

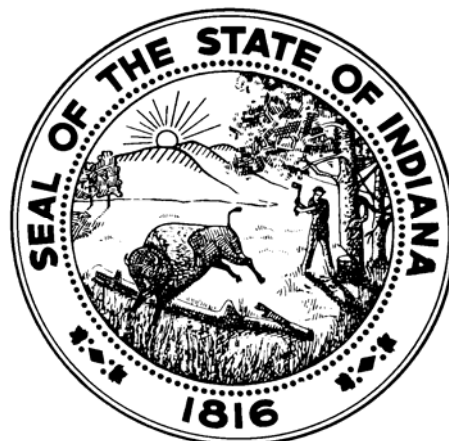
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EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

OHIO COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005



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OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Auditor	Deborah K. Thomason	01-01-03 to 12-31-06
Treasurer	Rhonda Brown	01-01-05 to 12-31-08
Clerk	Constance A. Althoff	01-01-05 to 12-31-08
Sheriff	Garold Colen	01-01-03 to 12-31-06
Recorder	Yvonne Walton	01-01-05 to 12-31-08
President of the Board of County Commissioners	Connie J. Brown	01-01-05 to 12-31-06
President of the County Council	Douglas A. Baker	01-01-05 to 12-31-06



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF OHIO COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the schedule of receipts, disbursements, and cash and investment balances of Ohio County (County), for the period of January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005. The County's management is responsible for the schedule. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the schedule of receipts, disbursements, and cash and investment balances and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the schedule referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the cash transactions of the County for the year ended December 31, 2005, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

August 10, 2006

OHIO COUNTY  
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES  
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Cash and Investments 01-01-05	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-05
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 762,764	\$ 1,678,851	\$ 1,826,635	\$ 614,980
Highway	105,860	501,473	528,173	79,160
Hartford Bridge	58,199	-	-	58,199
Family and Children	84,258	647,575	599,354	132,479
Children's Psychiatric Residential Treatment Services	40,670	41,495	-	82,165
Hartford Bridge Local	93,221	-	-	93,221
Riverboat	9,599,266	4,495,456	4,514,819	9,579,903
Health	61,377	95,581	128,813	28,145
Health Maintenance	19,791	27,052	31,683	15,160
Tobacco Settlement	11,919	11,725	11,919	11,725
Local Road and Street	69,647	131,005	106,000	94,652
Health Department Donations	4,698	7,932	5,517	7,113
Property Reassessment #2	160,607	59,460	-	220,067
Property Reassessment	41,347	4,327	41,264	4,410
Emergency Planning/Right To Know	5,470	-	48	5,422
Accident Report	229	565	650	144
Firearm Training	1,339	560	-	1,899
Motor Vehicle Inspection	515	390	-	905
Plat Book Maintenance	3,722	1,395	-	5,117
Recorder's Records Perpetuation	10,744	9,176	2,672	17,248
Surveyor's Corner Perpetuation	7,257	1,395	-	8,652
Adult Probation Services	3,169	32,112	19,189	16,092
Adult Probation Administration Fee	5,800	5,200	2,918	8,082
Drug Free Community	26,414	12,705	13,872	25,247
County Law Enforcement Continuing Education	769	159	-	928
Guardian Ad Litem/Court	1,606	4,059	2,164	3,501
Old Clerk IV-D	496	-	92	404
Juvenile Probation Service	3,016	1,545	2,310	2,251
Jury Pay	1,988	702	-	2,690
Supplemental Public Defender Service	928	139	-	1,067
Prosecutor IV-D	4,021	2,848	-	6,869
Pretrial Diversion	37,576	14,224	17,253	34,547
Emergency Telephone System	84,314	99,497	87,805	96,006
Prisoner Reimbursement	4,201	3,090	-	7,291
Circuit Court - Supplemental Public Defender	1,255	1,224	-	2,479
New Incentive Clerk	-	2,852	1,316	1,536
Clerk's Records Perpetuation	4,038	2,373	2,184	4,227
Juvenile Probation Administration Fee	1,300	1,000	-	2,300
County Corrections	25,616	3,936	-	29,552
Local Grant - Solid Waste	30,612	-	28,421	2,191
Animal Shelter Donation	2	2,769	2,279	492
Local Grant - Highway	30,000	-	30,000	-
Local Grant - Health Grant	21,358	4,198	3,740	21,816
Local Grant - Communications	6,103	-	-	6,103
Federal Grant - Certified Emergency Planning	140	-	-	140
Federal Grant - EOP Emergency Planning	9,755	-	9,602	153
Federal Grant - ODP CDFA 16.007	583	89,449	90,032	-
Federal Grant - Homeland Security	108,315	213,237	236,228	85,324
Cumulative Bridge	127,417	100,749	4,375	223,791
Cumulative Capital Development	147,620	49,845	-	197,465
Unemployment Tax	25,180	5,617	-	30,797

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedules.

