# VILLAGE OF RIVERLEA

# AUDIT REPORT

**JANUARY 1, 2016 - DECEMBER 31, 2017** 

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# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Village Council Village of Riverlea 240 West Riverglen Drive Worthington, Ohio 43805

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Village of Riverlea, Franklin County, prepared by Wilson, Phillips & Agin, CPA's, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

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 Riverlea is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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August 9, 2018

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Village of Riverlea Franklin County 240 West Riverglen Drive Worthington, Ohio 43805-3826

To the Village Council:

## **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type and related notes of the Village of Riverlea, Franklin County, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

## Management's Responsibility For the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Village's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

## Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Village prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, to satisfy these requirements.

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Although he effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Though the Village does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis permitted is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis* of Accounting paragraph below.

## Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village of Riverlea as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, or changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

## **Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of the Village of Riverlea, Franklin County as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 2.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated June 9, 2018, on our consideration of the Village of Riverlea's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Wilson, Phillips & Agin, CPA's, Inc. Zanesville, Ohio June 9, 2018

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

		Governmental Fund Types							_		
		General		Special Revenue		Debt Service		Capital Projects		Totals emorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:											
Property Taxes	\$	249,315	\$	-	\$	420,866	\$	-	\$	670,181	
Intergovernmental		30,237		24,880		8,096		-		63,213	
Fines, Licenses, Permits		11,662		-		-		-		11,662	
Earnings on Investments		1,450		346		421		1,956		4,173	
Total Cash Receipts		292,664		25,226		429,383		1,956		749,229	
Cash Disbursements:											
Current:											
Security of Person and Property		71,016		-		-		-		71,016	
Public Health		7,546		-		-		-		7,546	
Leisure Time Activities		3,899		-		-		-		3,899	
Community Environment		7,938		-		-		-		7,938	
Basic Utility Services		32,290		-		-		-		32,290	
Transportation		5,670		5,000		-		-		10,670	
General Government		47,959		-		6,003		-		53,962	
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		348,663		348,663	
Debt Service:											
Principal Retirement		9,908		-		395,000		-		404,908	
Interest and Fiscal Charges		-		-		5,960		-		5,960	
Total Cash Disbursements		186,226		5,000		406,963		348,663		946,852	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance		106,438		20,226		22,420		(346,707)		(197,623)	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		373,938		103,106		2,758		738,799		1,218,601	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31											
Restricted		-		123,332		25,178		392,092		540,602	
Committed		5,945		-		-		-		5,945	
Assigned		6,000		-		-		-		6,000	
Unassigned (Deficit)		468,431		-		-		-		468,431	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	480,376	\$	123,332	\$	25,178	\$	392,092	\$	1,020,978	
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See notes to financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017

## 1. REPORTING ENTITY

## **Description of the Entity**

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These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Village recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code 117-2-03(D) permit.

## **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain Agency Funds) be budgeted annually.

## Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

## **Estimated Resources**

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must approve estimated resources.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over and need not be reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2017 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### **Deposits and Investments**

The Village's accounting basis includes investment as assets. This basis does not record disbursement for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Money Market mutual funds (including STAR Ohio) are recorded at share values the mutual funds report. Investment in STAR Ohio is measured at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

#### Property, Plant, and Equipment

Acquisition of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

#### **Accumulated Leave**

In certain circumstances, such as leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

## Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Village must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

**Nonspendable** – The Village classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

**Restricted** – Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

**Committed** – Council can *commit* via formal action (resolution). The Village must adhere to these commitments unless council amends the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assigned – Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than general fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by Village Council or a Village official delegated that authority by ordinance, or by State Statute.

**Unassigned** – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Village applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classification could be used.

## 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

2017 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts							
	Budgeted Actual						
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance				
General	\$ 288,217	\$ 292,664	\$ 4,447				
Special Revenue	22,215	25,226	3,011				
Debt Service	400,000	429,383	29,383				
Capital Projects	-	1,956	1,956				
Total	\$ 710,432	\$ 749,229	\$ 38,797				

Budgetary activity for the year ended December 31, 2017 is as follows:

2017 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures							
	Appropriation	Appropriation Budgetary					
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance				
General	\$ 280,979	\$ 192,226	\$ 88,753				
Special Revenue	19,000	5,000	14,000				
Debt Service	401,000	406,963	(5,963)				
Capital Projects	778,000	348,663	429,337				
Total	\$ 1,478,979	\$ 952,852	\$ 526,127				

Contrary to ORC 5705.39, the Capital Projects Fund had appropriations greater than estimated resources.

