#### **VILLAGE OF MORROW**

**December 31, 2001 and 2000** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Village of Morrow, Warren County, prepared by VohLehman & Company, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2001. 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 Morrow is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

July 26, 2002



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### VILLAGE OF MORROW WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

### VILLAGE OFFICIALS December 31, 2001

#### **MAYOR**

Robert L. Brown

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Van Brown

Don Oda

Robert Blankenship

Village Solicitor

York Bryant Fred Carmack

Jack Robertson Steve Terrell

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Village Administrator Rhonda Ward

Village Clerk and Treasurer Jean Mayne

Clerk of Courts Tax Administrator Cindy Wilmot

Village Police Chief Russel Kilburn



#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Honorable Mayor and Members of Council Village of Morrow Morrow, Ohio

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Morrow, Warren County, Ohio, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We have conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the Village of Morrow 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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash and combined fund cash balances of the Village of Morrow, Warren County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, its combined cash receipts and disbursements and its combined budgeted and actual receipts and budgeted and actual disbursements and encumbrances, for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Honorable Mayor and Members of Council Village of Morrow Page Two

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued a report dated June 20, 2002 on our consideration of the Village of Morrow's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audits.

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

VonLehman & Company Inc.

# VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH AND FUND CASH BALANCES ALL FUND TYPES

	<u>December 31, 2001</u>
Cash Investments	\$ 249,357 
	\$ <u>527,570</u>
FUND	CASH BALANCES BY FUND TYPE
Governmental Fund Types General Fund Special Revenue Funds	\$ 244,053 33,534
Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Funds	149,681
Fiduciary Fund Type Trust and Agency Funds	100,302
	\$ <u>527,570</u>

# VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH AND FUND CASH BALANCES ALL FUND TYPES

	<u>December 31, 200</u>	<u>)0</u>
Cash Investments	\$ 303,071 341,583	
	\$ <u>644,654</u>	
FU	CASH BALANCES BY FUND TYPE	
Governmental Fund Types General Fund Special Revenue Funds	\$ 326,308 51,864	
Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Funds	168,275	
Fiduciary Fund Type Trust and Agency Funds	98,207_	
	\$644,654_	

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE

Year Ended December 31, 2001 **Fiduciary Governmental Fund Fund Types Type** Special Expendable **Totals** Revenue General **Trust** (Memorandum **Fund** Fund **Funds** Only) Receipts Taxes 260,778 40,235 \$ \$ 301,013 Intergovernmental Receipts 45,897 53,214 99,111 Charges for Services 122.000 128,929 250.929 Fines, Licenses and Permits 645 645 Miscellaneous 30,475 2,197 32,672 **Total Receipts** 459,795 224,575 684,370 **Disbursements** Security of Persons and Property 168,208 314,389 146,181 Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities 304 488 792 Community Environment 3,386 3,386 **Basic Utilities Services** 86,432 86,432 Transportation 65,989 65,989 **General Government** 166,969 42,691 209,660 **Total Disbursements** 425,299 255,349 680.648 **Excess (Deficit) of Receipts Over Disbursements** 34,496 (30,774)3,722 Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers - In 957 12,444 13,401 Transfers - Out (114,844)(114,844)Other Uses (2,864)(2,864)Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) (116,751)12,444 (104,307)**Deficit of Receipts and Other Financing Sources** Over Disbursements and Other Financing Uses (82,255)(18,330)(100,585)**Beginning Fund Cash Balance** 326,308 51,864 784 378,956 **Ending Fund Cash Balance** \$ 244,053 33,534 784 278,371

