



**VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
HENRY COUNTY
REGULAR AUDIT
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 - 2020**

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Village of Holgate, Henry County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

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 Village of Holgate is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

August 16, 2022

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HENRY COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Village of Holgate
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To the Village Council:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Unmodified and Adverse Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the Village of Holgate, Henry County, Ohio (the Village), which comprises the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompanying 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 years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions which Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit, described in Note 2.

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* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements 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, 2021 and 2020, or the changes in the financial position or, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended.

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Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Village, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Village on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 2 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 11 to the financial statements, in 2020 the Village adopted a change in accounting principle and removed the fund balance classification from the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis) – All Fund Types. We did not modify our opinions regarding these matters.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(C) permit. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Village's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Village's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 17, 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. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's 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.



Perry and Associates
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.
Marietta, Ohio

June 17, 2022

**VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
HENRY COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 25,513	\$ 36,259	\$ -	\$ 61,772
Municipal Income Tax	222,571	-	55,643	278,214
Intergovernmental	39,949	134,726	-	174,675
Fines, License, and Permits	1,630	-	-	1,630
Earnings on Investments	2,441	182	-	2,623
Miscellaneous	17,236	2,740	-	19,976
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>309,340</u>	<u>173,907</u>	<u>55,643</u>	<u>538,890</u>
Cash Disbursements				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property	49,783	29,206	-	78,989
Leisure Time Activities	-	25,255	-	25,255
Community Environment	4,805	-	-	4,805
Transportation	-	28,704	-	28,704
General Government	124,695	20,484	-	145,179
Capital Outlay	3,500	-	10,772	14,272
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>182,783</u>	<u>103,649</u>	<u>10,772</u>	<u>297,204</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>126,557</u>	<u>70,258</u>	<u>44,871</u>	<u>241,686</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)				
Other Financing Uses	(43,111)	-	-	(43,111)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>(43,111)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(43,111)</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	83,446	70,258	44,871	198,575
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>464,061</u>	<u>231,081</u>	<u>610,505</u>	<u>1,305,647</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$ 547,507</u>	<u>\$ 301,339</u>	<u>\$ 655,376</u>	<u>\$ 1,504,222</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
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**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS)
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts	
Charges for Services	\$ 535,541
Miscellaneous	7,164
<i>Total Operating Cash Receipts</i>	542,705
 Operating Cash Disbursements	
Personal Services	172,771
Transportation	465
Contractual Services	37,853
Supplies and Materials	99,397
<i>Total Operating Cash Disbursements</i>	310,486
 <i>Operating Income (Loss)</i>	232,219
 Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)	
Other Debt Proceeds	72,609
Miscellaneous Receipts	7,250
Capital Outlay	(140,839)
Principal Retirement	(105,936)
Interest and Other Fiscal Charges	(507)
Other Financing Uses	(15,712)
 <i>Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	(183,135)
 Net Change in Fund Balances	49,084
 <i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	1,422,931
 <i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	\$ 1,472,015

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Village of Holgate, Ohio
Henry County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Village of Holgate (the Village), Henry 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 road maintenance and repair. The Village contracts with the Henry County Sheriff's department to provide security of persons and property. The Village contracts with Pleasant Township to receive fire protection services.

Public Entity Risk Pools

The Village participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 6 to the financial statements provide 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.

Street Light Fund The street light fund accounts for and reports money from the State for repairing village street lights.

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. The Village had the following significant capital project funds:

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Capital Project Funds (Continued):

Capital Improvement Fund The capital improvement fund receives income tax monies and grant proceeds for the construction and repairs of major capital projects.

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.

Storm Sewer Fund The storm sewer fund accounts for the provision of storm 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 Village 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, function or object level of control and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end.

Estimated Resources Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus 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 canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2021 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Village of Holgate, Ohio
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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Deposits and Investments

The Village's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

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*. 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.

Village of Holgate, Ohio
Henry County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fund 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 December 31, 2021 follows:

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$ 250,000	\$ 309,340	\$ (59,340)
Special Revenue	159,966	173,907	(13,941)
Capital Projects	105,000	55,643	49,357
Enterprise	533,500	622,564	(89,064)
Total	\$ 1,048,466	\$ 1,161,454	\$ (112,988)

2021 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$ 714,061	\$ 225,894	\$ 488,167
Special Revenue	391,047	103,649	287,398
Capital Projects	715,827	10,772	705,055
Enterprise	1,956,109	573,480	1,382,629
Total	\$ 3,777,044	\$ 913,795	\$ 2,863,249

Village of Holgate, Ohio
Henry County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Village is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Village's deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	<u>2021</u>
<i>Cash Management Pool:</i>	
Demand deposits	\$ 2,443,723
Certificates of deposit	532,414
Cash on Hand	<u>100</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$ 2,976,237</u>

The Village does not use a separate payroll clearing account. The expenditures included in the accompanying financial statement reflect net payroll plus all remitted payroll withholdings. At December 31, 2021, the Village is holding \$0 in unremitted employee payroll withholdings.

