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VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Village of Mount Blanchard
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To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Mount Blanchard, Hancock County, Ohio, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 audits 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Village 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 Village as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, 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 August 15, 2001 on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audits.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the finance committee, management, Village Council, 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

August 15, 2001

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	
Cash Receipts:				
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$20,385			\$20,385
Special Assessments		\$4,222		4,222
Intergovernmental Receipts	64,887	14,909	\$25,000	104,796
Charges for Services		16,318		16,318
Fines, Licenses, and Permits	120			120
Miscellaneous	5,750	1,620		7,370
Total Cash Receipts	<u>91,142</u>	<u>37,069</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>153,211</u>
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property		4,312		4,312
Public Health Services	1,543			1,543
Leisure Time Activities		33,144		33,144
Community Environment	4,000			4,000
Basic Utility Services	879			879
Transportation		16,164		16,164
General Government	25,045	27	8,251	33,323
Debt Service			88,132	88,132
Capital Outlay	2,609			2,609
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>34,076</u>	<u>53,647</u>	<u>96,383</u>	<u>184,106</u>
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	<u>57,066</u>	<u>(16,578)</u>	<u>(71,383)</u>	<u>(30,895)</u>
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):				
Other Sources - Claim Settlement			81,250	81,250
Transfers-In		12,000	3,000	15,000
Transfers-Out	(15,000)			(15,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	<u>(15,000)</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>84,250</u>	<u>81,250</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	<u>42,066</u>	<u>(4,578)</u>	<u>12,867</u>	<u>50,355</u>
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>53,939</u>	<u>45,628</u>	<u>15,744</u>	<u>115,311</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u><u>\$96,005</u></u>	<u><u>\$41,050</u></u>	<u><u>\$28,611</u></u>	<u><u>\$165,666</u></u>

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

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts:	
Charges for Services	\$68,034
Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Personal Services	18,546
Contractual Services	8,625
Supplies and Materials	4,319
Capital Outlay	2,950
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	34,440
Operating Income	33,594
Non-Operating Cash Receipts:	
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	4,174
Intergovernmental Receipts	215
Total Non-Operating Cash Receipts	4,389
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Debt Service	3,609
Other Non-Operating Cash Disbursements	33
Total Non-Operating Cash Disbursements	3,642
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements	34,341
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	92,100
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$126,441

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**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

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

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	
Cash Receipts:				
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$20,464	\$8,200		\$28,664
Special Assessments		6,573		6,573
Intergovernmental Receipts	45,442	14,678	\$14,000	74,120
Charges for Services		22,557		22,557
Fines, Licenses, and Permits	75			75
Miscellaneous	2,224	3,147	7,000	12,371
	<u>68,205</u>	<u>55,155</u>	<u>21,000</u>	<u>144,360</u>
Total Cash Receipts				
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
Security of Persons and Property		4,101		4,101
Public Health Services	1,117			1,117
Leisure Time Activities		23,892		23,892
Community Environment	3,450			3,450
Transportation	595	24,286		24,881
General Government	29,308	8		29,316
Debt Service			130,350	130,350
Capital Outlay	8,996			8,996
	<u>43,466</u>	<u>52,287</u>	<u>130,350</u>	<u>226,103</u>
Total Cash Disbursements				
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	<u>24,739</u>	<u>2,868</u>	<u>(109,350)</u>	<u>(81,743)</u>
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):				
Sale of Bonds or Notes			97,648	97,648
Transfers-In		12,000	3,000	15,000
Transfers-Out	(15,000)			(15,000)
	<u>(15,000)</u>		<u>100,648</u>	<u>97,648</u>
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)				
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	9,739	14,868	(8,702)	15,905
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>44,200</u>	<u>30,760</u>	<u>24,446</u>	<u>99,406</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$53,939</u>	<u>\$45,628</u>	<u>\$15,744</u>	<u>\$115,311</u>

