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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of McDonald Township, Hardin County, prepared by BHM CPA Group, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. 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.

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

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

September 01, 2021

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Hardin County
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

McDonald Township
Hardin County
7830 County Road 220
Belle Center, Ohio 43310-9649

To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and related notes of McDonald Township, Hardin County, Ohio (the Township).

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Township's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Township prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Township does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances, receipts and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and related notes of the Township, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 2.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 14 to the 2020 financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Township. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 22, 2021, on our consideration of the Township'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. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



BHM CPA Group, Inc.
Piketon, Ohio
June 22, 2021

**MCDONALD TOWNSHIP
HARDIN COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	
Cash Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$ 86,907	\$ 25,159	\$ -	\$ 112,066
Licenses, Permits and Fees	-	6,025	-	6,025
Intergovernmental	33,802	197,439	-	231,241
Earnings on Investments	641	320	-	961
Miscellaneous	1,502	4,540	-	6,042
	<u>122,852</u>	<u>233,483</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>356,335</u>
Total Cash Receipts				
	<u>122,852</u>	<u>233,483</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>356,335</u>
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
General Government	72,048	-	-	72,048
Public Safety	-	14,490	-	14,490
Public Works	-	118,313	-	118,313
Health	2,485	19,273	-	21,758
Conservation/Recreation	8,000	-	-	8,000
Capital Outlay	38,591	61,000	-	99,591
Debt Service:				
Redemption of Principal	-	32,826	5,419	38,245
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	3,396	3,850	7,246
	<u>121,124</u>	<u>249,298</u>	<u>9,269</u>	<u>379,691</u>
Total Cash Disbursements				
	<u>121,124</u>	<u>249,298</u>	<u>9,269</u>	<u>379,691</u>
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	1,728	(15,815)	(9,269)	(23,356)
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):				
Loans Issued	30,500	61,000	-	91,500
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	17,000	-	17,000
Transfers-In	-	-	10,000	10,000
Transfers-Out	(10,000)	-	-	(10,000)
Other Financing Uses	-	(49,230)	-	(49,230)
	<u>20,500</u>	<u>28,770</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>59,270</u>
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)				
	<u>20,500</u>	<u>28,770</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>59,270</u>
Special Item	6,197	-	-	6,197
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	28,425	12,955	731	42,111
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>355,452</u>	<u>562,630</u>	<u>2,926</u>	<u>921,008</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$ 383,877</u>	<u>\$ 575,585</u>	<u>\$ 3,657</u>	<u>\$ 963,119</u>

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

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the McDonald Township, Hardin County, (the Township) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services. The Township contracts with the Roundhead Township, Richland Township, and McGuffey Volunteer Fire Company to provide fire services.

The Township participates in three jointly governed organizations, a joint venture, and a public entity risk pool. Notes 6, 10, and 11 present additional information for these entities. The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The Township's financial statements consist of a combined statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) for all governmental fund types.

Fund Accounting

The Township uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the Township are presented below:

General Fund The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Township for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Special Revenue Funds These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Gas Tax Fund The gas tax fund accounts for and reports that portion of the State gasoline tax restricted for constructing, maintenance and repair of roads within the Township.

Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund The motor vehicle license tax fund accounts for and reports that portion of motor vehicle license registration fees restricted for maintenance and repair of roads within the Township. As well as maintenance for motor vehicles.

Road and Bridge Fund This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Debt Service Funds These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The Township had the following significant Debt Service Funds:

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Land and Building Purchase Fund The Land and Building Purchase fund accounts for and reports resources restricted for the retirement of 2015 General Obligation Bond.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements 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 the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

Appropriations Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

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 approve estimated resources.

Encumbrances The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2020 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Township must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fund Balances (Continued)

Nonspendable The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact. For regulatory purposes, nonspendable fund balance includes unclaimed monies that are required to be held for five years before they may be utilized by the Township and the nonspendable portion of the corpus in permanent funds.

Restricted Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Committed Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Township must adhere to these commitments unless the Trustees amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. For regulatory purposes, assigned fund balance in the general fund is limited to encumbrances outstanding at year end.

Unassigned Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Township applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

For regulatory purposes, limited disclosure related to fund balance is included in Note 12.

Note 3 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2020 follows:

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$107,604	\$159,549	\$51,945
Special Revenue	160,291	311,483	151,192
Debt Service	10,000	10,000	0
Total	\$277,895	\$481,032	\$203,137

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Note 3 – Budgetary Activity (Continued)

2020 Budgeted vs. Actual Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$244,316	\$131,124	\$113,192
Special Revenue	334,053	298,528	35,525
Debt Service	10,000	9,269	731
Total	\$588,369	\$438,921	\$149,448

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

The Township maintains a deposit pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2020
<i>Cash Management Pool:</i>	
Demand deposits	\$946,619
Certificates of deposit	16,500
Total deposits	963,119
<i>Total carrying amount of deposits and investments held in the Pool</i>	\$963,119

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity risk pool.

