

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

# GREENSBURG TOWNSHIP PUTNAM COUNTY Regular Audit For the Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016



Board of Trustees Greensburg Township 9585 St Rt 115 Ottawa, Ohio 45875

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Greensburg Township, Putnam County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017. 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. Greensburg Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

September 20, 2018



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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

June 29, 2018

Greensburg Township Putnam County 9585 State Route 115 Ottawa, Ohio 45875

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of **Greensburg Township**, Putnam County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Township's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

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#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Township prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Township does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

#### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, or changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

The Township did not adopt the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions as mandated by Auditor of State Bulletin 2011-004 for regulatory basis financial statements. As a result, the financial statements present aggregate fund balances by fund type, rather than the various fund balance classifications within each fund type.

#### Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for *Qualified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of Greensburg Township, Putnam County, Ohio as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 2.

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#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 29, 2018, 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 grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance.

That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

**Perry & Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

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## COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 54,875	\$ 172,312	\$ -	\$ 227,187
Charges for Services	-	5,580	-	5,580
Licenses, Permits and Fees	680	-	-	680
Intergovernmental	37,043	122,915	14,000	173,958
Special Assessments	5,184	-	-	5,184
Earnings on Investments	4,943	921		5,864
Total Cash Receipts	102,725	301,728	14,000	418,453
Cash Disbursements Current:				
General Government	105,523	-	-	105,523
Public Safety	-	25,450	-	25,450
Public Works	1,500	245,104	14,000	260,604
Health	1,503			1,503
Total Cash Disbursements	108,526	270,554	14,000	393,080
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(5,801)	31,174		25,373
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	436,438	392,004		828,442
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 430,637	\$ 423,178	\$ -	\$ 853,815

PUTNAM COUNTY

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

#### Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of Greensburg Township, Putnam County, (the Township) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance and cemetery maintenance. The Township contracts with Miller City Volunteer Fire Department and the Villages of Glandorf, Kalida, and Continental to provide fire services.

#### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation

The Township's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types, and a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all proprietary and fiduciary fund types which are organized on a fund type basis.

#### **Fund Accounting**

The Township uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Township are presented below:

**General Fund** The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Township for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Special Revenue Funds** These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

**Gasoline Tax Fund** This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads.

**Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund** The motor vehicle license tax fund accounts for and reports the portion of motor vehicle license registration fees restricted for maintenance and repair of roads within the Township.

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

**Road District Fund** This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads.

**Capital Projects Fund** These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Township had the following significant capital project funds:

Issue II Fund The Township received a grant from the State of Ohio to resurface Township roads.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017
(Continued)

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements 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 the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

#### **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

**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 Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year-end.

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

**Encumbrances** The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2017 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

#### Deposits and Investments

The Township's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

#### Capital Assets

The Township records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2017 (Continued)

#### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Township must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

**Nonspendable** The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

**Restricted** Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

**Committed** Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Township must adhere to these commitments unless the Trustees amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

**Assigned** Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by Township Trustees or a Township official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

**Unassigned** Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Township applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

#### Note 3 - Compliance

Contrary to Ohio law, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the Capital Projects fund by \$14,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### Note 4 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2017 follows:

2017 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts **Budgeted** Actual Fund Type Receipts Receipts Variance General 66,260 102,725 36,465 Special Revenue 299,137 301,728 2.591 Capital Projects 14,000 14,000 365,397 418,453 Total 53,056

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2017 (Continued)

#### Note 4 – Budgetary Activity (Continued)

2017 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation		Budgetary				
Fund Type		Authority		Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	497,036	\$	108,526	\$	388,510	
Special Revenue		691,141		270,554		420,587	
Capital Projects				14,000		(14,000)	
Total	\$	1,188,177	\$	393,080	\$	795,097	

#### Note 5 – Deposits and Investments

The Township maintains a deposit pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 was as follows:

	2017
Demand deposits	\$ 644,109
Certificates of deposit	 209,706
Total deposits	853,815

#### **Deposits**

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

The Township's deposits are collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool. The financial institution is in the process of joining OPCS; however, at December 31, 2017, the financial institution still maintained its own collateral pool.

