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Village Council Village of Winchester 56 W. Washington Street Winchester, Ohio 45697

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Village of Winchester, Adams County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016. 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 Winchester is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

July 31, 2017



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

June 29, 2017

Village of Winchester **Adams County** 56 W. Washington Street Winchester, Ohio 45697

To the Village Council, Mayor, and Management:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Village Council, Mayor and the management of Village of Winchester, Adams County (the Village) and the Auditor of State on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Villages cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 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, 2016 and 2015 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Village. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this 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.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

Cash and Investments

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2015 beginning fund balances recorded in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) to the December 31, 2014 balances in the prior year audited statements. We noted the amounts for the Agency Fund did not agree due to the Village not recording Mayor's Court in the accounting system. We also agreed the January 1, 2016 beginning fund balances recorded in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis) to the December 31, 2015 balances in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis). We found no exceptions.

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Cash and Investments (Continued)

- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2016 and 2015 fund cash balances reported in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis). The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2016 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, 2016 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.
- 6. We inspected investments held at December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 to determine that they:
 - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions.
 - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

Property Taxes and Intergovernmental Cash Receipts

- 1. We haphazardly selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2016 and one from 2015:
 - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to confirm whether the receipt was allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to confirm whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2016 and 2015. The Revenue Ledger included the proper number of tax receipts for each year. However, we noted rollback receipts were improperly classified as Property and Other Local Taxes instead of Intergovernmental in 2016 and 2015.
- 3. We haphazardly selected five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2016 and five from 2015. We also haphazardly selected five receipts from the Adams County Vendor Audit Trail Report from 2016 and five from 2015.
 - We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions. However, we noted State Police grant receipts and were improperly classified as Miscellaneous instead of Intergovernmental in 2016 and 2015 and a Local Government Distribution receipt was improperly classified as Miscellaneous instead of Intergovernmental in 2015.
 - c. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Over-The-Counter Cash Receipts

We haphazardly selected 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2016 and 10 over-the-counter cash receipts from the year ended 2015 recorded in the duplicate cash receipts book and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount to the amount recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
- b. Inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine the receipt was posted to the proper fund, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Water Revenue and Sewer Revenue Funds

- 1. We haphazardly selected 10 Water Revenue and Sewer Revenue Fund collection cash receipts from the year ended December 31, 2016 and 10 Water Revenue and Sewer Revenue Fund collection cash receipts from the year ended 2016 recorded in the Revenue Ledger and determined whether the:
 - Receipt amount per the U/B Receipts Posting Journal agreed to the amount recorded to the credit of the customer's account in the Customer U/B History Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. Amount charged for the related billing period:
 - i. Agreed with the debit to accounts receivable in the Customer U/B History Report for the billing period. We found no exceptions.
 - ii. Complied with rates in force during the audit period multiplied by the consumption amount recorded for the billing period, plus any applicable late penalties, plus unpaid prior billings. We found no exceptions.
 - c. Receipt was posted to the proper funds, and was recorded in the year received. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We observed the U/B Delinquent Journal.
 - a. This report listed \$23,466 accounts receivable as of December 29, 2016 and \$9,369 of accounts receivable as of December 22, 2015. The Village was unable to provide a report from the system as of December 31, 2016 and 2015; therefore reports previously generated by the Village were used for this step.
 - b. We attempted to determine total receivables reported in the preceding step over 90 days delinquent, however the Village was unable to generate a report distinguishing accounts more than 90 days delinquent.
- 3. We observed the Non-Cash Adjustment Report.
 - a. This report listed a total of \$241,573 and \$54,229 non-cash receipts adjustments for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.
 - b. We haphazardly selected five non-cash adjustments from 2016 and five non-cash adjustments from 2015, and observed 2 of the 5 selected in 2016 and 4 of the 5 selected in 2016 were approved by the Board of Public Affairs in their monthly meetings.

Debt

1. From the prior audit documentation, we noted the following loan and bond outstanding as of December 31, 2014. These amounts agreed to the Villages January 1, 2015 balances on the summary we used in step 3.

Debt (Continued)

Issue	Principal outstanding as of December 31, 2014:
2014 Police Cruiser Bond	\$33,325
2004 OPWC Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Loan	\$159,125

- We inquired of management, and inspected the Revenue Ledger and Appropriation Ledger for evidence of debt issued during 2016 or 2015 or debt payment activity during 2016 or 2015. All debt noted agreed to the summary we used in step 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of the bond and loan activity for 2016 and 2015 and agreed principal and interest payments reported from the related debt amortization schedules to the General Fund, Sewer Revenue Fund and Sewer Debt Service 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. However, we noted payments were not always properly classified as principal and interest.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2016 and one payroll check for five employees from 2015 from the Wage Detail Report and:
 - We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Wage Detail Reports to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the minute record. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2016 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employers share, where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2016. We noted 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, 2017	February 2, 2017	\$ 1,392.69	\$ 1,392.69
State income taxes	January 31, 2017	February 2, 2017	\$ 327.22	\$ 327.22
OP&F retirement	January 30, 2017	January 6, 2017	\$ 1,721.33	\$ 1,721.33
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2017	January 9, 2017	\$ 2,588.94	\$ 2,588.94

