		0		395
Miscellaneous		3,200		800		0		4,000
Miscellaneous	_	12,117	-	0	-	0		12,117
Total Cash Receipts		293,028	-	32,994	-	3,966		329,988
Cash Disbursements:								
Current:								
Security of Persons and Property		14,431		0		0		14,431
Leisure Time Activities		13,951		0		0		13,951
Community Environment		1,407		· 0		0		1,407
Transportation		0		21,416		0		21,416
General Government		184,942 0		0		0		184,942
Debt Service:		U		0		0		0
Principal Payments		0		717		0		717
Capital Outlay		635		0		5,949		6,584
Total Cash Disbursements		215,366	_	22,133	_	5,949		243,448
Total Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		77,662	_	10,861		(1,983)		86,540
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements):								
Transfers-In		0		0		1 002		1 000
Transfers-Out		(47,496)		0		1,983 0		1,983 (47,496)
	_	/	-		-	0		<u>(47,430)</u>
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements):		<u>(47,496)</u>	_	0	_	1,983		(45,513)
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over Cash Disbursements								
and Other Financing								
Disbursements		30,166		10,861		0		41,027
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		250,099	_	65,383	_	0		315,482
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	280,265	\$	<u> </u>	\$	0	\$	356,509
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$	953	\$_	<u>1,881</u>	\$	0	\$	0

See Notes to Financial Statements

VILLAGE OF METAMORA FULTON COUNTY COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

	Ē	Interprise
Operating Cash Receipts: Charges for Services Fines, License and Permits Miscellaneous	\$	265,682 4,166 <u>893</u>
Total Operating Cash Receipts		270,741
Operating Cash Disbursements: Personal Services Travel Transportation Contractual Services Supplies and Materials Capital Outlay		134,407 838 83,216 16,182 <u>9,959</u>
Total Operating Cash Disbursements		244,602
Operating Income		26,139
Non-Operating Cash Receipts: Property Tax and Other Local Taxes		13,615
Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts		13,615
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements: Redemption of Principal Interest and Other Finance Charges Total Non-Operating Cash Disbursements		72,197 33,072 105,269
Excess of Receipts Under Disbursements Before Interfund Transfers Transfers-In Transfers-Out		(65,515) 105,270 (59,757)
Net Receipts Under Disbursements		(20,002)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	_	<u>112,271</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	92,269
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$	64,749

See Notes to Financial Statements

ORGANIZATION

The Village of Metamora, Fulton County, (the Village) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village is directed by a publicly-elected six-member Council. The Village provides general governmental services, including water and sewer utilities, and park operations (leisure time activities). The Village contracts with the Fulton County Sheriff's department to provide security of persons and property.

The Village's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Village is financially accountable.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost. The investment in STAR Ohio is reported at amounts as reported by STAR Ohio.

FUND ACCOUNTING

The Village uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Village classifies its funds into the following types:

a. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

b. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED))

<u>Street Construction, Maintenance, and Repair Fund</u> - This fund receives gasoline tax and motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Village streets.

<u>Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund</u> - This fund receives permissive motor vehicle license tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

c. Capital Project Funds

These funds are used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise or trust funds). The Village had the following significant capital project funds:

- <u>Capital Project Fund</u> This fund receives proceeds from Recycle Ohio Grant used to purchase playground equipment.
- d. Enterprise Funds

These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Funds:

<u>Water Fund</u> - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of providing this utility.

<u>Sewer Fund</u> - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of providing this utility.

<u>Enterprise Debt Service Fund</u> - This fund is used to accumulate resources for the payment of bonds and note indebtedness incurred for utility improvement projects.

<u>Utility Improvement Fund</u> - This fund receives loan proceeds from the Ohio Water Development Authority to finance a utility plant expansion.

BUDGETARY PROCESS

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

a. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

(1) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

b. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

c. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2005 and 2004 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT

Acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

ACCUMULATED LEAVE

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Village's basis of accounting.

INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds.

(2) EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Village maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Demand Deposits Certificates of Deposit	\$ 339,25 <u>88,07</u>	• •
Total Deposits	427,32	<u>9 328,873</u>
STAR Ohio	123,41	<u>6 119,905</u>
Total Investments	123,41	<u>6 119,905</u>
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ <u>550,74</u>	<u>5</u> \$ <u>448,778</u>

(2) EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

DEPOSITS

Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or (2) collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Village.

INVESTMENTS

Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

(3) BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 follows:

2005 BUDGETED	VS. ACTUAL RECEIPTS
<u>Fund Type</u> General Special Revenue Capital Projects Enterprise Total	$\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $
2005 BUDGETED VS. ACTUAL	BUDGETARY BASIS EXPENDITURES
<u>Fund Type</u> General Special Revenue Capital Projects Enterprise Total	Appropriation Budgetary Authority Expenditures Variance \$ 548,569 \$ 224,830 \$ 323,739 101,393 21,985 79,408 3,634 3,201 433 2,211,893 2,035,193 176,700 \$ 2,865,489 \$ 2,285,209 \$ 580,280
2004 BUDGETED	VS. ACTUAL RECEIPTS
<u>Fund Type</u> General Special Revenue Capital Projects Enterprise Total	Budgeted Actual Receipts Receipts Variance \$ 267,590 \$ 293,028 \$ 25,438 27,030 32,994 5,964 5,949 5,949 0 2,098,685 389,626 (1,709,059) \$ 2,399,254 \$ 721,597 \$ (1,677,657)