OHIO COUNTY  
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES  
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2005  
(Continued)

	Cash and Investments 01-01-05	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-05
Fiduciary Funds:				
County User Fees - Law Enforcement Continuing Education	10,409	1,073	276	11,206
Death Benefits	-	475	475	-
Child Restraint Violation	-	25	25	-
Seat Belt Violation	-	325	-	325
Convention and Tourism Riverboat Tax	-	233,126	233,126	-
Education Plate Fees	375	356	375	356
Surplus Dog	-	310	310	-
Coroner's Continuing Education	26	175	201	-
Mortgage Fee	-	952	952	-
State Sales Disclosure	75	815	890	-
Congressional School Principal	9,114	-	-	9,114
Cemetery Interest	837	13	-	850
Welfare Trust	3,105	1,200	1,155	3,150
Innkeepers Tax	7,020	99,305	106,243	82
Surplus Tax	194	506	676	24
City and Town Court Costs	916	1,980	2,692	204
Inheritance Tax	11,345	44,684	37,647	18,382
Congressional School Interest	7,653	256	547	7,362
State Fines and Forfeitures	2,126	11,977	10,522	3,581
Infraction Judgments	-	4,750	4,750	-
Surplus Tax Sale	12,427	-	10,058	2,369
Tax Sale Redemption	-	1,344	1,344	-
Tax Distributions	-	4,307,941	4,307,941	-
Payroll	-	448,093	448,093	-
County Police Pension	185,248	79,705	15,126	249,827
County Treasurer	56,642	4,499,426	4,480,385	75,683
County Sheriff	-	136,871	136,773	98
Clerk of the Circuit Court	48,791	625,937	612,198	62,530
County Recorder	2,414	33,463	32,724	3,153
Probation Department	82,230	64,256	86,933	59,553
Totals	<u>\$ 12,297,439</u>	<u>\$ 18,968,281</u>	<u>\$ 18,883,764</u>	<u>\$ 12,381,956</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedules.

OHIO COUNTY  
NOTES TO SCHEDULE

Note 1. Introduction

The County was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The County operates under a Council-Commissioner form of government and provides the following services: public safety (police), highway and streets, sanitation, health and social services, culture and recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning and general administrative services.

Note 2. Fund Accounting

The County uses funds to report on its cash and investments and the results of its operations on a cash basis. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

Note 3. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. In addition, funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received are subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 4. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are distributed to the County in June and December. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by February 15. These rates were based upon the preceding year's March 1 (lien date) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100% of the true tax value (determined in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance). Taxes may be paid in two equal installments which become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively. All property taxes collected by the County Treasurer and available for distribution were distributed to the County on or prior to December 31 of the year collected.

OHIO COUNTY  
NOTES TO SCHEDULE  
(Continued)

Note 5. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with Indiana Code 5-13, with financial institutions in the State of Indiana at year end were entirely insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by the Indiana Public Deposit Insurance Fund. This includes any deposit accounts issued or offered by a qualifying financial institution.

State statute (IC 5-13-9) authorizes the County to invest in securities including, but not limited to, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

Note 6. Loan to Family and Children Fund

On July 25, 2005, the County Council passed Ordinance 2005-07-05 which made provisions for a \$300,000 loan from the Riverboat Fund to the Family and Children Fund. The loan which would be at 0% interest for the period of three years was for the purpose of funding the 2004 and 2005 budgetary shortfalls of the Ohio County Division of Family and Children. The first payment would be in 2006 from tax revenues raised from a debt service rate for the Family and Children Fund approved by the County Council.

Note 7. Subsequent Event

In 2006, the County committed one million dollars for the construction of a new library facility for the Ohio County/Rising Sun Public Library (Library). In addition to the County's commitment, the City of Rising Sun also committed one million dollars to the construction. Instead of remitting the committed funds to the Library, the County Commissioners and the City Council entered into a loan agreement with Mainsource Bank for a loan of \$1,500,000. The loan proceeds will be used for the construction of the new library and the County's and City's committed funds will be used to pay off the bank loan over a four year period.

OHIO COUNTY  
OTHER REPORTS

The annual audit report presented herein was prepared in addition to other official reports prepared for the individual County offices listed below:

Board of County Commissioners  
County Animal Control Department  
County Highway Department  
County Probation Department

OHIO COUNTY  
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on August 10, 2006, with Shane Koons, Commissioner; and Deborah K. Thomason, Auditor. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.