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

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Liberty 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.

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

MONTHLY AND ANNUAL UPLOADS

Condition and Context

The Township did not comply with the State Examiner Directive 2018-1 and failed to upload all of the required monthly and annual files on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units financial reporting system for 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.

Criteria

All counties, cities, towns, townships, libraries, schools and special districts will use the Engagement Uploads to upload files containing financial and governmental unit information on Gateway to allow the SBOA to conduct audit planning and audit processes prior to on-site work at a unit. This remote process will provide for more efficient data processing and save audit costs for our clients. . . .

The following files and governmental unit information are required to be uploaded monthly by all units except as noted:

- Bank Reconcilements, Bank Statements, and Outstanding Check Lists
- Approved Board Minutes, please see the user guide for more information and examples
- Funds Ledger, summarizing total receipts, disbursements, and beginning and ending balances by fund . . .

The following files and governmental unit information are required to be uploaded annually (for Counties, these apply to County Auditors unless otherwise noted):

- Year-end Investment Statements (for Counties - County Treasurer)
- Detail of Receipts for the year
- Detail of Disbursements for the year
- Current year Salary Ordinance (or Schedule) and Amendments (except Schools)
- Annual Vendor History Report
- Annual Payroll History Report, without social security numbers
- Annual Funds Ledger, summarizing year-to-date receipts, year-to-date disbursements, and beginning and ending balances by fund . . .

(Amended State Examiner Directive 2018-1)

Townships will be required to upload their monthly files by the 15th of the following month. The due date for the annual files will be March 1st. Each official will have the responsibility of uploading their own monthly required document in Gateway. (The Township Bulletin and Uniform Compliance Guidelines, December 2018)

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)

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
As of December 31, 2021

Fund	Cash and Investments 12-31-21
Township	\$ 31,722
Park And Recreation	4,202
Township Assistance	14,065
Fire Fighting	27
Rainy Day	3,268
Harvey Cemetary Fund	3,080
Total	\$ 56,364

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

The contents of this report were communicated to Tamra Smith, Trustee on January 23, 2023.

Respectfully,



Beth Kelley, CPA, CFE
Deputy State Examiner