### PLEASANT TOWNSHIP FRANKLIN COUNTY

### **AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

## FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013-2012



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

Pleasant Township Franklin County 5373 Norton Rd Grove City, OH 43123

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of Pleasant Township (the Township) 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, 2013 and 2012, 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 and Investments**

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- We agreed the January 1, 2012 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Journal Report to the December 31, 2011 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2013 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Journal Report to the December 31, 2012 balances in the Fund Journal Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2013 and 2012 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Journal Reports. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2013 bank account balances with the Township's financial institutions for First Merit. We found no exceptions. We observed the year-end bank balance on the financial institution's website for Fifth Third. The balances agreed.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2013 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.
- 6. We tested investments held at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 to determine that they:

#### Cash and Investments (Continued)

- 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 and Intergovernmental Receipts**

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2013 and one from 2012:
  - 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.
- We scanned the Receipt Journal to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2013 and 2012. We noted the Receipt Journal included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We selected five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2013 and five from 2012. We also selected five receipts from the County Auditor's Vendor Invoice List from 2013 and five from 2012.
  - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Journal. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Debt

- 1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2011.
- 2. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Journal and Check Register for evidence of debt issued during 2013 or 2012 or debt payment activity during 2013 or 2012. We noted no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2013 or 2012.

#### Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2013 and one payroll check for five employees from 2012 from the Appropriation Ledger Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Employee Earnings Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. 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 employees' personnel files or as required by statute. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. For any new employees selected in step 1 we determined whether the following information in the employees' personnel files was consistent with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:

#### **Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)**

- a. Name
- b. Authorized salary or pay rate
- C.
- d. Department(s) and fund(s) to which the check should be charged
- e. Retirement system participation and payroll withholding
- f. Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding
- g. Any other deduction authorizations (deferred compensation, etc.)

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

3. We scanned the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2013 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 of 2013. We noted the following:

| Withholding<br>(plus employer<br>share, where<br>applicable)   | Date Due            | Date Paid | Amount Due | Amount Paid |
|--|---------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Federal income<br>taxes & Medicare<br>(and social security,<br>for employees not<br>enrolled in pension<br>system) | January 31,<br>2014 | 1/30/2014 | 18,376.83  | 18,376.83   |
| State income taxes   | January 15,<br>2014 | 1/14/2014 | 2,653.14   | 2,653.14    |
| Columbus Local<br>Income tax   | January 15,<br>2014 | 1/14/2014 | 832.87     | 832.87      |
| Grove City Local<br>Income Tax   | January 31,<br>2014 | 1/14/2014 | 303.70     | 303.70      |
| School District Tax<br>(Jefferson LSD,<br>Teays Valley LSD,<br>Johnstown-<br>Monroe)                               | January 15,<br>2014 | 1/14/2014 | 136.46     | 136.46      |
| OPERS retirement   | January 31,<br>2014 | 1/29/2014 | 5,291.88   | 5,291.88    |
| OP&F retirement  | January 31,<br>2014 | 1/29/2014 | 16,789.18  | 16,789.18   |

- 4. We haphazardly selected and recomputed one termination payment (unused vacation, etc.) using the following information, and agreed the computation to the amount paid as recorded in the Appropriation Ledger Report:
  - a. Accumulated leave records
  - b. The employee's pay rate in effect as of the termination date
  - c. The Township's payout policy.

The amount paid was consistent with the information recorded in a. through c. above.

#### Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

We inquired of management and scanned the Check Register for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 to determine if Township employees and/or Trustees were reimbursed for out-of-pocket insurance premiums. We noted no such reimbursements.

#### **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Check Register for the year ended December 31, 2013 and ten from the year ended 2012 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 Check Register 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 seven instances where the certification date was after the vendor invoice date, and there was also no evidence that a *Then and Now Certificate* was issued. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires certifying at the time of a commitment, which should be on or before the invoice date, unless a *Then and Now Certificate* is used. Because we did not test all disbursements requiring certification, our report provides no assurance whether or not additional similar errors occurred.

#### **Compliance – Budgetary**

- 1. We compared the total estimated receipts from the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Receipt Journal Report for the General, Gasoline Tax and Fire District funds for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. The Receipt Journal Report did not have recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for any of the 3 funds tested for 2012. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected the General, Gasoline Tax, and Fire District funds of \$268,781, \$75,000, and \$2,253,787, respectively, for 2012. For 2013, the Receipt Journal Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources of \$296,129, \$89,966, and \$1,938,419 for the General, Gasoline Tax, and Fire District funds, respectively. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$233,618, \$88,000, and \$2,027,828 for these funds, respectively, for FY 2013. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report to amounts recorded on the final 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.
- We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2013 and 2012 to determine whether, for the General, Gasoline Tax and Fire District 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.

#### **Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)**

- 3. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Ledger Report for 2013 and 2012 for the following funds: *General, Gasoline Tax, and Fire District.* The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status report, except as follows. We noted the final approved Appropriations for the Fire District Fund for 2012 were \$2,511,139. However, the Appropriation Ledger Report had recorded appropriations of \$2,778,653. We further noted that the final approved Appropriations for the General Fund for 2013 were \$890,289. However, the Appropriation Ledger Report had recorded appropriations of \$910,289.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.36(A)(5) and 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General, Gasoline Tax and Motor Vehicle funds for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. 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, 2013 and 2012 for the General, Gasoline Tax and Motor Vehicle funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Ledger Report. 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 Journal for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2013 and 2012. 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 2013 and 2012 Receipt Journal Reports and Appropriation Ledger Reports for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$10,000 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 Reports 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.
- 9. We scanned the Fund Ledger Report for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10(I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. We noted no funds having a negative cash fund balance.

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

We inquired of management and scanned the Check Register for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 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 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, the Board of Trustees, and others within the Township, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Columbus, Ohio

July 17, 2014



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FRANKLIN 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 AUGUST 12, 2014

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