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BARNES JOINT TOWNSHIP CEMETERY HIGHLAND COUNTY

AGREED UPON PROCEDURES

For the Years Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010



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Board of Trustees Barnes Joint Township Cemetery 3100 US 50 Hillsboro, OH 45133

We have reviewed the *Agreed Upon Procedures* Report of the Barnes Joint Township Cemetery, Highland County, prepared by Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc., for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

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 Barnes Joint Township Cemetery is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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November 27, 2012

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Barnes Joint Township Cemetery Highland County 3100 US 50 Hillsboro, OH 45133

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of Barnes Joint Township Cemetery (the Cemetery) and the Auditor of State agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

## Cash

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2010 beginning balance recorded in the Cash Journal to the December 31, 2009 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2011 and 2010 cash balances reported in the Cash Journals. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2011 bank account balance with the Cemetery's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2011 bank reconciliation without exception.

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#### Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We agreed amounts paid from Hamer Township, Union Township, and Dodson Township during 2010, as documented in the Cemetery minutes, to the Cemetery Cash Journal. We found no exceptions.
  - a. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper account code. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Sales of Lots

We selected all cash receipts for sales of lots from the year ended December 31, 2011 and all cash receipts for sales of lots from the year ended 2010 recorded in the duplicate cash receipts book and determined whether the:

- a. Receipt amount agreed to the amount recorded in the Cash Journal. The amounts agreed.
- b. Amount charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Receipt was posted to the proper account code, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Debt

- 1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2009.
- 2. We inquired of management, and scanned the Cash Journals for evidence of debt issued during 2011 or 2010 or debt payment activity during 2011 or 2010. We noted no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2011 or 2010.

#### Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. From the Cash Journal, we re-footed checks recorded as disbursements for *contracts services* for 2011. We found that the Cemetery improperly recorded additional expenditures as contracts services disbursements during 2011 on the Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Cash Balances.
- 2. We selected all disbursements from the Cash Journal for the year ended December 31, 2011 and haphazardly selected ten from the year ended 2010 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Cash Journal and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a proper account code. We found that the Cemetery improperly recorded expenditures as contracts services disbursements during 2011 and 2010 on the Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Cash Balances that should have been recorded as miscellaneous disbursements.

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#### **Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures**

We inquired of management and scanned the Cash Journal for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 for projects requiring the contractor to pay prevailing wages to their employees as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 4115.04 and 4115.05. We identified no projects subject to the aforementioned prevailing wage requirements.

Officials' Response –We did not receive a response from Officials to the exception reported above.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Cemetery's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance the Auditor of State, and others within the Cemetery, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Balestra, Han & Schern, CPAs

Balestra, Harr & Scherer CPAs, Inc. August 17, 2012

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### **BARNES JOINT TOWNSHIP CEMETERY**

### **HIGHLAND COUNTY**

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

CERTIFIED DECEMBER 11, 2012

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