Contrary to ORC 5705.41(D), the Village made expenditures prior to certification.

Contrary to ORC 5705.41(B), the Debt Service Fund had expenditures greater than appropriations.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017

## 4. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Village maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2017
Demand Deposits	\$ 1,010,800
Total Deposits	1,010,800
STAR Ohio	10,178
Total Investments	\$ 10,178
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ 1,020,978

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation; or collateralized by the financial institutions public entity deposit pool.

**Investments**: Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or bookentry form.

## 5. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Council adopted rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due by December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

## 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- \* Comprehensive property and general liability;
- \* Cyber Crime Liability;
- \* Public Officers Liability; and
- \* Employee Dishonesty

#### 7. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Village's full-time employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) of Ohio. OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes the plan benefits, which include postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2017, OPERS members contributed 10.0% of their gross wages and the Village contributed an amount equal to 14.0% of participant's gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2017.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2017

## 8. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. OPERS contributes 2 percent of the employer contribution to fund these benefits.

# 9. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2017 was as follows:

	2017	
	Principal	%
Ohio Public Works Commission CC05Q	\$ 525,103	0.00
Total	\$ 525,103	

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loan relates to the Village wide sanitary sewer project. The loan will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$9,908, including interest, over 30 years. The loan is collateralized by the village's tax authority. Paid from the General Fund.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year Ending	OPWC
December 31	CC05Q
2018	\$ 19,815
2019	19,815
2020	19,815
2021	19,815
2022	19,815
2023-2027	99,075
2028-2032	99,075
2033-2037	99,075
2038-2042	99,075
2043-2047	29,728
	\$ 525,103

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Governmental Fund Types						_			
	General		Special Revenue		Debt Service		Capital Projects		(Me	Totals emorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:										
Property Taxes	\$	245,514	\$	-	\$	408,197	\$	-	\$	653,711
Intergovernmental		30,830		24,485		8,240		-		63,555
Fines, Licenses, Permits		11,607		-		-		-		11,607
Earnings on Investments		1,037		274		334		669		2,314
Miscellaneous		1,029		-		-		-		1,029
Total Cash Receipts		290,017		24,759		416,771		669		732,216
Cash Disbursements:										
Current:										
Security of Person and Property		69,137		-		-		-		69,137
Public Health		7,266		-		-		-		7,266
Leisure Time Activities		1,900		-		-		-		1,900
Community Environment		5,938		-		-		-		5,938
Basic Utility Services		57,823		-		-		-		57,823
Transportation		14,223		10,000		-		-		24,223
General Government		48,987		-		9,052		-		58,039
Capital Outlay		3,415		-		-		55,628		59,043
Debt Service:		-, -								
Principal Retirement		19,815		-		395,000		-		414,815
Interest and Fiscal Charges				-		1,721		-		1,721
Total Cash Disbursements		228,504		10,000		405,773		55,628		699,905
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		61,513		14,759		10,998		(54,959)		32,311
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)										
Debt Proceeds		-		-		-		790,000		790,000
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)		-		-		-		790,000		790,000
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance		61,513		14,759		10,998		735,041		822,311
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		312,425		80,107		-		3,758		396,290
Fund Cash Balances, December 31										
Restricted		-		103,106		2,758		738,799		844,663
Committed		5,945		-		-		-		5,945
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **DECEMBER 31, 2016**

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assigned – Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than general fund report all fund balances as assigned unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by Village Council or a Village official delegated that authority by ordinance, or by State Statute.

Unassigned - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Village applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classification could be used.

## 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts								
Budgeted Actual								
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance					
General	\$ 468,843	\$ 290,017	\$ (178,826)					
Special Revenue	22,215	24,759	2,544					
Debt Service	7,237	416,771	409,534					
Capital Projects	790,000	790,669	669					
Total	\$ 1,288,295	\$ 1,522,216	\$ 233,921					

Budgetary activity for the year ended December 31, 2016 is as follows:

2016 Budg	geted vs. Actual Budg	etary Basis Expend	itures
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$ 280,879	\$ 234,504	\$ 46,375
Special Revenue	19,000	10,000	9,000
Debt Service	407,500	405,773	1,727
Capital Projects	70,000	55,628	14,372
Total	\$ 777,379	\$ 705,905	\$ 71,474

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Contrary to ORC 5705.39, the Debt Service Fund had appropriations greater than estimated resources.

