

REILY TOWNSHIP BUTLER COUNTY REGULAR AUDIT FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 - 2018

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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Reily Township, Butler County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019. 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. In conjunction with the work performed by the Independent Public Accountant, the Auditor of State is issuing the following:

TRUSTEE SALARY – REPAID UNDER AUDIT

Ohio Rev. Code Section 505.24 defines, in part, the maximum compensation allowed for Township Trustees based on their annual budget. During 2019, the Township Trustees were entitled to annual compensation of \$11,342 or \$56.71 per day up to a maximum of 200 days, based on the Township's budget being between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000. The Township, however, erroneously paid the Trustees \$11,436.59 for 2019. The checks issuing the incorrect payments were signed by the Trustees and the Fiscal Officer. This resulted in each Township Trustee being overpaid as follows:

Trustee Name	Total Ohio Rev.	2019 Actual	2019 Over /
	Code Approved	Amount Paid	(Under)
	Pay for 2019		Payment
Dennis Conrad,	\$11,342	\$11,436	\$94
Jr.			
Timothy Miller	\$11,342	\$11,436	\$94
Nicholas Schwab	\$11,342	\$11,436	\$94

In accordance with the foregoing facts, and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Dennis Conrad Jr., Timothy Miller, and Nicholas Schwab, Reily Township Trustees, in the amount of \$94 for Dennis Conrad Jr., \$94 for Timothy Miller, and \$94 for Nicholas Schwab and in favor of Reily Township, Butler County's General Fund.

After notice of finding, Dennis Conrad Jr., Timothy Miller, and Nicholas Schwab each paid \$94 on December 29, 2020. The monies were paid into the Township's General Fund and the finding is considered to be repaid in full.

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FISCAL OFFICER SALARY - REPAID UNDER AUDIT

Ohio Rev. Code Section 507.09 defines, in part, the maximum compensation allowed for Township Fiscal Officers based on their annual budget. During 2019, the Township Fiscal Officer was entitled to annual compensation of \$18,717 based on the Township's budget being between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000. The Township, however, erroneously paid the Fiscal Officer \$18,976.91 for 2019. The checks issuing the incorrect payments were signed by the Trustees and the Fiscal Officer. This resulted in the Fiscal Officer being overpaid as follows:

Fiscal Officer	Total Ohio Rev.	2019 Actual	2019 Over /
Name	Code Approved	Amount Paid	(Under)
	Pay for 2019		Payment
Dianne Halcomb	\$18,717	\$18,976	\$259

In accordance with the foregoing facts, and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Dianne Halcomb, Reily Township Fiscal Officer, in the amount of \$259 and in favor of Reily Township, Butler County's General Fund.

After notice of finding, Dianne Halcomb paid \$259 on December 29, 2020. The monies were paid into the Township's General Fund and the finding is considered to be repaid in full.

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

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

May 12, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

January 26, 2021

Reily Township Butler County 6093 Reily Millville Road Oxford, Ohio 45056

To the Board of Trustees:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of **Reily Township**, Butler County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018.

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.

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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, 2019 and 2018, 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 by fund type, and related notes of Reily Township, Butler County as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and for the years then ended 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 described in Note 11 to the 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 January 26, 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.

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Perry & Associates Certified Public Accountants, A.C. *Marietta, Ohio*

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

Cook Dessints	(General		Special Revenue		Debt ervice	Per	manent	(Me	Totals morandum Only)
Cash Receipts Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	126,962	\$	319,102	\$	-	\$	-	\$	446,064
Licenses, Permits and Fees	Ŧ	-	Ŧ	5,652	Ŧ	-	Ŧ	-	Ŧ	5,652
Intergovernmental		70,526		167,833		-		-		238,359
Earnings on Investments		415		69		-		-		484
Miscellaneous		10,514		25,814		-		-		36,328
Total Cash Receipts		208,417		518,470		-				726,887
Cash Disbursements										
Current:										
General Government		176,458		-		-		-		176,458
Public Safety		-		134,499		-		-		134,499
Public Works Health		3,840 -		205,678 457		-		-		209,518 457
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Total Cash Disbursements		180,298		340,634						520,932
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances		28,119		177,836		-		-		205,955
Fund Cash Balances, January 1 (Restated, Note 10)		308,820		528,785		336		2,064		840,005
Fund Cash Balances, December 31										
Nonspendable		-		-		-		1,500		1,500
Restricted		-		594,720		336		564		595,620
Committed		-		111,901		-		-		111,901
Assigned		312,989		-		-		-		312,989
Unassigned (Deficit)		23,950				-		-		23,950
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	336,939	\$	706,621	\$	336	\$	2,064	\$	1,045,960

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

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Reily Township, Butler 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, and volunteer fire department and life squad services. Police protection is provided by the Butler County Sheriff's Department.