Note 5 – Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

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Note 6 – Risk Management

Risk Pool Membership

The Township is a member of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (The Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township’s policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty
- Public official’s liability
- Cyber
- Law enforcement liability
- Automobile liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of December 31:

	<u>2020</u>
Cash and investments	\$36,349,066
Actuarial liabilities	\$10,894,146

Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan’s benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants’ gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2020.

Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2020. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2020.

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Note 9 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
General Obligation Bonds	\$71,572	5.00%
Tractor Purchase Agreement	\$11,235	4.19%
Truck Loan	\$58,436	5.00%
Total	\$141,243	

In 2015 the Township issued general obligation bonds to finance the purchase of land and a building to be used by the Township for equipment and storage and administrative offices.

In 2017 the Township entered into a lease purchase agreement for a 2017 Case Tractor.

In 2020 the Township entered into a loan agreement to purchase a 2019 Ford F-550 to be used by the Township’s road department. The loan will be repaid from the General Fund, Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund and the Gasoline Tax Fund.

Amortization

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	General Obligation Bonds	Tractor Purchase Agreement	Truck Loan
2021	9,269	11,705	18,997
2022	9,269	0	18,997
2023	9,269	0	18,997
2024	9,269	0	6,130
2025	9,269	0	0
2026-2030	46,344	0	0
Total	\$92,689	\$11,705	\$63,121

Note 10 – Joint Ventures

Joint Recreational District – The McDonald-Roundhead Joint Recreational District (JRD) was established during 2001. The JRD is operated by a five-member Board consisting of representatives from both McDonald Township and Roundhead Township. The Trustees of each township select the JRD Board, whose members have staggered terms to allow the JRD Board to consist of three members representing McDonald Township in one year and three members representing Roundhead Township the following year. During the initial year, the McDonald Township Trustees appointed three members to the JRD Board (one 3-year term, one 2-year term, and one 1-year term) and two members (one 3-year term, and one 2-year term) were appointed by the Roundhead Township Trustees. The two townships budget and fund the McDonald-Roundhead Joint Recreational District in shares proportionate to the tax valuations of each township, in such amounts as the Township Trustees mutually agreed upon. Financial information can be obtained from Billie Mizek, Fiscal Officer, 17235 SR 117, Waynesfield, Ohio 45896.

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Note 11 – Jointly Governed Organizations

The Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District (the District) is a jointly governed entity governed by a five member Board of Trustees. Each political subdivision within the District appoints one member. Those subdivisions are Marion Township, McDonald Township, Roundhead Township, the Village of Alger and the Village of McGuffey in Hardin County. The District provides ambulance services within the District. Financial information can be obtained from Joyce Campbell, clerk, P.O. Box 83, McGuffey, Ohio 45859.

B.M.R.T. Regional Ambulance District is a jointly governed organization consisting of the Village of Belle Center and Richland Township in Logan County, and McDonald Township and Taylor Creek Township in Hardin County. The District is directed by an appointed four-member Board of Trustees. One member is appointed by each political subdivision within the District. The District provides ambulance services within the District. Financial information can be obtained from clerk, 104 W. Buckeye St., Belle Center, Ohio 43310.

The Hardin County Regional Planning Commission (the Commission) is a jointly governed organization between the County, the Municipalities, and the Townships within the County. The degree of control exercised by any participating government is limited to its representation on the Board. The Board is comprised of twenty-seven members, any of which may hold any other public office. The Township is represented by one member.

The Commission makes studies, maps, plans, recommendations, and reports concerning the physical environment, social, economic, and governmental characteristics, functions, and services of the County. Each participating government may be required to contribute an assessment per capita, according to the latest federal census, in any calendar year in which the revenue is needed. Financial information can be obtained by contacting Mark Doll, Director, One Courthouse Square, Suite 130, Kenton, Ohio 43326.

Note 12 – Fund Balances

The fund balance of special revenue funds is either restricted or committed. The fund balance of debt service funds are restricted, committed, or assigned. These restricted, committed, and assigned amounts in the special revenue and debt service funds would including the outstanding encumbrances. In the general fund, outstanding encumbrances are considered assigned.

Note 13 – Change in Accounting Principle

For 2020, the Township has made changes to their cash basis reporting model. These changes include removing the fund balance classifications from the combined statement of receipts, disbursements, and changes in fund balances (regulatory cash basis) – all governmental fund types.

Note 14 – COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Township. In addition, the impact on the Township's future operating costs, revenues, and additional recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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Note 14 – COVID-19 (Continued)

During 2020, the Township received CARES Act funding. Of the amounts received, \$47,440 was returned to the granting agency. This amount is reflected as other financing uses in the Coronavirus Relief Special Revenue Fund.