Contrary to ORC 5705.41(D), the Village made expenditures prior to certification.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016

## 4. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Village maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2016
Demand Deposits	\$ 1,208,531
Total Deposits	1,208,531
STAR Ohio	10,070
Total Investments	\$ 10,070
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ 1,218,601

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation; or collateralized by the financial institutions public entity deposit pool.

**Investments**: Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or bookentry form.

## 5. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Council adopted rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due by December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Village.

## 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- \* Comprehensive property and general liability;
- \* Cyber Crime Liability;
- \* Public Officers Liability; and
- \* Employee Dishonesty

#### 7. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Village's full-time employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) of Ohio. OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes the plan benefits, which include postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2016, OPERS members contributed 10.0% of their gross wages and the Village contributed an amount equal to 14.0% of participant's gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2016.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016

## 8. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. OPERS contributes 2 percent of the employer contribution to fund these benefits.

# 9. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2016 was as follows:

	2016			
	Principal %			
Ohio Public Works Commission CC05Q	\$	535,011	0.00	
Park National Bank Note		395,000	1.48	
Total	\$	930,011		

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loan relates to the Village wide sanitary sewer project. The loan will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$9,908, including interest, over 30 years. The loan is collateralized by the village's tax authority. Paid from the General Fund.

The Park National Bank Note was issued in 2016 to pay for infrastructure projects in the Village. Interest is charged at 1.48% and will be repaid in two installments. This is paid from the Debt Service Fund.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year Ending	OPWC	Park
December 31	CC05Q	Note
2017	\$ 9,908	\$ 400,960
2018	19,815	-
2019	19,815	-
2020	19,815	-
2021	19,815	-
2022-2026	99,075	-
2027-2031	99,075	-
2032-2036	99,075	-
2037-2041	99,075	-
2042-2046	49,543	-
	\$ 535,011	\$ 400,960

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS.

Village of Riverlea Franklin County 240 West Riverglen Drive Worthington, Ohio 43805-3826

To the Village Council:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards general accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of Village of Riverlea, Franklin County as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 9, 2018, wherein we noted the Village followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered Village of Riverlea's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Village's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider Finding 2017-002 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness.

Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by Government Auditing Standards Page Two

# **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Village of Riverlea's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed three instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2017-001, 2017-003 and 2017-004.

# Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Wilson, Phillips & Agin, CPA's, Inc.* Zanesville, Ohio June 9, 2018

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

# FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

## FINDING NUMBER 2017-001

## **Noncompliance – Certification of Funds**

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) prohibits a subdivision or taxing authority from making any contract or ordering any expenditure of money unless a certificate signed by the fiscal officer is attached thereto. The fiscal officer must certify that the amount required to meet any such contract or expenditure has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury, or is in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrance.

There are several exceptions to the standard requirement stated above that a fiscal officer's certificate must be obtained prior to a subdivision or taxing authority entering into a contract or order involving the expenditure of money. The main exceptions are: "then and now" certificates, blanket certificates and super blanket certificates, which are provided for in Sections 5705.41(D) (1) and 5705.41(D)(3), respectively, of the Ohio Revised Code.

- If the fiscal officer can certify that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then") and at the time that the fiscal officer is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance, the Village can authorize the drawing of a warrant for the payment of the amount due. The Village has 30 days from the receipt of the "then and now" certificate to approve payment by ordinance or resolution. Amounts less than \$3,000 may be paid by the fiscal officer without a resolution or ordinance upon completion of the "then and now" certificate, provided that the expenditure is otherwise lawful. This does not eliminate any otherwise applicable requirement for approval of the expenditures by the Village.
- Blanket Certificates. Fiscal officers may prepare "blanket" certificates if the Village has approved their use and established maximum amounts.
- Super Blanket Certificates. The Village may also make expenditures and contracts for any amount from a specific line item appropriation account in a specified fund upon certification of the fiscal officer for most professional services, fuel, oil, food items, and any other specific recurring and reasonable predictable operation expense. This certification is not to extend beyond the current year. More than one so-called "super blanket" certificate may be outstanding at a particular time for any line item appropriation.

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

# FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

## FINDING NUMBER 2017-001 (Continued)

The Village did not certify the availability of funds prior to the purchase commitment for 59% of expenditures tested. For these item the Village also did not prepare blanket certificates, super blankets certificates or then and now certificates in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code. Failure to properly certify the availability of funds can result in overspending funds and negative cash fund balances.

