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Village of Martinsburg Knox County 126 North Market Street PO Box 68 Martinsburg, OH 43037

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Village of Martinsburg, Knox County, (the Village) for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Village's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Village's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

The Village's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance or accounting issues to report.

## **Current Year Observations**

- 1. The Village does not have a public records policy required by Ohio Rev. Code §149.43(E)(2). Failure to maintain a public records policy could result in not properly providing records for public inspection, improperly handling of public records requests, or inadvertently providing information that is confidential and not subject to public record requests.
- 2. The Village does not have a records retention policy required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). Failure to maintain a records retention policy could result in records being destroyed that are not permitted, or being destroyed before the permitted timeframe.
- 3. We examined the bank reconciliation prepared as of December 31, 2019. It did not include a checking account maintained by the water clerk in the amount of \$597, which should be recorded within the water operating fund. Reconciling cash is a critical control in assuring all transactions are posted accurately and in the proper accounting period. Not including balances that belong to the Village misrepresents the Village's financial position. The fiscal officer should record all fund balances and cash balances within the ledgers.

Keith Faber Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

April 28, 2020





## **VILLAGE OF MARTINSBURG**

## **KNOX 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 7, 2020