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**MCDONALD TOWNSHIP
HARDIN COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>			Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	
Cash Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$ 80,945	\$ 41,084	\$ -	\$ 122,029
Licenses, Permits and Fees	-	6,500	-	6,500
Intergovernmental	34,264	122,916	-	157,180
Earnings on Investments	591	296	-	887
Miscellaneous	1,718	4,800	-	6,518
	<u>117,518</u>	<u>175,596</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>293,114</u>
Total Cash Receipts				
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
General Government	71,471	-	-	71,471
Public Safety	-	14,489	-	14,489
Public Works	-	62,273	-	62,273
Health	11,174	26,991	-	38,165
Conservation/Recreation	6,250	-	-	6,250
Capital Outlay	13,747	4,500	-	18,247
Debt Service:				
Redemption of Principal	-	10,349	5,161	15,510
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	1,356	4,108	5,464
	<u>102,642</u>	<u>119,958</u>	<u>9,269</u>	<u>231,869</u>
Total Cash Disbursements				
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	14,876	55,638	(9,269)	61,245
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):				
Transfers-In	-	-	10,000	10,000
Transfers-Out	(10,000)	-	-	(10,000)
Other Financing Sources	131	-	-	131
	<u>(9,869)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>131</u>
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)				
Special Item	3,021	-	-	3,021
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	8,028	55,638	731	64,397
Fund Cash Balances, January 1 <i>as restated see note 12</i>	347,424	506,992	2,195	856,611
	<u>347,424</u>	<u>506,992</u>	<u>2,195</u>	<u>856,611</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31				
Restricted	-	562,630	2,926	565,556
Unassigned	355,452	-	-	355,452
	<u>355,452</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>355,452</u>
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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Land and Building Purchase Fund The Land and Building Purchase fund accounts for and reports resources restricted for the retirement of 2015 General Obligation Bond.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements 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 the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

Appropriations Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

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 approve estimated resources.

Encumbrances The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2019 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Township must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

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Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fund Balances (Continued)

Nonspendable The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

Restricted Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

Committed Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Township must adhere to these commitments unless the Trustees amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

Assigned Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by Township Trustees or a Township official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

Unassigned Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Township applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Note 3 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2019 follows:

2019 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$106,758	\$120,670	\$13,912
Special Revenue	146,159	175,596	29,437
Debt Service	10,000	10,000	0
Total	\$262,917	\$306,266	\$43,349

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Note 3 – Budgetary Activity (Continued)

2019 Budgeted vs. Actual Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$226,566	\$112,642	\$113,924
Special Revenue	310,602	119,958	190,644
Debt Service	10,000	9,269	731
Total	\$547,168	\$241,869	\$305,299

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments

The Township maintains a deposit pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2019
Demand deposits	\$904,550
Certificates of deposit	16,458
Total deposits and investments	\$921,008

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity risk pool.

Note 5 – Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

Note 6 – Risk Management

Risk Pool Membership

The Township is a member of the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (The Pool). The Pool assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Township's policy. The Pool covers the following risks:

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Note 6 – Risk Management (continued)

- General liability and casualty
- Public official’s liability
- Cyber
- Law enforcement liability
- Automobile liability
- Vehicles
- Property
- Equipment breakdown

The Pool reported the following summary of assets and actuarially-measured liabilities available to pay those liabilities as of December 31:

	<u>2019</u>
Cash and investments	\$35,207,320
Actuarial liabilities	\$10,519,942

Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan’s benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants’ gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2019.

Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment plans, which include multiple health care plans including medical coverage, prescription drug coverage, deposits to a Health Reimbursement Arrangement, and Medicare Part B premium reimbursements, to qualifying benefit recipients. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the traditional pension plan and combined plan was 0 percent during calendar year 2019. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the member-directed plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2019.

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Note 9 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2019, was as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
General Obligation Bonds	\$76,991	5.00%
Tractor Purchase Agreement	\$22,018	4.19%
Total	\$99,009	

In 2015 the Township issued general obligation bonds to finance the purchase of land and a building to be used by the Township for equipment and storage and administrative offices.

In 2017 the Township entered into a lease purchase agreement for a 2017 Case Tractor.