The Township participates in the Ohio Township Association Rick Management Authority (OTARMA) public entity risk pool. Note 6 to the financial statements provide additional information for this entity.

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, which is organized on a fund type basis.

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:

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

Gas Tax Fund This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

Fire District Fund This fund is used to maintain the volunteer fire protection and life squad service.

Debt Service Fund These funds account for resources the Township accumulates to pay bond and note debt. The Township had a single Debt Service Fund which is used to recognize receiving loan proceeds. Loan payments are distributed by those funds benefitting from the asset obtained from the loan.

Permanent Fund A fund used to report resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings and not principal may be used for purposes that support the township's programs.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2019 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Deposits

The township deposits all available funds in an interest bearing checking account at a local commercial bank. All deposits are valued at cost.

Capital Assets

The Township records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

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.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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:

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

2019	9 Budg	eted vs. Act	ual R	eceipts		
	В	Budgeted		Actual		
Fund Type	ReceiptsReceipts		Receipts R		V	ariance
General	\$	195,000	\$	208,417	\$	13,417
Special Revenue		469,064		518,470		49,406
Debt Service		-		-		-
Permanent		-		-		-
Total	\$	664,064	\$	726,887	\$	62,823

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

Note 3 – Budgetary Activity (Continued)

2019 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures						
	Appropriation Budgetary		udgetary			
Fund Type	Authority		Expenditures		V	ariance
General	\$	503,820	\$	182,851	\$	320,969
Special Revenue		940,459		349,720		590,739
Debt Service		336		-		336
Permanent		2,064		-		2,064
Total	\$	1,446,679	\$	532,571	\$	914,108

Note 4 – Deposits

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

	 2019
Demand deposits	\$ 1,045,960
Total deposits	\$ 1,045,960

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

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 non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include these credits and/or deduction 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

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

Workers' Compensation

The Township insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation.

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 health care and survivor and disability benefits.

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

Note 8 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offer 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 percent during calendar year 2019.

Note 9 – Contingent Liabilities

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the township are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor. The grantor may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

Note 10 - Prior Period Restatement

The beginning balance for the Township's Fire District Fund has been restated to account for an outstanding check that was cancelled in 2019. This prior period restatement had the following effect on the Township's fund balance as previously reported as of December 31, 2018:

	Special		
	Revenue		
Fund Balance, December 31, 2018	\$	528,730	
Restatement Due to Cancelled Check		55	
Restated Fund Balance, January 1, 2019	\$	528,785	

Note 11 – Subsequent Events

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

COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (REGULATORY CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

	General		Special Revenue		Debt Service		Permanent		Totals (Memorandum Only)		
Cash Receipts Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	123,889	\$	310,602	\$	_	\$	_	\$	434,491	
Charges for Services	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	_	Ψ		
Licenses, Permits and Fees		-		1,100		-		-		1,100	
Fines and Forfeitures		-		-		-		-		-	
Intergovernmental		69,754		182,841		-		-		252,595	
Special Assessments		-		-		-		-		-	
Earnings on Investments		459		51		-		-		510	
Miscellaneous		11,759		24,633		-		-		36,392	
Total Cash Receipts		205,861		519,227		-				725,088	
Cash Disbursements											
Current:											
General Government		202,291		-		-		-		202,291	
Public Safety		-		153,400		-		-		153,400	
Public Works Capital Outlay		1,407		246,406 255,788		-		-		247,813	
Capital Outlay				255,700						255,788	
Total Cash Disbursements		203,698		655,594						859,292	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances		2,163		(136,367)		-		-		(134,204)	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		306,657		665,097		336		2,064		974,154	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31											
Nonspendable		-		-		-		1,500		1,500	
Restricted		-		450,508		336		564		451,408	
Committed		-		78,222		-		-		78,222	
Assigned		308,820		-		-				308,820	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	308,820	\$	528,730	\$	336	\$	2,064	\$	839,950	

