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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF UNION TOWNSHIP, PARKE COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Union Township, (Township) Parke 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**

**FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES - COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

A similar comment appeared in prior Reports B43966 and B51616.

*Condition and Context*

Township Board members were paid without the Township withholding Social Security or Medicare taxes. Internal Revenue Forms W-2, Wage and Tax Statements, were not presented for evaluation to show compensation paid to Township Board members was reported to the Internal Revenue Service.

*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)

## MONTHLY AND ANNUAL UPLOADS

### *Condition and Context*

The files and governmental unit information that are required to be uploaded monthly include the bank reconcilements; 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 of the monthly and/or annual files on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units financial reporting system for 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.

### *Criteria*

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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	\$ 189,565
Township Assistance	20,365
Fire Fighting	135,909
Rainy Day	5,296
Cumulative Fire	41,185
Fire Debt	<u>145,401</u>
Total	<u>\$ 537,721</u>

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

The contents of this report were communicated to Brett Jeffries, Trustee, and Travis Collins, Township Board member, on December 15, 2022.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beth Kelley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "B" and "K".

Beth Kelley, CPA, CFE  
Deputy State Examiner