Financial Statements (Audited)

For The Year Ended December 31, 2003



Members of Council Village of Beverly

We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Village of Beverly, Washington County, prepared by Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc. for the audit period January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003. 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 Beverly is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Betty Montgomeny

BETTY MONTGOMERY Auditor of State

June 30, 2004



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Independent Auditor's Report

Members of Council and Mayor Village of Beverly 609 Mitchell Ave. Beverly, Ohio 45715

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Beverly, (the "Village"), Washington County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003, 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 audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 2, the Village 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash fund balances of the Village, as of December 31, 2003, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements, combined budgeted and actual receipts and budgeted and actual disbursements for the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 2.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated May 28, 2004, on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Village of Beverly's management 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.

Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc. May 28, 2004

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FUND BALANCES - ALL FUND TYPES DECEMBER 31, 2003

Cash and Cash Equivalents	 2003
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 299,546
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 299,546
Cash Fund Balances	
Governmental Fund Types:	
General Fund	\$ 157,975
Special Revenue Funds	47,489
Debt Service Fund	14,313
Capital Projects Fund	82
Total Governmental Fund Types	219,859
Proprietary Fund Type:	
Enterprise Funds	 21,583
Fiduciary Fund Type:	
Expendable Trust Funds	57,934
Agency Funds	170
Total Fiduciary Fund Type	58,104
Total Fund Balances	\$ 299,546

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

		Governmenta	ıl Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type		
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust	Total (Memorandum Only)	
Cash receipts:							
Local taxes	\$ 44,342	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 213,332	\$ 257,674	
Intergovernmental	76,612	43,876	-	-	-	120,488	
Charges for services	76,665	6,275	-	-	2,450	85,390	
Fines, licenses, and permits	4,250	20	-	-	-	4,270	
Interest	2,836	81	-	-	1,339	4,256	
Rental income	-	-	7,450	-	-	7,450	
Miscellaneous	5,869		_	-		5,869	
Total cash receipts	210,574	50,252	7,450	-	217,121	485,397	
Cash disbursements:							
Current:							
Security of persons and property	225,812	-	-	-	-	225,812	
Public health services	3,708	9,610	-	-	-	13,318	
Leisure time activities	6,492	-	-	-	-	6,492	
Community environment	1,485	-	-	-	-	1,485	
Transportation	-	44,186	-	-	-	44,186	
General government	90,175	-	-	-	33,123	123,298	
Capital outlay	12,932	-	-	-	-	12,932	
Debt service:							
Principal retirement	-	-	60,000	-	-	60,000	
Interest charges	-	-	5,170	-	-	5,170	
Total cash disbursements	340,604	53,796	65,170	-	33,123	492,693	
Total cash receipts over/(under) cash disbursements	(130,030)	(3,544)	(57,720)		183,998	(7,296)	
Other financing receipts/(disbursements):							
Proceeds from sale of notes	-	-	20,000	-	-	20,000	
Operating transfers in	175,000	5,000	49,213	-	-	229,213	
Operating transfers out	(81,213)	-	-	-	(175,000)	(256,213)	
Total other financing receipts/(disbursements)	93,787	5,000	69,213		(175,000)	(7,000)	
Excess of cash receipts and other financing receipts over/(under) cash disbursements							
and other financing disbursements	(36,243)	1,456	11,493	-	8,998	(14,296)	
Cash fund balances, January 1, 2003	194,218	46,033	2,820	82	48,936	292,089	
Cash fund balances, December 31, 2003	\$ 157,975	\$ 47,489	\$ 14,313	\$ 82	\$ 57,934	\$ 277,793	

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH FUND BALANCES/(DEFICITS) - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Proprietary Fund Type	Fiduciary Fund Type	
	Enterprise	Agency	Total (Memorandum Only)
Operating cash receipts:	¢ 267.600	¢	¢ 267.600
Charges for services Other miscellaneous	\$ 267,609	\$ -	\$ 267,609
Total operating cash receipts	4,328 271,937		<u>4,328</u> 271,937
Total operating cash receipts	271,937		271,937
Operating cash disbursements:			
Personal services	148,265	-	148,265
Contractual services	60,123	-	60,123
Supplies and material	44,736	-	44,736
Capital outlay	19,822	<u> </u>	19,822
Total operating cash disbursements	272,946	-	272,946
Operating (loss)	(1,009)		(1,009)
Nonoperating cash receipts/(disbursements):			
Interest	345	-	345
Fines collected	-	3,634	3,634
Fines disbursed	-	(3,874)	(3,874)
Other	(3,024)	-	(3,024)
Total nonoperating cash disbursements	(2,679)	(240)	(2,919)
Net (loss) before transfers	(3,688)	(240)	(3,928)
Transfers in	27,000		27,000
Net (loss) income after transfers	23,312	(240)	23,072
Cash fund balances/(deficits), January 1, 2003	(1,729)	410	(1,319)
Cash fund balances, December 31, 2003	\$ 21,583	\$ 170	\$ 21,753