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

	_							
		Proprietary Fiduciary						
	_	Fund Type		Fund Ty	pes	<u> </u>		Totals
		Enterprise Funds		Non-Expendable Trust Funds		Agency Fund		(Memorandum Only)
Operating Receipts	-				-			
Charges for Services Miscellaneous	\$_	283,318 42,033	\$	4,893	\$_	33,862	\$	283,318 80,788
Total Operating Receipts	_	325,351		4,893	_	33,862		364,106
Operating Disbursements								
Personal Services		96,791		-		_		96,791
Contract Services		569,258		-		_		569,258
Supplies and Materials	-	83,391			_			83,391
Total Operating Disbursements	_	749,440			_			749,440
Operating (Loss) Income	_	(424,089)		4,893	_	33,862		(385,334)
Non-Operating Receipts								
Interest Income - Net of Fees		3,006		_		_		3,006
Grant	_	205,900			_			205,900
Total Non-Operating Receipts	_	208,906			_			208,906
Non-Operating Disbursements								
Debt Service		62,720		-		-		62,720
Other	_			1,570	_	33,609		35,179
Total Non-Operating								
Disbursements	_	62,720		1,570	-	33,609		97,899
(Deficit) Excess of Receipts								
Over Disbursements	_	(277,903)		3,323	_	253		(274,327)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Transfers - In		415,333		-		-		415,333
Proceeds from Bonds		102,924		4,367		-		107,291
Retirement of Debt		(258,948)		-		-		(258,948)
Transfers - Out	_			(5,848)	_			(5,848)
Total Other Financing								
Sources (Uses)	_	259,309		(1,481)	_			257,828
(Deficit) Excess of Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over Disbursements and								
Other Financing Uses		(18,594)		1,842		253		(16,499)
Beginning Fund Cash Balance	_	168,275		95,418	_	2,005		265,698
Ending Fund Cash Balance	\$_	149,681	\$	97,260	\$_	2,258	\$	249,199

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE

	Year Ended December 31, 2000							
	_	Governmental Fund Types				Fiduciary Fund Type		
	_	General Fund	_	Special Revenue Funds	_	Expendable Trust Fund	_	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Receipts	Φ	050.004	Φ	40.455	Φ		Φ	000 400
Taxes	\$	250,034	\$	43,455	\$	-	\$	293,489
Intergovernmental Receipts		172,910		48,736		-		221,646
Charges for Services		126,965		136,254		-		263,219
Fines, Licenses and Permits Miscellaneous		2,407		- 46 E70		-		2,407
Miscellarieous	-	43,545	-	46,579	-	<u>-</u>	-	90,124
Total Receipts	-	595,861	-	275,024			-	870,885
Disbursements								
Security of Persons and Property		161,798		120,753		_		282,551
Public Health Services		-		-		_		
Leisure Time Activities		_		608		_		608
Community Environment		3,350		43,094		-		46,444
Basic Utilities Services		107,784		-		-		107,784
Transportation		15,115		108,283		-		123,398
General Government	_	174,199	-	4,091			_	178,290
Total Disbursements	_	462,246	-	276,829			_	739,075
Excess (Deficit) of Receipts								
Over Disbursements	_	133,615	-	(1,805)			-	131,810
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Transfers - In		1,339		20,716		-		22,055
Transfers - Out		(1,053)		, <u>-</u>		-		(1,053)
Other Uses	_	(20,729)	-				_	(20,729)
Total Other Financing Sources								
(Uses)	-	(20,443)	-	20,716		-	-	273
Excess of Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over Disbursements and Other								
Financing Uses		113,172		18,911		-		132,083
Beginning Fund Cash Balance	_	213,136	-	32,953		784	_	246,873
<b>Ending Fund Cash Balance</b>	\$_	326,308	\$	51,864	\$	784	\$	378,956

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

	Year Ended December 31, 2000									
	Proprietary Fiduciary									
		Fund Type		Fund Ty	pes	<b>.</b>		Totals		
		Enterprise		Non-Expendable		Agency	(	Memorandum		
	_	Funds		Trust Funds		Fund	_	Only)		
Operating Receipts										
Charges for Services	\$	277,760	\$	-	\$	-	\$	277,760		
Miscellaneous	_	4,003		5,501		43,117	_	52,621		
Total Operating Receipts	_	281,763		5,501		43,117	_	330,381		
Operating Disbursements										
Personal Services		84,051		_		_		84,051		
Contract Services		275,384						275,384		
				<del>-</del>		_				
Supplies and Materials	_	61,837			•		_	61,837		
Total Operating Disbursements	_	421,272					_	421,272		
Operating Income	_	(139,509)		5,501	•	43,117	_	(90,891)		
Non-Operating Receipts										
Interest Income - Net of Fees		6,938		-		_		6,938		
	_	,			•			,		
Non-Operating Disbursements										
Debt Service		64,970		-		-		64,970		
Other	_	-		1,496		44,584	_	46,080		
Total Non Operating										
Total Non-Operating Disbursements		64,970		1,496		44,584		111.050		
Disbursements	_	64,970		1,490		44,564	_	111,050		
(Deficit) Excess of Receipts										
Over Disbursements		(197,541)		4,005		(1,467)		(195,003)		
	_	(101)			•	(1)1017	_	(100,000)		
Other Financing Sources (Uses)										
Transfers - In		7,833		3,674		-		11,507		
Transfers - Out	_	(7,833)		(5,000)		-	_	(12,833)		
Total Other Financing										
Sources (Uses)		-		(1,326)		_		(1,326)		
- Council (Council)	_			(1,020)	•		_	(:,===)		
(Deficit) Excess of Receipts and Other Financing Sources										
Over Disbursements and										
Other Financing Uses		(197,541)		2,679		(1,467)		(196,329)		
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Beginning Fund Cash Balance	_	365,816		92,739		3,472	_	462,027		
Ending Fund Cash Balance	\$_	168,275	\$	95,418	\$	2,005	\$_	265,698		

