





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

Green Township Clark County 4163 E.Pitchin Rd. Springfield, Ohio 45502

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of Green Township (the Township), on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Township's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Township. The Township is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Township. 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 recalculated the December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2016 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2015 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2017 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2016 balances in the Fund Ledger Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2017 and 2016 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2017 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, 2017 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2017 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. There were no exceptions.

## Cash (Continued)

- 6. We selected the only reconciling credit (such as deposits in transit) from the December 31, 2017 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced the credit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We agreed the credit amount to the Receipt Detail Report. The credit was recorded as a December receipt for the same amount recorded in the reconciliation.

### **Property Taxes & Intergovernmental Cash Receipts**

- 1. We haphazardly selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2017 and one from 2016:
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to confirm the receipt was allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found one exception. In 2017, the gross property tax receipts were allocated to the proper funds; however, the tax collection fees were overstated in the General fund and understated in the Emergency Medical Services fund by \$606.75. The Township should review settlements and record the tax collection fees to the appropriate fund.
  - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to confirm whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2017 and 2016. The Receipt Detail Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We haphazardly selected five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2017 and five from 2016. We also haphazardly selected five receipts from the County Auditor's Vendor Activity Reports from 2017 and five from 2016.
  - We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to confirm that these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found two exceptions. In 2016, a rollback reimbursement from the state was posted entirely to the General fund, in the amount of \$37.81; however, it should have been posted to the General (\$1.15), Road & Bridge (\$10.98), Emergency Medical Services (\$3.66), Ambulance and EMS (\$6.80), Fire District (\$7.74), and Fire 2 Hustead (\$7.48) funds based on the allocation of the levies. In 2017, a Fire Department Training Grant from the state in the amount of \$450 was posted to the Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund, rather than to the Fire District Fund. The Township should implement procedures to review receipts to ensure they are allocated to the proper funds.
  - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Debt

1. From the prior audit documentation, we observed the following note and loan were outstanding as of December 31, 2015. These amounts agreed to the Township's January 1, 2016 balances on the summary we used in procedure 3.

# **Debt (Continued)**

| Issue                  | Principal outstanding as of December 31, 2015: |  |  |
|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Bond Anticipation Note | \$176,473                                      |  |  |
| Tanker Loan            | \$183,859                                      |  |  |

- 2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Receipt Detail Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2017 or 2016 or debt payment activity during 2017 or 2016. All debt agreed to the summary we used in procedure 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of bonded debt and loan activity for 2017 and 2016 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt invoices to Emergency Medical Services, Fire 2 Hustead, and Fire District fund payments reported in the Payment Register Detail Report. The Township elected to make principal payments in excess of the amount due. 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 Fire 2 Husted fund per the Receipt Detail Report. The amounts agreed. The Township properly recorded the proceeds in the Fire 2 Hustead fund as required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09(E).
- 5. For new debt issued during 2016, we inspected the debt legislation, which stated the Township must use the proceeds to purchase a fire truck. We inspected the Payment Register Detail Report and observed the Township purchased a fire truck in October of 2016.

### **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2017 and one payroll check for five employees from 2016 from the Wage Detail Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Wage Detail Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the fund and account code(s) to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' timecards or as required by statute. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. For the only new employee selected in procedure 1 we inspected the employee's personnel file for the following information and compared it with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
  - a. Name
  - b. Authorized salary or pay rate
  - c. Department and fund 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 procedures a. – f. above.

# **Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)**

3. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2017 to confirm 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 2017. We observed the following:

| Withholding<br>(plus employer share,<br>where applicable) | Date<br>Due      | Date<br>Paid     | Amount<br>Due | Amount<br>Paid |
|---|------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Federal income taxes & Medicare                           | January 31, 2018 | January 10, 2018 | \$2,489.72    | \$2,489.72     |
| State income taxes  | January 15, 2018 | January 6, 2018  | \$459.36      | \$459.36       |
| OPERS retirement  | January 30, 2018 | January 29, 2018 | \$5,448.68    | \$5,448.68     |
| Fairborn City School District Income Tax                  | January 15, 2018 | January 6, 2018  | \$0.95        | \$0.95         |
| Northeastern Local School District Income Tax             | January 15, 2018 | January 6, 2018  | \$25.30       | \$25.30        |
| Northwestern Local School District Income Tax             | January 15, 2018 | January 6, 2018  | \$4.02        | \$4.02         |
| Southeastern Local School District Income Tax             | January 15, 2018 | January 6, 2018  | \$58.25       | \$58.25        |

4. We inquired of management and inspected the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 to determine if Township employees and/or trustees were reimbursed for out-of-pocket insurance premiums. Insurance reimbursements made were in compliance with ORC 505.60 and 505.601 and federal regulations.

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

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2017 and ten from the year ended 2016 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 noted two exceptions where the check number per the Payment Register Detail Report did not match the canceled check. The Township should implement procedures to make ensure the check numbers per the Payment Register Detail Report match the physical checks being issued.
  - 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 two 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 §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, Road and Bridge and Fire 2 Hustead funds for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We inspected the appropriation measures adopted for 2017 and 2016 to determine whether, for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax, and Ambulance and Emergency Medical Services 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 2017 and 2016 for the following funds: General, Fire District and Emergency Medical Services Funds. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2016 and for the General and Fire District funds for 2017. The 2017 approved appropriations for the Emergency Medical Services Fund was \$107,470.75; however, the Appropriation Status Report reflected \$181,925. The Fiscal Officer should periodically compare approved appropriations to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.
- 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, Road and Bridge and Fire District funds for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. There were 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, 2017 and 2016 for the General, Road and Bridge and Fire District funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. There were no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externally-restricted resources. We inspected the Receipt Register Report for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2017 and 2016. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Township received new restricted receipts. We observed no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 would require the Township to establish a new fund.
- 7. For funds existing in prior years, we inspected the fund activity to determine whether the fund is still being used for the statutorily approved purpose and that all the required funds were established. All the required funds were established and no funds for which the statutorily approved purpose was no longer valid were included on the accounting records.
- 8. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the Permanent Fund. Not more than 5% of non-spendable monies were released, spent, or otherwise modified during the engagement period.

# **Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)**

- 9. We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Status Reports to determine whether the Township elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. The Township did not establish these reserves.
- 10. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 for negative cash fund balances. 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. No funds had a negative cash fund balance.

# **Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures**

We inquired of management and inspected the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 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.

# **Other Compliance**

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires townships to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, in addition to filing extensions granted for extenuating circumstances, allow for refiling complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System for December 31, 2017 and 2016 fiscal year ends included in 2015-2016 or 2016-2017 agreed up on procedure engagements, subsequent to the Township's deadline where the initial filing was filed on time but incomplete. We confirmed the Township filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy, within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
- We inquired of the fiscal officer and inspected the Fiscal Integrity Act Portal (<a href="http://www.ohioauditor.gov/fiscalintegrity/default.html">http://www.ohioauditor.gov/fiscalintegrity/default.html</a>) to determine whether the fiscal officer obtained the training required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 507.12 and 733.81. The Fiscal Officer obtained the required training

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

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the Township's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

June 5, 2018





## **GREEN TOWNSHIP**

## **CLARK 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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JUNE 26, 2018