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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REVIEW REPORT

OF

TOWN OF LIVONIA

WASHINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2019



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Clerk-Treasurer	Hansley Farmer	01-01-16 to 12-31-23
President of the Town Council	Mike Whitfield	01-01-16 to 12-31-20



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF LIVONIA, WASHINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Livonia (Town), for the period of January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2019. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of the Town's management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the reporting requirements established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6); which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This includes determining that the basis of accounting the Town uses is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatements whether due to fraud or error.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with *Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services* promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with the prescribed basis of accounting described in Note 1. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT
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Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with the prescribed basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the reporting requirements established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our conclusion is not modified with respect to this matter.


Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

June 3, 2020

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ACCOMPANYING NOTES

The financial statements and accompanying notes were approved by management of the Town. The financial statements and notes are presented as intended by the Town.

TOWN OF LIVONIA
 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS,
 AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -
 REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Years Ended December 31, 2016 and 2017

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-16	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-16	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-17
General	\$ 13,039	\$ 8,078	\$ 6,217	\$ 14,900	\$ 6,672	\$ 7,743	\$ 13,829
Motor Vehicle Highway	21,580	4,512	3,520	22,572	4,848	4,446	22,974
Local Road And Street	842	840	842	840	1,072	-	1,912
Livonia Community Park Fund	3,680	-	-	3,680	-	-	3,680
Cumulative Capital Improvement	322	326	322	326	312	-	638
Zoning	15	60	15	60	-	-	60
Totals	<u>\$ 39,478</u>	<u>\$ 13,816</u>	<u>\$ 10,916</u>	<u>\$ 42,378</u>	<u>\$ 12,904</u>	<u>\$ 12,189</u>	<u>\$ 43,093</u>

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

TOWN OF LIVONIA
 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS,
 AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -
 REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2019

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-18	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-18	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-19
General	\$ 13,829	\$ 7,318	\$ 6,571	\$ 14,576	\$ 7,970	\$ 6,909	\$ 15,637
Motor Vehicle Highway	22,974	5,972	3,659	25,287	5,510	3,531	27,266
Local Road And Street	1,912	1,475	-	3,387	1,490	-	4,877
Livonia Community Park Fund	3,680	-	580	3,100	200	519	2,781
Cumulative Capital Improvement	638	299	-	937	292	-	1,229
Zoning	60	15	-	75	75	-	150
Totals	<u>\$ 43,093</u>	<u>\$ 15,079</u>	<u>\$ 10,810</u>	<u>\$ 47,362</u>	<u>\$ 15,537</u>	<u>\$ 10,959</u>	<u>\$ 51,940</u>

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

TOWN OF LIVONIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Town was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The Town operates under a Town Council form of government and provides some or all of the following services: public safety (police and fire), highways and streets, health and social services, culture and recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, general administrative services, water, wastewater, electric, gas, storm water, trash, aviation, and urban redevelopment and housing.

The accompanying financial statements present the financial information for the Town.

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are reported on a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts in accordance with state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The basis of accounting involves the reporting of only cash and investments and the changes therein resulting from cash inflows (receipts) and cash outflows (disbursements) reported in the period in which they occurred.

The regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, in that receipts are recognized when received in cash, rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid, rather than when a liability is incurred.

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are stated at cost. Any changes in fair value of the investments are reported as receipts in the year of the sale of the investment.

D. Receipts

Receipts are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate receipts include the following sources:

Taxes. Amounts received from one or more of the following: property tax, certified shares (local option tax), property tax replacement credit (local option tax), county option income tax, wheel tax, innkeeper's tax, food and beverage tax, county economic development income tax, boat and trailer excise tax, county adjusted gross income tax, and other taxes that are set by the Town.

Licenses and permits. Amounts received from businesses, occupations, or nonbusinesses that must be licensed before doing business within the government's jurisdiction, or permits levied according to the benefits presumably conferred by the permit. Examples of licenses and permits include the following: peddler licenses, animal licenses, auctioneer licenses, building and planning permits, demolition permits, electrical permits, sign permits, and gun permits.

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Intergovernmental receipts. Amounts received from other governments in the form of operating grants, entitlements, or payments in lieu of taxes. Examples of intergovernmental receipts include, but are not limited to, the following: federal grants, state grants, cigarette tax distributions received from the state, motor vehicle highway distributions received from the state, local road and street distributions received from the state, financial institution tax received from the state, auto excise surtax received from the state, commercial vehicle excise tax received from the state, major moves distributions received from the state, and riverboat receipts received from the county.

Charges for services. Amounts received for services including, but not limited to, the following: planning commission charges, building department charges, copies of public records, copy machines charges, accident report copies, gun permit applications, 911 telephone services, recycling fees, dog pound fees, emergency medical service fees, park rental fees, swimming pool receipts, cable TV receipts, ordinance violations, fines and fees, bond forfeitures, court costs, and court receipts.

