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COMPLIANCE REPORT
OF
SPARTA TOWNSHIP
DEARBORN COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trustee	Craig E. Beckley	01-01-11 to 12-31-18
Chairman of the Township Board	Thomas Gilb	01-01-14 to 12-31-18



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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF SPARTA TOWNSHIP, DEARBORN COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Sparta Township (Township), Dearborn County, for the period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017, to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Results and Comments contained herein describe the identified reportable instances of non-compliance found as a result of these procedures. Our tests were not designed to identify all instances of noncompliance; therefore, noncompliance may exist that is unidentified.

The Schedule of Cash and Investment Balances - Regulatory Basis, as listed in the Table of Contents, is presented as other information. It has not been subjected to any auditing procedures and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Any Official Response to the Results and Comments, incorporated within this report, was not verified for accuracy.

Paul D. Joyce
Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

July 5, 2018

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OTHER INFORMATION - UNAUDITED

The Township's Annual Financial Reports information can be found on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units (Gateway) website: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>. The schedule presented herein is presented as other information and is derived from the Township's Annual Financial Reports information and has not been subjected to any audit procedures. No adjustments have been made to the information as reported in Gateway and, as such, balances may differ.

SPARTA TOWNSHIP, DEARBORN COUNTY
 SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENT
 BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Fund	Cash and Investments 12-31-17
Township	\$ 20,076
Township Assistance	3,377
Fire Fighting	7,607
Cumulative Fire	<u>44,149</u>
Total	<u>\$ 75,209</u>

SPARTA TOWNSHIP, DEARBORN COUNTY
RESULTS AND COMMENTS

FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES - COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

A similar comment also appeared in prior Report B44500.

Township Board members were paid without the Township withholding Social Security or Medicare taxes and no Forms W-2 were presented for review that indicated compensation paid to Township Board members was reported to the Internal Revenue Service.

Units are required to comply with all grant agreements, rules, regulations, bulletins, directives, letters, letter rulings, court decisions, and filing requirements concerning reports and other procedural matters of federal and state agencies. Units must file accurate reports required by federal and state agencies. Noncompliance may require corrective action. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 1)

ADOPTION OF INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

The Township had not adopted the acceptable minimum level of internal control standards as defined by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(g) states in part:

"After June 30, 2016, the legislative body of a political subdivision shall ensure that:

- (1) the internal control standards and procedures developed under subsection (e) are adopted by the political subdivision . . ."

TRAINING ON INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

Township employees whose official duties included receiving, processing, depositing, disbursing, or otherwise having access to funds that belonged to the Township, had not received training over the minimum internal control standards that was developed or approved by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

SPARTA TOWNSHIP, DEARBORN COUNTY
RESULTS AND COMMENTS
(Continued)

Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(g) states in part:

"After June 30, 2016, the legislative body of a political subdivision shall ensure that: . . .

- (2) personnel receive training concerning the internal control standards and procedures adopted by the political subdivision."

CERTIFICATION ON INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

The Township certified on Gateway that it had adopted the minimum internal control standards as required by Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(e) and that all personnel defined by Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(c) had received training concerning the minimum internal control standards adopted by the Township; however, during the engagement, the Trustee indicated that the Township had not adopted the minimum internal control standards and that all personnel had not received training concerning the minimum internal control standards.

Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(h) states:

"After June 30, 2016, the fiscal officer of a political subdivision shall certify in writing that:

- (1) the minimum internal control standards and procedures defined under subsection (e) have been adopted by the political subdivision; and
- (2) personnel, who are not otherwise on leave status, have received training as required by subsection (g)(2).

The certification shall be filed with the state board of accounts at the same time as the annual financial report required by section 4(a) of this chapter is filed. The certification shall be filed electronically in the manner prescribed under IC 5-14-3.8-7."

SPARTA TOWNSHIP, DEARBORN COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on July 5, 2018, with Craig E. Beckley, Trustee.