

Fiscal Watch Analysis As of December 31, 2005

**Local Government Services** 

## Fiscal Watch Analysis

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#### **Declaration of Fiscal Watch**

The Auditor of State performed a fiscal analysis of the Village of Antwerp pursuant to Section 118.022 of the Ohio Revised Code. This analysis indicates and it is hereby declared that a fiscal watch exists at the Village of Antwerp as defined in Section 118.022(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Accordingly, on behalf of the Auditor of State, this report is hereby submitted and filed with Margaret Womack, Mayor of the Village of Antwerp, and the Paulding County Budget Commission.

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December 22, 2006

#### Fiscal Watch Analysis

#### **Introduction**

In response to a request from Mayor Margaret Womack, as provided for in Section 118.021 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Auditor of State performed an analysis of the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, as of December 31, 2005, to determine if the Village should be placed in fiscal watch.

A village is placed in fiscal watch if any one of three conditions described in Section 118.022 of the Ohio Revised Code exists as of December 31. The three conditions are: 1) significant past due accounts payable; 2) substantial deficit balances in village funds; and 3) a sizeable deficiency in the village's treasury when the balance is compared to the positive cash balances of the village's funds.

This report identifies the procedures performed and the conclusions reached with respect to each condition as of December 31, 2005.

#### Past Due Accounts Payable from the General Fund and All Funds

Section 118.022(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code defines a fiscal watch condition as the existence of either of the following situations:

- (a) All accounts that were due and payable from the general fund of a municipal corporation, county, or township at the end of the preceding fiscal year that had been due and payable for at least thirty days at the end of the fiscal year or to which a penalty was added for failure to pay by the end of the fiscal year, less the year end balance in the general fund, exceeded one-twelfth of the general fund budget for that year.
- (b) All accounts that were due and payable at the end of the preceding fiscal year from all funds of a municipal corporation, county, or township and that had been due and payable for at least thirty days at the end of the fiscal year or to which a penalty was added for failure to pay by the end of the fiscal year, less the year end balance in the general fund and in the respective special funds available to pay such accounts, exceeded one-twelfth of the available revenues during the preceding fiscal year, excluding nonrecurring receipts of the general fund and of all specials funds from which such accounts are payable.

The Village paid all of its 2005 accounts payable within a thirty day period.

<u>Conclusion:</u> A fiscal watch condition does not exist under Section 118.022(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code as of December 31, 2005. There were no accounts payable due from the general fund or any special funds which were at least thirty days past due at the end of the year.

#### **Deficit Fund Balances**

Section 118.022(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code defines a fiscal watch condition as:

The existence of a condition in which the aggregate of deficit amounts of all deficit funds at the end of the preceding fiscal year, less the total of any year end balance in the general fund and in any special fund that may be transferred as provided in Section 5705.14 of the Ohio Revised Code to meet such deficit, exceeded one-twelfth of the total of the general fund budget for that year and the receipts to those deficit funds during that year other than from transfers from the general fund.

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We computed the adjusted aggregate sum of all deficit funds at December 31, 2005, by subtracting all accounts payable and encumbrances from the year end cash fund balance of each fund. We then determined if the aggregate deficit fund balance exceeded one-twelfth of the general fund budget and the revenues lawfully available to those deficit funds. We then identified funds that may be transferred, as provided in Section 5705.14 of the Ohio Revised Code, to meet such deficits to arrive at the unprovided portion of the aggregate deficit.

Deficit Fund Balances Ohio Revised Code Section 118.022 (A)(2) As of December 31, 2005

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			Adjusted Aggregate	One-Twelfth	Unprovided
	Cash	Less Accounts	Sum of Funds	General Fund	Portion of
Funds	Fund	Payable and	with Deficit	Budget/Fund	Aggregate
	Balances	Encumbrances	Balances	Receipts	Deficit
General	\$4,455	(\$57,362)	(\$52,907)	\$9,398	(\$43,509)
Water Capital Improvement	1,251	(1,442)	(191)	2,413	0
Police	(51,501)	(5,373)	(56,874)	14,579	(42,295)
Subtotal	(\$45,795)	(\$64,177)	(\$109,972)	\$26,390	(85,804)
Funds Available for Transfer	from the Gen	neral Fund			0
Total Unprovided Portion of	Aggregate De	eficit Funds			(\$85,804)

<u>Conclusion</u>: A fiscal watch condition exists under Section 118.022(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code as of December 31, 2005. The adjusted aggregate balance of those funds with a deficit at December 31, 2005, did exceed one-twelfth of the general fund budget and the revenues lawfully available to the respective deficit funds.

#### **Treasury Deficiency**

Section 118.022(A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code defines a fiscal watch condition as:

The existence of a condition in which, at the end of the preceding fiscal year, moneys and marketable investments in or held for the unsegregated treasury of a municipal corporation, county, or township, minus outstanding checks and warrants, were less in amount than the aggregate of the positive balances of the general fund and those special funds, the purposes of which the unsegregated treasury is held to meet, and such deficiency exceeded one-twelfth of the total amount received into the unsegregated treasury during the preceding fiscal year.

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We verified the Village's reconciled bank balance to its statement of cash position for all funds as of December 31, 2005, which included subtracting reconciling factors to arrive at a treasury balance. We then determined the aggregate sum of all positive fund cash balances, the purpose of which the unsegregated treasury is held to meet, to determine the treasury deficit. We then subtracted from the treasury deficit one-twelfth of the amount received into the treasury during 2005 to determine if a treasury deficiency exists.

#### Schedule II

#### Treasury Balance Ohio Revised Code Section 118.022(A)(3) As of December 31, 2005

	Amounts at December 31, 2005
Bank Cash Balance Antwerp Exchange Bank	\$432,658
Less Outstanding Cheeks	(19.259)
Outstanding Checks	(18,258)
Total Treasury Balance	414,400
Positive Fund Balances	
General	4,455
Street Maintenance	18,277
State Highway	6,335
FEMA	91
Fed-Mayor's Court	7,720
Permissive	3,566
Fire	62,359
EMS	27,100
EMS Vehicle Replacement	1,950
Sewer Reserve	63,000
Water Reserve	23,707
Water Capital Improvement	1,251
Water Operating	155,519
Wastewater Operating	71,273
Indigent Driver	3,527
FOJ	433
Street Lighting	15,338
Total Positive Fund Balances	465,901
Treasury Deficit	(51,501)
One-Twelfth Treasury Receipts	98,774
Excess of One-Twelfth Treasury Receipts over Treasury Deficit	\$47,273

<u>Conclusion</u>: A fiscal watch condition does not exist under Section 118.022(A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code as of December 31, 2005. The treasury balance less the positive fund cash balances as of December 31, 2005, did not exceed one-twelfth of the treasury receipts for the year.

#### Fiscal Watch Analysis

#### Summary

We have performed the procedures necessary to determine whether any of the three conditions for fiscal watch set forth in Section 118.021 of the Ohio Revised Code existed as of December 31, 2005, at the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County. The results of our analysis indicate that a fiscal watch exists at the Village of Antwerp as defined in Section 118.022(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Because the above procedures were not sufficient to constitute an audit made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we do not express an opinion on any of the specific accounts and fund balances referred to above. Had we performed additional procedures or had we made an audit of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported.



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# VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PAULDING 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 DECEMBER 22, 2006