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

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.

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Henry County
Notes to the Financial Statements
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Note 5 – Taxes (Continued)

Income Taxes

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1 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

Workers' Compensation coverage is provided by the State of Ohio. The Village pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs.

Risk Pool Membership

The Village is a member of the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (the Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the (name of subdivision's) policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official's liability
- Cyber
- Law Enforcement Liability
- Automobile Liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment Breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of actuarially-measured liabilities and the assets available to pay those liabilities as of December 31, 2020 (Latest information available):

	<u>2020</u>
Cash and investments	\$ 40,318,971.00
Actuarial liabilities	\$ 14,111,510.00

Village of Holgate, Ohio
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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Several 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, 2021.

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, 2021.

Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

Both OPERS offers 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 2021. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Member Directed Plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2021.

Note 9 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2021, was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
OWDA 3621 - Water Tower	\$ 5,696	2%
OWDA 8321 - Sewer Lift	823,978	0%
OPWC CE32L	70,882	0%
OPWC CT18T	68,978	0%
Total	\$ 969,534	

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Note 9 – Debt

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA 3621) loan relates to a water tower. The Village has received \$188,878 in loans from OWDA, and has a loan balance of \$5,696 at December 31, 2021. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$5,752 including interest, over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by water receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA 8321) loan relates to a sewer lift station. The Village has received \$926,238 in loans from OWDA, and has a loan balance of \$823,978 at December 31, 2021. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$23,156, over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by sewer receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC CE32L) Loan #2 relates to a water treatment iron filtration project. The OPWC has approved \$177,205 in interest free loans to the Village, and has a loan balance of \$70,882 at December 31, 2021. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$4,430 over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by water receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OPWC debt service requirements.

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC CT18T) relates to a sewer lift replacement project. The OPWC has approved \$72,609 in interest free loans to the Village, and has a loan balance of \$68,978 at December 31, 2021. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$1,815 over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by sewer receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OPWC debt service requirements.

Amortization

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year Ending	OPWC			
December 31:	OWDA 3621	OWDA 8321	CE32L	OPWC CT18T
2022	\$ 5,752	\$ 46,312	\$ 8,860	\$ 3,630
2023	-	46,312	8,860	3,630
2024	-	46,312	8,860	3,630
2025	-	46,312	8,860	3,630
2026	-	46,312	8,860	3,630
2027-2031	-	231,560	26,582	18,153
2032-2036	-	231,560	-	18,153
2037-2041	-	129,298	-	14,522
Total	<u>\$ 5,752</u>	<u>\$ 823,978</u>	<u>\$ 70,882</u>	<u>\$ 68,978</u>

Village of Holgate, Ohio
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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Note 10 – Fund Balances

Included in fund balance are amounts the Village cannot spend, including the balance of unclaimed monies which cannot be spent for five years and the unexpendable corpus of the permanent funds. 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 Village had no encumbrances:

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. The fund balance of capital projects funds are restricted committed or assigned. These restricted, committed and assigned amounts in the special revenue and capital projects 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. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June, 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During 2021, the Village received COVID-19 funding. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Village. The impact on the Village's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

**VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
HENRY COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 26,688	\$ 40,384	\$ -	\$ 67,072
Municipal Income Tax	213,052	-	53,263	266,315
Intergovernmental	37,447	69,911	-	107,358
Fines, License, and Permits	7,712	-	-	7,712
Earnings on Investments	5,051	177	-	5,228
Miscellaneous	7,206	1,200	-	8,406
<i>Total Cash Receipts</i>	<u>297,156</u>	<u>111,672</u>	<u>53,263</u>	<u>462,091</u>
Cash Disbursements				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property	38,960	22,417	-	61,377
Leisure Time Activities	-	2,785	-	2,785
Community Environment	5,169	-	-	5,169
Transportation	-	79,806	-	79,806
General Government	122,325	790	-	123,115
Capital Outlay	12,035	-	73,662	85,697
<i>Total Cash Disbursements</i>	<u>178,489</u>	<u>105,798</u>	<u>73,662</u>	<u>357,949</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>118,667</u>	<u>5,874</u>	<u>(20,399)</u>	<u>104,142</u>
Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)				
Other Financing Sources	147	-	-	147
Other Financing Uses	(24,220)	-	-	(24,220)
<i>Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	<u>(24,073)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(24,073)</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Cash Balances</i>	94,594	5,874	(20,399)	80,069
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	<u>369,467</u>	<u>225,207</u>	<u>630,904</u>	<u>1,225,578</u>
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	<u>\$ 464,061</u>	<u>\$ 231,081</u>	<u>\$ 610,505</u>	<u>\$ 1,305,647</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
HENRY COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS)
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts	
Charges for Services	\$ 525,597
Miscellaneous	18,809
<i>Total Operating Cash Receipts</i>	544,406
Operating Cash Disbursements	
Personal Services	158,742
Transportation	58
Contractual Services	33,059
Supplies and Materials	83,813
<i>Total Operating Cash Disbursements</i>	275,672
<i>Operating Income (Loss)</i>	268,734
Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)	
Other Debt Proceeds	547,719
Miscellaneous Receipts	12,198
Capital Outlay	(660,841)
Principal Retirement	(39,899)
Interest and Other Fiscal Charges	(279)
Other Financing Uses	(21,045)
<i>Total Non-Operating Receipts (Disbursements)</i>	(162,147)
Net Change in Fund Balances	106,587
<i>Fund Cash Balances, January 1</i>	1,316,344
<i>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</i>	\$ 1,422,931

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Village of Holgate, Ohio
Henry County
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Village of Holgate (the Village), Henry 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 road maintenance and repair. The Village contracts with the Henry County Sheriff's department to provide security of persons and property. The Village contracts with Pleasant Township to receive fire protection services.

Public Entity Risk Pools

The Village participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 6 to the financial statements provide 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.

Street Light Fund The street light fund accounts for and reports money from the State for repairing village street lights.

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. The Village had the following significant capital project funds:

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Capital Project Funds (Continued):

Capital Improvement Fund The capital improvement fund receives income tax monies and grant proceeds for the construction and repairs of major capital projects.

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.

Storm Sewer Fund The storm sewer fund accounts for the provision of storm 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 Village 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 level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end.

Estimated Resources Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus 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 canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2020 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Deposits and Investments

The Village's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

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*. 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.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fund Balance (Continued)

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 December 31, 2020 follows:

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$ 250,000	\$ 297,303	\$ (47,303)
Special Revenue	92,700	111,672	(18,972)
Capital Projects	75,000	53,263	21,737
Enterprise	508,000	1,104,323	(596,323)
Total	\$ 925,700	\$ 1,566,561	\$ (640,861)

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$ 619,467	\$ 202,709	\$ 416,758
Special Revenue	317,907	105,798	212,109
Capital Projects	705,904	73,662	632,242
Enterprise	1,824,344	997,736	826,608
Total	\$ 3,467,622	\$ 1,379,905	\$ 2,087,717

Village of Holgate, Ohio
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For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Village is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. A summary of the Village's deposit and investment accounts are as follows:

	<u>2020</u>
<i>Cash Management Pool:</i>	
Demand deposits	\$ 2,196,955
Certificates of deposit	531,523
Cash on Hand	<u>100</u>
Total deposits	<u>\$ 2,728,578</u>

The Village does not use a separate payroll clearing account. The expenditures included in the accompanying financial statement reflect net payroll plus all remitted payroll withholdings. At December 31, 2020, the Village is holding \$0 in unremitted employee payroll withholdings.

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

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.

Village of Holgate, Ohio
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For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 5 – Taxes (Continued)

Income Taxes

The Village levies a municipal income tax of 1 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

Workers' Compensation coverage is provided by the State of Ohio. The Village pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs.

Risk Pool Membership

The Village is a member of the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (the Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Village's policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official's liability
- Cyber
- Law enforcement liability
- Automobile Liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment Breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of actuarially-measured liabilities and the assets available to pay those liabilities as of December 31, 2020:

	<u>2020</u>
Cash and investments	\$ 40,318,971.00
Actuarial liabilities	\$ 14,111,510.00

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Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Several 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.

Social Security

One Village employee 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

OPERS offers 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.

