

RUSHCREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT FAIRFIELD COUNTY

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017



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Board of Trustees Rushcreek Conservancy District 134 Mulberry Street Bremen, Ohio 43107

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Rushcreek Conservancy District, Fairfield County, prepared by BHM CPA Group, Inc., for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018. 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 Rushcreek Conservancy District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

August 8, 2019

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Rushcreek Conservancy District Fairfield County 134 Mulberry Street Bremen, Ohio 43107

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Directors and the management of Rushcreek Conservancy District (the District) and the Auditor of State agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. 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 Annual Financial Report to the December 31, 2016 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Annual Financial Report to the December 31, 2017 balances in the Annual Financial 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 Balance Sheet. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2018 bank account balance(s) with the District's financial institution(s). We found no exceptions.
- 5. We selected the only reconciling debit (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.

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- 6. 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 found no exceptions.

Special Assessments, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a special assessment receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2018 and one from 2017:
 - a. We traced the amount from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Profit and Loss Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Profit and Loss Detail Report to confirm the receipt was allocated to the proper fund(s) as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 6101.44, 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Profit and Loss Detail Report to confirm the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.

Over-The-Counter Cash Receipts

We selected a sample (agreed upon) of 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2018 and 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended 2017 recorded in the duplicate cash receipts book and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount to the amount recorded in the Profit and Loss Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. Confirmed the amounts charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Profit and Loss Detail Report to determine the receipt was posted to the proper fund(s), and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

- 1. The prior agreed-upon procedures documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2016.
- 2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Profit & Loss Detail Report for evidence of debt issued uring 2018 or 2017 or debt payment activity during 2018 or 2017. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2018 or 2017.

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 Employee Wage Detail Adjustment Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary.) We found no exceptions.
 - b. We recomputed gross and net pay and agreed it to the amount recorded in the payroll register. We found no exceptions.
 - c. 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 minute record. We found no exceptions.

2. 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	December 31, 2018	\$617.66	\$617.66
State income taxes	January 31, 2019	December 18, 2018	\$401.00	\$401.00
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2019	December 27, 2018	\$1,006.86	\$1,006.86

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of ten disbursements from the Profit and Loss Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2018 and ten 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 Profit and Loss 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 Sections 5705.28(B)(2). We found no exceptions.

Compliance – Budgetary

- We compared the total estimated receipts from the Certified Budget, required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.28(B)(2) and 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the budgetary footnote for the General and Maintenance funds for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We inspected the appropriation measures adopted for 2018 and 2017 to determine whether, for the General and Maintenance funds, the Directors 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 6101.44, to the amounts recorded in the budgetary footnote for 2018 and 2017 for the following funds: General and Maintenance Funds. For 2018, we noted the budget exceeded the budgetary footnote by \$3,845 for the General Fund, and we noted the budgetary footnote exceeded the budget by \$1,001 for the Maintenance Fund. For 2017, the amounts agreed.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Section 6101.44 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the unencumbered balance plus the amounts to be received during the year. We compared total appropriations to

total estimated resources for the General and Maintenance funds for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. We found no funds for which appropriations exceeded estimated resources.

- 5. Ohio Rev. Code Section 6101.44 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 and Maintenance fund, as recorded in the Certified Budget. No funds had expenditures exceeding appropriations.
- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 6101.44 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externallyrestricted resources. We inspected the Profit and Loss Detail 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 District received new restricted receipts. There was no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 6101.44 would require the District to establish a new fund.
- We inspected the Profit and Loss Detail Report for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$1,000 which Ohio Rev. Code Section 6101.44 restricts. We found no evidence of transfers this Section prohibits.
- 8. We inspected the Monthly Financial Statement for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 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. There were no funds having negative cash fund balances.

Other Compliance

1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires districts 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 District 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.

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 District'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.

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This report is for the use of the District to assist in evaluating its 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.

BHM CPA Group

BHM CPA Group, Inc. Piketon, Ohio

June 21, 2019

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RUSHCREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

FAIRFIELD 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 20, 2019

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