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Huron County Agricultural Society Huron County 940 Fair Road Norwalk, Ohio 44857

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on Huron County Agricultural Society, Huron County, Ohio's (the Society) receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Society. The Society is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Society.

The Board of Directors and the management of the Society have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of providing assistance in the evaluation of the Society's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. No other party acknowledged the appropriateness of the procedures. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of the report and may not meet the needs of all users of the report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

For the purposes of performing these procedures, this report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

### Cash

- 1. We recalculated the November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the December 1, 2020 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded to the November 30, 2020 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the December 1, 2021 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded to the November 30, 2021 balances. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the 2022 and 2021 bank reconciliation as of November 30, 2022 and 2021 to the total fund cash balances reported in the balance sheet and the financial statements filed by the Society in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We observed the year-end bank balances on the financial institution's website. The balances agreed. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the November 30, 2022 bank reconciliation without exception.

- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the November 30, 2022 bank reconciliation:
  - We traced each debit to the subsequent December bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register and determined the debits were dated prior to November 30. We found no exceptions.

# **Intergovernmental Cash Receipts**

We selected a total of five receipts from the Distribution Transaction Detail Report (State DTL) and the Huron County Audit Trail by Vendor Report from 2021.

- a. We compared the amount from the above named reports to the amount recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. We inspected the Transaction Detail by Account Report to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper account codes. We found no exceptions.
- c. We inspected the Transaction Detail by Account Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

### **Admission/Grandstand Receipts**

We selected two days of admission/grandstand cash receipts from the year ended November 30, 2022 and two days of admission/grandstand cash receipts from the year ended November 30, 2021 recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report and agreed the receipt amount to the supporting documentation (ticket recapitulation sheets/cash register tapes, etc.). The amounts agreed.

#### **Privilege Fee Receipts**

We selected 10 privilege fee cash receipts from the year ended November 30, 2022 recorded in the duplicate cash receipts book and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount to the amount recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. Agreed the rate charged with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Transaction Detail by Account Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

# **Rental Receipts**

We selected 10 rental cash receipts from the year ended November 30, 2022 and 10 rental cash receipts from the year ended November 30, 2021 recorded in the duplicate cash receipts book and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount to the amount recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. Agreed the rate charged with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Transaction Detail by Account Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

# **Other Receipts**

We selected 10 other receipts from the year ended November 30, 2022 and 10 other receipts from the year ended November 30, 2021 and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report to supporting documentation. The amounts agreed.
- b. Confirmed the amounts charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Transaction Detail by Account Report to determine the receipt was posted to the proper funds, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Debt

- 1. The prior agreed-upon procedures documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of November 30, 2020.
- We inquired of management and inspected the receipt and expenditure records for evidence of loan or credit agreements, and bonded, note, County, or mortgage debt issued during 2022 or 2021 or debt payment activity during 2022 or 2022. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2022 or 2021.

#### **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2022 and one payroll check for five employees from 2021 from the Transaction Detail by Account Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected the only new employee from 2022 and both new employees from 2021 and:
  - a. We inspected the employees' personnel files for the Retirement system, Federal, State and Local income tax withholding authorization.
  - b. We agreed the items in a above to the Transaction Detail by Account Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended November 30, 2022 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and that the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2022. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes and Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2023	January 5, 2023	\$776.66	\$776.66
State income taxes	January 15, 2023	January 6, 2023	113.23	113.23
Unemployment Insurance	January 31, 2023	January 6, 2023	41.91	41.91
Local income tax	February 1, 2023	January 6, 2023	158.96	158.96

We found no exceptions.

# **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

We selected 10 disbursements from the Transaction Detail by Account Report for the year ended November 30, 2022 and 10 from the year ended November 30, 2021 and determined whether:

- a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
- b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Transaction Detail by Account Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
- c. Based on the nature of the expenditure, the account coding is reasonable. We found no exceptions.

#### **Sunshine Law Compliance**

- 1. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have a public records policy during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 2. a. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have any completed public records requests during the engagement period.
  - b. The Society did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
  - c. The Society did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.
- 3. We inquired whether the Society had a records retention schedule and observed that it was readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 4. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have a public records policy during the engagement period therefore could not provide it to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 5. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have a public records policy during the engagement period therefore it could not be included in a policy manual as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 6. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have a public records policy during the engagement period therefore it could not be displayed in all the branches of the Society as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 7. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 8. We inquired with Society management and determined that the Society did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the Society notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period were to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.

- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
  - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
  - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
  - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
  - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

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

We found no exceptions.

# **Other Compliance**

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires Societies to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the Society filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021 in the Hinkle system. We found no exceptions.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

- 1. We inquired with management and identified the following Related Party Transactions:
  - a. A Board member is the owner of a Marett Unlimited, from which the Society acquired snow removal and salting services during the audit period. The Board approved the use of this company on October 7, 2021 and October 7, 2022 during regular meetings, and the related Board member properly abstained from voting on the matter.

We found no exceptions.

- 2. We confirmed the transactions with the Society's bank statements. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We obtained supporting evidence for the Related Party Transactions identified in procedure 1. We found no exceptions.

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

We are required to be independent of the Society and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the ethical requirements established by the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* related to our agreed upon procedures engagement.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

May 30, 2023



# **HURON COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

#### **HURON 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 6/20/2023

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