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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of the Gnadenhutzen Public Library, Tuscarawas County, Ohio (the Library), on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Library's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Library. The Library is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Library. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

Cash

1. We recalculated the December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
2. We agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report plus audit adjustments posted on April 17, 2018 to the December 31, 2017 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2019 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2018 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, 2019 and 2018 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report and the financial statements filed by the Library in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed.
4. We confirmed the December 31, 2019 bank account balances with the Library's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2019 bank reconciliation without exception.
5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2019 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. There were no exceptions.

Cash (Continued)

6. We inspected the Fund Ledger Report to determine whether the Finding For Adjustment identified in the prior audit report, due from the General Fund, payable to the Capital Projects Fund, was properly posted to the report. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

1. We selected a total of five receipts from the *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* and the County Auditor's AP Disbursements with Description Report from 2019 and a total of five from 2018:
 - a. We compared the amount from the above named reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Report. We noted two exceptions as property tax receipts received from the County Auditor in 2018 were improperly posted net of tax collection expense.
 - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to confirm these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
2. We inspected the Revenue Ledger Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2019 and 2018. The Revenue Ledger Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
3. We inspected the Revenue Ledger Report to determine whether it included one Public Library Fund receipt per month for 2019 and 2018. We found no exceptions.

Debt

1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2017.
2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Receipt Detail Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2019 or 2018 or debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2019 and one payroll check for five employees from 2018 from the Wage Detail Report and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Wage Detail Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the fund and account code to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files and minute record. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
 - c. For any new employees selected, we inspected the employees' personnel files and minute record for the following information and compared it with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
 - i. Name.

Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

- ii. Authorized salary or pay rate and department and fund to which the check should be charged.
- iii. Retirement system, Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding.

We found no exceptions related to procedures i. – iii. above.

2. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2019 to confirm 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 2019. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	1/31/2020	12/30/2019	\$651	\$651
State income taxes	1/15/2020	1/29/2020	\$466	\$466
Local income tax	1/31/2020	1/29/2020	\$424	\$424
OPERS retirement	1/30/2020	1/27/2020	\$1,837	\$1,837

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

1. We selected 10 disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 10 from the year ended 2018 and determined whether:
 - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found one exception as the Library disbursed \$300 for cash prizes for a talent show. Supporting documentation was not maintained by the Library to support that the distribution was for a proper public purpose. While the total distribution agreed to prize amounts announced in a flier created for a talent show, the Board had not formally approved the distribution of cash for prizes in the minutes. The Board should approve in the minutes when cash is to be given out as a prize and how the distribution represents a proper public purpose. Additionally, the Library should maintain supporting documentation that the winner claimed their prize, such as a sign out sheet.
 - 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.
2. We inspected the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and determined that the proceeds from the levy passed under Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.23, were used for the purpose stated in the resolution.

Compliance – Budgetary

Ohio Admin. Code § 117-8-02 prohibits spending in excess of budgeted amounts. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for the General and Capital Project Funds. We observed that no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.

Sunshine Law Compliance

1. We obtained and inspected the Library's Public Records Policy to determine the policy did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
2. We inquired with the Library management and determined that the Library did not have any completed public records requests during the engagement period.
3. We inquired with the Library management and determined that the Library did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
4. We inquired with the Library management and determined that the Library did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.
5. We inquired whether the Library has a records retention policy, and observed that it is readily available to the public. We found no exceptions.
6. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager. We found that no written evidence existed that the custodian of the Library's public records had been provided a copy of the Public Records Policy.
7. We inquired with Library management and determined that the Library did not have a policy manual during the engagement period therefore the public records policy could not be included.
8. We observed that the Library's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the Library. We found no exceptions.
9. We inquired with Library management and determined that the Library did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
10. We inquired with Library management and determined that the Library did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period.
11. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the Library notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period are to be held. We found no exceptions.
12. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period 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.

Sunshine Law Compliance (Continued)

13. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period and determined that formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings. We found no exceptions.

Other Compliance

1. Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires libraries 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 Library filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
2. For all credit card accounts we obtained:
 - copies of existing internal control policies,
 - a list(s) of authorized users, and
 - a list of all credit card account transactions.
 - a. We inspected the established policy obtained above and determined it is:
 - i. in compliance with the HB 312 statutory requirements, and
 - ii. implemented by the entity.We found no exceptions.
 - b. We selected 1 credit card transaction from each credit card account for testing. For selected transactions we inspected documentation to determine that:
 - i. Use was by an authorized user within the guidelines established in the policy, and
 - ii. Each transaction was supported with original invoices and for a proper public purpose.We found no exceptions.
 - c. We selected 3 credit card statements from each credit card account for testing. For selected statements we inspected documentation to determine that:
 - i. No unpaid beginning balance was carried forward to the current billing cycle,
 - ii. Ending statement balance was paid in full, and
 - iii. Statement contained no interest or late fees.We found no exceptions.
 - d. For cash withdraws made. We selected 1 cash withdraw and inspected supporting documentation to determine:
 - i. The policy explicitly allowed for cash withdraws and when related legislative or administrative action was passed.
 - ii. Appropriate and specific additional controls were implemented for cash withdraw transactions.We found no exceptions.

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

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the Library's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith Faber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

June 2, 2020

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TUSCARAWAS COUNTY

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 Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
JUNE 23, 2020**