



## SOUTH WEBSTER-BLOOM TOWNSHIP JOINT FIRE DISTRICT SCIOTO COUNTY

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# INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

South Webster-Bloom Township Joint Fire District Scioto County 15055C Lick Run Lyra Road South Webster, Ohio 45682

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of the South Webster-Bloom Township Joint Fire District, Scioto County, Ohio (the District), agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. 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*. 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 tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We compared the January 1, 2008 beginning fund balance recorded in the Cash Journal to the December 31, 2007 balance in the prior year audited statements. We found that the District did not include the balance of its certificates of deposit in the cash journal and therefore the beginning balance did not correspond to the December 31, 2007 audited financial statements.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2009 and 2008 fund cash balances reported in the Cash Journal. The amounts agreed; however, the District does not include the certificates of deposit on either the reconciliation or the cash journal.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2009 bank account balance with the District's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2009 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected all outstanding checks from the December 31, 2009 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced each check to the debit appearing in the subsequent January bank statement(s). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and date written to the check register, to determine the checks were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.

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### Cash and Investments (Continued)

- 6. We tested investments held at December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 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, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2009 and one from 2008.
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Receipt Journal. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether the receipt was allocated to the proper fund as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We scanned the Receipt Journal to determine whether it included the proper number of tax receipts for 2009 and 2008:
  - a. Two personal property tax receipts.
  - b. Two real estate tax receipts.

We noted the Receipt Journal included the proper number of tax settlement receipts for each year.

- 3. We selected all receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2009 and five from 2008.
  - a. We compared the amount from the DTL to the amount recorded in the Receipt Journal. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Debt

- 1. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Journal and Appropriation Journal for evidence of bonded or note debt issued during 2009 or 2008 or outstanding as of December 31, 2009 or 2008. All debt noted agreed to the summary we used in step 2.
- 2. We obtained a summary of debt activity for 2009 and 2008 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedule to general fund payments reported in the Appropriation Journal. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the District made the payments. We found no exceptions.

### Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for the District's employee from 2009 and one payroll check for the District's employee from 2008 from the Payroll Ledger and determined whether the following information in the minute record was consistent with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
  - a. Name.
  - b. Authorized salary or pay rate.
  - c. Retirement system participation and payroll withholding.
  - d. Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding.
  - e. Any other deduction authorizations (deferred compensation, etc.)

We found no exceptions related to a, b, c, and e above. Regarding step d, a State income tax withholding authorization was maintained for the employee but the District did not withhold or remit State income taxes for the employee.

- 2. We tested the checks we selected in step 1, as follows:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary amount used in computing gross pay 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.
- 3. We scanned the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2009 to determine whether remittances were timely paid, and that the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld during the final withholding period during 2009. We noted the following:

Withholding	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Withheld	Amount Paid
Federal income tax	1/30/10	1/19/10	\$67.92	\$135.84
OPERS retirement (withholding plus				
employer share)	1/30/10	12/16/09	\$0.00	\$93.75

The District elected to pay the employee's OPERS retirement portion.

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

- 1. For the Appropriation Journal, we refooted checks recorded as General Fund disbursements for *General Government* and *Public Safety*, for 2009. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed total disbursements (non-payroll and payroll) from the Appropriation Journal and Payroll Ledger for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 to the total disbursements recorded in the cash journal. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Appropriation Journal for the year ended December 31, 2009 and ten from the year ended December 31, 2008 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 returned, cancelled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Appropriation Journal and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.

### Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

- c. None of the disbursements requiring certification were certified in years 2009 and 2008. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) requires certifying at the time of a commitment, which should precede the invoice date.
- d. 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.

### **Compliance – Budgetary**

- 1. We compared the total from the *Certificate of the Total Amount From All Sources Available For Expenditures and Balances,* required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Receipt Journal for the General fund for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. For 2009 and 2008, budgeted receipts were not recorded in the Receipt Journal. The Fiscal Officer should record budgeted receipts in the Receipt Journal and periodically compare amounts recorded in the Receipt Journal to the amounts recorded on the *Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources* to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.
- We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2009 and 2008 to determine whether for the General Fund the Trustees 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 Ledger for 2009 and 2008 for the General fund. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Ledger.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General fund for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. We noted 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, 2009 and 2008 for the General fund, as recorded in the Appropriation Journal. We noted no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 6. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriation Journal to determine whether the District elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. We noted the District did not establish these reserves.

#### **Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures**

We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriation Ledger report for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 for procurements requiring competitive bidding under the following statute(s): Ohio Rev. Code Sections 505.37 to 505.42 & 731.14 require a fire district to competitively bid purchases of fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, other fire equipment, appliances, materials, fire hydrants, buildings, or fire-alarm communications equipment or service costs exceeding \$25,000. We identified no purchases subject to the aforementioned bidding requirements.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the District's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and those charged with governance and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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June 15, 2010





# SOUTH WEBSTER-BLOOM TOWNSHIP JOINT FIRE DISTRICT

SCIOTO 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.

Susan Babbett

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

CERTIFIED JULY 13, 2010

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