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VILLAGE OF MOSCOW CLERMONT COUNTY Agreed-Upon Procedures For the Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016



Village Council Village of Moscow P.O. Box 93 30 Well Street Moscow, Ohio 45153

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Village of Moscow, Clermont County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017 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 Village of Moscow is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

August 8, 2018



VILLAGE OF MOSCOW CLERMONT COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

June 25, 2018

Village of Moscow Clermont County PO Box 93 30 Wells St. Moscow, Ohio 45153

To the Village Council, Mayor, and Management:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Village Council, Mayor, and the management of the **Village of Moscow**, Clermont County, Ohio (the Village) and the Auditor of State, on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Village'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 Village. The Village 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 Village. 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 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 Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances to the December 31, 2015 balances in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2017 beginning fund balances recorded in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances to the December 31, 2016 balances in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances. We found no exceptions.

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Cash and Investments (Continued)

- We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2017 and 2016 fund cash balances reported in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We observed the year-end bank balances on the financial institution's website. The balances agreed. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2017 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected all 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.
- 6. We selected all reconciling credits (such as deposits in transit) haphazardly from the December 31, 2017 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each credit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We agreed the credit amounts to the Revenue Ledger. Each credit was recorded as a December receipt for the same amount recorded in the reconciliation.
- 7. We inspected investments held at December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 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 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 Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to confirm 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 inspected the Revenue Ledger to confirm whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2017 and 2016. The Revenue Ledger included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.

Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts (Continued)

- 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 Clermont County Audit Trail by Vendor Report from 2017 and five from 2016.
 - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions. However, we noted rollback receipts were classified as Property and Other Local Taxes instead of Intergovernmental.
 - c. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

1. From the prior agreed-upon-procedures documentation, we observed the following loans outstanding as of December 31, 2015. These amounts did not agree to the Village's January 1, 2016 balances on the summary we used in procedure 3.

Issue	Principal outstanding as of December 31, 2015:	
Building Improvement Bonds	\$ 263,245	

- We inquired of management, and inspected the Revenue Ledger and Appropriation Ledger for evidence of debt issued during 2017 or 2016 or debt payment activity during 2017 or 2016. There were no new debt issuances during 2017 and 2016. We did observe debt payment activity during 2017 and 2016.
- 3. We obtained a summary of the loan debt activity for 2017 and 2016 and agreed principal and interest payments reported from the related debt amortization schedules to the Other Debt Service Fund payments reported in the Appropriation Ledger. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the Village made the payments. We noted that the summaries obtained for 2017 and 2016 had beginning balances that were \$556.43 more than the prior year workpaper balances for 2016 and 2017, respectively. We found no other exceptions.

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 Reports to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the personnel files or minute record. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. 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 employers share, where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2017. We noted the following:

Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

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, 2018	January 1, 2018	\$ 1,263.30	\$ 1,263.30
State income taxes	January 17, 2018	January 9, 2018	\$ 268.99	\$ 268.99
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2018	January 9, 2018	\$ 3,251.39	\$ 3,251.39

- 3. 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 Wage Detail Report:
 - a. Accumulated leave records
 - b. The employee's pay rate in effect as of the termination date
 - c. The Village's payout policy.

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

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Appropriation Ledger 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 Appropriation 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

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, Street Construction Maintenance and Repair, and State Highway Maintenance Funds for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. The amounts on the *Certificate* did not agree to the amount recorded in the accounting system in the General, Street Construction Maintenance and Repair, and State Highway Maintenance Funds in 2016 and 2017. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the General, Street Construction and Maintenance and Repair, and State Highway Maintenance Funds of \$593,154, \$8,122, and \$650 in 2016, respectively, and \$483,671, \$7,990, and \$634 in 2017, respectively. However, the final *Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources* reflected \$591,710, \$7,747, and \$622 in 2016, respectively, and \$482,044, \$7,523, and \$598 in 2017, respectively. 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 amounts do not agree, the Council may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.

Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)

- 2. We inspected the appropriation measures adopted for 2017 and 2016 to determine whether, for the General, Street Construction Maintenance and Repair and State Highway Maintenance 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 2017 and 2016 for the following funds: General, Street Construction Maintenance and Repair and State Highway Maintenance Funds. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report, except for the General Fund in 2016. The Appropriation Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) appropriations for the General Fund of \$823,381 in 2016. However, the final appropriations filed with the county reflected \$737,381 in 2016. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report to amounts recorded on the *Final County Filed Appropriations*. If amounts do not agree, the Council 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, Street Construction Maintenance and Repair and State Highway Maintenance Funds for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. We observed 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, Street Construction Maintenance and Repair and State Highway Maintenance Funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We observed 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 Revenue Ledger for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2017 and 2016. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Village received new restricted receipts. We observed no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 would require the Village to establish a new fund.
- 7. For funds existing in prior years, inspect 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 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 2017 and 2016 Revenue Ledger 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.
- 9. We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Status Report to determine whether the Village elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. The Village did not establish these reserves.

Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)

10. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 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 negative cash fund balances.

Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures

We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Ledger for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 to determine if the Village proceeded by force account (i.e. used its own employees) to maintain or repair roads (cost of project exceeding \$30,000) or to construct or reconstruct Village roads (cost of project \$30,000/per mile) 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.

Other Compliance

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires villages 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 Village's deadline where the initial filing was filed on time but incomplete. We confirmed the Village 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.
- 2. We inspected the Fiscal Integrity Act Portal (http://www.ohioauditor.gov/fiscalintegrity/default.html)] to determine whether the fiscal officer obtained the training required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 507.12 and 733.81. The Fiscal Officer did not obtain the required training, but has the remainder of his term to do so.

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 Village'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 Village'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.

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VILLAGE OF MOSCOW

CLERMONT 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 AUGUST 21, 2018