

**VILLAGE OF GANN
KNOX COUNTY**

REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 - 2007



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

Village Council
Village of Gann
P. O. Box 305
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We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report* of the Village of Gann, Knox County, prepared by Knox & Knox, for the audit period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008. 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.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Accountants' Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Accountants' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State permits.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Village of Gann is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor

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December 14, 2009

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Independent Accountants' Report

Village of Gann
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To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Gann, Knox County, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. 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 audit.

We conducted our audit 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 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, if any, 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 described more fully in Note 1, the Village has prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Village to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. In addition to the accompanying financial statements present for 2008 and 2007, the revisions require presenting entity wide statements. While the Village does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards require us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Village has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Village as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Village of Gann, Knox County, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The Village has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 25, 2009, 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 grant agreements and other matters. While we do not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that reports describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Knox & Knox

Orrville, Ohio
November 25, 2009

VILLAGE OF GANN
KNOX COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
CASH RECEIPTS:			
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$1,598	\$1,231	\$2,829
Intergovernmental Receipts	14,530	4,952	19,482
Earnings on Investments	1,235		1,235
Miscellaneous	<u>585</u>		<u>585</u>
 Total Cash Receipts	 <u>17,948</u>	 <u>6,183</u>	 <u>24,131</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS			
Current:			
Security of Persons and Property	2,567		2,567
Leisure Time Activities	912		912
Transportation	615	4,451	5,066
General Government	<u>12,834</u>		<u>12,834</u>
 Total Cash Disbursements	 <u>16,928</u>	 <u>4,451</u>	 <u>21,379</u>
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	1,020	1,732	2,752
Cash Fund Balances, January 1	<u>46,044</u>	<u>5,145</u>	<u>51,189</u>
 CASH FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	 <u><u>\$47,064</u></u>	 <u><u>\$6,877</u></u>	 <u><u>\$53,941</u></u>

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

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KNOX COUNTY

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	
CASH RECEIPTS:			
Property Tax and Other Local Taxes	\$1,786	\$1,289	\$3,075
Intergovernmental Receipts	14,785	5,580	20,365
Earnings on Investments	1,447		1,447
Miscellaneous	<u>599</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>629</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>18,617</u>	<u>6,899</u>	<u>25,516</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS			
Current:			
Security of Persons and Property	2,626		2,626
Leisure Time Activities	636		636
Transportation	694	1,691	2,385
General Government	<u>12,593</u>		<u>12,593</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>16,549</u>	<u>1,691</u>	<u>18,240</u>
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	2,068	5,208	7,276
OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS/(DISBURSEMENTS)			
Advances-In	4000		4000
Advances-Out		<u>(4,000)</u>	<u>(4,000)</u>
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	<u>4,000</u>	<u>(4,000)</u>	
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	6,068	1,208	7,276
Cash Fund Balances, January 1	<u>39,976</u>	<u>3,937</u>	<u>43,913</u>
CASH FUND BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	<u><u>\$46,044</u></u>	<u><u>\$5,145</u></u>	<u><u>\$51,189</u></u>

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

VILLAGE OF GANN
KNOX COUNTY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Gann, Knox County, (the Village) is a body of 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 and park operations.

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

Investments are included in the cash fund balances. 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 Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

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

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the office, department or division level of control, and within each the amount appropriated for personal services. The Council must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

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

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. However, the Village had no material encumbrances outstanding at December 31, 2008 and 2007.

A summary of 2008 and 2007 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 Village maintains a cash 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:

	2008	2007
Demand deposits	\$5,252	\$8,726
Certificates of deposit	48,689	42,463
	\$53,941	\$51,189

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

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3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 follows:

Fund Type	2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts		
	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$19,592	\$17,948	(\$1,644)
Special Revenue	5,600	6,183	583
Total	<u>\$25,192</u>	<u>\$24,131</u>	<u>(\$1,061)</u>

Fund Type	2008 Budgeted vs Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures		
	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$30,640	\$16,928	\$13,712
Special Revenue	6,917	4,451	2,466
Total	<u>\$37,557</u>	<u>\$21,379</u>	<u>\$16,178</u>

Fund Type	2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts		
	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$19,035	\$18,617	(\$418)
Special Revenue	6,600	6,899	299
Total	<u>\$25,635</u>	<u>\$25,516</u>	<u>(\$119)</u>

Fund Type	2007 Budgeted vs Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures		
	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$32,785	\$16,549	\$16,236
Special Revenue	9,542	1,691	7,851
Total	<u>\$42,327</u>	<u>\$18,240</u>	<u>\$24,087</u>

4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the 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 is due the following June 20.

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.

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5. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Village's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS 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.

Contributions rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2008 and 2007 OPERS members contributed 10% and 9.5% of their gross salaries, respectively. The Village contributed an amount equal to 14% (2008) and 13.75% (2007) of participants' gross salaries. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2008.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks.

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Errors and omissions; and
- Umbrella liability.

7. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

The Eastern Knox County Joint Fire District (the District) is a jointly governed organization pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.371. The District was formed in 2001 and consists of the following entities: Danville and Gann Villages, Brown, Butler, Harrison, Howard, Jefferson, and Union Townships. The District Board consists of a Trustee from each Township, a Council member from each Village and an at-large member appointed by vote of the District Board. Revenues are generated from a 5 mill operating levy.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Village of Gann
Knox County
P.O. Box 305
Brinkhaven, Ohio 43006

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Gann, Knox County, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated November 25, 2009, wherein we noted the Village followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit 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.

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Village 's internal control over financial reporting as basis for designing our audit procedures in order to express our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Village 's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Village 's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Village 's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Village 's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Village 's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we noted other matters that we reported to the Village 's management in a separate letter dated November 25, 2009.

COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Village 's basic 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, providing an opinion 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 no instances of noncompliance that we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Village Council. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

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Orrville, Ohio
November 25, 2009

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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected	Not Corrected; Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Fining No Longer Valid; Explain:
2006-01	Appropriations exceeded estimated resources.	Yes	Finding is no longer valid.



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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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DECEMBER 24, 2009