# CLARK COUNTY PARK DISTRICT

**CLARK COUNTY, OHIO** 

**AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES** 

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019





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Board of Park Commissioners Clark County Park District 5638 Lower Valley Pike Springfield, Ohio 45502

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of Clark County Park District, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc., for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. 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. Clark County Park District is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

July 07, 2021





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

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Park Commissioners and the management of Clark County Park District (the District) and the Auditor of State, on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the District's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District. 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

- Clark County is the Custodian for the District's deposits and therefore the County's deposit and investment
  pool holds the District's assets. We compared the District's fund balances reported on its December 31, 2020
  Clark County Park District Balance Sheet to the balances reported in Clark County's accounting records. The
  amounts agreed.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2019 beginning fund balances recorded in the Ohio Cash Basis Report for Clark County to the December 31, 2018 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, 2020 beginning fund balances recorded in the Ohio Cash Basis Report for Clark County to the December 31, 2019 balances in the Ohio Cash Basis Report for Clark County. We found 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* and the County Auditor's DTLs from 2020 and a total of five from 2019:
  - a. We compared the amounts from the *above said reports* to the amount recorded in the Revenue and Expenditure Report. The amounts agreed, except the District recorded the property tax receipts at "net" instead of at "gross" in their accounting system for both 2020 and 2019; however the District did properly record them at "gross" on the Hinkle System filing reports.
  - b. We inspected the Revenue and Expenditure Report to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper fund as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Revenue and Expenditure 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 Revenue and Expenditure Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts plus 6 advances for 2020 and 2019. The Revenue and Expenditure Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.



- 3. We confirmed the total amount paid from the Ohio Public Works Commission to the District during 2019 with the Commission. We found no exceptions.
  - a. We inspected the Revenue and Expenditure Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the Revenue and Expenditure Report to determine whether the receipts were 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, 2018.
- 2. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2020 or 2019.

# **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2020 and one payroll check for five employees from 2019 from the Payroll Details Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Payroll Details Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary).
    - i. We inspected the employees' personnel files for the Retirement system, Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization.
    - ii. We agreed these items to the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check.

We found no exceptions.

- b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was allowable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files. We found no exceptions.
- c. We 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, 2020 to confirm whether 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 2020. We noted 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, 2021	December 30, 2020	\$463.06	\$463.06
State income taxes	January 15, 2021	December 30, 2020	\$131.31	\$131.31
City of Springfield income taxes	January 31, 2021	December 30, 2020	\$38.66	\$38.66
City of New Carlisle income taxes	January 31, 2021	December 30, 2020	\$9.24	\$9.24
Bethel Local School District income taxes	January 15, 2021	December 18, 2020	\$9.12	\$9.12
Northeastern Local School District income taxes	January 15, 2021	December 18, 2020	\$8.58	\$8.58
OPERS retirement	February 1, 2021	January 27, 2021	\$865.15	\$865.15

# **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected 10 disbursements from the Revenue and Expenditure Report for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 10 from the year ended 2019 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 Revenue and Expenditure 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. 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, 2020 and 2019 for the General, Mad River Gorge and Mad River Trail funds. There were no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 2. We inspected the 2020 and 2019 Revenue and Expenditure Report for evidence of interfund transfers. We noted no interfund transfers for 2020 or 2019.
- 3. We inspected the Clark County Park District Balance Sheet for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 for negative cash fund balances. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10 (l) 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.

# **Sunshine Law Compliance**

- 1. We obtained and inspected the District's Public Records Policy to determine the policy was in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(2) and 149.43(B)(7)(c) and 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 selected the two records requests from the engagement period and inspected each request to determine the following:
  - a. The District was compliant and responded to the request in accordance with their adopted policy as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(1). For one of the two public records requests selected for testing the District did not respond to the request in accordance with their adopted policy. See the table below.

Date Request Received	Date Request Fulfilled	Policy Response Time (in Business days)	Actual Response Time (in Business days)
10/25/2020	5/14/21	Within a Reasonable Time	148 Days

- b. The District did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
- c. The District did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.

- 3. We inquired whether the District had a records retention schedule, and observed that it was readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 4. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inspected the District's polices and determined the public records policy was included as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 6. We inquired with District management and determined a poster describing their Public Records Policy was not displayed conspicuously in all branches of the District as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 7. 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.
- 8. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the District notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period were to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.
- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) 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.

- 11. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) 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 these district's 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, 2020 and 2019 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
- 2. For all credit card accounts, we obtained:
  - copies of existing internal control policies,
  - a list(s) of authorized users, and
  - a list of all credit card account transactions.

- a. We inspected the established policy obtained above and determined it is:
  - i. in compliance with the HB 312 statutory requirements, and
  - ii. implemented by the entity.

We found no exceptions.

- b. We selected 1 credit card transaction from each credit card account for testing. For selected transactions we inspected documentation to determine that:
  - i. Use was by an authorized user within the guidelines established in the policy, and
  - ii. Each transaction was supported with original invoices and for a proper public purpose.

We found no exceptions.

- c. We selected 3 credit card statements from each credit card account for testing. For selected statements we inspected documentation to determine that:
  - i. No unpaid beginning balance was carried forward to the current billing cycle,
  - ii. Ending statement balance was paid in full, and
  - iii. Statement contained no interest or late fees.

We found no exceptions.

The District has responded to the issues discussed in this report. You may obtain a copy of their responses from Carol Kennard, Clark County Park District Executive Director, at (937) 882-6000.

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*. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the *American Institute of Certified Public Accountants*. 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.

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the District's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

Julian & Grube, Inc.

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May 12, 2021



# **CLARK COUNTY PARK DISTRICT**

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## **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 7/20/2021

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