Amortization

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

	<u>General Obligation Bonds</u>	<u>Tractor Purchase Agreement</u>
Year Ending December 31:		
2020	9,269	11,705
2021	9,269	11,705
2022	9,269	0
2023	9,269	0
2024	9,269	0
2025-2029	46,345	0
2030	9,268	0
Total	\$101,958	\$23,410

Note 10 – Joint Ventures

Joint Recreational District – The McDonald-Roundhead Joint Recreational District (JRD) was established during 2001. The JRD is operated by a five-member Board consisting of representatives from both McDonald Township and Roundhead Township. The Trustees of each township select the JRD Board, whose members have staggered terms to allow the JRD Board to consist of three members representing McDonald Township in one year and three members representing Roundhead Township the following year. During the initial year, the McDonald Township Trustees appointed three members to the JRD Board (one 3-year term, one 2-year term, and one 1-year term) and two members (one 3-year term, and one 2-year term) were appointed by the Roundhead Township Trustees. The two townships budget and fund the McDonald-Roundhead Joint Recreational District in shares proportionate to the tax valuations of each township, in such amounts as the Township Trustees mutually agreed upon. Financial information can be obtained from Billie Mizek, Fiscal Officer, 17235 SR 117, Waynesfield, Ohio 45896.

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Note 11 – Jointly Governed Organizations

The Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District (the District) is a jointly governed entity governed by a five member Board of Trustees. Each political subdivision within the District appoints one member. Those subdivisions are Marion Township, McDonald Township, Roundhead Township, the Village of Alger and the Village of McGuffey in Hardin County. The District provides ambulance services within the District. Financial information can be obtained from Joyce Campbell, clerk, P.O. Box 83, McGuffey, Ohio 45859.

B.M.R.T. Regional Ambulance District is a jointly governed organization consisting of the Village of Belle Center and Richland Township in Logan County, and McDonald Township and Taylor Creek Township in Hardin County. The District is directed by an appointed four-member Board of Trustees. One member is appointed by each political subdivision within the District. The District provides ambulance services within the District. Financial information can be obtained from clerk, 104 W. Buckeye St., Belle Center, Ohio 43310.

The Hardin County Regional Planning Commission (the Commission) is a jointly governed organization between the County, the Municipalities, and the Townships within the County. The degree of control exercised by any participating government is limited to its representation on the Board. The Board is comprised of twenty-seven members, any of which may hold any other public office. The Township is represented by one member.

The Commission makes studies, maps, plans, recommendations, and reports concerning the physical environment, social, economic, and governmental characteristics, functions, and services of the County. Each participating government may be required to contribute an assessment per capita, according to the latest federal census, in any calendar year in which the revenue is needed. Financial information can be obtained by contacting Mark Doll, Director, One Courthouse Square, Suite 130, Kenton, Ohio 43326.

Note 12 – Restatement of Beginning Balances

The beginning fund balances for the General Fund and Special Revenue funds were restated as follows:

	General Fund:	Special Revenue
2019 Beginning Fund Balances:	\$ 325,275	\$ 529,548
Prior period checks voided in 2019:	1,766	737
Prior period accounting errors:	20,383	(23,293)
2019 Restated Beginning Fund Balances:	\$ 347,424	\$ 506,992



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS
REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

McDonald Township
Hardin County
7830 County Road 220
Belle Center, Ohio 43310-9649

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020 and for each governmental fund type as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and related notes of the McDonald Township, Hardin County, (the Township) and have issued our report thereon dated June 22, 2021, wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. We also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the ensuing emergency measures will impact subsequent periods of the Township.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a material weakness. We consider finding 2020-001 to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Township's 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 financial statements. However, opining 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 or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "BHM CPA Group". The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized.

BHM CPA Group, Inc.
Piketon, Ohio
June 22, 2021

**MCDONALD TOWNSHIP
HARDIN COUNTY
DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS**

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS
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FINDING NUMBER 2020-001

Material Weakness

Sound financial reporting is the responsibility of the fiscal officer and governing board and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements is complete and accurate.

As a result of the audit procedures performed, the following errors were noted in the financial statements that required audit adjustment or reclassification:

- During 2020 and 2019, adjustments and reclassifications were made to tax receipts, intergovernmental receipts, miscellaneous receipts, sale of capital assets, loans issued, general government disbursements, capital outlay disbursements, principal and interest disbursements, as well as adjustments to cash fund balances.
- Numerous corrections and updates to the footnotes to the financial statements were required.

To ensure the Township's financial statements and notes to the financial statements are complete and accurate, we recommend the Fiscal Officer review the Ohio Township Manual for guidance on the correct line item to post various receipts and expenditures of the Township. We also recommend that the Township utilize the footnote shells published on the Auditor of State's website to prepare the footnotes to the financial statements and that the Township implement a review process to ensure accuracy within the footnotes.

Client Response: We did not receive a response from Officials to the findings reported above.

**MCDONALD TOWNSHIP
HARDIN COUNTY
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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain:
2018-001	Material Weakness – Financial Reporting	No	Reissued as 2020-001

OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



MCDONALD TOWNSHIP

HARDIN COUNTY

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.



Certified for Release 9/14/2021

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