GRANDVIEW UNION CEMETERY TUSCARAWAS COUNTY Regular Audit December 31, 2005 and 2004



Board of Trustees Grandview Union Cemetery 618 Spruce Lane, NW Strasburg, Ohio 44680

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report* of the Grandview Union Cemetery, Tuscarawas County, prepared by Perry and Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005. 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.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Accountants' Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Accountants' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State permits.

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 Grandview Union Cemetery is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Betty Montgomeny

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May 24, 2006



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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

April 21, 2006

Grandview Union Cemetery Tuscarawas County 618 Spruce Lane Strasburg, Ohio 44680

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Grandview Union Cemetery, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Cemetery has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Cemetery to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. While the Cemetery does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Cemetery has elected not to reformat its statements. Since the Cemetery does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits.

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Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Cemetery as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 or their changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances of Grandview Union Cemetery, Tuscarawas County, as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the Cemetery to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. The Government has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 21, 2006, on our consideration of the Cemetery'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. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

	2005	2004	
Cash Receipts:			
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ 50,000	
Interments	7,300	7,040	
Sale of Lots	6,760	8,140	
Earnings on Investments	1,394	880	
Other Revenue	278	370	
Total Cash Receipts	15,732	66,430	
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
Salaries	16,866	16,239	
Ohio Public Employees Retirement System	3,854	3,751	
Insurance	2,521	2,051	
Contract Services (Openings/Closings)	4,555	3,400	
Other Disbursements	4,978	5,944	
Capital Outlay	2,789	4,787	
		0	
Total Cash Disbursements	35,563	36,172	
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(19,831)	30,258	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	127,955	97,697	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$ 108.124	<b>\$</b> 127.955	

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

Grandview Union Cemetery, Tuscarawas County, (the Cemetery) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Cemetery is directed by an annually appointed, three-member Board. The Cemetery provides general cemetery maintenance.

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

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

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

#### C. Cash and Investments

The Cemetery Clerk invests all available funds of the Cemetery in an interest-bearing checking account and Certificates of deposits. Certificates of deposits are valued at cost.

#### D. Fund Accounting

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

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund is the only fund of the Cemetery and serves as the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required by law or contract to be restricted.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004 (Continued)

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

#### 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, and 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. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year-end.

#### 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 Cemetery to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2005 and 2004 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

## F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004 (Continued)

## 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Cemetery maintains a cash pool used by the General Fund. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

	2005	2004
Demand deposits	\$ 58,392	\$ 78,223
Certificates of Deposit	49,732	49,732
Total deposits	\$ 108,124	\$ 127,955

Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or (2) collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Township, or (3) collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

## 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Fund Type

General

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 follows:

	2003 Du	dgeted vs. Actual R	<u> </u>	
		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$54,300	\$15,732	(\$38,568)
	2005 Budgeted vs.	Actual Budgetary I	Basis Expenditures	
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$129,991	\$35,563	\$94,428
	2004 Bu	dgeted vs. Actual F	Receipts	
		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
Fund Type General		Receipts \$50,000	Receipts \$66,430	Variance \$16,430

Authority

\$97,965

Expenditures

\$36,172

Variance

\$61,793

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004 (Continued)

#### 4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Cemetery's appointed officials and employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multi-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including post retirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2005 and 2004, members of PERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2005.

#### 5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Cemetery is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to or destruction of assets, errors and omissions; employee injuries; and natural disasters. By maintaining comprehensive insurance coverage with private carriers, the Cemetery has addressed these various types of risks.

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

April 21, 2006

Grandview Union Cemetery Tuscarawas County 618 Spruce Lane Strasburg, Ohio 44680

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of Grandview Union Cemetery, Tuscarawas County, (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated April 21, 2006, wherein we noted the Cemetery followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures in order to express our opinion on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Township's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. In a separate letter to the Cemetery's management dated April 21, 2006, we reported other matters involving internal control over financial reporting we did not deem reportable conditions.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses.

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Cemetery'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, providing an opinion 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. In a separate letter to the Cemetery's management dated April 21, 2006, we reported matters related to noncompliance we deemed immaterial.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, Cemetery Trustees, and other officials authorized to receive this report under section 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**Perry and Associates** 

Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

# SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2003-001	ORC § 5705.38 – Passage of an Appropriation Measure.	Yes	Corrected
2003-002	ORC § 5705.41 (B) – Expenditures exceeding Appropriations	Yes	Corrected



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# GRANDVIEW UNION CEMETERY TUSCARAWAS 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 JUNE 6, 2006