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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Ada-Liberty Joint Ambulance District Hardin County 530 North Gilbert Street P.O. Box 204 Ada. Ohio 45810

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Ada-Liberty Joint Ambulance District's (the District) receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash-based accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District.

The Board of Trustees and the management of the District have agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of providing assistance in the evaluation of the District's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. No other party acknowledged the appropriateness of the procedures. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of the report and may not meet the needs of all users of the report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in the 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.

For the purposes of performing these procedures, this report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

Cash

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2023 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Fund Status Report to the December 31, 2022 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2024 beginning fund balances for each fund recorded in the Fund Status Report to the December 31, 2023 balances in the Fund Status Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the 2024 and 2023 bank reconciliation as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 to the total fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Report and the financial statements filed by the District in the Hinkle System. The amounts agreed.

Cash (Continued)

- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2024 bank account balances with the Ohio Pooled Collateral System. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2024 bank reconciliation without exception.
- We selected 5 reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2024 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 and determined the debits were dated prior to December 31. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected all receipts from the *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* from 2024 and all from 2023:
 - a. We compared the amount from the above named report to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine these receipts were allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.05 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included 2 real estate tax receipts for 2024 and 2023. The Revenue Receipt Register Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year. We found no exceptions.

Charges for Services

- 1. We confirmed the amounts paid from Medilclaims, Inc. and Medicount Management Inc,, the service organizations that perform the emergency medical billings, to the District during 2024 and 2023 with the Revenue Receipt Register Report.
 - a. We inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report] to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected 5 receipts recorded in the cash receipts records from the year ended December 31, 2024 and 5 from the year ended December 31, 2023 from the Revenue Receipt Register Report and:
 - a. Agreed the cash receipt to the credit on the bank statement.
 - b. Agreed the receipt amount to the amount credited on the Medilclaims, Inc. and Medicount Management Inc. batch report, the service organizations that perform the emergency medical billings but do not collect all of the receipts for the District. We found no exceptions.
 - c. Inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
 - d. Inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Other Receipt

We selected 10 other receipts from the year ended December 31, 2024 and 10 other receipts from the year ended 2023 and:

- a. Agreed the receipt amount recorded in the Revenue Receipt Register Report to supporting documentation. The amounts agreed.
- b. Inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report to determine the receipt was posted to the proper funds, and was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Debt

- 1. The prior audit report, disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2022.
- We inquired of management and inspected the Revenue Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2024 or 2023 or debt payment activity during 2024 or 2023. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2024 or 2023.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We selected 1 payroll check for 5 employees from 2024 and 1 payroll check for 5 employees from 2023 from the Wage Detail Report and:
 - We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Wage Detail Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-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 allowable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files and/or minute records. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected 3 new employees from 2024 and 3 new employees from 2023 and:
 - a. We inspected the employees' personnel files for the Retirement system, Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization.
 - b. We agreed the items in a above to the Employee General Information Report.

We found no exceptions.

3. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2024 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2024. We observed the following:

Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

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, 2025	December 6, 2024	\$2,763.57	\$2,763.57
State income taxes	January 15, 2025	December 9, 2024	\$561.52	\$561.52
Local income tax	January 15, 2025	December 2, 2024	\$438.06	\$438.06
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2025	January 7, 2025	\$6,217.62	\$6,217.62
School District Income Taxes	January 31, 2025	December 9, 2024	\$370.57	\$370.57

We found no exceptions.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

We selected 10 disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2024 and 10 from the year ended 2023 and determined whether:

- 1. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
- 2. 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 Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

Compliance - Budgetary

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus contract commitments including outstanding encumbrances) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total approved appropriations (Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.38 and 5705.40) plus any carryover appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 for the General Fund, ARPA Ohio Ambulance Transportation Fund and Miscellaneous Capital Projects Fund. Expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 2. We inspected all interfund transfers from 2024 and all from 2023 Interfund Transfer Listing Report for compliance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.14 .16. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner.
- 3. We inspected the Fund Status report for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 for negative cash fund balances. Ohio Rev. Code § 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.

Sunshine Law Compliance

- 1. We obtained and inspected the District's Public Records Policy to determine the policy was in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(2) and 149.43(B)(7)(c) and did not limit the number of responses that may be made to a particular person, limit the number of responses during a specified period of time, or establish a fixed period of time before it will respond unless that period is less than eight hours. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We selected 5 public records requests from the engagement period and inspected each request to determine the following:
 - a. The District was compliant and responded to the request in accordance with their adopted policy as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(1). We found no exceptions.
- 3. We inquired whether the District had a records retention schedule and observed that it was readily available to the public as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 4. We inspected written evidence that the Public Records Policy was provided to the records custodian/manager as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 5. We inspected the District's policy manual and determined the public records policy was included as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 6. We observed that the District's poster describing their Public Records Policy was displayed conspicuously in all branches of the District as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(E)(2). We found no exceptions.
- 7. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any applications for record disposal submitted to the Records Commission during the engagement period.
- 8. We inquired with District management and determined that the District did not have any elected officials subject to the Public Records Training requirements during the engagement period as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 149.43(E)(1) and 109.43(B).
- 9. We inspected the public notices for the public meetings held during the engagement period and determined the District notified the general public and news media of when and where meetings during the engagement period were to be held as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(F). We found no exceptions.
- 10. We inspected the minutes of public meetings during the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(C) and determined whether they were:
 - a. Prepared a file is created following the date of the meeting
 - b. Filed placed with similar documents in an organized manner
 - c. Maintained retained, at a minimum, for the engagement period
 - d. Open to public inspection available for public viewing or request.

We found no exceptions.

Sunshine Law Compliance (Continued)

- 11. We inspected the minutes from the engagement period in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G) and determined the following:
 - a. Executive sessions were only held at regular or special meetings.
 - b. The purpose for the meetings and going into an executive session (when applicable) correlated with one of the matters listed in Ohio Rev. Code § 121.22(G).
 - c. Formal governing board actions were adopted in open meetings.

We found no exceptions.

Other Compliance

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires Districts to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the District filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy, within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 in the Hinkle system. We found no exceptions.

We were engaged by the District to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with the attestation standards established by the AICPA and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively on the District'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.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the ethical requirements established by the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards* related to our agreed upon procedures engagement.

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August 25, 2025



ADA-LIBERTY JOINT AMBULANCE DISTRICT HARDIN COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

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



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