VILLAGE OF HOLMESVILLE

HOLMES COUNTY

AGREED UPON PROCEDURE

FOR THE YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 2009-2010



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Village Council Village of Holmesville P. O. Box 113 Holmesville, Ohio 44633

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Village of Holmesville, Holmes County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports 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. The Village of Holmesville is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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March 30, 2011

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Village of Holmesville Holmes County P.O. Box 113 Holmesville, Ohio 44633

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Village Council and Mayor, and the management of the Village of Holmesville, Holmes County (the Village) and the Auditor of State have agreed, solely to assist the Council and Mayor 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, the Mayor, and / or the Council 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 and Investments

- 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 Fund Status Report 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 Fund Status Reports. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2010 bank account balance with the Village's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2010 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five outstanding checks haphazardly from the December 31, 200X+1 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each check to the debit appearing in the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We traced the amounts and date written to the check register, to determine the checks were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.

- 6. We tested investments held at December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 to determine that they:
 - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions.
 - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

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 Register Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We determined whether the receipt was allocated to the proper fund(s) 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 Register Report 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 Register Report included the proper number of tax settlement receipts for each year, with the exception of only one personal property tax receipt in 2010 and 2009. This was verified proper with the county auditor.

- 3. We selected five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2010 and five from 2009.
 - a. We compared the amount from the DTL to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. 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.

Sewer Fund

- 1. We haphazardly selected 10 Sewer Fund collection cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2010 and 10 collection cash receipts from the year ended 2009 recorded in the Receipt Register Report and determined whether the:
 - a. Receipt amount per the Receipt Register Report agreed to the amount recorded to the credit of the customer's account in the Customer History Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. Amount charged for the related billing period complied with rates in force during the audit period. We found no exceptions.
 - c. Amount charged was posted as a receivable in the Customer History Report for the billing period.
 - d. Receipt was posted to the proper fund, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

- 2. We read the Aged Accounts Receivable Report.
 - a. We noted this report listed \$10,312 and \$11,946 of accounts receivable as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.
 - b. Of the total receivables reported in the preceding step, \$3,198 and \$3,398 were recorded as more than 90 days delinquent.
- 3. We read the Transaction List Adjustment Report.
 - a. We noted this report listed a total of \$740 and \$227 non-cash receipts adjustments for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.
 - b. We selected five non-cash adjustments from 2010 and five non-cash adjustments from 2009. However, we were unable to obtain verification that the President of the Board of Public Affairs approved each adjustment.

Debt

- 1. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of bonded or note debt issued during 2010 or 2009 or outstanding as of December 31, 2010 or 2009. [All debt noted agreed to the summary we used in step 2.] We noted no new debt issuances.
- 2. We obtained a summary of bonded debt activity for 2010 and 2009 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedules to enterprise debt service reserve fund and sewer operating fund payments reported in the Payment Register Detail Report. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the Village made the payments. We found no exceptions.

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 Payroll Register Detail and determined whether the following information in the employees' personnel files and minute record was consistent with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
 - a. Name
 - b. Authorized salary or pay rate
 - c. Departments and funds to which the check should be charged.
 - d. Retirement system participation and payroll withholding.
 - e. Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding.
 - f. Any other deduction authorizations (deferred compensation, etc.)

We found no exceptions related to steps a. – f. above.

- 2. We tested the checks we selected in step 1, as follows:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary amount used in computing gross pay to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found an exception as the Village was unable to provide legislatively approved pay rates or salaries.
 - b. We determined whether the fund and account codes to which the check was posted was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files and minute record. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.

3. 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 that the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld during the final withholding period during 2010. We noted the following:

			Amount	
Withholding	Date Due	Date Paid	Withheld	Amount Paid
Federal income	January 31,	12/20/2010	\$124.43	\$124.43
taxes	2011			
State income	January 15,	12/20/2010	\$69.41	\$69.41
taxes	2011			
OPERS	January 30,	12/31/2010	\$303.95	\$270.20
retirement	2011			
(withholding plus				
employee share)				

As noted above, as of the date of this report, the Village has not paid OPERS the full amount due as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 145.47 and 145.48 by January 31, 2011. OPERS has been notified of this matter.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report 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 Payment Register Detail Report 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 fourteen instances where the certification date was after the vendor invoice date. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires certifying at the time of a commitment, which should precede the invoice date.

Compliance – Budgetary

1. We compared the total from the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report for the General, State Highway and Sewer Operating funds for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. The amounts on the Certificate agreed to the amount recorded in the accounting system, except for the Sewer Operating fund. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the Sewer Operating fund of \$173,184 for 2009. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$164,884. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report to amounts recorded on the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Council may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and to monitor spending.

- 2. We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2010 and 2009 to determine whether, for the General, State Highway and Sewer Operating funds, the Council 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 Section 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2010 and 2009 for the following funds: General, State Highway and Sewer Operating. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status report with the following exceptions: In 2010, the appropriation resolution showed \$51,780 for the General fund and \$191,027 for the Sewer Operating fund. However, the Appropriation Status Report showed \$54,321 for the General Fund and \$199,556 for the Sewer Operating fund. In 2009, the appropriation resolution showed \$65,271 for the General fund and \$171,865 for the Sewer Operating fund. However, the Appropriation Status Report showed \$75,190 for the General Fund and \$184,748 for the Sewer Operating fund.
- 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, State Highway and Sewer Operating 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, State Highway and Sewer Operating fund, as recorded in the Appropriation resolution. 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 Receipt Register Report for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2010 and 2009. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Village received new restricted receipts. The Village established two funds in 2009 for OPWC and CDBG receipts and disbursements for road projects in compliance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 and 2 CFR Part 176.210.
- We scanned the 2010 and 2009 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$1 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 Status Reports to determine whether the Village elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. We noted the Village established an enterprise reserve account. The balance in this account was \$4,200 as of December 31, 2010.

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Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures

- We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail report for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 for material or labor procurements which exceeded \$25,000, and therefore required competitive bidding under Ohio Rev. Code Section 731.14. We identified a street improvement project exceeding \$25,000, subject to Ohio Rev. Code Section 731.14. For this project, we noted that the Council advertised the project in a local newspaper, and selected the lowest responsible bidder.
- 2. We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 to determine if the Village had road construction projects exceeding \$30,000 for which Ohio Rev. Code Sections 117.16(A) and 723.52 requires the Village engineer, or officer having a different title but the duties and functions of an engineer, to complete a force account project assessment form (i.e., cost estimate). We identified no projects requiring the completion of the force account assessment form.
- 3. For the road maintenance project described in step 1 above, we read the contract and noted that it required the contractor to pay prevailing wages to their employees as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 4115.04 and 4115.05. The contract included the Ohio Department of Commerce's schedule of prevailing rates, and also required the contractor to incorporate the prevailing wage requirements into its subcontracts.

Management's Responses:

Management will present sewer adjustments to the President of the Board of Public Affairs in the future.

Management already has had Council approve salary/wages in the minutes.

There was an oversight on the OPERS remittance and we will pay OPERS the difference on the next check run.

Management will make an effort to certify the availability of all funds on future payments.

Management will properly post all estimated receipts and appropriations to the UAN system in the future.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Village'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 and those charged with governance and the Auditor of State and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc. February 27, 2011



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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 APRIL 12, 2011

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