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VILLAGE OF BEVERLY WASHINGTON COUNTY, OHIO

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND ENCUMBRANCES COMPARED WITH EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Receipts						Disbursements														
Fund Types		County Certified encumbered Cash		Budget	Total Estimated Resources	Actual 2003 Receipts	F	Variance Favorable nfavorable)	Carı	r Year yover priations	Арр	2003 propriations		Total		etual 2003 bursements	Outs	mbrances standing 2/31/03	Total	F	Variance Favorable nfavorable)
Governmental:																					
General	\$	242,721	\$	350,397	\$ 593,118	\$ 385,574	\$	35,177	\$	-	\$	539,860	\$	539,860	\$	421,817	\$	-	\$ 421,817	\$	118,043
Special Revenue		45,170		70,313	115,483	55,252		(15,061)		-		72,025		72,025		53,796		-	53,796		18,229
Debt Service		2,820		68,000	70,820	76,663		8,663		-		48,000		48,000		65,170		-	65,170		(17,170)
Capital Projects		82		-	82	-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-		-
Proprietary:																					
Enterprise		(49,921)		392,835	342,914	299,282		(93,553)		-		311,900		311,900		275,970		-	275,970		35,930
Fiduciary:																					
Expendable		49,485		201,500	250,985	217,121		15,621				225,500		225,500		208,123			208,123	-	17,377
Total																					
(Memorandum Only)	\$	290,357	\$	1,083,045	\$ 1,373,402	\$ 1,033,892	\$	(49,153)	\$	-	\$	1,197,285	\$	1,197,285	\$	1,024,876	\$	-	\$ 1,024,876	\$	172,409

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The Village of Beverly (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 is directed by a publicly elected six-member Council. The Village provides general governmental services, including water and sewer utilities, park operations (leisure time activities), and police services.

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

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The most significant of the Village's accounting policies are described below.

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION - FUND ACCOUNTING

The accounts of the Village are maintained on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. The following fund types are used by the Village:

General Fund

The general fund is used to account for all activities of the Village not required to be included in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Village for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

The Village had the following significant special revenue fund:

Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax and motor vehicle license tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Debt Service Funds

These funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

The Village had the following significant debt service fund:

General Obligation Debt Service - This fund receives transfers from the general fund and note proceeds to retire outstanding Village notes which were used for various capital acquisitions.

Capital Projects Funds

These funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds). The Village had the following significant capital projects fund:

Basketball & Tennis Courts - This fund received grants for the improvement of the Village's basketball and tennis courts.

Enterprise Funds

The enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The intent of the Village is that the costs (expenses) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

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.

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Fiduciary 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 Village had the following significant fiduciary funds:

Income Tax Fund (Expendable Trust) - The Village has enacted an income tax, which is assessed against residents of the Village as well as persons working within the Village limits. This fund receives the proceeds of the Village income tax.

Mayor's Court (Agency) - This fund receives monies from collections on fines imposed from tickets issued by the Village's police protection force. Funds are collected in part on behalf of the State of Ohio. In addition, funds are used for safety programs, computerization, and general Village operations.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

C. BUDGETARY PROCESS

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds, (except for Agency funds) are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The primary level of budgetary control is at the item level within each fund. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Village's Council.

Estimated Resources:

The County Budget Commission determines if the budget substantiates a need to levy the full amount of authorized property tax rates and reviews receipt estimates. 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, the certificate is amended to include unencumbered fund balances at December 31 of the preceding year. Further amendments may be made during the year if the Village determines that receipts collected will be greater than or less than the prior estimate and the Budget Commission find the revised estimates to be reasonable. Prior to December 31, the Village must revise its budget so that the total contemplated expenditures 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.

Appropriations:

A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period January 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 appropriations measure may be amended or supplemented during the year as new information becomes available. Appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Village legally adopted several supplemental appropriations during the year ended December 31, 2003.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Encumbrances:

As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation.

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. The Village had no outstanding encumbrances at December 31, 2003.

D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For reporting purposes, the Village considers "Cash and Cash Equivalents" to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and all investments held by the Village with a maturity date less than or equal to three months from the date of purchase. Interest earned on investments held by the treasurer is credited to the General Fund and allocated amongst funds as required. Interest income earned and received by the Village totaled \$4,601 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

E. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Fixed assets are not capitalized in any of the Village's funds. Instead, capital acquisition and construction costs are reflected as expenditures in the fund in the year expended. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs are also expended, along with improvements. Depreciation is not recorded.

F. 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.

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 Village.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

H. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

During the course of normal operations, the Village had transactions between funds. The most significant include transfers.

Transfers are intended to permanently reallocate money from one fund to another as authorized in the Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.14 to 5705.16.