#### Note 6 – Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, 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 Township.

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

#### Note 7 - Risk Management

#### Commercial Insurance

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Commercial General Liability;
- Commercial Auto; and
- Commercial Umbrella.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017
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#### **Note 8 - Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Two employees and three elected officials belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2017, OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14%, respectively, of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2017.

#### Note 9 - Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plan, which includes multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan was 1 percent during calendar year 2017.

#### Note 10 - Contingent Liabilities

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the Township are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. The grantor may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts			•	
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 54,560	\$ 161,168	\$ -	\$ 215,728
Charges for Services	-	8,260	-	8,260
Licenses, Permits and Fees	810	-	-	810
Intergovernmental	33,418	123,298	12,000	168,716
Special Assessments	2,965	-	-	2,965
Earnings on Investments	8,480	473	-	8,953
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	2,059		2,059
Total Cash Receipts	100,233	295,258	12,000	407,491
Cash Disbursements Current:				
General Government	178,622	_	_	178,622
Public Safety	170,022	21,841	_	21,841
Public Works	1,500	180,617	12,000	194,117
Health	2,137	-	-	2,137
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Total Cash Disbursements	182,259	202,458	12,000	396,717
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(82,026)	92,800		10,774
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	518,464	299,204		817,668
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 436,438	\$ 392,004	\$ -	\$ 828,442

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

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#### Note 3 - Compliance

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#### Note 4 - Budgetary Activity

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2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts **Budgeted** Actual Fund Type Receipts Receipts Variance General 70,056 100,233 30,177 Special Revenue 290,637 295,258 4.621 Capital Projects 12,000 12,000 360,693 407,491 46,798 Total

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2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

-	Appropriation		Budgetary				
Fund Type		Authority		Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	588,520	\$	182,259	\$	406,261	
Special Revenue		589,840		202,458		387,382	
Capital Projects				12,000		(12,000)	
Total	\$	1,178,360	\$	396,717	\$	781,643	

#### Note 5 – Deposits and Investments

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	2016
Demand deposits	\$ 622,780
Certificates of deposit	205,662
Total deposits	828,442
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

June 29, 2018

Greensburg Township Putnam County 9585 State Route 115 Ottawa, Ohio 45875

#### To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements by fund type of **Greensburg Township**, Putnam County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 29, 2018, wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. We also qualified our opinion on the financial statements presented in accordance with a regulatory basis because the Township did not adopt the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

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

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings that we consider material weaknesses. We consider findings 2017-001 and 2017-002 to be material weaknesses.

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings as items 2017-003 and 2017-004.

We also noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Township's management in a separate letter dated June 29, 2018.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

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#### SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

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

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2017-001**

#### **Material Weakness**

#### **Posting Receipts and Disbursements**

The Township should have procedures and controls in place to prevent and detect errors in financial reporting.

During 2017 and 2016, receipts and disbursements were not always posted or classified correctly. The following posting errors were noted:

- OPWC on-behalf monies were not properly recorded as an Intergovernmental Revenue and Public Works expenditure in 2017 and 2016;
- Interest earned from a CD that matured in 2016 was recorded as Interest Earned in 2017;
- Receipts and disbursements for the Road District Fund were incorrectly included with the Road and Bridge Fund on the Combining Statement in 2017.

Not posting receipts or disbursements accurately resulted in the financial statements requiring several reclassification and adjusting entries. The Financial Statements reflect all reclassifications and adjustments. The Township has made these adjustments to their manual accounting system.

To help ensure accuracy and reliability in the financial reporting process, we recommend management perform a detailed review of its draft financial statements. Such review should include procedures to ensure that all revenues and disbursements are properly identified and classified on the financial statements.

The Fiscal Officer should refer to the Ohio Township Handbook for the proper classification and take additional care in posting transactions to the Township's ledger and annual financial report in order to ensure the Township's year-end financial statement reflect the appropriate sources and uses of the Township's receipts and disbursements.

Management's Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2017-002**

#### **Material Weakness**

#### Implementation of GASB 54

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions introduces' five fund balance classifications and clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions. The fund balance classifications relate to constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. Those classifications include: Non-spendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, and Unassigned.