We recommend the Village certify purchases to which Section 5705.41(D) applies. The most convenient certification method is to use purchase orders that include the certification language 5705.41(D) requires to authorize disbursements. The Fiscal Officer should sign the certification at the time the Village incurs a commitment and only when the requirements of 5705.41(D) are satisfied. The Fiscal Officer should post approved purchase commitments to the proper code, to reduce available appropriations.

Client Response: We have not received a response from client.

## FINDING NUMBER 2017-002

## **Material Weakness – Financial Reporting**

All local offices should maintain an accounting system and accounting records sufficient to enable the public office to identify, assemble, analyze, classify, record and report its transactions, maintain accountability for the related assets, document compliance with finance-related legal and contractual requirements and prepare financial statements.

The Village Officer's Handbook (Revised March 2013) provides suggested accounts classifications. These accounts classify receipts by fund and source (taxes or charges for services, for example) and classify disbursements by fund, program (general government, for example) or object (personal services, for example). Using these classifications and the aforementioned accounting records will provide the Village with information required to monitor compliance with the budget, and prepare annual reports in the format required by the Auditor of State.

The Village did not properly post all receipts and expenditures. Errors were made in recording various transactions. Amounts were not always posted to the correct fund and/or line item. The following adjustments and reclassifications were made.

- In 2017, an adjustment was made in the amount of \$8,096 to record rollbacks in the Debt Service Fund and reduce Intergovernmental Revenue in the General Fund.
- In 2017, a reclassification was made in the amount of \$13,007 from Property and Other Local Taxes to Intergovernmental Revenue in the General Fund for Rollbacks.
- In 2017, all disbursements in the Capital Project Fund were reclassified to Capital Outlay.
- In 2017, Fund Balance in the Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund were reclassified to Restricted instead of Unassigned.

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

# FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

# FINDING NUMBER 2017-002 (Continued)

- In 2016, an adjustment was made in the amount of \$8,240 to record rollbacks in the Debt Service Fund and reduce Intergovernmental Revenue in the General Fund.
- In 2016, a reclassification was made in the amount of \$13,163 from Property and Other Local Taxes to Intergovernmental Revenue in the General Fund for Rollbacks.
- In 2016, a reclassification was made in the amount of \$3,415 from Basic Utility to Capital Outlay in the General Fund.
- In 2016, all disbursements in the Capital Project Fund were reclassified to Capital Outlay.
- In 2016, Fund Balance in the Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund were reclassified to Restricted instead of Unassigned.

The reclassifications with which the Village Official's agree are reflected in the accompanying financial statements are posted to the accounting records.

We recommend the Village utilize available authoritative resources to appropriately classify and record all receipt and expenditure transactions.

Client Response: We have not received a response from client.

# FINDING NUMBER 2017-003

# Noncompliance – Appropriations exceed Estimated Resources

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.39 provides that total appropriations from each fund shall not exceed the total of the estimated revenues available for expenditure as certified by the budget commission. In addition, no appropriation measure is to become effective until the County Auditor files a certificate that the total appropriations from each fund do not exceed the total estimate or amended official estimate.

		Estimated					
Fund	Year	Resources	Appropriations		Variance		
Capital Projects	2017	\$ -	\$	778,000	\$	(778,000)	
Debt Service	2016	7,237		407,500		(400,263)	

We recommend Council review estimated resources versus appropriations throughout the year. Also, Council should not approve appropriations greater than estimated resources. This could result in the Village spending more money than it receives and could cause possible negative fund balances.

Client Response: We have not received a response from client.

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

# FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

## FINDING NUMBER 2017-004

## Noncompliance – Expenditures Exceeding Appropriations

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41 (B) states no subdivision or taxing unit is to expend money unless it has been appropriated. The Village had the following funds which had expenditures greater than appropriation authority.

				Appropriation				
Fund	Ŋ	Year		Authority	Expenditures		Variance	
Debt Service	2	2017	9	\$ 401,000	\$ 406,963		\$	(5,963)

We recommend Council review expenditures versus appropriation authority throughout the year. Also, Council should not approve expenditures greater than appropriations. This results in the Village spending more money than it appropriated and could cause possible negative fund balances.

Client Response: We have not received a response from the client.



# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

VILLAGE OF RIVERLEA

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 21, 2018

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