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

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999**

	Proprietary Fund Type
	Enterprise
Operating Cash Receipts:	
Charges for Services	\$70,151
Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Personal Services	16,647
Contractual Services	11,831
Supplies and Materials	8,334
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	36,812
Operating Income	33,339
Non-Operating Cash Receipts:	
Intergovernmental Receipts	1,943
Non-Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Debt Service	3,609
Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements Before Interfund Transfers	31,673
Transfers-In	3,610
Transfers-Out	(3,610)
Net Receipts Over Disbursements	31,673
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	60,427
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$92,100

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

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Mount Blanchard, Hancock County, (the Village) 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 Village is directed by a publicly-elected six-member Council. The Village provides general governmental services, including water utilities and pool and park operations (leisure time activities).

The Village's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Village 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

Repurchase agreements are reported 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 Village uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Village 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 Fund

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 Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

2. Special Revenue Fund (Continued)

Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax and motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

Park Fund - This fund receives charges for services from users and donations to fund park operations.

3. Capital Project Fund

These funds are used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects (except those financed through enterprise funds). The Village had the following significant capital project fund:

Pool Replacement Fund - This fund receives note proceeds, grants, and donations. The proceeds are being used to make payments on the debt that was assumed during the construction of a new swimming pool.

4. Enterprise Funds

These funds account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges. The Village had the following significant Enterprise Fund:

Water Fund - This fund receives charges for services from residents to cover the cost of providing this utility.

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 fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Council 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.

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process (Continued)

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. The Village does not encumber commitments required by Ohio law.

A summary of 2000 and 1999 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.

G. 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 cash basis of accounting used by the Village.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Village 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>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Demand deposits	\$75,221	\$207,411
Repurchase Agreements	<u>216,886</u>	
Total deposits and investments	<u><u>\$292,107</u></u>	<u><u>\$207,411</u></u>

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

Investments: Repurchase agreements are held in book-entry form by the Federal Reserve, in the name of the Village's financial institution. The financial institution maintains records identifying the Village as owner of these securities.

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HANCOCK COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(Continued)**

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2000 and 1999 follows:

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$69,915	\$91,142	\$21,227
Special Revenue	50,046	49,069	(977)
Capital Projects	102,250	109,250	7,000
Enterprise	88,566	72,423	(16,143)
Total	\$310,777	\$321,884	\$11,107

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$75,100	\$49,076	\$26,024
Special Revenue	51,250	53,647	(2,397)
Capital Projects	95,000	96,383	(1,383)
Enterprise	79,560	38,082	41,478
Total	\$300,910	\$237,188	\$63,722

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$65,018	\$68,205	\$3,187
Special Revenue	52,755	67,155	14,400
Capital Projects	10,000	121,648	111,648
Enterprise	70,532	75,704	5,172
Total	\$198,305	\$332,712	\$134,407

1999 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$67,151	\$58,466	\$8,685
Special Revenue	60,850	52,287	8,563
Capital Projects	20,000	130,350	(110,350)
Enterprise	84,870	44,031	40,839
Total	\$232,871	\$285,134	(\$52,263)

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(Continued)**

4. COMPLIANCE

Contrary to Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41(B) expenditures exceeded appropriations at the legal level of control (object level) in 11 accounts, in amounts ranging from \$6 to \$66,383 in the following funds: General Fund, Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund, and Water Fund. In addition, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the following funds at the dates indicated:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Amount Expended</u>	<u>Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations</u>
December 31, 2000			
Park Fund	\$26,500	\$33,144	\$6,644
Pool Replacement	95,000	96,383	1,383
December 31, 1999			
Park Fund	\$23,100	\$23,892	\$792
Pool Replacement	20,000	130,350	110,350

The Clerk did not certify all commitments as required by Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41(D).

5. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Village Council. 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 payments, 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 Village.

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 Village.

6. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2000 was as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
Ohio Public Works Commission Loan	\$48,717	0%

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HANCOCK COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
(Continued)**

6. DEBT (Continued)

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) loan relates to a storm sewer replacement project.