As noted above, the Village did not remit their federal and state tax withholdings by the due date.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Appropriation Ledger for the year ended December 31, 2016 and ten from the year ended 2015 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 Section 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

Mayors Court Transactions and Cash Balances

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We compared the reconciled cash totals as of December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 to the Mayor's Court Agency Fund balance reported in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances (Cash Basis). The balances did not agree due to the Village not recording Mayor's Court activity in the accounting system.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of December 31, 2016 and 2015 listing of unpaid distributions as of each December 31. The amounts did not agree due to the outstanding items listing including outdated outstanding items. We recommend the Village consider voiding outdated outstanding checks.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2016 bank account balance with the Mayor's Court financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We haphazardly selected five cases from the court cash book and agreed the payee and amount posted to the:
 - a. Duplicate receipt book.
 - b. Docket, including comparing the total fine paid to the judgment issued by the judge (i.e. mayor)
 - c. Case file.

The amounts recorded in the cash book, receipts book, docket and case file agreed.

- 6. From the cash book, we haphazardly selected one month from the year ended December 31, 2016 and one month from the year ended 2015 and determined whether:
 - a. The monthly sum of fines and costs collected for those months agreed to the amounts reported as remitted to the Village, State or other applicable government in the following month. We found no exceptions.
 - b. The totals remitted for these two months per the cash book agreed to the returned canceled checks. 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 cash book.

Compliance – Budgetary

- 1. We compared the total estimated receipts from the *Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources*, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report for the General, Street Construction, Maintenance, and Repair, and Police Levy Funds for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. The amounts on the *Certificate* agreed to the amount recorded in the accounting system, except for the General and Police Levy Funds in 2016. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the General and Police Levy Funds of \$225,559 and 63,000, respectively. However, the final *Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources* reflected \$198,119 and \$56,700, respectively. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report to amounts recorded on the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Council may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and to monitor spending.
- 2. We inspected the appropriation measures adopted for 2016 and 2015 to determine whether, for the General, Street Construction, Maintenance, and Repair, and Police Levy Funds, the Council appropriated separately for "each office, department, and division, and within each, the amount appropriated for personal services," as is required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38(C). We found no exceptions.
- 3. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2016 and 2015 for the following funds: General, Street Construction, Maintenance, and Repair, and Police Levy Funds. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report except for the Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Funds in 2015. The Appropriation Status Report recorded appropriations in the Street Construction Maintenance and Repair Fund and Police Levy Fund of \$47,000 and 63,600, respectively for 2015. However, the approved appropriations reflected \$37,000 and 48,600, respectively. We noted no other exceptions.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.36(A)(5) and 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General, Street Construction, Maintenance, and Repair, and Police Levy Funds for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. We observed no funds for which appropriations exceeded certified resources.
- 5. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 for the General, Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair and Police Levy Funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We observed Street Contsruction, Maintenance and Repair and Police Levy expenditures for 2015 exceeded appropriations by \$3,276 and \$10,692, respectively, contrary to Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B). The Fiscal Officer should not certify the availability of funds and should deny payment requests exceeding appropriations. The Fiscal Officer may request the Council to approve increased expenditure levels by increasing appropriations and amending estimated resources, if necessary, and if resources are available.

Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)

- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externally-restricted resources. We inspected the Revenue Ledger for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2016 and 2015. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Village received new restricted receipts. We observed no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 would require the Village to establish a new fund.
- 7. For funds existing in prior years, inspect the fund activity to determine whether the fund is still being used for the statutorily approved purpose and that all the required funds were established. We noted the Village's accounting records still included a WWTP Improvement Fund, Sewer Reserve Debt Service Fund and OWDA Sewer Debt Fund. These funds were created for a previous WWTP project, reserves for a USDA loan that has been paid in full and an OWDA loan that has been paid in full.
- 8. We inspected the 2016 and 2015 Revenue Ledger for evidence of interfund transfers exceeding \$1,000 which Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.14 .16 restrict. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Section 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner and Court of Common Pleas.
- 9. We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Status Report to determine whether the Village elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. The Village did not establish these reserves.
- 10. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 for negative cash fund balance. Ohio Rev. Code Section 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.

Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures

We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Ledger for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 to determine if the Village proceeded by force account (i.e. used its own employees) to maintain or repair roads (cost of project \$15,000-\$45,000) or to construct or reconstruct Village roads (cost of project \$5,000-\$15,000/per mile) for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01 requires the county engineer to complete a force account project assessment form (i.e., cost estimate). We identified no projects requiring the county engineer to complete a force account cost estimate.

Other Compliance

 Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires entities to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. We confirmed the Village filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2016-007, within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. There were no exceptions.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, 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.

This report is for the use of the Village to assist in evaluating its receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

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VILLAGE OF WINCHESTER ADAMS 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 10, 2017