Fines and forfeits. Amounts received from fines and penalties imposed for the commission of statutory offenses, violation of lawful administrative rules and regulations (fines), and for the neglect of official duty and monies derived from confiscating deposits held as performance guarantees (forfeitures).

Other receipts. Amounts received from various sources, including, but not limited to, the following: net proceeds from borrowings; interfund loan activity; transfers authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order; internal service receipts; and fiduciary receipts.

E. Disbursements

Disbursements are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate disbursements include the following uses:

Personal services. Amounts disbursed for salaries, wages, and related employee benefits provided for all persons employed. In those units where sick leave, vacation leave, overtime compensation, and other such benefits are appropriated separately, such payments would also be included.

Supplies. Amounts disbursed for articles and commodities that are entirely consumed and materially altered when used and/or show rapid depreciation after use for a short period of time. Examples of supplies include, but are not limited to, the following: office supplies, operating supplies, and repair and maintenance supplies.

Other services and charges. Amounts disbursed for services including, but not limited to, the following: professional services, communication and transportation, printing and advertising, insurance, utility services, repairs and maintenance, and rental charges.

Other disbursements. Amounts disbursed for various other purposes including, but not limited to, the following: interfund loan payments; loans made to other funds; internal service disbursements; and transfers out that are authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order.

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F. Interfund Transfers

The Town may, from time to time, make transfers from one fund to another. These transfers, if any, are included as a part of the receipts and disbursements of the affected funds and as a part of total receipts and disbursements. The transfers are used for cash flow purposes as provided by various statutory provisions.

G. Fund Accounting

Separate funds are established, maintained, and reported by the Town. Each fund is used to account for amounts received from and used for specific sources and uses as determined by various regulations. Restrictions on some funds are set by statute while other funds are internally restricted by the Town. The amounts accounted for in a specific fund may only be available for use for certain, legally-restricted purposes. Additionally, some funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity as an agent of individuals, private organizations, other funds, or other governmental units and, therefore, the funds cannot be used for any expenditures of the unit itself.

Note 2. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. The fiscal officer of the Town submits a proposed operating budget to the governing board for the following calendar year. The budget is advertised as required by law. Prior to adopting the budget, the governing board conducts public hearings and obtains taxpayer comments. Prior to November 1, the governing board approves the budget for the next year. The budget for funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received is subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 3. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are scheduled to be distributed to the Town in June and December; however, situations can arise which would delay the distributions. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by December 31 of the year preceding the budget year or January 15 of the budget year if the Town is issuing debt after December 1 or intends on filing a shortfall appeal. These rates were based upon the assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits from the preceding year's lien date of January 1. Taxable property is assessed at 100 percent 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 normally become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively.

Note 4. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with state statute (IC 5-13), with financial institutions in the State of Indiana, at year end, should be 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.

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State statutes authorize the Town to invest in securities including, but not limited to, the following: 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 5. Risk Management

The Town may be exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; job-related illnesses or injuries to employees; medical benefits to employees, retirees, and dependents; and natural disasters.

These risks can be mitigated through the purchase of insurance, establishment of a self-insurance fund, and/or participation in a risk pool. The purchase of insurance transfers the risk to an independent third-party. The establishment of a self-insurance fund allows the Town to set aside money for claim settlements. The self-insurance fund would be included in the financial statements. The purpose of participation in a risk pool is to provide a medium for the funding and administration of the risks.

TOWN OF LIVONIA
REVIEW RESULTS AND COMMENTS

ADOPTION OF AND TRAINING ON INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

Condition and Context

The Town had not adopted the acceptable minimum level of internal control standards as defined by the Indiana State Board of Accounts. Additionally, Town personnel had not received the required training over internal control standards.

Criteria

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

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

MVH RESTRICTED FUND

Condition and Context

A new MVH Restricted sub-fund was not created within the Motor Vehicle Highway fund in 2019 to properly manage and account for the usage restrictions that were outlined in State Examiner Directive 2018-2.

Criteria

The purpose of this Directive is to authorize and require . . . towns that receive distributions from the State Motor Vehicle Highway Account to create a new sub-fund within the MVH Fund to properly manage and account for the usage restrictions that were included in House Enrolled Act 1002-2017 and House Enrolled Act 1290-2018.

The sub-fund will be referred to throughout this Directive as "MVH Restricted" and will be used to account for MVH monies which have been statutorily restricted for construction, reconstruction, and preservation purposes. . . .

Starting on January 1, 2019, the political subdivision must post at the time of receipt of the distribution from the State Motor Vehicle Highway Account fifty percent (50%) of the distribution to MVH Restricted. (State Examiner Directive 2018-2)

Indiana Code 8-14-1-5(c) states: "For funds distributed to a city or town from the motor vehicle highway account, the city or town shall use at least fifty percent (50%) of the money for the construction, reconstruction, and preservation of the city's or town's highways."

TOWN OF LIVONIA
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on June 3, 2020, with Hansley Farmer, Clerk-Treasurer, and Mike Whitfield, President of the Town Council.