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

Year ending December 31:	OPWC Loan
2001	\$1,804
2002	3,609
2003	3,609
2004	3,609
2005	3,609
Subsequent	32,477
Total	\$48,717

7. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Village's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS are cost-sharing, multiple-employer plans. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post retirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55% for 1999 and 10.84% for 2000, of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Government belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"), an unincorporated non-profit association with over 600 governmental entity members providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages, modified for each member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the member's deductible.

The Plan uses conventional insurance coverages and reinsures these coverages 100%, rather than using a risk pool of member funds to pay individual and collective losses. Therefore, the individual members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts which vary from member to member.



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

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To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Mount Blanchard, Hancock County, Ohio, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated August 15, 2001. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 Village'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 the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audits and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2000-30232-001 and 2000-30232-002. We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated August 15, 2001.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits, we considered the Village'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 Village in a separate letter dated August 15, 2001.

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

Jim Petro
Auditor of State

August 15, 2001

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999**

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS
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FINDING NUMBER 2000-30232-001

Noncompliance Citation

Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41(D) states that no subdivision or taxing unit shall make any contract or order any expenditure of money unless the certificate of the fiscal officer is attached. The fiscal officer must certify that the amount required to meet such a commitment has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrance. Further, contracts and orders for expenditures lacking prior certification should be considered null and void.

This section also provides two exceptions to the above requirements:

- A. Then and Now Certificate - if no certificate is furnished as required, upon receipt of the fiscal officer's certificate that a sufficient sum was, both at the time of the purchase order or contract and at the time of the certificate, appropriated and free of any previous encumbrance, the Council may authorize the issuance of a check in payment of the amount due upon such contract or order by resolution within 30 days from the receipt of such certificate, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.
- B. If the amount involved is less than \$1,000, the fiscal officer may authorize it to be paid without the affirmation of the Council, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.

Sixty-seven percent of the transactions tested had not been certified prior to the commitment being incurred nor were they certified using a then and now certification. Certification is not only required by Ohio law but is a key control in the disbursement process to assure that purchase commitments receive prior approval, and to help reduce the possibility of Village funds being over expended or exceeding budgetary spending limitations as set by the Council.

To improve controls over disbursements we recommend all Village disbursements, receive prior certification of the Clerk and that the Council periodically review the expenditures made to ensure they are within appropriations adopted by the Council certified by the Clerk and recorded against appropriations.

FINDING NUMBER 2000-30232-002

Ohio Revised Code § 5705.41(B) states that no subdivision shall make any expenditure of money unless it has been lawfully appropriated as provided in such chapter.

Expenditures exceeded appropriations at the legal level of control (object level) in 11 accounts, in amounts ranging from \$6 to \$66,383 in the following funds: General Fund, Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund, and Water Fund. In addition, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the following funds at the dates indicated:

FINDING NUMBER 2000-30232-002
(Continued)

Fund	Amount Appropriated	Amount Expended	Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations
December 31, 2000			
Park Fund	\$26,500	\$33,144	\$6,644
Pool Replacement	95,000	96,383	1,383
December 31, 1999			
Park Fund	\$23,100	\$23,892	\$792
Pool Replacement	20,000	130,350	110,350

The Clerk should not issue checks for expenditures that would exceed appropriations. The Clerk should inform Council of the insufficiency of appropriations, and whether current resources permit an increase to appropriations. The Council should determine if they wish to increase appropriations and if needed, obtain an amended certificate of estimated resources.

**VILLAGE OF MOUNT BLANCHARD
HANCOCK COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain:</i>
1998-30232-001	ORC § 5705.41(B) expenditures in excess of appropriations	No	Not corrected.
1998-30232-002	ORC § 5705.41(D) certification of funds.	No	Improvement made that reduced the number of transactions cited by thirty-three percent.



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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 Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

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