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

Perry Township Montgomery County 3025 Johnsville-Brookville Road Brookville, Ohio 45309

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of Perry Township (the Township), on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Township's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 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, 2018 and 2017 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 and Investments**

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2017 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2016 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2017 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, 2018 and 2017 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2018 bank account balances for two of the Township's accounts with the Township's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We observed the year-end bank balance on the financial institution's website for the Township's checking account. The balance agreed. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2018 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2018 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 traced interbank account transfers occurring in December of 2018 and 2017 to the accounting records and bank statements to determine if they were properly recorded. We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inspected investments held at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 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 selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2018 and one from 2017:
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to confirm 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 Receipt Register Report to confirm whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts plus 10 advances for 2018 and 12 advances for 2017. The Receipt Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We tested all three receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2018 and all four from 2017. We also selected a sample (agreed upon) of five receipts from the Montgomery County Auditor's Vendor Expense Report from 2018 and five from 2017.
  - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Register Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Register Report to determine that these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Register Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 4. We confirmed the amounts paid from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) to the Township during 2018 with OPWC. The OPWC confirmation reflected \$15,977 paid to the Township and \$383,910 paid directly to vendors on behalf of the Township. The Township's accounting system reflected \$15,977 of direct receipts; however, the accounting system only reflected \$366,001 of receipts and disbursements paid directly to vendors by OPWC. The Township should verify that all amounts paid directly to vendors by OPWC are reflected in the accounting system as receipts and disbursements.
  - a. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

## **Garbage and Waste Disposal District Fund**

- 1. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of 10 Garbage and Waste Disposal District Fund collection cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2018 and 10 Garbage and Waste Disposal District Fund collection cash receipts from the year ended 2017 recorded in the Receipt Register Report and determined whether the:
  - a. Receipt amount per the Receipt Register Report agreed to the amount recorded to the credit of the customer's account in the Billing Summary Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. Amount charged for the related billing period:
    - i. Agreed with the debit to accounts receivable in the Billing Summary Report for the billing period. We found no exceptions.
    - ii. Complied with rates in force during the audit period. We found no exceptions.
  - c. Receipt was posted to the proper fund, and was recorded in the year received. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We observed the Year-End Report for 2018 and 2017.
  - a. This report listed \$58,454 and \$79,491 of accounts receivable as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
  - b. Of the total receivables reported in the preceding procedure, \$793 and \$3,254 were recorded as more than 90 days delinquent.
- 3. We observed the Trash Tax Assessment Report.
  - a. This report listed a total of \$20,876 and \$19,973 non-cash receipts adjustments for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
  - b. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of five non-cash adjustments from 2018 and five non-cash adjustments from 2017, and observed that the Board of Trustees approved each adjustment.

#### Debt

- 1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2016.
- 2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2018 or 2017 or debt payment activity during 2018 or 2017. All debt agreed to the summary we used in procedure 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of lease activity for 2018 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedule to Police District 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. The Township did not post loan proceeds of \$69,547 in 2018 to the accounting system. The Township should post loan proceed receipts and related disbursements to the accounting system when the activity takes place, even if no cash is received by the Township.
- 5. For the new loan issued during 2018, we inspected the loan documents, which stated the Township must use the proceeds to purchase two police cruisers. We observed the Township took ownership of two police cruisers in 2018; however, the Township did not post the purchase price of \$69,547 to the accounting system. The Township should post loan proceed receipts and related disbursements to the accounting system when the activity takes place, even if no cash is received by the Township.

## **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2018 and one payroll check for five employees from 2017 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 codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. For any new employees selected in procedure 1 we inspected the employees' personnel files and minute record 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(s) and fund(s) 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.

3. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2018 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 2018. We observed 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, 2019	January 8, 2019	\$1,141	\$1,141
State income taxes	January 15, 2019	January 7, 2019	\$203	\$203
School District Income Tax	January 30, 2019	January 7, 2019	\$23	\$23
City of Trotwood	January 15, 2019	January 8, 2019	\$89	\$89
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2019	January 15, 2019	\$5,011	\$5,011

- 4. For the pay periods ended September 30, 2018 and April 30, 2017, we recomputed the allocation of the Fiscal Officer's and Boards' to the General, Road and Bridge, and Police District Funds per the Wage Detail Report. We found no exceptions.
- 5. For the pay periods described in the preceding procedure, 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.

- 6. We 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 Township's payout policy.

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

7. We inquired of management and inspected the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 to determine if township employees and/or trustees were reimbursed for out-of-pocket insurance premiums. No such reimbursements occurred.

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

- 1. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of 10 disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2018 and 10 from the year ended 2017 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 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, Police District, and Fire funds for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the General, Police District, and Fire funds of \$133,458, \$391,103, and \$268,572, respectively, for 2018 and \$73,373, \$388,180, and \$270,000, respectively, for 2017. However, the final *Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources* reflected \$91,441, \$499,780, and \$272,604, respectively, for 2018 and \$88,122, \$542,362, and \$275,538, respectively, for 2017. 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 the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.
- 2. We inspected the appropriation measures adopted for 2018 and 2017 to determine whether, for the General, Police District, and Fire 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 2018 and 2017 for the following funds: General, Police District, and Fire. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report.

- 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, Police District, and Fire funds for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. 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, 2018 and 2017 for the General, Police District, and Fire 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, 2018 and 2017. 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 2018 and 2017 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$5,000 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 (effective after June 30, 2017) or Court of Common Pleas (effective through June 30, 2017).
- 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 or 5705.132. The Township did not establish these reserves.
  - We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Status Reports to determine whether the Township elected to establish a contingency, not designated for any particular purpose (contingency reserve balance spending reserve) permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.29(A)(1). The Township did not establish these reserves.
- 10. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 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 balances.

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

We inquired of management and inspected the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 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 regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. 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, 2018 and 2017 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
- We inquired of the fiscal officer and 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. Fiscal Officer obtained the required training.
- For all credit card accounts we obtained a list of all credit card account transactions.
  - a. We selected 3 credit card transactions for testing. For selected transactions we inspected documentation to determine that:
    - i. Each transaction was supported with original invoices and for a proper public purpose.

We found no exceptions.

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, 2018 and 2017, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 6, 2019



#### **PERRY TOWNSHIP**

### **MONTGOMERY 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 20, 2019