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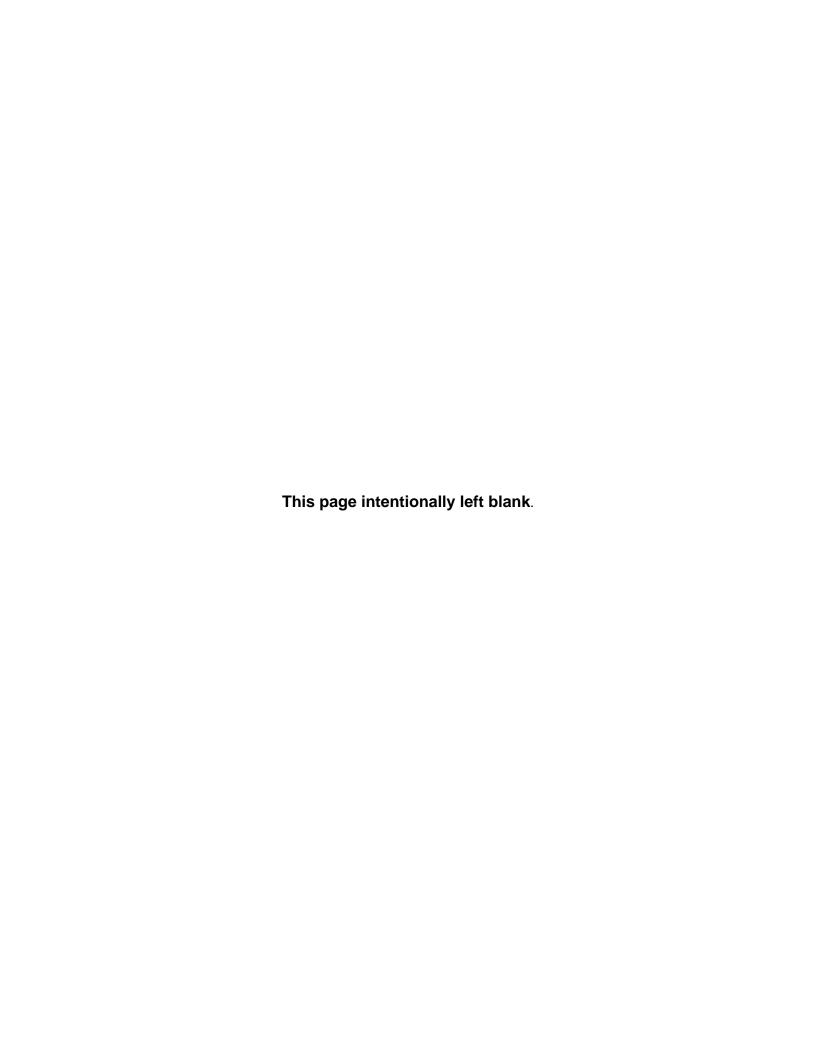
REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999-1998



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Waterloo Township Athens County P.O. Box 249 New Marshfield, Ohio 45766

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Waterloo Township, Athens 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 Waterloo Township, Athens County, 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 7, 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 the management, the Board of Trustees, 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 7, 2000

WATERLOO TOWNSHIP 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	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Local Taxes	\$16,773	\$112,227	\$129,000
Intergovernmental	33,533	86,634	120,167
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		6,350	6,350
Earnings on Investments	871	961	1,832
Other Revenue		7,860	7,860
Total Cash Receipts	51,177	214,032	265,209
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:	44.405	5.754	40.000
General Government	41,185	5,751	46,936
Public Safety Public Works	5,000	11,232 122,170	11,232 127,170
Health	3,807	21,731	25,538
Debt Service:	3,007	21,731	23,330
Redemption of Principal		20,417	20,417
Interest and Fiscal Charges		1,249	1,249
Capital Outlay		32,151	32,151
Total Cash Disbursements	49,992	214,701	264,693
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	1,185	(669)	516
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):			
Other Sources	615		615
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	615		615
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements			
and Other Financing Disbursements	1,800	(669)	1,131
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	22,150	113,025	135,175
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$23,950	\$112,356	\$136,306