2004 BUDGETED VS. ACTUAL BUDGETARY BASIS EXPENDITURES

	Appropria	tion Bu	dgetary		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Fund Type	Authorit	y Exp	enditures		Variance
General	\$ 516,0	068 \$	263,815	\$	252,253
Special Revenue	92,4	413	24,014		68,399
Capital Projects	5,9	949	5,949		, 0
Enterprise	2,022,8	354	474,377		1,548,477
Total	\$ <u>2,637,</u>	284 \$	768,155	\$_	1,869,129

(4) PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Village Council. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payments, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Village.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

(5) LOCAL INCOME TAX

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1 percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village. Central Collection Agency (CCA) provides income tax collection services for the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Central Collection Agency either monthly or quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually.

(6) DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2005 and 2004 was as follows:

		Balance 12/31/04	A	dditions	Re	ductions		Balance 12/31/05	Interest Rate
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan	\$	268,616	\$	0	\$	22,660	\$	245,956	6.75%
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan		0		54,970		0		54,970	3.27%
General Obligation Bonds		70,000		0		35,000		35,000	6.00%
Ohio Public Works Commission		187,869		0		16,615		171,254	4.00%
Ohio Public Works Commission	_	12,903		0		717		12,186	0%
Total	\$_	539,388	\$	54,970	\$	74,992	\$_	519,366	

(6) DEBT (CONTINUED)

		Balance						Balance	Interest
	-	<u>12/31/03</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Additions</u>	Re	ductions		12/31/04	Rate
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan	\$	289,843	\$	0	\$	21,227	\$	268,616	6.75%
General Obligation Bonds		105,000		0		35,000		70,000	6.00%
Ohio Public Works Commission		203,839		0		15,970		187.869	4.00%
Ohio Public Works Commission	_	13,620	_	0		717		12,903	0%
Total	\$	612,302	\$	0	\$	72,914	\$_	539,388	

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) and the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loans relate to a sanitary sewer system interceptor and a sludge lagoon system mandated by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. The first OWDA loan will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$20,396, including interest, over 20 years, maturing January 1, 2014. The second OWDA loan will be repaid in full on July 1, 2008. The first OPWC loan will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$11,983, including interest over 20 years, maturing July 1, 2014. No assets are pledged to secure these loans.

The second Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loan relates to the installments of a storm drainage system and partial separation of the sewer system on East Main Street. The loan will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$358 (no interest), over 20 years, maturing January 1, 2023. No assets are pledged to secure this loan.

The General Obligation Bonds relate to improving the Village's waterworks system by expanding and upgrading its water treatment plant. The Bonds will be repaid in quarterly installments with a fixed principal amount of \$8,750 and a declining interest amount, over 10 years. The bonds will be repaid on November 1, 2006. No assets are pledged to secure these bonds.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

				General				
Year Ending	1st	2nd	C	Dbligation		1st		2nd
December 31	<u>OWDA Loan</u>	<u>DWDA Loan</u>		Bond		OPWC		OPWC
2006	\$ 40,792	\$ 0	\$	36,313	\$	23,965	\$	717
2007	40,792	0		0		23,965	•	717
2008	40,792	59,651		0		23,965		717
2009	40,792	0		0		23,965		717
2010	40,792	0		0		23,965		717
2011 - 2015	122,376	0		0		83,878		3,584
2016 - 2020	0	0		0		0		3,584
2021 - 2025	0	0		0	_	0		1,433
Totals	\$ <u>326,336</u>	\$ <u>59,651</u>	\$	36,313	\$_	203,703	\$_	12,186

(7) RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

All employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2005 and 2004 OPERS participants contributed 8.5 percent of their wages. The Village has contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of the participants' gross salaries for 2005 and 2004. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2005.

Pension expense amounted to \$23,019 and \$23,269 for 2005 and 2004, respectively.

(8) **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Village belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the Plan), and unincorporated non-profit association with approximately 600 governmental entity members providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services.

Pursuant to § 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverage, modified for each member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the member's deductible.

The Plan uses conventional insurance coverages and reinsured these coverages 100%, rather than using a risk pool of member funds to pay individual and collective losses. Therefore, the individual members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member.

The Plan's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2005 and 2004.

	<u>2005</u>	2004
Assets	\$ 8,219,430	\$ 6,685,522
Liabilities	<u>2,748,639</u>	2,227,808
Member's Equity	\$ <u>5,470,791</u>	\$ <u>4,457,714</u>

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Village of Metamora Fulton County 114 E. Main Street, P.O.Box 299 Metamora, OH 43540-0299

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Metamora, Fulton County, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2006 wherein we noted that the Village prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes, rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audits and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Governmental Auditing Standards*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to the Council of the Village of Metamora, Fulton County, in a separate letter dated December 13, 2006.

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This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Village Council, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

~ Geoup LLP de tin December 13, 2006

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VILLAGE OF METAMORA

FULTON COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED MAY 10, 2007

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