



#### VILLAGE OF FORT LORAMIE SHELBY COUNTY DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County 14 Elm Street P.O. Box 10 Fort Loramie, Ohio 45845

To the Members of Village Council:

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, and related notes of the Village of Fort Loramie, Shelby County, Ohio (the Village).

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions 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 such 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 of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are 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 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, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the respective 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 cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and related notes of the Village, 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 Matters**

As discussed in Note 11 to the 2020 financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Village. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 23, 2022, on our consideration of the Village'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.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

February 23, 2022

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# Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

				Totals (Memorandum
Oracle Description	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Only)
Cash Receipts	<b>\$440.477</b>			<b>\$440.477</b>
Property and Other Taxes	\$143,477			\$143,477
Municipal Income Tax	1,386,192	<b>*••••</b>		1,386,192
Intergovernmental	302,770	\$270,817		573,587
Special Assessments	25,133	17,675		42,808
Fines, Licenses and Permits	1,425			1,425
Earnings on Investments	17,528			17,528
Miscellaneous	57,300	121		57,421
Total Cash Receipts	1,933,825	288,613		2,222,438
Cash Disbursements				
Current:				
Security of Persons & Property	140,589	118,206		258,795
Public Health Services	7,682			7,682
Leisure Time Activities	108,540	1,429		109,969
Basic Utility Services	76,217	21,732		97,949
Transportation	47,411	713		48,124
General Government	331,502	13,104		344,606
Capital Outlay	111,896	63,226		175,122
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	122,549			122,549
Interest and Fiscal Charges	828			828
Total Cash Disbursements	947,214	218,410		1,165,624
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	986,611	70,203		1,056,814
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	1,787,685	343,077	\$67,071	2,197,833
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$2,774,296	\$413,280	\$67,071	\$3,254,647

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) All Proprietary Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts	
Charges for Services	\$709,178
Total Operating Cash Receipts	709,178
Operating Cash Disbursements	
Personal Services	62,469
Fringe Benefits	25,574
Contractual Services	421,565
Supplies and Materials	27,035
Other	1,000
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	537,643
Operating Income	171,535
Non-Operating (Disbursements)	
Capital Outlay	(53,555)
Principal Retirement	(12,500)
Total Non-Operating (Disbursements)	(66,055)
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance	105,480
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	529,555
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$635,035

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

## Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Village of Fort Loramie (the Village), Shelby County, is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. A publicly-elected six-member Council directs the Village. The Village provides water and sewer utilities, park operations, and police services. The Village contracts with the Shelby County Sheriff's department to provide additional police services. The Village contracts with Fort Loramie Community Fire Company to receive fire protection and with the Fort Loramie Rescue Squad to receive EMS services. The Village also contracts with the City of St. Marys to provide for income tax and administrative services.

## Public Entity Risk Pool

The Village participates in a public entity risk pool, the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) and the Ohio Municipal League Group Rating Plan (GRP) for worker's compensation. Note 6 to the financial statements provides additional information for these entities.

The Village's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Village is financially accountable.

# Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## **Basis of Presentation**

The Village's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, and a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all proprietary fund types which are all organized on a fund type basis.

## **Fund** Accounting

The Village uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Village are presented below:

*General Fund* The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Village for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

*Special Revenue Funds* These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

*Street Construction Maintenance and Repair* The street construction maintenance and repair fund accounts for and reports that portion of the State gasoline tax and motor vehicle license registration fees restricted for construction, maintenance, and repair of streets within the Village.

*Capital Project Funds* These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

*Enterprise Funds* These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises, where management intends to recover the significant costs of providing certain goods or services through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Funds:

*Water Fund* The water fund accounts for the provision of water treatment and distribution to the residents and commercial users located within the Village. Revenues are utilized to cover the costs or providing operation and maintenance of the water system as well as water system debt service repayment.

*Sewer Fund* The sewer fund accounts for the provision of sanitary sewer services to the residents and commercial users within the Village. Revenues are utilized to cover the costs of providing operation and maintenance of the sewer system s as sewer system debt service repayment.

## **Basis of Accounting**

These financial statements follow 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). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board 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 Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

## **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

*Appropriations* Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, department, and object level of control and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

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

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

A summary of 2020 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

## Deposits

The Village only has depository bank accounts.

## Capital Assets

The Village records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

## Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon 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. For regulatory purposes nonspendable fund balance includes unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the Village and the nonexpendable portion of the corpus in permanent funds.