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS BUDGET AND ACTUAL

Year Ended December 31, 2001 Variance **Favorable** (Unfavorable) **Fund Types/Funds Budget** Actual **Governmental Fund Types** General Fund \$ 667,844 460,752 \$ (207,092)Special Revenue Funds 237,019 324,845 (87,826)Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Funds 1,118,869 1,052,514 (66,355)Fiduciary Fund Type Trust Funds 19,425 43,122 23,697 Totals (Memorandum Only) 2,130,983 \$ 1,793,407 (337,576)

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS BUDGET AND ACTUAL

Year Ended December 31, 2000 **Variance Fund Type/Funds Budget Actual** Unfavorable **Governmental Fund Types** 660,362 General Fund \$ \$ \$ 597,200 (63,162)358,700 Special Revenue Funds (62,960)295,740 **Proprietary Fund Type** Enterprise Fund 523,409 296,534 (226,875)Fiduciary Fund Type Trust Funds 97,463 52,292 (45,171)

1,639,934

1,241,766

(398, 168)

Totals (Memorandum Only)

## VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS AND ENCUMBRANCES COMPARED WITH EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY

Fund Type/Funds		Prior Year Carryover propriations	A	2001 appropriations	_	Total	_	Actual 2001 Disbursements	_	Encumbrances Outstanding at 12/31/01	_	Total	_	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Governmental Fund Types General Fund	\$	29,239	\$	657,600	\$	686,839	\$	543,007	\$	4E EE7	\$	588,564	\$	98,275
Special Revenue Funds	Ф	6,650	Ф	281,493	Ф	288,143	Ф	255,349	Ф	45,557 2,344	Ф	257,693	Ф	98,275 30,450
Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Funds		81,729		397,410		479,139		1,071,108		1,505		1,072,613		(593,474)
Fiduciary Fund Type														
Trust Funds  December 31, 2001	_	-		94,918	_	94,918	-	41,027	-	1,000	-	42,027	_	52,891
(Memorandum Only)	\$	117,618	\$	1,431,421	\$_	1,549,039	\$_	1,910,491	\$_	50,406	\$_	1,960,897	\$_	(411,858)

### VILLAGE OF MORROW COMBINED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS AND ENCUMBRANCES COMPARED WITH EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY

Fund Type/Funds	(	Prior Year Carryover propriations	 2000 Appropriations	_	Total	_	Actual 2000 Disbursements		Encumbrances Outstanding at 12/31/00	_	Total	_	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Governmental Fund Types General Fund Special Revenue Funds	\$	30,716	\$ 660,362 304,440	\$	691,078 304,440	\$	484,028 276,829	\$	29,239 6,650	\$	513,267 283,479	\$	177,811 20,961
Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Funds		-	509,609		509,609		494,075		81,729		575,804		(66,195)
Fiduciary Fund Type Trust Funds		-	 97,463	_	97,463	_	51,080	_	<u>-</u>	_	51,080	_	46,383
December 31, 2000 (Memorandum Only)	\$	30,716	\$ 1,571,874	\$ <u>_</u>	1,602,590	\$_	1,306,012	\$_	117,618	\$ <u>_</u>	1,423,630	\$_	178,960

### VILLAGE OF MORROW WARREN COUNTY, OHIO NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Village of Morrow, Warren County, Ohio (the "Village") 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 Village operates under a council-mayor form of government and provides security of persons and property, public health and welfare and community development. Educational services are provided by Little Miami Local School District. The District is a separate governmental entity and its financial statements are not included in those presented in this report.

The Village's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Village of Morrow, Warren County, Ohio is financially accountable.

#### **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.

#### **Fund Accounting**

The Village uses fund accounting to segregate cash that is restricted as to use. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of governmental entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific receipts and disbursements. The transactions of each fund are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts, an accounting entity which stands separate from the activities reported in other funds. The Village classifies its funds into the following types:

#### General Fund

The General fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required by law or contract to be restricted.

