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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF CLINTON TOWNSHIP, PUTNAM COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Clinton Township (Township), Putnam County, for the period of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2021, to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents, as well as compliance with applicable state laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Township's Annual Financial Reports filed by management can be found on the Gateway Website: [www.gateway.ifionline.org](http://www.gateway.ifionline.org).

The Comments contained herein describe the identified reportable instances of noncompliance found as a result of the procedures we performed. Our procedures were not designed to identify all instances of noncompliance; therefore, noncompliance may exist that is unidentified.

***Comments***

***COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS***

A similar comment also appeared in prior Report B42821, entitled *COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS*; and B51719, entitled *COMPENSATION*.

***Condition and Context***

The Township did not provide an annual salary resolution or ordinance, Township Board minutes, or other documentation setting and approving the salaries of Township officers and employees for 2018, 2020, and 2021. In 2021, the Trustee's salary was increased by \$500 and the salary for Township Board members were decreased by \$50 each from the previous year. There was no evidence that these changes were approved by the governing body.

***Criteria***

Indiana Code 36-6-6-10(b) states:

"The township legislative body shall fix the:

- (1) salaries;
- (2) wages;

(3) rates of hourly pay; and

(4) remuneration other than statutory allowances; of all officers and employees of the township."

All compensation and benefits paid to officials and employees must be included in the labor contract, salary ordinance, resolution, or salary schedule adopted by the governing body unless otherwise authorized by law. Compensation must be paid in a manner that will facilitate compliance with state and federal reporting requirements. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 1)

## **MONTHLY AND ANNUAL UPLOADS**

### *Condition and Context*

The files and governmental unit information that are required to be uploaded monthly include the bank reconciliements, approved Township Board minutes and the funds ledger, summarizing total receipts, disbursements, and balances by fund.

Annual upload requirements include the year-end bank statement, year-end outstanding check list, year-end investments, detail of receipt activity, detail of disbursement activity, current year salary ordinance, and an annual vendor history report.

The Township did not comply with the State Examiner Directive and failed to upload all the monthly and annual files on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units financial reporting system for 2018.

### *Criteria*

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)

Beginning with July 2018 files, which will be due September 15, 2018, **all cities**, towns, townships, libraries, and special districts will use the Upload App to upload files containing financial and governmental unit information on Gateway to allow the State Board of Accounts (SBOA) to conduct audit planning and audit processes prior to on-site work at a unit. . . . (State Examiner Directive 2018-1)

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, governance, and others within the organization. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

The Schedule of Cash and Investment Balances - Regulatory Basis, 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.

SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENT  
BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Fund	Cash and Investments 12-31-21
Township	\$ 16,522
Township Assistance	11,907
Rainy Day	<u>10,732</u>
Total	<u>\$ 39,161</u>

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

The contents of this report were communicated to Tina Sillery, Trustee, on October 5, 2022.

Respectfully,



Beth Kelley, CPA, CFE  
Deputy State Examiner