**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* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Village must adhere to these commitments unless the 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.

*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 the 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 resolution, or by State Statute. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

**Unassigned** Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included 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 (committed, assigned, and 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 classifications could be used.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 10.

# Note 3 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending 2020 follows:

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Budgeted	Actual			
Receipts	Receipts	Variance		
\$1,824,200	\$1,933,825	\$109,625		
289,208	288,613	(595)		
950,000	0	(950,000)		
690,750	709,178	18,428		
\$3,754,158	\$2,931,616	(\$822,542)		
2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
Authority	Expenditures	Variance		
\$3,534,585	\$1,060,810	\$2,473,775		
607,762	218,410	389,352		
950,000	0	950,000		
1,092,780	603,698	489,082		
\$6,185,127	\$1,882,918	\$4,302,209		
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## Note 4 – Deposits

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

	2020
Demand deposits	\$3,889,682
Total deposits	3,889,682

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# Deposits

Deposits are either insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Village.

# Note 5 – Taxes

# **Property Taxes**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Council adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include these credits and/or deduction amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property

owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20. Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Village.

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

## Income Taxes

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1.5 percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Village either monthly or quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually.

## Note 6 – Risk Management

## Workers' Compensation

The Village participates in the Ohio Municipal League Group Rating Plan (GRP) for worker's compensation. The pool's business and affairs are conducted by a twenty-six member Board of Trustees consisting of fifteen mayors, two council members, three administrators, three finance directors, and three law directors which are voted on by the members for staggered two-year terms. The Executive Director of the Ohio Municipal League serves as the coordinator of the Program. Each year the participants pay an enrollment fee to the program to cover the costs of administering the program.

## **Commercial Insurance**

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.

## Risk Pool Membership

The Village belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to Ohio governments ("Members"). The Plan is legally separate from its member governments.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages to its members sold through fourteen appointed independent agents in the State of Ohio.

OPRM coverage programs are developed specific to each member's risk management needs and the related premiums for coverage are determined through the application of uniform underwriting criteria addressing

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the member's exposure to loss. Effective November 1, 2017, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. The OPRM is also participated in a property primary excess of loss treaty. This treaty reimbursed the OPRM 30% for losses between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. The reimbursement is based on the amount of loss between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000. Effective November 1, 2018, the OPRM the property retention remained unchanged, however, the Plan assumed 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. Effective November 1, 2019, the OPRM's property retention increased from 30% to 33%, while the casualty treaty remains unchanged and still assumes 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Effective November 1, 2020, the OPRM's property retention increased from 33% to 55%, while the casualty treaty remains unchanged and still assumes 100% of the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. OPRM had 771 members as of December 31, 2020.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and equity at December 31, 2020.

Assets	\$ 18,826,974
Liabilities	<u>(13,530,267)</u>
Members' Equity	<u>\$ 5,296,707</u>

You can read the complete audited financial statements for OPRM at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

## Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### **Ohio Public Employees Retirement System**

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

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Village contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

#### Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)

#### **Ohio Police and Fire Retirement System**

The Village's full-time Police Officers belong to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). OP&F is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement health care and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OP&F participants contributed 12.25 percent of their wages. The Village contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 19.5 percent of full-time police members' wages. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

## Social Security

Several Village employees contributed to Social Security. This plan provides retirement benefits, including survivor and disability benefits to participants.

Employees contributed 6.2 percent of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 6.2 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

# Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

Both OPERS and OP&F offer 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. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2020. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Member Directed Plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2020. OP&F contributes 0.5 percent to fund these benefits

Beginning January 1, 2019, OP&F changed its retiree health care model to a stipend-based health care model. A stipend funded by OP&F was placed in individual Health Reimbursement Accounts that retirees use to be reimbursed for health care expenses.

## Note 9 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
OPWC - Monterey Drive	\$38,522	0.00%
OPWC - Main Street	\$933,333	0.00%
OPWC - Water Treatment Plant	300,000	0.00%
Total	\$1,271,855	

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Monterey Drive Loan was used for construction on Monterey Drive. The debt will be repaid in semi-annual payments of \$2,266 at 0% interest, with final payment due July of 2028.

The OPWC Main Street Loan was issued in 2017 and used for the Main Street reconstruction project. The dent will be repaid in semi-annual payments of \$16,667 at 0% interest, with final payment due January 2048.

The OPWC Water Treatment Plant Loan was issued in 2012 for \$500,000. Semi-annual payments of \$12,500 at 0% interest, with final payment due January 2032.

