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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Warren County Park District Warren County 1267 N. St. Rt. 741 Lebanon, OH 45036

To the Board of Commissioners:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the cash balances, receipts and disbursements by fund type, and related notes of Warren County Park District, Warren County, (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

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 Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly 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 District'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 District'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 opinions.

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

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the District 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(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the District does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

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 District as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, 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 Warren County Park District, Warren County as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, 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(D) permit, described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 29, 2017, on our consideration of the District'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 District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

August 29, 2017

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	General	Special Revenue Armco Park	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:			
Intergovernmental	739,013	250,000	989,013
Gifts and Donations	21,960	4,490	26,450
Fees	29,725	718,470	748,195
Reimbursements and Refunds	8,601	7,371	15,972
Other	1,486	0	1,486
Total Cash Receipts	800,785	980,331	1,781,116
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
Personal Services	247,062	554,296	801,358
Supplies	55,348	227,079	282,427
Capital Outlay	24,895	239,252	264,147
Contracts - Repair	27,423	14,775	42,198
Contracts - Services	32,504	27,844	60,348
Rentals	11,601	4,749	16,350
Utilities & Phone Services	22,083	54,843	76,926
Advertising & Printing Sales Tax passed on to the State of Ohio	59 0	1,486 15,971	1,545 15,971
Other	20,343	345	20,688
Other	20,040		20,000
Total Cash Disbursements	441,318	1,140,640	1,581,958
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	359,467	(160,309)	199,158
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):			
Advances-In	0	150,000	150,000
Advances-Out	0	(150,000)	(150,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	0	0	0
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance	359,467	(160,309)	199,158
Fund Cash Balances, January 1, 2016	136,736	456,516	593,252
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Fund Cash Balances, December 31, 2016	_		
Restricted	0	296,207	296,207
Assigned	72,718	0	72,718
Unassigned	423,485	0	423,485
Fund Cash Balances, December 31, 2016	\$ 496,203	\$ 296,207	\$ 792,410

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016

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 the Warren County Park District, Warren County, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. The probate judge of Warren County appoints a three-member Board of Commissioners to govern the District. The Commissioners are authorized to acquire, develop, protect, maintain, and improve park lands and facilities. The Commissioners may convert acquired land into forest reserves. The Commissioners are also responsible for activities related to conserving natural resources, including streams, lakes, submerged lands, and swamp lands. The Board may also create parks, parkways, and other reservations and may afforest, develop, improve and protect and promote the use of these assets conducive to the general welfare.

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

B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board 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 financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

C. Deposit and Investments

As the Ohio Revised Code permits, the Warren County Treasurer holds the District's deposits as the District's custodian. The County holds the District's assets in its investment pool, valued at the Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

D. Fund Accounting

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

1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported 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 District had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016 (Continued)

<u>Armco Park Fund</u> – This fund accounts for receipts and disbursements related to the operation of Warren County Armco Park.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) 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 District Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments.

2. Estimated Resources

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

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2015 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

1. Nonspendable

The District 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

Commissioners can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The District must adhere to these commitments unless the Commissioners 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016 (Continued)

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 District Commissioners or a District 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 District 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.

G. Property, Plant, and Equipment

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

H Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the year ending 2016 follows:

2016 Budgeted vs. Actual	Receipts
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	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$477,501	\$800,785	\$323,284
Special Revenue	880,000	980,331	100,331
Total	\$1,357,501	\$1,781,116	\$423,615
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2016 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Appropriation	Budgetary	
Authority	Expenditures	Variance
\$612,327	\$514,036	\$98,291
1,336,452	1,303,924	32,528
\$1,948,779	\$1,817,960	\$130,819
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3. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The District's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2016 (Continued)

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 2016, OPERS members contributed 10%, respectively, of their gross salaries and the District contributed an amount equaling 14%, respectively, of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2016.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- · Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles: and
- Errors and omissions.

The District is insured for employee health insurance through the health insurance plan of Warren County.