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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 – Compliance

Contrary to Ohio law, budgetary expenditures exceeded appropriation authority in the BWC Power Cot Grant by \$34,771 for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Note 4 – Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the year ending December 31, 2018 follows:

2010	Budg	eted vs. Act	ual R	eceipts				
	В	udgeted	Actual					
Fund Type	Receipts		Receipts		V	ariance		
General	\$	193,100	\$	205,861	\$	12,761		
Special Revenue		497,954		519,227		21,273		
Debt Service		-		-		-		
Permanent		-		-		-		
Total	\$	691,054	\$	725,088	\$	34,034		
2018 Budgeted v	2018 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures							
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	Λh	propriation	B	udgetary		<u> </u>		
Fund Type		oropriation Authority				ariance		
Fund Type General		•		udgetary				
· · ·	<u> </u>	Authority	Exp	udgetary penditures	V	ariance		
General	<u> </u>	Authority 499,757	Exp	udgetary penditures 205,331	V	ariance 294,426		
General Special Revenue	<u> </u>	499,757 1,107,297	Exp	udgetary penditures 205,331	V	′ariance 294,426 434,128		

Note 5 – Deposits

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

	 2018
Demand deposits	\$ 839,950
Total deposits	\$ 839,950

Deposits

Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; or collateralized through the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Note 6 – 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 non-business, owner occupancy, and homestead exemption credits and/or homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include these credits and/or deduction 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 7 – Risk Management

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>2018</u>

Cash and investments \$33,097,416

Actuarial liabilities \$ 7,874,610

Workers' Compensation

The Township insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation.

Note 8 – 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 health care and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OPERS members contributed 10 percent of their gross salaries, and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2018.

Note 9 – Postemployment Benefits

OPERS offer 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 2018. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for OPERS members in the protected plan was 4.0 percent during calendar year 2018.

Note 10 – Contingent Liabilities

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the township are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor. The grantor may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

Note 11 – Subsequent Events

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

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

January 26, 2020

Reily Township Butler County 6093 Reily Millville Road Oxford, Ohio 45056

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 by fund type of **Reily Township**, Butler County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 26, 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, and we 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 opinion 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 certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings that we consider material weaknesses. We consider findings 2019-001 through 2019-003 to be material weaknesses.

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Reily Township Butler County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

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 instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which are described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings as items 2019-002 through 2019-004.

Township's Response to Findings

The Township's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not subject the Township's responses to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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.

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Perry and Associates Certified Public Accountants, A.C. *Marietta, Ohio*

SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2019-001

Material Weakness

Posting Receipts and Fund Balances

The Township is responsible for establishing procedures and controls to help prevent and detect errors in financial reporting. Fund balances should be classified based on Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 – Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions.

During 2019 and 2018, receipts and fund balances were not always posted or classified correctly. The following posting errors were noted:

- Three grants received from the State of Ohio were incorrectly posted as Miscellaneous receipts rather than Intergovernmental receipts in 2018;
- State rollback revenue was incorrectly posted as Property Tax receipts in both 2019 and 2018.
- The General Fund balance was classified as entirely Unassigned in both years when it should have been partially Assigned and entirely Assigned in 2019 and 2018, respectively.
- The Permanent Fund was classified as entirely Assigned rather than Non-Spendable and Restricted in both 2019 and 2018.

Not posting receipts or classifying fund balances accurately resulted in the financial statements requiring several reclassifications. The Financial Statements reflect all material reclassifications.

To help ensure accuracy and reliability in the financial reporting process, we recommend the Township perform a detailed review of its draft financial statements. Such review should include procedures to ensure that all sources of revenues are properly identified and classified on the financial statements.

We also recommend the Fiscal Officer refer to the Ohio Township Handbook for guidance to determine the proper establishment of receipt accounts and posting of receipts. The Fiscal Officer should refer to Auditor of State Technical Bulletin 2011-004 for assistance in properly classifying fund balances.