The Village was approved for a street improvement project loan through Minster Bank. The total loan was approved for \$600,000. The loan is for a 5 year period, with monthly principal and interest payments, commencing on October 2015 and final payment was due in October 2020.

# Amortization

Amortization of the above debt, is scheduled as follows:

	OPWC -		
Year Ending	Monterey	OPWC - Water	OPWC - Main
December 31:	Drive	Plant	Street
2021	\$6,798	\$37,500	\$50,000
2022	4,532	25,000	33,333
2023	4,532	25,000	33,333
2024	4,532	25,000	33,333
2025	4,532	25,000	33,333
2026-2030	13,596	125,000	166,667
2031-2035		37,500	166,667
2036-2040			166,667
2041-2045			166,667
2046-2048			83,333
Total	\$38,522	\$300,000	\$933,333

## Note 10 - Fund Balances

Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. At year end the balances of these amounts were as follows:

Fund Balances	General	Total
Outstanding Encumbrances	\$113,596	\$113,596
Total	\$113,596	\$113,596

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. The fund balance of debt service funds and capital projects fund are restricted committed or assigned. The fund balance of permanent funds that is not part of the nonspendable corpus is either restricted or committed. These restricted, committed and assigned amounts in the special revenue, debt service, capital projects and permanent funds would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

## Note 11 – COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-

19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Village. The Village's investment portfolio fluctuates with market conditions, and due to market volatility, the amount of gains or losses that will be realized in subsequent periods, if any, cannot be determined. In addition, the impact on the Village's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

During 2020, the Village received CARES Act funding in the amount of \$154,350. We used these funds for police & safety payroll, capital improvement of a locker room for our policeman, new police uniforms, a new lobby area for our administrative office and many PPE supplies like hand sanitizer, Lysol spray, wet wipes, gloves, masks, etc. Also purchased were 2 laptops for one for police, one for utility and computer equipment that would allow for view council room for meetings. New chairs were purchased for the police offices as well.

# Note 12 – Subsequent Event

The Village began the Greenback Road Reconstruction project in 2020, which continued into 2021. In 2021, this included the receipt of grant funds in the amount of \$475,000 as well as a loan in the amount of \$235,409 through the Ohio Public Works Commission at 0% interest.

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## Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Taxes	\$141,153			\$141,153
Municipal Income Tax	1,193,306			1,193,306
Intergovernmental	58,613	\$95,564		154,177
Special Assessments	28,867	11,557		40,424
Fines, Licenses and Permits	2,885			2,885
Earnings on Investments	47,301			47,301
Miscellaneous	43,040			43,040
Total Cash Receipts	1,515,165	107,121		1,622,286
Cash Disbursements				
Current:				
Security of Persons & Property	286,942			286,942
Public Health Services	7,532			7,532
Leisure Time Activities	100,052			100,052
Basic Utility Services	78,421			78,421
Transportation	50,044			50,044
General Government	334,557			334,557
Capital Outlay	420,656	82		420,738
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	160,280			160,280
Interest and Fiscal Charges	2,948			2,948
Total Cash Disbursements	1,441,432	82		1,441,514
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	73,733	107,039		180,772
Other Financing (Disbursements)				
Transfers Out	(35,350)			(35,350)
Total Other Financing (Disbursements)	(35,350)			(35,350)
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	38,383	107,039		145,422
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	1,749,302	236,038	\$67,071	2,052,411
Fund Cash Balances, December 31				
Restricted		343,077		343,077
Assigned	1,710,385		67,071	1,777,456
Unassigned (Deficit)	77,300		,	77,300
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$1,787,685	\$343,077	\$67,071	\$2,197,833

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) All Proprietary Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts	
Charges for Services	\$627,487
Total Operating Cash Receipts	627,487
Operating Cash Disbursements	
Personal Services	55,414
Fringe Benefits	20,926
Contractual Services	378,455
Supplies and Materials	66,412
Other	100
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	521,307
Operating Income	106,180
Non-Operating (Disbursements)	
Capital Outlay	(20,985)
Principal Retirement	(25,000)
Total Non-Operating (Disbursements)	(45,985)
Income before Transfers	60,195
Transfers In	35,350
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance	95,545
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	434,010
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$529,555

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

## **Note 1 - Reporting Entity**

The Village of Fort Loramie, Shelby County, is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. A publicly-elected six-member Council directs the Village. The Village provides water and sewer utilities, park operations, and police services. The Village contracts with the Shelby County Sheriff's department to provide additional security of persons and property.

