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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Wayne Township Fayette County 5261 Hukill Road Greenfield, Ohio 45123

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of Wayne Township (the Township) on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Townships cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 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, 2019 and 2018 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, 2019 and December 31, 2018 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2017 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2019 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2018 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, 2019 and 2018 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report and the financial statements filed by the Township in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We observed the year-end bank balances reported on the OPCS website. The balances agreed. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2019 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2019 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found four outstanding checks from prior years and two outstanding checks from 2019 that have not cleared.
 - 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 inspected investments held at December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018 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 total of five receipts from the *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes*, State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL), and the County Auditor DTLs for 2019 and a total of five from 2018:
 - a. We compared the amount from the above named reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed; however the Township reported receipt amounts from the tax settlements sheets from the net amount column rather than the amount collected amount. This resulted in an \$8,650 understatement of receipts and related expenditures in the same amount. The Township should record property taxes at the collected amount and report expenditures for the related fees from the tax settlement sheet.
 - b. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found two exceptions for 2018 and two exceptions for 2019. The homestead and rollback receipts in 2018 and 2019 were not properly allocated to the general and fire funds. For 2019, a total amount of \$10,415 should have been posted to the general fund and \$5,625 should have been posted to the fire fund. For 2018, a total amount of \$11,204 should have been posted to the general fund and \$5,480 should have been posted to the fire fund. We brought these errors to management's attention. They corrected the general and fire fund for these errors. We found no other exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2019 and 2018. The Receipt Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.

Debt

1. From the prior audit documentation, we observed the following loan was outstanding as of December 31, 2017. This amount agreed to the Township's January 1, 2018 balance on the summary we used in procedure 3.

Issue	Principal outstanding as of December 31, 2017:	
DOC Loan	\$40,675	

2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2019 or 2018 or debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018. All debt agreed to the summary we used in procedure 3.

3. We obtained a summary of loans debt activity for 2019 and 2018 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedules to debt service 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 one payment in 2019 was not made by the due date.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2019 and one payroll check for five employees from 2018 from the Employee General Information Report and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Employee General Information 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 the employees' personnel files. 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, 2019 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 2019. 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, 2020 (Township made monthly payments)	11/12/19, 12/10/19, and 12/31/19	\$494.84, \$2,031.54, and \$821.30	\$494.84, \$2,031.54, and \$821.30
State income taxes	January 15, 2020	12/31/19	\$54.83	\$54.83
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2020	12/31/19	\$1,178.51	\$1,178.51

- 3. For the pay periods ended October 8, 2019 and March 13, 2018 we
 - a. Recomputed the allocation of the Boards' salaries to the General and Gas Fund per the Employee General Information Report.
 - b. Traced the Boards' salary for time or services performed to supporting certifications the Revised Code requires.

We found that one payroll certificate was not signed by a board member in 2019. We also found that all Board Members are signing one certificate each month. Each Board Member should be signing their own individual certificate. Per *2020 OCS 1-29*.

- 4. We compared total gross pay for the fiscal officer and each board member for 2019 and 2018 to the compensation permitted by Ohio Revised Code Sections 507.09 and 505.24, respectively. We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inquired of management and inspected the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 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 10 disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 10 from the year ended 2018 and determined whether:
 - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
 - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We noted one exception. We were not able to agree one 2018 non-payroll expenditure to the cancelled check, because Township management did not provide the January 2018 bank statement containing the cancelled check.
 - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
 - d. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D). We found two instances in 2018 in which the fiscal officer did not certify the disbursement prior to commitment. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires certifying at the time of a commitment, which should be on or before the invoice date, unless a *Then and Now Certificate* is used. Because we did not inspect all disbursements requiring certification, our report provides no assurance whether or not additional similar errors occurred.

Compliance – Budgetary

- Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for the General, Gasoline Tax and Fire fund. There were no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 2. We inspected the 2019 and 2018 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for evidence of interfund transfers 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).
- 3. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for negative cash fund balances. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10 (I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. No funds had a negative cash fund balance.

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Sunshine Law Compliance

- 1. We obtained and inspected the Township's Public Records Policy to determine the policy did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any completed public records requests during the engagement period.
- 3. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
- 4. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.
- 5. We inquired whether the Township has a records retention schedule, and observed that it is readily available to the public. We found no exceptions.
- 6. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager. We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inquired with Township management and determined that the Township did not have a policy manual during the engagement period therefore the public records policy could not be included as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 8. We inquired whether the District's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the District. We found no exceptions.
- 9. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 10. We inspected the Public Records Excel Report and determined whether each elected official (or his/her designee) successfully attended a certified three-hour Public Records Training for each term of office. We found no exceptions.
- 11. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the Township notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period are to be held. We found no exceptions.
- 12. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period and determined whether they were:
 - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
 - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
 - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
 - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

- 13. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period and determined the following:
 - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
 - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code Section 121.22(G).
 - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

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, 2019 and 2018 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the Fiscal Integrity Act Portal (<u>http://www.ohioauditor.gov/fiscalintegrity/default.html</u>) to determine whether the fiscal officer obtained the training required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 507.12 and 733.81. The Fiscal Officer obtained the required training.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Township's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the Township's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

September 21, 2020



WAYNE TOWNSHIP

FAYETTE COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 11/5/2020

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