

# CONCORD TOWNSHIP, FAYETTE COUNTY

Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

For the Years Ended December 31, 2016 and 2015







Board of Trustees Concord Township 1325 Miami Trace Road SW Washington C.H. Ohio, 43160

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of Concord Township, Fayette County, prepared by J.L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc., for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

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. Concord Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

May 5, 2017





CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS

### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of Concord Township, Fayette County, Ohio (the Township) and the Auditor of State agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

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#### **Cash and Investments**

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2015 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2014 balances in the documentation in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2016 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2015 balances in the Fund Ledger Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2016 and 2015 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2016 bank account balances with the Township's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation without exception.



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- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.
- 6. We tested investments held at December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 to determine that they:
  - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions.
  - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

# Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2016 and one from 2015:
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the Statement to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether the receipt was allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We scanned the Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2016 and 2015. We noted the Receipt Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We selected five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2016 and five from 2015. We also selected five receipts from the Fayette County Auditor's Vendor Expense Report from 2016 and five from 2015.
  - a. We compared the amount from the DTL and the County report to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

### Debt

- 1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2014.
- 2. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2016 or 2015 or debt payment activity during 2016 or 2015. We noted in 2015 the Township entered into a loan to purchase a new fire truck in the amount of \$106,470. All debt noted agreed to the summary we used in step 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of loan debt activity for 2016 and 2015 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedule to Fire District Fund payments reported in the Payment Register Detail Report. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the Township made the payments. We found no exceptions.
- 4. We agreed the amount of debt proceeds from the debt documents to amounts recorded in the Fire District fund per the Receipts Register Report. We found that the Township did not record the debt proceeds of \$106,470.
- 5. For new debt issued during 2016 and 2015, we inspected the debt legislation, noting the Township must use the proceeds to purchase a fire truck. We scanned the Payment Register Detail Report and noted the Township purchased a fire truck in April 2015.

### **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2016 and one payroll check for five employees from 2015 from the Wage Withholding Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary amount used in computing gross pay to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We noted that the Fiscal Officer was underpaid \$2,936, two Trustees were underpaid \$1,284 each and one Trustee was underpaid \$1,348 in 2016. We brought this to management's attention, and they added this amount to a subsequent payment to these officials. Because we did not test all timecards or salaries, our report provides no assurance whether or not other similar errors occurred. We found no other exceptions.
  - b. We determined whether the fund and account codes to which the check was posted were reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the minute record or as required by statute. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.

2. We scanned the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2016 to determine whether remittances were timely paid, and that the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period during 2016. We noted the following:

Withholding	Date Due	Date Paid	<b>Amount Due</b>	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes	January 31,	December 27,		
& Medicare	2017	2017	\$173.11	\$173.11
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State income taxes	2017	2017	\$102.44	\$102.44
OPERS retirement				
(withholding plus	January 31,	December 30,		
employer share)	2017	2017	\$974.24	\$974.24

- 3. For the pay periods ended August 31, 2016 and July 31, 2015 we recomputed the allocation of the Boards' salaries to the General Fund and Gas Fund. We found no exceptions.
- 4. For the pay periods described in the preceding step, we traced the Boards' salary for time or services performed to supporting certifications the Revised Code requires. We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 to determine if Township employees and/or trustees were reimbursed for out-of-pocket insurance premiums. Insurance reimbursements were made in compliance with ORC 505.60 and 505.601.

### **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2016 and ten from the year ended 2015 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
  - d. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then* and *Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

# **Compliance – Budgetary**

- 1. We compared the total estimated receipts from the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Road & Bridge funds for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2016 and 2015 to determine whether, for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Road and Bridge funds, the Trustees appropriated separately for "each office, department, and division, and within each, the amount appropriated for personal services," as is required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38(C). We found no exceptions.
- 3. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2016 and 2015 for the following funds: General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Road and Bridge funds. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(5) and 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Road and Bridge funds for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. We noted no funds for which appropriations exceeded certified resources.
- 5. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 for the General, Motor Vehicle License Tax and Road and Bridge funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We found no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externally-restricted resources. We scanned the Receipts Register Report for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2016 and 2015. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Township received new restricted receipts. We noted no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 would require the Township to establish a new fund.
- 7. We scanned the 2016 and 2015 Receipt Status Report and Appropriation Status Report for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$500 which Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.14-.16 restrict. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Section 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner and Court of Common Pleas.
- 8. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriation Status Report to determine whether the Township elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. We noted the Township did not establish these reserves.

9. We scanned the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10 (l) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. We noted no funds having negative cash fund balance.

# **Compliance-Contracts & Expenditures**

1. We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 to determine if the Township proceeded by force account (i.e. used its own employees) to maintain or repair roads (cost of project \$15,000-\$45,000) or to construct or reconstruct township roads (cost of project \$5,000-\$15,000/per mile) for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01 requires the county engineer to complete a force account project assessment form (i.e., cost estimate). We identified no projects requiring the county engineer to complete a force account cost estimate.

## **Other Compliance**

 Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires townships to file their financial information in the HINKLE system formerly known as the Annual Financial Data Reporting System (AFDRS) within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. We reviewed the HINKLE system to verify the Township filed their financial information within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. No exceptions noted.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Township's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, those charged with governance, the Auditor of State, and others within the Township, and is not intended to be, and should be not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates. Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC. Chillicothe, Ohio

March 10, 2017



#### **CONCORD TOWNSHIP**

### **FAYETTE 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 18, 2017