The Village participates in a public entity risk pool. See Note 10 that provides additional information for this public entity risk pool.

The Village's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Village is financially accountable.

# Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## **Basis of Presentation**

The Village's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, and a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all proprietary and fiduciary fund types which are organized on a fund type basis.

## **Fund** Accounting

The Village uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Village are presented below:

*General Fund.* The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Village for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

*Special Revenue Funds* These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

*Street Construction Maintenance and Repair* The street construction maintenance and repair fund accounts for and reports that portion of the State gasoline tax and motor vehicle license registration fees restricted for construction, maintenance, and repair of streets within the Village.

*Capital Project Funds* These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

*Enterprise Funds* These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises, where management intends to recover the significant costs of providing certain goods or services through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Funds:

*Water Fund* The water fund accounts for the provision of water treatment and distribution to the residents and commercial users located within the Village.

*Sewer Fund* The sewer fund accounts for the provision of sanitary sewer services to the residents and commercial users within the Village.

# **Basis of Accounting**

These financial statements follow 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). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board 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 Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

## **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

*Appropriations* Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, department, and object level of control and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

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

*Encumbrances* The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be re-appropriated.

A summary of 2019 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

## Deposits

The Village only has depository bank accounts.

## Capital Assets

The Village records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

# Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon 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:

*Non-spendable* The Village classifies assets as *non-spendable* 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* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Village must adhere to these commitments unless the 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.

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 the 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 resolution, or by State Statute.

*Unassigned* Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included 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 (committed, assigned, and 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 classifications could be used.

#### **Note 3 - Budgetary Activity**

Budgetary activity for the year ending 2019 follows:

2019 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$1,763,200	\$1,515,165	(\$248,035)
Special Revenue	57,500	107,121	49,621
Capital Projects	0	0	0
Enterprise	648,485	662,837	14,352
Total	\$2,469,185	\$2,285,123	(\$184,062)

2010 Budgeted vs	Actual Budgetar	y Basis Expenditures	
2019 Duugeteu vs.	Actual Duugetar	y Dasis Experiances	

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$3,163,076	\$1,476,782	\$1,686,294
Special Revenue	289,366	82	289,284
Capital Projects	0	0	0
Enterprise	1,064,265	567,292	496,973
Total	\$4,516,707	\$2,044,156	\$2,472,551

#### Note 4 – Deposits

The Village maintains a deposit pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 was as follows:

	2019
Demand deposits	\$2,727,388
Total deposits	\$2,727,388

#### **Deposits**

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Village.

## Note 5 – Taxes

#### **Property Taxes**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Council adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include these credits and/or deduction amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due 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.

# Income Taxes

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1.5 percent on substantially all earned income arising from employment, residency, or business activities within the Village as well as certain income of residents earned outside of the Village.

Employers within the Village withhold income tax on employee compensation and remit the tax to the Village either monthly or quarterly, as required. Corporations and other individual taxpayers pay estimated taxes quarterly and file a declaration annually.

# Note 6 - Risk Management

The Village belongs to the Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. (OPRM) (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to Ohio governments ("Members"). The Plan is legally separate from its member governments.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages to its members sold through fourteen appointed independent agents in the State of Ohio.

OPRM coverage programs are developed specific to each member's risk management needs and the related premiums for coverage are determined through the application of uniform underwriting criteria addressing the member's exposure to loss. Effective November 1, 2016, the OPRM retained 50% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty and 30% of the first \$1,000,000 property treaty. Effective November 1, 2017, the OPRM retained 47% of the premium and losses on the first \$250,000 casualty treaty. Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member. OPRM had 764 members as of December 31, 2017.

Plan members are responsible to notify the Plan of their intent to renew coverage by their renewal date. If a member chooses not to renew with the Plan, they have no other financial obligation to the Plan, but still need to promptly notify the Plan of any potential claims occurring during their membership period. The former member's covered claims, which occurred during their membership period, remain the responsibility of the Plan.

Settlement amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

## Commercial Insurance

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and

• Errors and omissions.

During 2019, the Village paid \$0 for losses that exceeded insurance coverage.

## Note 7 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans

#### **Ohio Public Employees Retirement System**

Some employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a costsharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Village contributed an amount equaling 14%, of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2019.

All part-time and full-time village employees, except full-time police officers are included in OPERS.

