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Winchester Union Cemetery Adams County Winchester, Ohio 45697

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Winchester Union Cemetery, Adams County, (the Cemetery) 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 Cemetery's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Cemetery's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

The Cemetery'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 Cemetery did not have a Public Records Policy or Records Retention Schedule implemented during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43. Lack of a Public Records Policy and Records Retention Schedule increases the risk of noncompliance when handling public records requests and the destruction of important Cemetery documentation. We recommend the Cemetery implement a Public Records Requests and Records Retention Schedule in compliance with Ohio Sunshine Law.
- 2. Ohio Rev. Code § 507.12 and §733.81 states a newly elected or appointed fiscal officer shall complete at least six hours of initial education programs before commencing, or during the first year of office. An additional eighteen hours of continuing education must be completed within the fiscal officer's first term. Twelve hours of training shall be completed for each subsequent term. During review of the Fiscal Integrity Act Portal and inquiry with the current Fiscal Officer, we found that the previous Fiscal Officer, did not receive the required training during the engagement period. We recommend the Fiscal Officer obtain the required continuing education and report the training through the Fiscal Integrity Act Portal.

Keith Faber Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

May 26, 2020





WINCHESTER UNION CEMETERY

ADAMS 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 JUNE 9, 2020