Official's Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

FINDING NUMBER 2019-002

Material Weakness/Noncompliance

Incomplete Filing of Notes to Financial Statements

Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 states each public office, other than a state agency, shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. In addition, Ohio Auditor of State Bulletin 2015-007 states that complete annual financial reports need to be filed via the Hinkle System website. A complete submission for Regulatory Cash-Basis Entities includes the Statement(s) of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Balances and notes to the financial statements.

The Township filed annual financial reports for both 2019 and 2018 with the Hinkle System successfully; however, the notes to the financial statements were incomplete for fiscal years 2019 and 2018. Certain note disclosures were added to the Township's report. Other note disclosures were adjusted to agree to the financial statements.

SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS (Continued)

FINDING NUMBER 2019-002 (Continued)

Material Weakness/Noncompliance (Continued)

Incomplete Filing of Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

We recommend the Township take the necessary steps to ensure their annual financial report includes all required note disclosures to the financial statements.

Official's Response – "The Trustees are given the Financial reports twice a month for their review."

FINDING NUMBER 2019-003

Material Weakness/Noncompliance

Budgetary Controls

The budget is an instrument of public policy. A governing board expresses its desire for using a government's limited resources through its applications. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705 deals with a variety of budgetary requirements that all subdivisions must comply with in order to ensure fiscal responsibility.

In performing the audit, we noted several violations of budgetary law which, although they do not in and of themselves, result in errors in financial reporting, may lead to the Township making financial decisions based on incorrect or incomplete information. We noted the following:

- In violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(B), expenditures exceeded appropriations by \$34,771 in the BWC Power Cot Grant Fund in 2018;
- Appropriations and Estimated Resources were not reconciled to the accounting system.

The Township did not have a control procedure in place to ensure that appropriations and estimated receipts, as authorized by the Board of Trustees and approved by the County Budget Commission, were reconciled to the appropriations and estimated receipts posted to the accounting system.

This resulted in incorrect amounts posted to the accounting system and information available to the Township officials to monitor year-to-date total comparison of budgeted amounts versus actual amounts was not accurate. We recommend the Township implement procedures to ensure appropriations and estimated receipts are accurately posted to the accounting system and reconciled to the amounts approved by the budget commission after each amendment.

The Board should review the requirements of ORC section 5705 to be familiar with these laws and to make sure the Township is complying with applicable sections.

Officials' Response: We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS (Continued)

FINDING NUMBER 2019-004

Noncompliance

Salary Overpayment – Fiscal Officer

Ohio Rev. Code Sections 507.09 sets compensation amounts for the Fiscal Officer based on a Township's annual budget amount and the term of the elected official.

During our testing, we noted the Township Fiscal Officer was entitled to annual compensation of \$18,717 in 2019 based on the Township's budget being between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000. The Township, however, erroneously paid the Fiscal Officer \$18,976.91 for 2019. This resulted in the Fiscal Officer being overpaid by \$259.

In accordance with the foregoing facts, and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Dianne Halcomb, Reily Township Fiscal Officer, and her surety company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, jointly and severally, in the amount of \$259 and in favor of Reily Township, Butler County's General Fund.

After notice of finding, Dianne Halcomb paid \$259 on December 29, 2020. The monies were paid into the Township's General Fund and the finding is considered to be repaid in full.

Salary Overpayment – Trustees

Ohio Rev. Code Sections 505.24 sets compensation amounts for the Trustees based on a Township's annual budget amount and the term of the elected official.

During our testing, we noted the Township Trustees were entitled to annual compensation of \$11,342 or \$56.71 per day up to a maximum of 200 days in 2019, based on the Township's budget being between \$750,000 and \$1,500,000. The Township, however, erroneously paid the Trustees \$11,436.59 for 2019. This resulted in each Trustee being overpaid by \$94.

In accordance with the foregoing facts, and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended is hereby issued against Dennis Conrad Jr., Timothy Miller, and Nicholas Schwab, Reily Township Fiscal Trustees, and their surety company, Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority, jointly and severally, in the amount of \$94 for Dennis Conrad Jr., \$94 for Timothy Miller, and \$94 for Nicholas Schwab and in favor of Reily Township, Butler County's General Fund.

After notice of finding, Dennis Conrad Jr., Timothy Miller, and Nicholas Schwab each paid \$94 on December 29, 2020. The monies were paid into the Township's General Fund and the finding is considered to be repaid in full.

Officials' Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

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REILY TOWNSHIP

BUTLER 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 5/25/2021

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