



**BETTSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
SENECA COUNTY**

BASIC AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021-2020

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We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of Bettsville Public Library, Seneca County, Ohio (the Library) for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Library's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Library's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020.

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

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

Current Year Observation

We noted the Library does not have an adopted records retention schedule policy. It therefore cannot have a copy of said policy available to the public. **Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2)** states, in part, a public office also "shall have available a copy of its current records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public." Failure to have and follow a records retention schedule could result in public records being disposed of prematurely. The Library should implement procedures to ensure the appropriate policy is approved to help avoid issues with public records requests.

The Ohio History Connection provides suggested records retention schedules to aid local governments in creating and adopting their own records retention schedule. Information regarding these model retention schedules is available at the following web address:

<https://www.ohiohistory.org/learn/archives-library/state-archives/local-government-records-program/local-government-records-publications-amp-forms>.

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

July 19, 2022

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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



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