#### 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 disbursements for specific purposes.

#### **NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

These funds include the following:

Street Construction Maintenance and Repair Fund Street Highway Improvement Fund Fire and Life Fund Recreation Fund

#### **Enterprise Funds**

These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges. The Village had the following significant enterprise funds:

Water Fund

This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of providing this utility.

Subfunds of this fund include the following:

Water System Bond Reserve Account Water System Bond Paying Account Water Replacement and Improvement Fund

Water System Debt Service Fund

This fund received the initial loan proceeds from the National Bank & Trust Company for Mortgage Revenue Bonds to improve the municipal water system, advance refund certain outstanding Waterworks System First Mortgage Revenue Bonds and retire certain outstanding bond anticipation notes. This debt will be repaid from utility charges, also accounted for in this fund.

#### Fiduciary Funds (Trust and Agency Funds)

Trust funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements. If the agreement requires the Village to maintain the corpus of the trust, the fund is classified as a nonexpendable trust fund. Other trust funds are classified as expendable. Funds for which the Village is acting in an agency capacity are classified as agency funds.

The Trust and Agency funds are as follows:

<u>Trust</u>

Scheurer Trust Fund (non-expendable)
Scheurer Poor Relief Fund (non-expendable)

#### **NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

<u>Agency</u>

Mayor's Court

#### **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually. A budget of estimated cash receipts and disbursements is submitted to the county auditor, as secretary of the County Budget Commission, by July 20 of each year, for the period January 1 to December 31 of the following year.

#### 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. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure.

A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about January 1 each year for the period January 1 to March 31. An annual appropriation measure must be passed by April 1 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31. The appropriation measure may be amended or supplemented during the year as new information becomes available.

#### Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budget periods) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources. The County Budget Commission certifies its actions to the Village by September 1. As part of this certification, the Village receives the official certificate of estimated resources which states the projected receipts of each fund. On or about January 1, this certificate is amended to include any unencumbered balances from the preceding year.

Prior to December 31, the Village must revise its budget so that the total contemplated disbursements from a fund during the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the amount stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriation measure. Budget receipts as shown in the accompanying financial statements do not include prior year unencumbered fund balances. However, those fund balances are available for appropriation.

#### **Encumbrances**

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated. The Village is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting by virtue of Ohio law. Under this system, purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the disbursement of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation.

#### **NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

#### Cash

The Village's cash balances consisted of cash in checking accounts, certificates of deposit and investments in STAROhio (the State Treasurer's investment pool). STAROhio is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2(a)(7) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAROhio are valued at STAROhio's share price, which is equal to the price the investment could be sold for at December 31.

#### 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.

#### **Unpaid Vacation and Personal Time**

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

#### **Interfund Transactions**

During the course of normal operations, the Village had transactions between funds. The most significant include transfers of resources from one fund to another fund. The resources transferred are to be expended for operations by the receiving fund and are recorded as operating transfers.

#### Intergovernmental Revenues

Intergovernmental revenues, such as entitlements and grants awarded on a non-reimbursable basis, are recorded when received in accordance with the Village's cash basis method of accounting.

#### **Total Columns on Financial Statements**

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. This data is not comparable to a consolidation. Interfund-type eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

#### **NOTE 2 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

The Village of Morrow maintains a cash and investments pool used by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the "Combined Statement of Cash and Fund Cash Balances" as "Fund Cash Balances by Fund Type". The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash at December 31, 2001 and 2000 was as follows:

	Decer	December 31,		
	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>		
Demand Deposits	\$249,357	\$303,071		
STAROhio	64,487	91,465		
Certificates of Deposit	185,000	223,000		
Other Deposits	<u>28,726</u>	27,118		
	\$ <u>527,570</u>	\$ <u>644,654</u>		

#### **Deposits**

Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or are otherwise collateralized by the financial institution where the money is on deposit. At December 31, 2001 and 2000, all deposits were insured or collateralized, in compliance with Chapter 135, Ohio Revised Code.

#### **NOTE 3 - BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

For the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, the enterprise funds had disbursements in excess of appropriations of \$593,474 and \$66,195, respectively. This is not in compliance with Section 5705.41(b), Ohio Revised Code, which states that no subdivision or taxing unit is to expend money unless it has been appropriated.

#### **NOTE 4 - PROPERTY TAX**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1, preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Warren County. 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 semi-annual payment, 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.