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

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

Government	al Fund Types
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	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
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Cash Receipts:	#40.400	#407.000	#400 500
Local Taxes	\$16,166	\$107,396	\$123,562
Intergovernmental	33,958	81,651	115,609
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		7,225	7,225
Earnings on Investments	970	1,044	2,014
Other Revenue		5,068	5,068
Total Cash Receipts	51,094	202,384	253,478
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	45,090	3,257	48,347
Public Safety		13,579	13,579
Public Works	9,994	105,089	115,083
Health	2,663	19,553	22,216
Debt Service:	,	•	,
Redemption of Principal		20,417	20,417
Interest and Fiscal Charges		3,217	3,217
Capital Outlay	329	27,792	28,121
Total Cash Disbursements	58,076	192,904	250,980
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(6,982)	9,480	2,498
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):			
Other Sources	4,282		4,282
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	4,282		4,282
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	(2,700)	9,480	6,780
and Other Financing Dispulsements	(2,700)	9,400	0,700
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	24,850	103,545	128,395
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$22,150	\$113,025	\$135,175

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

WATERLOO TOWNSHIP NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Waterloo Township, Athens 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, cemetery maintenance and fire protection.

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.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. 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 by law or contract to be restricted.

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 for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

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

Cemetery Fund - This fund receives property tax money for maintaining Township cemeteries.

Fire Protection Levy Fund - This fund receives property tax money to provide fire protection to Township residents.

Road District Fund - This fund receives property tax money for dust control on Township roads.

WATERLOO TOWNSHIP NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. 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 fund 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 canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

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

E. 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.

F. 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 Township.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Township 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:

 1999
 1998

 Demand deposits
 \$136,306
 \$135,175

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

WATERLOO TOWNSHIP NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

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

1999	Budgeted vs. Actua	al Receipts	
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General Special Revenue	\$42,514 196,211	\$51,792 214,032	\$9,278 17,821
Tota	\$238,725	\$265,824	\$27,099
1999 Budgeted	vs. Actual Budgetar	y Basis Expenditur	es
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General Special Revenue	\$63,000 305,000	\$49,992 214,701	\$13,008 90,299
Tota	\$368,000	\$264,693	\$103,307
1998	Budgeted vs. Actua	•	
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$42,193		
Special Revenue	193,442	\$55,376 202,384	\$13,183 8,942
	193,442		
Special Revenue Tota	193,442	202,384 \$257,760	8,942 \$22,125
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Special Revenue Tota 1998 Budgeted	193,442 I \$235,635 vs. Actual Budgetar Appropriation	202,384 \$257,760 y Basis Expenditur Budgetary	8,942 \$22,125

WATERLOO TOWNSHIP NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1999 AND 1998 (Continued)

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

The Township had no debt outstanding at December 31, 1999.

6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's full-time employees, as well as the Trustees and the Clerk, belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement health care, 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 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 (OTARMA). OTARMA assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township's policies. Coverage is subject to deductibles and scheduled property. The following risks are covered by OTARMA:

- -General liability and casualty
- -Public officials' liability
- -Vehicle
- -Property

The Township provides a self-insured prescription plan for one of its employees, in which, the Township pays \$1,000 maximum reimbursement per year.



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

Waterloo Township Athens County P.O. Box 249 New Marshfield, Ohio 45766

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Waterloo Township, Athens County, Ohio, (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, and have issued our report thereon dated April 7, 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*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated April 7, 2000.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the 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 7, 2000.

Waterloo Township Athens County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

This report is intended for the information and use of the 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 7, 2000



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WATERLOO TOWNSHIP

ATHENS 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 JUNE 8, 2000