TRUMBULL TOWNSHIP

ASHTABULA COUNTY

JANUARY 1, 2012 TO DECEMBER 31, 2013 AGREED UPON PROCEDURES



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Board of Trustees Trumbull Township 2443 S. R. 534 Geneva, Ohio 44041

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Trumbull Township, Ashtabula County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. 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. The Trumbull Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Trumbull Township Ashtabula County 2443 S. R. 534 Geneva, Ohio 44041

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of Trumbull 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, 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

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2012 beginning fund balances recorded in the Cash Summary by Fund 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 Cash Summary by Fund Report to the December 31, 2012 balances in the Cash Summary by Fund 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 Status Reports. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2013 bank account balances with the Township's financial institutions. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2013 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 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.

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 2013 and one from 2012:
 - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. We also traced the 2012 advance noted on the Statement to the Receipt Register Report. 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 Register Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts plus one 2012 advance for 2013 and 2012. We noted the Receipts Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We selected three receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2013 and three from 2012. We also selected five receipts from the County Auditor's Payment Register from 2013 and five from 2012.
 - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. 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.
- 4. We agreed the amount paid from the Andover Bank for a note issuance to the Township during 2013 to supporting documentation. We also agreed the amount paid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a grant to the Township during 2012 to supporting documentation. We found no exceptions.
 - a. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions in 2013. In 2012, the Township recorded the FEMA Fire Assistance Grant monies into the Special Levy-Fire fund instead of a separate fund as required by Auditor of State Bulletin 98-013.
 - b. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

1. From the prior audit documentation, we noted the following notes outstanding as of December 31, 2011. These amounts agreed to the Townships January 1, 2012 balances on the summary we used in step 3.

Issue	Principal outstanding as of December 31, 2011:	
General Obligation Notes – Ford F-550	\$32,948	
Ohio Public Works	\$392,100	
Ohio Public Works	\$97,500	

- 2. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2013 or 2012 or debt payment activity during 2013 or 2012. All debt noted agreed to the summary we used in step 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of note debt activity for 2013 and 2012 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedules to Road and Bridge and Debt service fund payments reported in the Payment Register Detail Report. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the Township made the payments. We found no exceptions.
- 4. We agreed the amount of debt proceeds from the debt documents to amounts recorded in the Miscellaneous Capital Projects fund per the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed. The Township properly recorded the proceeds in a capital project fund.
- 5. For new debt issued during 2013 and 2012, we inspected the debt legislation, noting the Township must use the proceeds to purchase a John Deere 6105 Cab Tractor and Tiger Mower attachments. We scanned the Payment Register Detail Report and noted the Township purchased a John Deere 6105 Cab Tractor and Tiger Mower attachments in August and October of 2013, respectively.

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 Employee Detail Adjustment Report and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Employee Detail Adjustment Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We determined whether the fund and account codes to which the check was posted were reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the minute record or as required by statute. 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, 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 (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2014	December 31, 2013	\$2,271.38	\$2,271.38
State income taxes	January 15, 2014	December 31, 2013	\$248.87	\$248.87
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	\$2,672.46	\$2,672.46

3. For the pay periods ended October 31, 2013 and November 30, 2012 we recomputed the allocation of the Fiscal Officer's and Boards' salaries to the General and Road and Bridge Fund per the Employee Detail Adjustment Report. We found no exceptions.

For the pay periods described in the preceding step, we traced the Fiscal Officer's and Boards' salary for time or services performed to supporting certifications the Revised Code requires. We found no exceptions.

We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report 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

We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report 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 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 one instance in 2013 and three instances in 2012 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 *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, Gasoline Tax and Cemetery funds for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2013 and 2012 to determine whether, for the General, Gasoline Tax and Cemetery 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 Status Report for 2013 and 2012 for the following funds: General, Gasoline Tax Fund, and Cemetery Fund. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status report except for in 2013, the General fund appropriation resolution reported \$77,369 and the Appropriation Status Report reported \$80,549 and the Cemetery fund appropriation resolution resolution reported \$4,772 and the Appropriation Status Report reported \$6,655; and in 2012, the Cemetery fund appropriation resolution reported \$6,429.
- 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 Cemetery 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 Trustee approved appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 for the General, Gasoline Tax and Cemetery funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We noted no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations except for the Cemetery Fund, whose expenditures for 2012 exceeded total Trustee approved appropriations by \$3,045, contrary to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(B). The Fiscal Officer should ensure all appropriation measures are approved by the Trustees prior to including them in the UAN system 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, 2013 and 2012. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Township received new restricted receipts. The Township did not establish a separate fund for FEMA monies received in 2013 and 2012, funds were credited to the Special Levy-Fire Fund; however, disbursements that equaled those funds credited were also expended out of that Special Levy-Fire Fund. Auditor of State Bulletin 98-013 requires a separate fund to be established.
- 7. We scanned the 2013 and 2012 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$0 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 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 Cash Summary by Fund 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.

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Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures

We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report 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, those charged with governance the Auditor of State, 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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Julian & Grube, Inc. March 26, 2014



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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 MAY 13, 2014

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