Note 9 – Debt

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

	Principal	Interest Rate
OWDA 3621 - Water Tower	\$ 22,445	2%
OWDA 8321 - Sewer Lift	900,673	0%
OPWC CE32L	79,743	0%
Total	\$ 1,002,861	

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA 3621) loan relates to a water tower. The Village has received \$188,878 in loans from OWDA, and has a loan balance of \$22,445 at December 31, 2020. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$5,752 including interest, over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by water receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 9 – Debt (Continued)

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA 8321) loan relates to a sewer lift station. The Village has received \$926,238 in loans from OWDA, and has a loan balance of \$900,673 at December 31, 2020. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$23,156, over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by sewer receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OWDA debt service requirements.

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC CE32L) Loan #2 relates to a water treatment iron filtration project. The OPWC has approved \$177,205 in interest free loans to the Village, and has a loan balance of \$79,743 at December 31, 2020. The loans will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$4,430 over 20 years. The loan is collateralized by water receipts. The Village has agreed to set utility rates sufficient to cover OPWC debt service requirements. The outstanding balance as of December 31, 2019 listed in the prior year audit report was overstated by \$4,429.

Amortization

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	OWDA 3621	OWDA 8321	OPWC CE32L
2021	\$ 11,505	\$ 46,312	\$ 8,860
2022	11,505	46,312	8,860
2023	-	46,312	8,860
2024	-	46,312	8,860
2025	-	46,312	8,860
2026-2030	-	231,560	35,443
2031-2035	-	231,560	-
2036-2040	-	205,993	-
Total	\$ 23,010	\$ 900,673	\$79,743

Note 10 – Fund Balances

Included in fund balance are amounts the Village cannot spend, including the balance of unclaimed monies which cannot be spent for five years and the unexpendable corpus of the permanent funds. 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 Village had no encumbrances.

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. The fund balance of capital projects funds are restricted committed or assigned. These restricted, committed and assigned amounts in the special revenue and capital projects funds would include the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 11 – Change in Accounting Principles

For 2020, the Village has made changes to their cash basis reporting model. These changes include modifications to the definition of fiduciary funds, adding a separate Combined Statement of Additions, Deductions and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis) -- All Fiduciary Fund Types, and removing the fund balance classifications from the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Regulatory Cash Basis) – All Governmental Fund Types.

Note 12 – 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.

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

Village of Holgate
Henry County
P.O. Box 217
Holgate, Ohio 43527

To the Village Council:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental and proprietary fund type as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 and the related notes to the financial statements of Village of Holgate, Henry County, (the Village) and have issued our report thereon dated June 17, 2022, wherein we noted the Village followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(D) permit. We also noted the Village has made changes to its reporting model.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purposes of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Village's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. 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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings that we consider a material weakness. We consider finding 2021-001 to be a material weakness.

Tax - Accounting – Audit – Review – Compilation – Agreed Upon Procedure – Consultation – Bookkeeping – Payroll – Litigation Support – Financial Investigations
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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Village's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Perry and Associates
Certified Public Accountants, A.C.
Marietta, Ohio

June 17, 2022

VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
HENRY COUNTY

SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 - 2020

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2021-001

Material Weakness

Financial Reporting

The Village is responsible for establishing procedures and controls to help prevent and detect errors in financial reporting. The following errors with the Village's annual financial report were noted:

- Debt proceeds and corresponding capital outlay were not recorded in the accounting system for OWDA proceeds in 2020 and OPWC proceeds in 2021.
- Debt proceeds and corresponding capital outlay were recorded in the Capital Projects fund instead of the Enterprise fund in 2020.

Not posting receipts and disbursements accurately resulted in the financial statements requiring several reclassification and adjusting entries. The Financial Statements reflect all reclassifications and adjustments. The Village has made these adjustments to their accounting system.

To help ensure accuracy and reliability in the financial reporting process, we recommend management perform a detailed review of its draft financial statements. Such review should include procedures to ensure that all sources of revenues are properly identified and classified on the financial statements.

We also recommend the Fiscal Officer refer to the Ohio Village Handbook and other Auditor of State resources for guidance to determine the proper establishment of receipt and disbursement accounts and posting of receipts and disbursements.

Officials' Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

VILLAGE OF HOLGATE
HENRY COUNTY

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2021 - 2020

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2019-001	Financial Reporting	Partially Corrected	Repeated as Finding 2021-001
2019-002	Public Records Policy	Not Corrected	Repeated in Management Letter

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VILLAGE OF HOLGATE

HENRY 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 8/30/2022

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