# PLEASANT TOWNSHIP MADISON COUNTY Regular Audit For the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011

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



Board of Trustees Pleasant Township 128 Mt. View Court Mt. Sterling, Ohio 43143

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Pleasant Township, Madison County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012. 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. The Pleasant Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

August 13, 2013



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

June 28, 2013

Pleasant Township Madison County 128 Mt. View Court Mt. Sterling, Ohio 43143

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of **Pleasant Township**, Madison County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

#### 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 of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fair 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 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 opinion.

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

As described in Note 1B 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, which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to satisfy requirements.

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#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (Continued)

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1B and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

#### 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, 2012 and 2011, or 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 combined cash balances of Pleasant Township, Madison County, as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements 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 permits, described in Note 1B.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 1F to the financial statements, during 2011 the Township adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 28, 2013, 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.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

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#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	General		Special Revenue		Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts						
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	26,013	\$	35,846	\$	61,859
Intergovernmental		105,367		51,151		156,518
Earnings on Investments		99		23		122
Miscellaneous		13,333				13,333
Total Cash Receipts		144,812		87,020		231,832
Cash Disbursements						
Current:						
General Government		89,071		1,474		90,545
Public Safety		-		1,097		1,097
Public Works		2,360		47,368		49,728
Health		540				540
Total Cash Disbursements		91,971		49,939		141,910
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances		52,841		37,081		89,922
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		168,905		229,677		398,582
Fund Cash Balances, December 31						
Restricted		-		266,757		266,757
Unassigned		221,746		<u> </u>		221,746
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	221,746	\$	266,757	\$	488,503

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	(	General		Special Revenue		Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts						-	
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	26,916	\$	38,488	\$	65,404	
Charges for Services		-		1,080		1,080	
Fines and Forfeitures		-		439		439	
Intergovernmental		26,638		57,452		84,090	
Earnings on Investments		237		19		256	
Miscellaneous		1,381				1,381	
Total Cash Receipts		55,172		97,478		152,650	
Cash Disbursements							
Current:							
General Government		92,259		3,652		95,911	
Public Safety		-		90		90	
Public Works		2,268		71,799		74,067	
Capital Outlay				17,532		17,532	
Total Cash Disbursements		94,527		93,073		187,600	
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances		(39,355)		4,405		(34,950)	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		208,260		225,272		433,532	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31							
Restricted		_		229,677		229,677	
Unassigned		168,905				168,905	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	168,905	\$	229,677	\$	398,582	

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of Pleasant Township, Madison County, (the Township) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides general governmental services, including road and bridge maintenance and cemetery maintenance. The Township contracts with the Tri-County Joint Fire District to provide fire protection services and Sterling Joint Ambulance District provides the Township with emergency and medical services.

The Township participates in three jointly governed organizations. Note 7 to the financial statements provide additional information for these entities. These organizations are:

#### Jointly Governed Organizations:

Pleasant-Darby Joint Cemetery – which provides ground maintenance, opening and closing of graves and the sales of burial plots for Pleasant and Darby Townships.

Sterling Joint Ambulance District – which provides ambulance services within the district and surrounding Townships.

Tri-County Joint Fire District – which provides fire protection to the Township and surrounding communities.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

#### **B.** Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Township 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 Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

#### C. Deposits and Investments

The Township's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Township Fiscal Officer invests all available funds of the Township in an interest bearing checking account and Certificates of Deposit.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and recorded in another fund.

#### 2. 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:

<u>Gasoline Tax Fund</u> - This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads.

<u>Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund</u> - This fund receives motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

#### E. Budgetary Process

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

#### 1. 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. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

#### 3. 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 2012 and 2011 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### F. Fund Balance

In 2011 the Township adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which had no effect on fund balances. 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:

#### 1. Nonspendable

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

#### 2. 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.

#### 3. 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.

#### 4. 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.

#### 5. 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.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### G. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

#### 2. EQUITY IN POOLED DEPOSITS

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:

	2012	2011		
Demand deposits	\$ 465,962	\$	376,122	
Certificates of deposit	22,541		22,460	
Total deposits	\$ 488,503	\$	398,582	

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 follows:

2012 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted			Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts		F	Receipts	V	ariance
General	\$	55,172	\$	144,812	\$	89,640
Special Revenue		144,704		87,020		(57,684)
Total	\$	199,876	\$	231,832	\$	31,956

2012 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	App	Appropriation		udgetary					
Fund Type	A	Authority		Authority		Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	159,646	\$	91,971	\$	67,675			
Special Revenue		161,156		49,939		111,217			
Total	\$	320,802	\$	141,910	\$	178,892			

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2011 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted			Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts		Receipts		Variance	
General	\$	75,704	\$	55,172	\$	(20,532)
Special Revenue		97,153		97,478		325
Total	\$	172,857	\$	152,650	\$	(20,207)

2011 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation		В	udgetary		
Fund Type	Authority		Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	155,346	\$	94,527	\$	60,819
Special Revenue		170,976		93,073		77,903
Total	\$	326,322	\$	187,600	\$	138,722

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX

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.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

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

#### 5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) of Ohio. 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. For 2012 and 2011, OPERS members contributed 10.0% of their gross salaries, and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14.0% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2012.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and Omissions.

#### 7. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS

The Pleasant/Darby Joint Cemetery provides ground maintenance, opening and closing of graves and sales of burial lots for Pleasant and Darby Townships. An appointed three-member Board of Trustees directs the cemetery. One member is appointed by Pleasant Township, one member is by Darby Township and the third member is appointed by the two members that are appointed by the member Townships.

The Sterling Joint Ambulance District (the District) provides ambulance services within the District. The District is directed by an appointed eight-member Board of Trustees. One board member is appointed by each political subdivision within the District. Those subdivisions are Stokes Township, Village of South Solon, Range Township, Village of Midway, Pleasant Township, Village of Mount Sterling, Darby Township, and Monroe Township.

The Tri-County Joint Fire District, Madison County, is directed by an appointed five-member Board of Trustees. The Board is appointed by the Village of Mount Sterling, Madison County; Pleasant Township, Madison County; Darby Township, Madison County; and Madison County, Fayette County.

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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

June 28, 2013

Pleasant Township Madison County 128 Mt. View Court Mt. Sterling, Ohio 43143

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 **Pleasant Township**, Madison County (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2013, wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permits, described in Note 1B, and the Township implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the 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 Government'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. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, unidentified material weaknesses may exist.

Pleasant Township Madison 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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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*.

We noted certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Township's management in a separate letter dated June 28, 2013.

#### 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 Government's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Government's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

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#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2010-001	Posting Receipts & Expenditures	Yes	N/A
2010-002	Payroll Procedures	Yes	N/A
2010-003	Bank Reconciliations	Yes	N/A





#### **PLEASANT TOWNSHIP**

#### **MADISON COUNTY**

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED AUGUST 27, 2013