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 Village.

#### **NOTE 5 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Village of Morrow is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The Village assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability
- Vehicles
- Errors and omissions

#### **NOTE 6 - LOCAL INCOME TAX**

This locally levied tax of 1% is applied to gross salaries, wages and other personal service compensation earned by residents both in and out of the Village and to earnings of nonresidents (except certain transients) who worked in the Village. It also applies to net income of business organizations' earnings conducted within the Village. Income tax receipts credited to the general fund amounted to \$225,970 and \$229,442 in 2001 and 2000, respectively.

#### **NOTE 7 - RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

The Village's law enforcement officers belong to the Police & Firemen's Disability & Pension Funds (PFDPF). Other full-time employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PFDPF and PERS are cost-sharing, multiple-employer plans. These plans provide retirement benefits, including post-retirement health care and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2001 and 2000, members of PFDPF contributed 10% of their wages to the PFDPF. The Village contributed an amount equal to 19.5% of police wages and 24% of fire wages for 2001 and 2000. For 2001 and 2000, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2001 and 2000. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

#### **NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM DEBT**

Long-term debt payments for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000 were as follows:

	Decen	nber 31,
	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
General Obligation Bonds - Water System Improvement		
Principal Interest	\$250,000 <u>8,948</u>	\$ - 
	\$ <u>258,948</u>	\$
Mortgage Revenue Bonds - Water Systems Principal Interest	\$ 50,000 <u>9,900</u> 	\$ 50,000 12,150 62,150
Ohio Public Works Commission Note - Water Tower	<del></del>	
Principal Interest	2,820 	2,820 
	2,820	2,820
	\$ <u>62,720</u>	\$ <u>64,970</u>

The mortgage revenue bonds are designated as "water system first mortgage revenue refunding and improving bonds". The bonds were issued by The National Bank & Trust Company, Wilmington, Ohio, as fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 each or any multiple thereof.

The proceeds of the general obligation bonds for water system improvement were used to purchase land surrounding the Village's wellhead in order to help ensure against contamination of the water supply.

#### NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

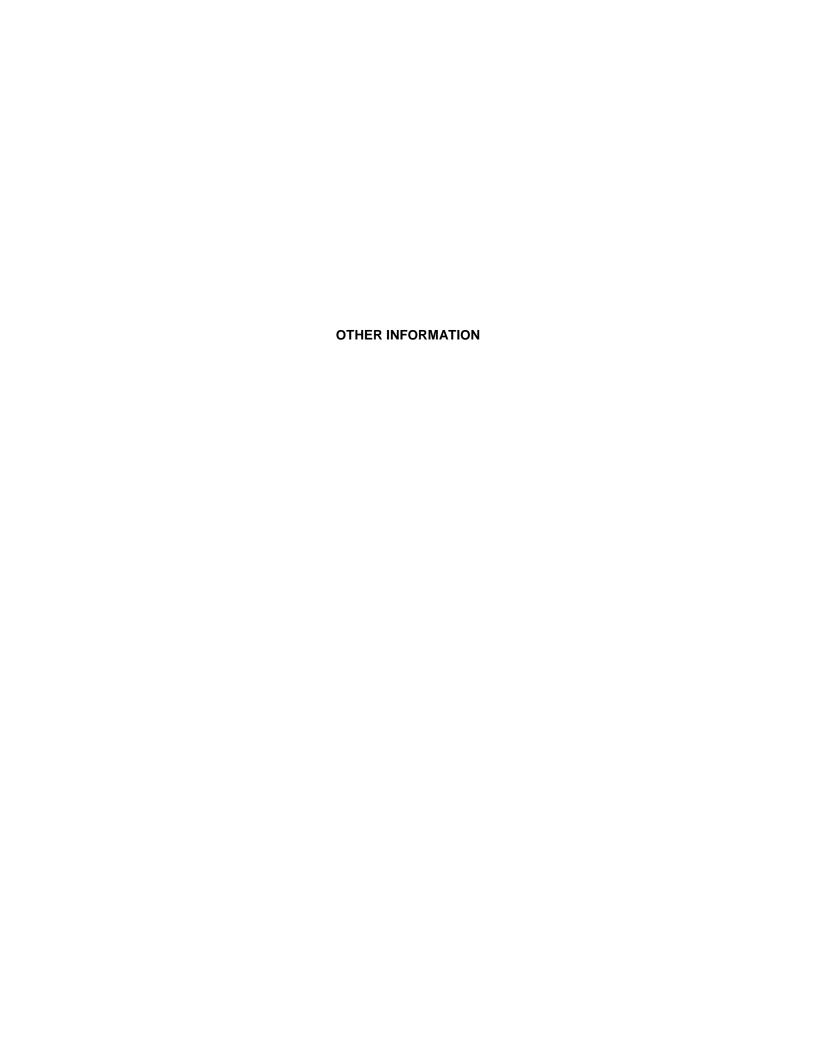
The mortgage revenue, water system improvement and water tower bonds mature and bear interest as stated below:

			Wate	r System					
	Wat	er Tower	Impr	ovement	Wate	Water Systems			
Year Ending	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate per Annum	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate per Annum	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate per Annum			
2002	\$ 2,820	0 %	\$ -	-	\$ 55,000	4.5 %			
2003	2,820	0	160,000	5 %	55,000	4.5			
2004	2,820	0	-	-	60,000	4.5			
2005	2,820	0	-	-	-	-			
2006	2,820	0	-	-	-	-			
Thereafter	<u>28,200</u>	0		-		-			
	\$ <u>42,300</u>		\$ <u>160,000</u>		\$ <u>170,000</u>				

The mortgage revenue bonds have interest payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1, and the principal is not subject to early redemption. The general obligation bonds have interest payable annually in July. The water tower note is payable semi-annually on July 1 and January 1 through 2016.

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

Year Ending	Water Tower	Water System Improvement	Water <u>Systems</u>	<u>Total</u>
2002	\$ 2,820	\$ 8,000	\$ 62,650	\$ 73,470
2003	2,820	168,000	60,175	230,995
2004	2,820	-	62,700	65,520
2005	2,820	-	-	2,820
2006	2,820	-	-	2,820
Thereafter	<u>28,200</u>	<u> </u>		28,200
	\$ <u>42,300</u>	\$ <u>176,000</u>	\$ <u>185,525</u>	\$ <u>403,825</u>





## REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Honorable Mayor and Members of Council Village of Morrow Morrow, Ohio

We have audited the financial statements of the Village of Morrow as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated June 20, 2002. We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village of Morrow'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 the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audits and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed three instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards as follows:

- Update Appropriations as Needed The Village incurred actual disbursements in excess of its appropriations for the enterprise funds in 2001 and 2000, in violation of Section 5705.41(b) of the Ohio Revised Code. If the Village anticipates that its fund disbursements will exceed fund appropriations, it must raise its appropriations by vote of the Village Council (repeated from 1999 and 1998 audit).
- 2. Budgetary Notification For 2001 and 2000, the Village failed to notify the public when Village Council would hold a hearing about adopting the tax budget. This violates Ohio Revised Code, Section 5705.30, which requires public notice of hearings concerning budget adoption. According to the local government budgetary process, public notice must be given ten days prior to the hearing.
- 3. Certify the Tax Levy The Village failed to certify the 2001 and 2000 tax levies to the County Auditor. This violates Ohio Revised Code, Section 5705.34, which requires certification of tax levies to the County Auditor. According to the local government budgetary process, the Village shall certify the tax levy to the County Auditor by October 1.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Village of Morrow'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. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Village of Morrow's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described as follows in Items 1 and 2.

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. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe neither of the reportable conditions described below is a material weakness.

- 1. Code Expenditures to Proper Funds An accurate record was not maintained for all monies expended by the Village. Various errors were found in the annual reports which were corrected during the audit. This is a violation of Ohio Revised Code, Section 733.28, which requires the Village clerk to keep the books of the Village, exhibit accurate statements of all monies received and expended, maintain records of all the property owned by the Village and the income derived therefrom and of all taxes and assessments.
- 2. Organize Information for Better Record Retention Village employees struggled to locate proper documentation we requested during the audit. This violates Ohio Revised Code, Section 149.351, which establishes guidelines against the destruction or damage of records. All records are the property of the public office and shall not be removed, destroyed, mutilated, transferred or otherwise damaged or disposed of, in whole or in part, except as provided by law or under the rules adopted by the records commission provided for under Ohio Revised Code, Section 149.38 to 149.42.

Specifically, the Village should consider filing its bills/invoices in alphabetical order, with a copy of the check and warrant sheet attached.

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

VonLehman & Company Inc.

Cincinnati, Ohio June 20, 2002



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#### **VILLAGE OF MORROW**

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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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED AUGUST 15, 2002