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#### MADISON TOWNSHIP CLARK COUNTY

**REGULAR AUDIT** 

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999-1998



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Madison Township Clark County P. O. Box V 35 S. Chillicothe Street South Charleston, Ohio 45368

#### To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Madison Township, Clark County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 1, the Township 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 generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Township as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 11, 2000 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 grants.

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

**Jim Petro**Auditor of State

April 11, 2000

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Local Taxes Intergovernmental Earnings on Investments Other Revenue	\$14,172 27,231 8,775 153	\$125,640 75,036 2,959 2,543	\$11,709	\$151,521 102,267 11,734 2,696
Total Cash Receipts	50,331	206,178	11,709	268,218
Cash Disbursements: Current: General Government Public Safety Public Works Health Debt Service: Redemption of Principal Interest and Fiscal Charges Capital Outlay  Total Cash Disbursements	51,450 1,003 52,453	69,899 92,141 12,337 4,223 178,600	8,570 3,139 ————————————————————————————————————	51,450 69,899 92,141 12,337 8,570 3,139 5,226
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(2,122)	27,578	0	25,456
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements): Other Uses	(388)	21,010		(388)
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	(2,510)	27,578	0	25,068
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	50,439	217,813	0	268,252
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$47,929	\$245,391	\$0	\$293,320

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Local Taxes	\$11,531	\$108,189	\$12,222	\$131,942
Intergovernmental	18,469	120,448		138,917
Earnings on Investments	6,655	2,530		9,185
Other Revenue	5	8,962		8,967
Total Cash Receipts	36,660	240,129	12,222	289,011
Cash Disbursements:				
Current: General Government	40,134			40,134
Public Safety	40,134	54,528		54,528
Public Salety Public Works		59,892		59,892
Health		11,814		11,814
Debt Service:		11,014		11,014
Redemption of Principal			8,570	8,570
Interest and Fiscal Charges			3,652	3,652
Capital Outlay		58,995		58,995
Total Cash Disbursements	40,134	185,229	12,222	237,585
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(3,474)	54,900	0	51,426
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):				
Other Sources	1,447			1,447
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements				
and Other Financing Disbursements	(2,027)	54,900	0	52,873
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	52,466	162,913	0	215,379
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$50,439	\$217,813	\$0	\$268,252

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

Madison Township, Clark County, (the Township) 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 Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services.

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

#### **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.

#### C. Cash and Investments

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### 2. 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 expenditure for specific purposes. 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.

Fire District Fund - This fund receives property tax money to provide fire protection.

**Community Development Block Grant Fund** - This fund receives federal money to purchase fire equipment.

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 3. Debt Service Fund

The debt service fund is used to accumulate resources for the payment of note indebtedness.

#### E. Budgetary Process

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

#### 1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Appropriations lapse at year end.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

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

#### 3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated. .

A summary of 1999 and 1998 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### F. 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.

#### 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Demand deposits	\$268,320	\$203,252
Certificates of deposit	25,000	65,000
Total deposits	293,320	268,252

**Deposits:** Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation, or (2) collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 1999 and 1998 follows:

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts	1999	Budgeted vs	Actual	Receipts
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		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue Debt Service		\$37,496 196,295 11,709	\$50,331 206,178 11,709	\$12,835 9,883 0
	Total	\$245,500	\$268,218	\$22,718

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Fund Type		Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue Debt Service		\$87,934 414,109 11,709	\$52,841 178,600 11,709	\$35,093 235,509 0
	Total	\$513,752	\$243,150	\$270,602

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Fund Type		Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue Debt Service		\$28,630 224,521 12,222	\$38,107 240,129 12,222	\$9,477 15,608 0
	Total	\$265,373	\$290,458	\$25,085

1998 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	0			
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue Debt Service		\$81,096 387,434 12,222	\$40,134 185,229 12,222	\$40,962 202,205 0
	Total	\$480,752	\$237,585	\$243,167

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. 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 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 Township.

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 Township.

#### 5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 1999 was as follows:

		Principal	Interest Rate
General Obligation Notes		42,860	6%
	Total	\$42,860	

The general obligation notes were issued to finance the purchase of a new fire truck. The bonds are collateralized solely by the Township's taxing authority.

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

	General
Year ending	Obligation
December 31:	Notes
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2000	\$11,193
2001	10,663
2002	10,140
2003	9,617
2004	9,105
Total	\$50,718

#### 6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's elected officials belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

#### **6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS** (Continued)

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 1999 and 1998, members of PERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 1999.

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is a member of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (the Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township's policy. Pool members receive a three year price guarantee. The following risks are covered by the Pool:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official's liability
- Vehicle

The Township also provides health insurance and dental and vision coverage to elected officials through a private carrier.

#### 8. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, based on prior experience, management believes such refunds, if any, would not be material.

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Madison Township Clark County P. O. Box V 35 S. Chillicothe Street South Charleston, Ohio 45368

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Madison Township, Clark County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated April 11, 2000. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the 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 Township'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 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 no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Township'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 over financial reporting 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 do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated April 11, 2000.

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This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

April 11, 2000



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#### **MADISON TOWNSHIP**

#### **CLARK 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 MAY 4, 2000