5. Other Financing Sources

During 2015 and 2016, the Park District received and repaid advances from its fiscal agent, Warren County, in the amount of \$150,000 for each fiscal year. These advances were received into and repaid from the Armco Park Fund. The advances were made for the purpose of providing funding for operational expenses of Armco Park.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	(General	Spe	cial Revenue Armco Park	(M	Totals emorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:						
Intergovernmental	\$	442,643	\$	350,000	\$	792,643
Gifts and Donations		3,585		200		3,785
Fees		26,830		693,558		720,388
Reimbursements and Refunds		4,447		7,081		11,528
Total Cash Receipts		477,505		1,050,839		1,528,344
Cash Disbursements:						
Current:		004.000		407.550		700 000
Personal Services		264,830		497,550		762,380
Supplies		58,725		224,761		283,486
Capital Outlay		107,207		546,940		654,147
Contracts - Repair		12,522		9,192		21,714
Contracts - Services		36,027		55,348		91,375
Rentals		10,894		4,209		15,103
Utilities & Phone Services		23,902		63,542		87,444
Advertising & Printing		519		2,416		2,935
Sales Tax passed on to the State of Ohio		0		15,719		15,719
Other		14,000		103	-	14,103
Total Cash Disbursements		528,626		1,419,780		1,948,406
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		(51,121)		(368,941)		(420,062)
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):						
Advances-In		0		150,000		150,000
Advances-Out		0		(150,000)		(150,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)		0		0		0
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance		(51,121)		(368,941)		(420,062)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1, 2015		187,857		825,457		1,013,314
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Fund Cash Balances, December 31, 2015						
Restricted		0		456,516		456,516
Assigned		87,677		0		87,677
Unassigned		49,059		0		49,059
Fund Cash Balances, December 31,2015	\$	136,736	\$	456,516	\$	593,252

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **DECEMBER 31, 2015** (Continued)

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2. **BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

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2015 Budgeted v	vs. Actual	Receipts
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2013 Budgeted Vs. Actual Receipts						
	Budgeted	Actual				
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance			
General	\$477,501	\$477,505	\$4			
Special Revenue	980,000	1,050,840	70,840			
Total	\$1,457,501	\$1,528,345	\$70,844			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2015 (Continued)

2015 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$629,884	\$616,303	\$13,581
Special Revenue	1,805,457	1,652,332	153,125
Total	\$2,435,341	\$2,268,635	\$166,706

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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

Warren County Park District Warren County 1267 N. St. Rt. 741 Lebanon, OH 45036

To the Board of Commissioners:

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 the cash balances, receipts, and disbursements by fund type of the Warren County Park District, Warren County (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 29, 2017 wherein we noted the District followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District'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 District'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 District'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. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a material weakness. We consider finding 2016-001 to be a material weakness.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District'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*.

District's Response to Findings

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not audit the District's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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

Dave Yost Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

August 29, 2017

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

1. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2016-001

Material Weakness

The management of each local public office is responsible to ensure that amounts and other data relating to recorded transactions and events have been recorded appropriately.

The Park District posted various receipts to incorrect line items in the General Fund and the Armco Park Fund:

2016:

- \$300,000 in Intergovernmental Receipts were posted to Other Receipts in the General Fund
- \$35,000 in Intergovernmental Receipts were posted to Gifts/Donations in the General Fund
- \$250,000 in Intergovernmental Receipts were post to Local Grants in the Armco Park Fund

2015:

\$350,000 in Intergovernmental Receipts were posted to Local Grants in the Armco Park Fund

The Park District has corrected the financial statements.

Lack of effective oversight over the financial reporting process resulted in a material misclassification of the financial statements. Material misclassifications could result in erroneous assumptions by financial statement users.

We recommend that the Park District implement control procedures to ensure proper posting of receipts and accurate presentation of its financial statements.

Officials' Response:

We agree with the findings. We will implement practices to ensure that all amounts are presented in the correct line items in the future.





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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 SEPTEMBER 14, 2017