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

## FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS (Continued)

#### FINDING NUMBER 2017-002 (Continued)

#### Implementation of GASB 54 (Continued)

The Township failed to adopt the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 as mandated by the Auditor of State Bulletin 2011-004 for regulatory basis financial statements. By not implementing GASB No. 54 the Township is not fully disclosing the manner in which fund balances are restricted. Noncompliance due to a lack of a GASB 54 policy could also affect the classification of funds and increases the risk fund balances may be improperly spent.

We recommend the Township adopt the provisions of GASB No. 54 as specified in Auditor of State Bulletin 2011-004.

Management's Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2017-003**

#### **Noncompliance**

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) requires that no subdivision or taxing unit shall make any contract or give any order involving the expenditure of money unless a certificate signed by the fiscal officer is attached thereto. The fiscal officer must certify that the amount required meeting any such contract or expenditure has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury, or is in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrance. Only the subdivision's fiscal officer need sign the certificate. Every contract made without such a certificate shall be void, and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon.

There are several exceptions to the standard requirement stated above that a fiscal officer's certificate must be obtained prior to a subdivision or taxing authority entering into a contract or order involving the expenditure of money. The main exceptions are: "then and now" certificates, blanket certificates, and super blanket certificates, which are provided for in sections 5705.41(D)(1) and 5705.41(D)(3), respectively, of the Ohio Revised Code.

1. "Then and Now" certificate - If the fiscal officer can certify that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the fiscal officer is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance, the taxing authority can authorize the drawing of a warrant for the payment of the amount due. The taxing authority has thirty days from the receipt of the "then and now" certificate to approve payment by ordinance or resolution. Amounts of less than \$3,000 may be paid by the fiscal officer without a resolution or ordinance upon completion of the "then and now" certificate, provided that the expenditure is otherwise lawful. This does not eliminate any otherwise applicable requirement for approval of expenditures by the taxing authority.

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

## FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS (Continued)

#### FINDING NUMBER 2017-003 (Continued)

#### Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) (Continued)

- 2. Blanket Certificate Fiscal officers may prepare "blanket" certificates for a certain sum of money not in excess of an amount established by resolution or ordinance adopted by a majority of the members of the legislative authority against any specific line item account over a period not running beyond the end of the current fiscal year. The blanket certificates may, but need not, be limited to a specific vendor. Only one blanket certificate may be outstanding at one particular time for any one particular line item appropriation.
- 3. Super Blanket Certificate The entity may also make expenditures and contracts for any amount from a specific line-item appropriation account in a specified fund upon certification of the fiscal officer for most professional services, fuel, oil, food items, and any other specific recurring and reasonably predictable operating expense. This certification is not to extend beyond the current year. Only one super blanket certificate may be outstanding at a particular time for any one line-item appropriation.

The Township did not properly certify the availability of funds prior to purchase commitment for 63% of the expenditures tested for 2017 and for 50% of the expenditures tested for 2016.

Unless the exceptions noted above are used, prior certification is not only required by statute but is a key control in the disbursement process to assure that purchase commitments receive prior approval.

To improve controls over disbursements and to help reduce the possibility of the Township's funds exceeding budgetary spending limitations, we recommend that the Fiscal Officer certify that the funds are or will be available prior to an obligation being incurred by the Township. When prior certification is not possible, "then and now" certification should be used.

Management's Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2016-004**

Ohio Revised Code, § 5705.41(B), provides no subdivision shall make any expenditure of money unless it has been lawfully appropriated. In 2017 and 2016, we noted expenditures exceeding appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund by \$14,000 and \$12,000, respectively.

We recommend the Board review and amend appropriations whenever necessary to help reduce the possibility of expenditures exceeding appropriations, provided sufficient resources are available.

Management's Response - We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Status	Additional Information
2015-001	5705.41(D)	Not Corrected	Reissued as Finding 2017-003
2015-002	Implementation of GASB 54	Not Corrected	Reissued as Finding 2017-002





#### **PUTNAM 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 OCTOBER 4, 2018