#### **Ohio Police and Fire Retirement System**

Village's two full-time police officers belong to the Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). OP&F is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OP&F participants contributed 12.5% of their wages. The Village contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 19.5% of full-time police members' wages. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2019.

## Social Security

Some Village employees contributed to Social Security. This plan provides retirement benefits, including survivor and disability benefits to participants.

Employees contributed 6.2 percent of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 6.2 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2019.

## Note 8 - Postemployment Benefits

Both OPERS and OP&F offer 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. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2019. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Member Directed Plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2019. OP&F contributes 0.5 percent to fund these benefits.

Beginning January 1, 2019, OP&F changed its retiree health care model to a stipend-based health care

model. A stipend funded by OP&F will be placed in individual Health Reimbursement Accounts that retirees use to be reimbursed for health care expenses.

#### Note 9 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2019 was as follows:

2019	Principal	Interest Rate	
OPWC - Monterey Drive	\$ 40,788	0%	
OPWC - Water Treatment Plant	\$ 312,500	0%	
OPWC - Main St Phase II	\$ 950,000	0%	
Minster Bank - Elm, W Main, Water	\$ 103,641	1.71%	
Total	\$1,406,929		

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Monterey Drive loan was used for construction on Monterey Drive. The debt will be repaid in semi-annual payments of \$2,266 at 0% interest, with final payment in July 2028.

The OPWC Water Treatment Plant loan was issued in 2012 for \$500,000. Semi-annual payments of \$12,500 at 0% interest, with final payment in January 2032.

The Village was approved for a street improvement project loan through Minster Bank. The total loan was approved for \$600,000. The loan is for a 5 year period, with monthly principal and interest payments, and final payment due October 2020.

The OPWC Main St Phase II loan was used for construction on Main Street reconstruction project. The debt will be repaid in semi-annual payments of \$2,266 at 0% interest, final payment due January 2048.

## Amortization

Minster Bank-Elm,								
Year Ending	OP	WC Loans	W Main &	& W	ater	 Total		
December 31,	Pri	ncipal	Principal	Int	erest	 Principal	Inte	rest
2020	\$	62,865	\$ 103,641	\$	828	\$ 166,507	\$	828
2021		62,865				62,865		
2022		62,865				62,865		
2023		62,865				62,865		
2024		62,865				62,865		
2025-2029		309,795				309,795		
2030-2034		229,167				229,167		
2035-2039		166,667				166,667		
2040-2044		166,667				166,667		
2045-2048		116,666				116,666		
Total	\$	1,303,287	\$ 103,641	\$	828	\$ 1,406,929	\$	828

## Note 10- Public Entity Risk Pool

The Village participates in the Ohio Municipal League Group Rating Plan (GRP) for worker's compensation. The pool's business and affairs are conducted by a twenty-six member Board of Trustees consisting of fifteen mayors, two council members, three administrators, three finance directors, and three law directors which are voted on by the members for staggered two-year terms. The Executive Director of the Ohio Municipal League serves as the coordinator of the Program. Each year the participants pay an enrollment fee to the program to cover the costs of administering the program.

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

Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County 14 Elm Street P.O. Box 10 Fort Loramie, Ohio 45845

To the Members of Village Council:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type combined total as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and related notes of the Village of Fort Loramie, Shelby County, (the Village) and have issued our report thereon dated February 23, 2022, 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. We also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the Village.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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.

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 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.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Village's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements,

Village of Fort Loramie Shelby County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by Government Auditing Standards Page 2

noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the financial statements. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### 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 report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

February 23, 2022



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# SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

# **DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2018-001	Material Weakness – Financial Statement Error	Partially Corrected	Previous Fiscal Officer wasn't receiving income tax deposits in the proper period (month/year). New Fiscal Officer is receiving income tax monies into the UAN on a daily basis. This ensures that the funds are receipted in the correct period (month/year).
2018-002	Non-Compliance – Utility Rates	Repeated – See Management Letter	Previous Fiscal Officer didn't properly update the recycling rate, to allow for increase. New Fiscal officer updated rates to correct & it's now noted on an annual calendar reminder to update accordingly.
2018-003	Overpayment of Administrator Wages	Repeated – See Management Letter	Previous Fiscal Officer inadvertently gave Village Administrator incorrect pay increase which then compounded, carried over, into future accounting years. Administrators pay rate was never correctly changed in UAN. We will determine proper rate & adjust accordingly so that current & future years are not affected.



# VILLAGE OF FORT LORAMIE

# SHELBY 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.



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