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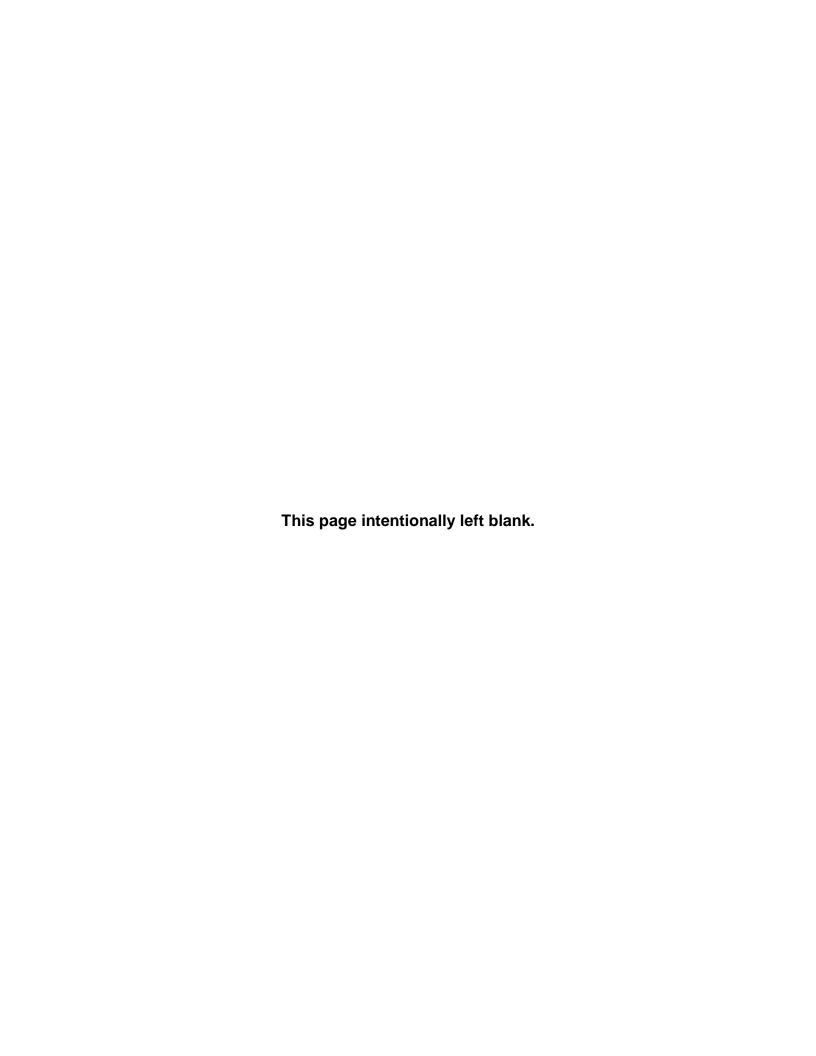
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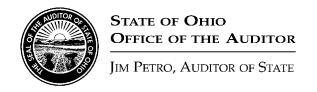
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999-1998



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Mantua Township Portage County 3898 Winchell Road Mantua, OH 44255

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Mantua Township, Portage County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Township prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of the Township as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 1, 2000 on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management, the Board and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim PetroAuditor of State

June 1, 2000

MANTUA TOWNSHIP COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types				
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Local Taxes Intergovernmental	\$39,092 148,091	\$200,277 98,578	\$27,578	\$177,400	\$266,947 424,069
Charges for Services Licenses, Permits, and Fees Earnings on Investments Other Revenue	585 854 9,009 19,048	11,319 2,115 2,800			585 12,173 11,124 21,848
Total Cash Receipts	216,679	315,089	27,578	177,400	736,746
Cash Disbursements: Current:					
General Government Public Works Health Conservation - Recreation Miscellaneous Debt Service:	119,063 32,353 1,754 2,840	9,880 195,412 15,965 77,842			128,943 227,765 17,719 2,840 77,842
Redemption of Principal Interest and Fiscal Charges Capital Outlay	25,536	3,196	25,000 2,129	177,400	25,000 2,129 206,132
Total Cash Disbursements	181,546	302,295	27,129	177,400	688,370
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	35,133	12,794	449		48,376
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements): Proceeds from Sale of Public Debt: Transfers-In Transfers-Out Other Uses	(6,000) (1,023)	6,000			6,000 (6,000) (1,023)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	(7,023)	6,000			(1,023)
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	28,110	18,794	449		47,353
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	206,796	277,491			484,287
Fund Balance Adjustment	350	(30)			320
Adjusted Fund Balance, January 1	207,146	277,461			484,607
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$235,256	\$296,255	\$449		\$531,960
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$2,307	\$17,937			\$20,244

MANTUA TOWNSHIP COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Fiduciary Fund Types			
	Nonexpendable Trust	Agency	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Operating Cash Receipts: Interest Other	\$43	\$951	\$43 	
Total Operating Cash Receipts	43	951	994	
Operating Cash Disbursements: Supplies and Materials Other	50	951	50 951	
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	50	951	1,001	
Net Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(7)		(7)	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	2,836		2,836	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$2,829</u>		\$2,829	