I. TOTAL COLUMNS ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

NOTE 3 - COMPLIANCE

The following fund had expenditures in excess of appropriations at December 31, 2003, in noncompliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41 (B):

Fund Type/Fund/Line Item	<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	Excess
Debt Service Fund Type			
Debt Service			
Principal retirement	\$ 40,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 20,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 4 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

The following is a summarized breakdown of the Village's operating transfers for 2003:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
GENERAL FUND	\$ 175,000	\$ 81,213
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS: Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair	5,000	_
DEBT SERVICE FUND: General Obligation Debt Service	49,213	
ENTERPRISE FUNDS: Water Pool Total Enterprise Funds	25,000 2,000 27,000	-
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND: Income Tax	-	175,000
Totals	\$ 256,213	\$ 256,213

The transfers in the year ended December 31, 2003 were made in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.14, 5705.15 and 5705.16.

NOTE 5 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

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

	 2003
Deposits	\$ 299,546

Deposits: Deposits are either (1) insured by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or (2) collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Village.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 6 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS

At December 31, 2003, debt obligations consisted of the following issuances:

<u>Description</u>	Balance at <u>12/31/03</u>
2003 Municipal Building bond anticipation note for the Village of Beverly Municipal Building, due in full in December 2004, bearing interest of 5.0%.	\$ 20,000
2002 Private note for the purpose of purchasing property to house the new fire station, due in annual installments of \$20,000, bearing interest of 5.0%.	40,000
Total Debt Obligations at December 31, 2003	\$ 60,000

Transactions for the year ended December 31, 2003, are summarized as follows:

	Balance at	Proceeds	<u>Payments</u>	Balance at <u>12/31/03</u>
2002 Municipal Bldg. Note 2002 Firehouse Property	\$ 40,000 60,000	\$ 20,000	\$ (40,000) (20,000)	\$ 20,000 40,000
Total Notes	\$ 100,000	\$ 20,000	\$ (60,000)	\$ 60,000

The principal and interest requirements to retire the debt obligations outstanding at December 31, 2003, are as follows:

Year Ending	<u>Municipal</u>	Bldg. Note	Firehouse Property				
December 31	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest			
2004	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000			
2005			20,000	1,000			
Total	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 3,000			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 7 - PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 proceeding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Village. 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 payments, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due on 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 8 - RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Village's law enforcement officers belong to the Ohio Police and Fire Fund (OP&F). Other employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OP&F and OPERS are cost sharing, multiple-employer plans. These plans provide retirement benefits, including post-retirement healthcare, 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 2003, members of OP&F contributed 10% of their wages to the OP&F. The Village contributed an amount equal to 19.55% of their wages. OPERS' members contributed 8.5% of their gross wages. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross wages. At December 31, 2003, the Village owed \$5,385 and \$3,657 for OPERS and OP&F, respectively.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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

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

NOTE 10 - INCOME TAX

The Village levies a voted tax of one percent for general operations in the income of residents and/or employees who receive a W-2 form from an employer within the Village and on the net profits of businesses located in the Village. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the amount directly to the Village. Taxpayers over the age of 18 are required to file an annual return. Income tax revenue is credited to the Income Tax fund (Expendable Trust) and amounted to \$213,332 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

NOTE 11 - CONTINGENT LIABILITY

LITIGATION

The Village is currently not involved in litigation.

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Report on Compliance and on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*

Members of Council and Mayor Village of Beverly 609 Mitchell Ave. Beverly, Ohio 45715

We have audited the financial statements of the Village of Beverly, Washington County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated May 28, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and 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 Village of Beverly'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 audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2003-VOB-001. We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of the Village of Beverly in a separate letter dated May 28, 2004.

Members of Council and the Mayor Village of Beverly

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Village of Beverly'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 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 we have reported to the management of the Village in a separate letter dated May 28, 2004.

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

Trimble, Julian & Grube, Inc. May 28, 2004

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2003

1. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

Finding Number	2003-VOB-001
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Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(B) requires in part that no subdivision is to expend monies unless it has been appropriated.

It was noted during the audit that the Village had expenditures in excess of appropriations for the year ended December 31, 2003 in the following fund:

Fund Type/Fund/Line Item	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>S</u> <u>Expenditures</u>	Excess
Debt Service Fund Type			
Debt Service			
Principal retirement	\$ 40,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 20,000

The Village is expending monies that have not been appropriated by the Members of Council. This could result in unnecessary purchases or fund deficits.

We recommend that the Village comply with the Ohio Revised Code and Auditor of State Bulletin 97-010 by monitoring expenditures so they do not exceed lawful appropriations. This may be achieved by monitoring the budget more closely on a continual basis and making appropriation amendments as necessary.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2003

Finding	Finding	Fully	Not Corrected, Partially
Number	Summary	Corrected?	Corrected; Significantly
			Different Corrective Action
			Taken; or Finding No
			Longer Valid; Explain:
2002-VOB-001	Ohio Revised Code Section	Yes	N/A
	5705.39 requires that no fund		
	have appropriations in excess		
	of estimated resources.		
2002-VOB-002	Ohio Revised Code Section	Yes	N/A
	5705.10 in part requires that		
	money paid into any fund shall		
	be expended only after such		
	fund receives monies.		





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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 JULY 20, 2004