



**HOLMES COUNTY PARK DISTRICT
HOLMES COUNTY**

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019-2018

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of Holmes County Park District (the District), on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Districts cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District. 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.

Cash

1. Holmes County is custodian for the District's deposits and investments, and therefore the County's deposit and investment pool holds the District's assets. We compared the District's fund balances reported on its December 31, 2019 Financial Statements to the balances reported in Holmes County's accounting records. The amounts agreed.
2. We agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Monthly Financial Report to the December 31, 2017 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2019 beginning fund balances recorded in the Monthly Financial Report to the December 31, 2018 balances in the Monthly Financial Report. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes and Intergovernmental Receipts

1. We selected a total of five receipts from the *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes*, the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) and the County Auditor's DTLs from 2019 and a total of five from 2018:
 - a. We compared the amounts from the above said reports to the amount recorded in the Transaction History Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Transaction History Report to determine these receipt were allocated to the proper fund as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Transaction History Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes and Intergovernmental Receipts (Continued)

2. We inspected the Transaction History Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2019 and 2018. The Transaction History Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
3. The District received \$73,248.78 from the Holmes County Rails-Trails-Coalition for a trail repair project. We observed the donation was a reimbursement for the Park District's local match amount in the trail project that ran from 2017-2019. We agreed this amount to the cost breakdown spreadsheet for the project. The District also received an anonymous donation of \$15,000 for a bridge lighting project, as noted on the check stub. The bridge lighting project was completed as noted by the invoice for the total project cost of \$23,228.58.

Over-The-Counter Cash Receipts

We selected 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2019 and 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended 2018 recorded in the duplicate cash receipts book and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount to the amount recorded in the Transaction History Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. Confirmed the amounts charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Transaction History Report to determine the receipt was posted to the proper funds, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2017.
2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Transaction History Report for evidence of debt issued during 2019 or 2018 or debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2019 or 2018.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2019 and one payroll check for five employees from 2018 from the Payroll Check Register and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Payroll Distribution Report to supporting documentation (timecard, or legislatively approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Payroll Cash Disbursements (Contiued)

2. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2019 to confirm whether remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2019. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare	January 31, 2020	December 31, 2019	\$4,517.70	\$4,517.70
State income taxes	January 15, 2020	December 31, 2019	\$1,722.20	\$1,722.20
Local income tax	January 31, 2020	December 31, 2019	\$1,236.17	\$1,236.17
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2020	December 31, 2019	\$20,173.70	\$20,173.70

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

1. We selected 10 disbursements from the Transaction History Report for the year ended December 31, 2019 and 10 from the year ended 2018 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 Transaction History 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 two instances where the certification date was after the vendor invoice date, and there was also no evidence that a *Then and Now Certificate* was issued. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires certifying at the time of a commitment, which should be on or before the invoice date, unless a *Then and Now Certificate* is used. Because we did not inspect all disbursements requiring certification, our report provides no assurance whether or not additional similar errors occurred.

Compliance – Budgetary

1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for the General and Capital fund. There were no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
2. We inspected the 2019 and 2018 Transaction History Report for evidence of interfund transfers 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.

Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)

3. We inspected the Monthly Financial Report for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 for negative cash fund balances. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10 (I) 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. No funds had a negative cash fund balances.

Sunshine Law Compliance

1. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have a public records policy during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43 (E)(2).
2. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any completed public records requests during the engagement period.
3. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
4. We inquired with District management and determined the District did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.
5. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have a records retention schedule during the engagement period and therefore could not make it readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2).
6. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have a public records policy during the engagement period therefore could not provide it to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
7. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have a public records policy during the engagement period therefore it could not be included in a policy manual as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
8. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have a public records policy during the engagement period therefore it could not be displayed in all the branches of the District as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
9. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
10. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
11. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the District notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period are to be held. We found no exceptions.

Sunshine Law Compliance (Continued)

12. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
- Prepared – a file is created following the date of the meeting
 - Filed – placed with similar documents in an organized manner
 - Maintained - retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
 - Open to public inspection – available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

13. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) and determined the following:
- Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
 - The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code Section 121.22(G).
 - Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

Other Compliance

1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires these district's to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the District filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.

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*. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the *American Institute of Certified Public Accountants*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the District's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the District's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

September 24, 2020

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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



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