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

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of Goshen Township, Auglaize County (the Township) agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

#### Cash

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2011 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2010 balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2012 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2011 balances in the Fund Ledger Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2012 and 2011 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Reports. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2012 bank account balance with the Township's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balance to the amount appearing in the December 31, 2012 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2012 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.

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#### Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2012 and one from 2011:
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether the receipt was allocated to the proper fund(s) as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We scanned the Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2012 and 2011. We noted the Receipts Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We selected three receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2012 and three from 2011. We also selected five receipts from the County Auditor's Vendor Detail Report from 2012 and five from 2011.
  - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We noted two exceptions in 2012 and one exception in 2011 where the receipts were not allocated to the correct funds. The first receipt in 2012 was for homestead and rollback in the amount of \$3,084.12 (net of fees) and was recorded in the General Fund. Per the Tax Settlement sheet, the allocation should have been \$1,360.10 to the General Fund, \$1,104.11 to the Road & Bridge Fund, and \$619.91 to the Special Levy Fund. The second receipt in 2012 was for homestead and rollback in the amount of \$3,083.92 (net of fees) and was recorded in the General Fund, \$1,104.04 to the General Fund, and \$619.87 to the Special Levy Fund. The 2011 receipt was for homestead and rollback in the amount of \$2,662.26 (net of fees) and was recorded in the General Fund, \$1,131.46 should have been allocated to the General Fund, \$881.21 to the Road & Bridge Fund, and \$649.59 to the Special Levy Fund.

**Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10(C)** requires that all revenue from a special levy shall be credited to a special fund for the purpose for which the levy was made. During 2012 homestead and roll back receipts in the amount of \$2,208.15 belonging to the Road and Bridge Fund, and in the amount of \$1,239.78 belonging to the Special Levy Fund were recorded in the General Fund. During 2011, homestead and roll back receipts in the amount of \$881.21 belonging to the Road and Bridge Fund and \$649.59 belonging to the Special Levy Fund were recorded in the General Fund. The recording of receipts in the wrong fund could result in the illegal disbursement of restricted money.

The Township has made the necessary adjustments to their accounting records to allocate these receipts to the proper funds. The correction of these recording errors had the following impact on the individual fund balances:

General	(\$4,978.73)
Road and Bridge	\$3,089.36
Special Levy	\$1,889.37

A periodic review of the accounting records should be performed to help assure receipts are allocated to the correct funds.

c. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### **Over-The-Counter Cash Receipts**

We haphazardly selected 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2012 and 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended 2011 and determined whether the:

- a. Receipt amount agreed to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. Amount charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Receipt was posted to the proper fund(s), 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 December 31, 2010.
- 2. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2012 or 2011 or debt payment activity during 2012 or 2011. We noted no new debt issuances or any debt payment activity during 2012 or 2011.

#### Payroll Cash Disbursements

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- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2012 and one payroll check for five employees from 2011 from the Employee Detail Adjustment Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Employee Detail Adjustment Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We determined whether the fund and account code(s) to which the check was posted were reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files or as required by statute. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We scanned the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2012 to determine whether remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2012. We noted the following:

withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare	January 31, 2013	December 17, 2012	\$468.87	\$468.87
State income taxes	January 31, 2013	December 17, 2012	\$ 85.62	\$ 85.62
School income tax	January 31, 2013	December 17, 2012	\$ 69.42	\$ 69.42
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2013	December 17, 2012	\$764.12	\$764.12

- 3. For the pay periods ended June 30, 2012 and November 30, 2011, we recomputed the allocation of the Boards' salaries to the General and Road and Bridge funds per the Employee Detail Adjustment Report. We found no exceptions.
- For the pay periods described in the preceding step, we traced the Boards' salary for time or services performed to supporting certifications the Revised Code requires. We found no exceptions.

#### Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2012 and ten from the year ended 2011 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
  - d. We found two instances where the certification date was after the vendor invoice date, and there was also no evidence that a *Then and Now Certificate* was issued. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires certifying at the time of a commitment, which should be on or before the invoice date, unless a *Then and Now Certificate* is used. Because we did not test all disbursements requiring certification, our report provides no assurance whether or not additional similar errors occurred.

#### Compliance – Budgetary

- 1. We compared the total estimated receipts from the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report for the General, Gasoline Tax and Special Levy funds for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011. The amounts on the Certificate agreed to the amounts recorded in the accounting system, except for the General Fund. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the General fund of \$\$49,581.53 for 2012. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$114,302.80. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report to amounts recorded on the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.
- 2. We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2012 and 2011 to determine whether, for the General, Road and Bridge, and Cemetery funds, the Trustees appropriated separately for "each office, department, and division, and within each, the amount appropriated for personal services," as is required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38(C). We found no exceptions.
- 3. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2012 and 2011 for the following funds: General, Road and Bridge, and Cemetery. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status report.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.36(A)(5) and 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General, Road and Bridge, and Cemetery funds for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011. We noted no funds for which appropriations exceeded certified resources.
- 5. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 for the General, Road and Bridge, and Cemetery funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We noted no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.

#### Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)

- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externally-restricted resources. We scanned the Receipt Register Report for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2012 and 2011. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Township received new restricted receipts. The Township established Fund 2902 (Miscellaneous Special Revenue) to separate the receipts from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the Nature Works Grant New Hampshire Ball Park in compliance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09.
- 7. We scanned the 2012 and 2011 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for evidence of inter-fund transfers exceeding \$100.00 which Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.14 .16 restrict. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Section 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner and Court of Common Pleas.
- 8. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriation Status Reports to determine whether the Township elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. We noted the Township did not establish these reserves.

#### **Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures**

We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 to determine if the Township proceeded by force account (i.e. used its own employees) to maintain or repair roads (cost of project \$15,000-\$45,000) or to construct or reconstruct township roads (cost of project \$5,000-\$15,000/per mile) for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01 requires the county engineer to complete a force account project assessment form (i.e., cost estimate). We identified no projects requiring the county engineer to complete a force account cost estimate.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Township's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance, and others within the Township, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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

Susan Babbett

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

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