Pleasant Township Brown County

Agreed-Upon Procedures

For the Years Ended December 31, 2010 and 2009



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Board of Trustees Pleasant Township 4090 Drake Marshall Road Georgetown, Ohio 45121

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of Pleasant Township, Brown County, prepared by Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc., for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

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. Pleasant Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

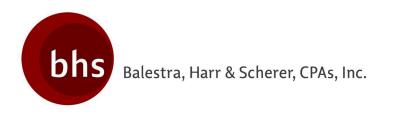
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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Pleasant Township Brown County 4090 Drake Marshall Road Georgetown, Ohio 45121

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of Pleasant Township (the Township) and the Auditor of State agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

#### Cash

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2009 beginning fund balances recorded in the Cash Journal to the December 31, 2008 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2010 and 2009 fund cash balances reported in the Cash Journal. The amount agreed for 2009. We noted variances of \$139 in 2010.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2010 bank account balance with the Township's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balance to the amount appearing in the December 31, 2010 bank reconciliation without exception.

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#### Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes (the Statement) for 2010 and one from 2009:
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the Statement to the amount recorded in the Receipt Journal. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether the receipt was allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions
  - c. We determined whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We scanned the Receipt Journal to determine whether it included the proper number of tax receipts for 2010 and 2009:
  - **a**. Two personal property tax receipts
  - b. Two real estate tax receipts

We noted the Receipts Journal included the proper number of tax settlement receipts for each year.

- 3. We selected all the receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2010 and all from 2009. We also selected five receipts from the County Auditor's Vendor Report from 2010 and five from 2009.
  - a. We compared the amount from the DTL and the County's Report to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Journal. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund(s). We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### **Over-The-Counter Cash Receipts**

We haphazardly selected 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2010 and 10 over-thecounter cash receipts from the year ended 2009 recorded in the Receipt Journal and determined whether the:

- a. Receipt amount agreed to the amount recorded in the receipt journal. The amounts agreed.
- b. Amount charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Receipt was posted to the proper fund, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions

Debt

- 1. The prior audit report disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2008.
- We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Journal and Appropriations Ledger for evidence of debt issued during 2010 or 2009 or debt payment activity during 2010 or 2009. We noted no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2010 or 2009.

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#### Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2010 and one payroll check for five employees from 2009 from the Appropriations Ledger and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Appropriations Ledger to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We recomputed gross and net pay and agreed it to the amount recorded in the payroll register. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the fund and account code(s) to which the check was posted were reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the meeting minutes. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We scanned the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2010 to determine whether remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period during 2010. We noted the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare	January 31, 2011	01/19/2011	\$537.64	\$537.64
State income taxes	January15, 2011	01/19/2011	\$180.00	\$180.00
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2011	01/19/2011	\$1294.06	\$1294.06

#### Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. From the Appropriations Ledger, we re-footed checks recorded as General Fund disbursements for administrative supplies, and checks recorded as Public Works in the Gasoline Tax Fund for 2010 and 2009. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Appropriations Ledger for the year ended December 31, 2010 and ten from the year ended 2009 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Appropriations Ledger and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
  - d. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a Then and Now Certificate, as required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

#### **Compliance – Budgetary**

 We compared the total amounts from the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Receipt Journal for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Gasoline Tax funds for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. The accounting system did not integrate budgeted amounts into their accounting system. This should have been done in the Receipts Journal, but no budgeted amounts were posted. Furthermore, the Workbook for Cash Basis Annual Financial Report did not record budgeted amounts at fiscal year end. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Receipts Journal to amounts recorded on the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.

- 2. We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2010 and 2009 to determine whether, for the General, Gasoline Tax and Fire District levy funds, the Trustees appropriated separately for "each office, department, and division, and within each, the amount appropriated for personal services," as is required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38(C). We found no exceptions
- 3. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Ledger for 2010 and 2009 for the following funds: General Fund, Gasoline Tax and Motor Vehicle License Tax Funds. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Ledger.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Gasoline Tax funds for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. We noted no funds for which appropriations exceeded certified resources.
- 5. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Gasoline Tax funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Ledger. We noted no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externally-restricted resources. We scanned the Receipts Journal for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2010 and 2009. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Township received new restricted receipts. We noted no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 would require the Township to establish a new fund.
- 7. We scanned the 2010 and 2009 Receipts Journal and Appropriation Ledger for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$1,000 which Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.14 -- .16 restrict. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Section 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner and Court of Common Pleas.
- 8. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriation Ledger to determine whether the Township elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. We noted the Township did not establish these reserves.

#### **Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures**

- 1. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriations Ledger report for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 for procurements requiring competitive bidding under the following statutes:
  - a. Materials, machinery and tools used in constructing, maintaining and repairing roads and culverts, where costs exceeded \$25,000. (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5549.21)
  - b. Construction and erection of a memorial building or monument costs exceeding \$25,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 511.12)
  - c. Equipment for fire protection and communication costs exceeding \$50,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Sections 505.37 to 505.42)
  - d. Street lighting systems or improvement costs exceeding \$25,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 515.07)

- e. Building modification costs exceeding \$25,000 to achieve energy savings (Ohio Rev. Code Section 505.264)
- f. Private sewage collection tile costs exceeding \$25,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Sections 521.02 to 521.05)
- g. Fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, other fire equipment, appliances, materials, fire hydrants, buildings, or fire-alarm communications equipment or service costs exceeding \$50,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 505.37(A))
- h. Maintenance and repair of roads exceeding \$45,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01)
- i. Construction or reconstruction of a township road exceeding \$15,000/per mile (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01)

We identified no purchases subject to the aforementioned bidding requirements.

2. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriations Ledger for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 to determine if the township proceeded by force account (i.e. used its own employees) to maintain or repair roads (cost of project \$15,000 - \$45,000) or to construct or reconstruct township roads (cost of project \$5,000 - \$15,000/per mile) for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01 requires the county engineer to complete a force account project assessment form (i.e., cost estimate). We identified no projects requiring the county engineer to complete a force account cost estimate.

We did not receive a response from Officials to the exceptions reported above.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Township's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance, the Auditor of State, and others within in the Township, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Balistra, Harr & Scherur

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc. June 24, 2011



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PLEASANT TOWNSHIP

### **BROWN 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 JULY 28, 2011

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