MANTUA TOWNSHIP COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Local Taxes	\$38,453	\$224,897		\$263,350
Intergovernmental	116,075	96,576	\$141,602	354,253
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	49	14,401		14,450
Earnings on Investments	7,475	1,505		8,980
Other Revenue	15,673	4,360		20,033
Total Cash Receipts	177,725	341,739	141,602	661,066
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
General Government	95,197	10,378		105,575
Public Works	25,045	237,499		262,544
Health	1,576	13,474		15,050
Conservation - Recreation	3,335			3,335
Miscellaneous		127,510		127,510
Capital Outlay	1,208	1,433	141,602	144,243
Total Cash Disbursements	126,361	390,294	141,602	658,257
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	51,364	(48,555)		2,809
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements): Proceeds from Sale of Public Debt: Sale of Notes Transfers-In Transfers-Out Other Sources Other Uses	(4,000) 6,586 (8,525)	75,000 4,000		75,000 4,000 (4,000) 6,586 (8,525)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	(5,939)	79,000		73,061
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	45,425	30,445		75,870
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	161,371	246,906		408,277
Fund Balance Adjustment		140		140
Adjusted Fund Balance, January 1	161,371	247,046		408,417
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$206,796	\$277,491		\$484,287
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$17,685	\$27,498	\$76,800	\$121,983

MANTUA TOWNSHIP STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	Fiduciary Fund Type
	Nonexpendable Trust
Operating Cash Receipts: Interest	\$60
Total Operating Cash Receipts	60
Operating Cash Disbursements: Supplies and Materials	42
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	42
Net Receipts Over Disbursements	18
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	2,818
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$2,836

MANTUA TOWNSHIP NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Mantua Township, Portage County, (the Township) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services.

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

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized 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 prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

The Township's certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

Purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

D. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Road Levy Fund - This fund receives road levy tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

3. Debt Service Funds

The debt service fund is used to accumulate resources for the payment of note indebtedness. The Township has one Debt Service Fund for general note retirement.

4. Capital Project Funds

These funds are used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects. The Township had the following significant capital project funds:

Public Works Project Fund - The Township received grants in 1998 and 1999 from the State of Ohio to perform paving projects and improvements on Township roads.

Winchell Wayne Paving Fund - The Township received a grant in 1999 from the State of Ohio to perform paving on two specific Township roads.

5. Fiduciary Funds (Trust and Agency Funds)

Cemetery Bequest Fund - This fund is utilized as non-expendable trust fund that utilize interest revenues for the upkeep and maintenance of the cemetery. The principal must remain intact.

Flow Through Agency Fund - In 1999, this fund accounted for the collection of money from a former employee to pay for his continuation of health coverage. The Township collected the money on behalf of American Community Mutual Insurance.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

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

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process (Continued)

3. Encumbrances

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

A summary of 1999 and 1998 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

G. Unpaid Vacation and Sick Leave

Employees are entitled to cash payments for unused vacation and sick leave in certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment. Unpaid vacation and sick leave are not reflected as liabilities under the basis of accounting used by the Township.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Township maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Demand deposits	\$391,065	\$356,523
Certificates of deposit	143,724	130,600
Total deposits	\$534,789	\$487,123

Deposits: Deposits are either insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 1999 and 1998 follows:

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

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		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
Conorol		¢1.41.074	\$216,679	Φ7E 40E
General		\$141,274	\$∠10,079	\$75,405
Special Revenue		308,619	321,089	12,470
Debt Service		27,578	27,578	0
Capital Projects		178,200	177,400	(800)
Non-Expendable Trust		1,426	43	(1,383)
	Total	\$657,097	\$742,789	\$85,692

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$278,455	\$190,876	\$87,579
Special Revenue	399,648	320,232	79,416
Debt Service	27,578	27,129	449
Capital Projects	178,200	177,400	800
Non-Expendable Trust	50	50	0
Total	\$883,931	\$715,637	\$168,244

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue Capital Projects Non-Expendable Trust	\$135,245 405,518 223,597 80	\$184,311 420,739 141,602 60	\$49,066 15,221 (81,995) (20)
Total	\$764,440	\$746,712	(\$17,728)

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

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		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$205,200	\$156,571	\$48,629
Special Revenue		403,200	417,792	(14,592)
Capital Projects		223,597	218,402	5,195
Non-Expendable Trust		50	42	8
	Total	\$832,047	\$792,807	\$39,240

4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

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

5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 1999 was as follows:

		Principal	Interest Rate
Tax Anticipation Note		\$50,000	3.75%
	Total	\$50,000	

The tax anticipation note was issued to finance the performance of the Allyn Roads and Sheldon Road paving project by the Township. The note is collateralized solely by the Township's taxing authority.

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

Year ending December 31:	Tax Anticipation Note
2000 2001	\$26,641 25,703
Total	\$52,344

6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

For 1999 and 1998, members of PERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 1999.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is a member of the Ohio Government Risk Management Joint Self Insurance Pool (the Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township's policy. The Pool may assess supplemental premiums. The following risks are covered by the Pool:

- Comprehensive general liability and casualty
- Public official's liability
- Business Auto Coverage
- Commercial Property
- Real and Personal Property
- Commercial Inland Marine
- Valuable Papers
- Business and Electrical equipment coverage

The Township also provides health and life insurance coverage to full-time employees through a private carrier.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Mantua Township Portage County 3898 Winchell Road Mantua, OH 44255

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Mantua Township, Portage County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated June 1, 2000. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on determination of financial statement amounts. 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated June 1, 2000.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated June 1, 2000.

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This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

June 1, 2000



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MANTUA TOWNSHIP

PORTAGE 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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 25, 2000