

# VILLAGE OF OSGOOD DARKE COUNTY

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 - 2021



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We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Village of Osgood, Darke County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

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. The Village of Osgood is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

November 27, 2023



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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Village of Osgood Darke County P.O. Box 177 Osgood, Ohio 45351

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Village of Osgood, Darke County's (the Village) receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Village. The Village is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Village.

The Village Council, Mayor and the management of the Village have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of providing assistance in the evaluation of the Village's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Additionally, the Auditor of State has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet their purposes. No other party acknowledged the appropriateness of the procedures. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of the report and may not meet the needs of all users of the report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

For the purposes of performing these procedures, this report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

#### Cash

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2021 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Cash Journal to the December 31, 2020 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2022 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Cash Journal to the December 31, 2021 balances in the Cash Journal. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the 2022 and 2021 bank reconciliation as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 to the total fund cash balances reported in the Cash Journal and the financial statements filed by the Village in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed except for, the 2021 General fund Ending Hinkle Balance did not agree to the 2021 Cash Journal Ending Balance or the 2022 Hinkle Beginning Balance. The variance was due to improper posting of the General Government disbursements to the Hinkle filing from the appropriation ledger. No adjustment to the Village's books was required.

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#### Cash (Continued)

- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2022 bank account balances with the Village's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2022 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected all reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2022 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced the one outstanding check to the subsequent February 2023 bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register and determined the debits were dated prior to December 31. We found no exceptions.

#### **Property Taxes and Intergovernmental Cash Receipts**

- 1. We selected a total of five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Listing (DTL), and the County Auditor DTLs for 2022 and a total of five from 2021:
  - a. We compared the amount from the above named reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Journal. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Journal to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Receipt Journal to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the Receipt Journal to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2022 and 2021. The Receipt Journal included the proper number of tax receipts for each year. We found no exceptions.

#### **Income Tax Receipts**

- 1. We obtained the December 31, 2022 and 2021 Report of the Tax Department submitted by the City of St. Mary's, the agency responsible for collecting income taxes on behalf of the Village. We agreed the total gross income taxes per year to the Village's Receipt Journal. The amounts agreed.
- 2. We obtained the original income tax ordinance which set the rate and effective period. The original ordinance was dated 03/04/2009. We determined there were no additional (council or voter) approved amendments to the original ordinance. We found no exceptions.

#### Other Receipts

We selected 10 other receipts from the year ended December 31, 2022 and 10 other receipts from the year ended 2021 and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount recorded in the Receipt Journal to supporting documentation. The amounts agreed.
- b. Confirmed the amounts charged complied with rates in force during the period. We found no exceptions.
- c. Inspected the Receipt Journal to determine the receipt was posted to the proper fund, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### **Sewer Fund**

1. We obtained the December 31, 2022 and 2021 YTD Fund reports submitted by the Darke County Auditor, the organization responsible for collecting utility payments on behalf of the Village. We agreed the total gross utilities per year to the Village's Receipt Journal. In 2022, Charges for Services were understated, and related Contractual Services disbursements were overstated in the Sewer fund by \$883, respectively. No adjustment was required due to there being no net effect on the fund balances. The amounts agreed for 2021.

#### **Debt**

- 1. From the prior agreed-upon procedures documentation, we observed the following notes were outstanding as of December 31, 2020.
  - a. These amounts agreed to the Village's January 1, 2021 balances on the summary we used in procedure 3.
  - b. We inspected the debt's Loan Detail and Paydown reports for all outstanding debt, and we confirmed the Village does not have any debt covenants.

Issue	Principal outstanding as of December 31, 2020:		
OPWC CT40T	\$228,892		
OWDA 5464	\$459,185		

- 2. We inquired of management and inspected the Receipt Journal and Appropriation Ledger for evidence of debt issued during 2022 or 2021 or debt payment activity during 2022 or 2021. All debt agreed to the summary we used in procedure 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of loan debt activity for 2022 and 2021 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedules to General and Sewer Fund payments reported in the Appropriation Ledger. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the Village made the payments. We found no exceptions.

#### **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2022 and one payroll check for five employees from 2021 from the Cash Journal and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Cash Journal to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We recomputed gross and net pay and agreed it to the amount recorded in the payroll register. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was allowable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files. We found no exceptions.
  - d. We confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2022 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period during 2022. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2023	December 9, 2022	\$518.18	\$518.18
Local Income Tax	January 30, 2023	December 9, 2022	\$79.91	\$79.91
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2023	January 30, 2023	\$227.24	\$227.24

We found no exceptions.

#### **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. From the Appropriation Ledger, we re-footed checks recorded as General Fund disbursements for *security of persons and property*, and checks recorded as *transportation* in the Street fund for 2022. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected 10 disbursements from the Appropriation Ledger for the year ended December 31, 2022 and 10 from the year ended 2021 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Appropriation Ledger and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
  - d. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

#### Compliance - Budgetary

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 for the General, Street, and State Highway funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Ledger. Expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 2. We inspected the Cash Journal for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10(I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. There were no funds having negative cash fund balances.

#### **Sunshine Law Compliance**

- 1. We obtained and inspected the Village's Public Records Policy to determine the policy was in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(2) and 149.43(B)(7)(c) and did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. a. The Village was compliant and responded to the request in accordance with their adopted policy as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(1). We found no exceptions.
  - b. The Village did not have any denied public records requests during the engagement period.
  - c. The Village did not have any public records requests with redactions during the engagement period.
- 3. We inquired with Village management and determined that the Village did not have a records retention schedule during the engagement period and therefore could not make it readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2).
- 4. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.

#### **Sunshine Law Compliance (Continued)**

- 5. We inquired with Village management and determined that the Village did not have a policy manual during the engagement period therefore the public records policy could not be included as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2).
- 6. We observed that the Village's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the Village as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inquired with Village management and determined that the Village did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 8. We inspected individual proof of attendance and determined whether each elected official in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(1) (or his/her designee) successfully attended a certified three-hour Public Records Training for each term of office as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 109.43(B). We found no exceptions.
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the Village notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period were to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.
- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
  - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
  - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
  - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
  - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

- 11. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) and determined the following:
  - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
  - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G).
  - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

#### **Contract Compliance:**

- 1. We inquired with management and determined the Village had expenditures subject to competitive bidding. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected one contract over \$50,000 for 2021 and:
  - a. We inspected the contract and other bids for the contracted expenditure and determined:
    - The Village accepted the lowest bid and met the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 735.05
    - ii. No bid splitting occurred
    - iii. No deliberate attempts to evade bid limitations occurred, such as successive contracts just under the bid amount, occurred.
    - iv. No apparent interest in the contract by a public official occurred.

We found no exceptions.

b. We inspected the advertisements of the proposals for bids in the newspaper and determined they were made as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 731.14 We found no exceptions.

#### **Other Compliance**

1. Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires villages to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the Village filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 in the Hinkle system. Financial information was filed on 3/4/2023 for 2022 and 4/26/2022 for 2021, which was not within the allotted timeframe.

We were engaged by the Village to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with the attestation standards established by the AICPA and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Village's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Village and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the ethical requirements established by the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* related to our agreed upon procedures engagement.

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

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Marietta, Ohio

August 31, 2023



#### **VILLAGE OF OSGOOD**

#### **DARKE 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 12/7/2023

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