

**CITY OF MANSON, IOWA
INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON
APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

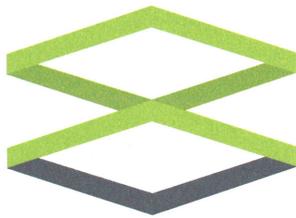
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CITY OF MANSON, IOWA

OFFICIALS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>	
		<u>Before</u> <u>January 2014</u>	<u>After</u> <u>January 1, 2014</u>
David George	Mayor	January 2014	January 2016
Daniel Poppinga	Council Member	January 2014	January 2018
Steve Smothers	Council Member	January 2014	January 2018
Paul Zeka	Council Member	January 2016	January 2016
Jeff Bohn	Council Member	January 2014	January 2018
Joe Horan	Council Member	January 2016	January 2016
Becky Thompson	Clerk/Treasurer	January 2014	January 2016
James Hudson	Attorney	Indefinite	Indefinite



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Officials of the City of Manson, Iowa (City):

We have performed the procedures listed in the attached schedule, which were agreed to by the Officials of the City of Manson, Iowa and the Iowa Office of Auditor of State (the specified parties), to the applicable financial and accounting records of the City solely to assist the City in meeting the requirements of Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa for the year ended June 30, 2014. Management of the City is responsible for the financial and accounting records of the City. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards for attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described in the attached schedule either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures, findings, and recommendations are listed in the attached schedule.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the financial and accounting records of the City. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the Officials of the City of Manson, Iowa and the Iowa Office of Auditor of State, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Winther, Stave & Co., LLP

January 22, 2015
Spencer, Iowa

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GENERAL PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Minutes:		
1. Read minutes for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Select four (4) meetings during the year being examined and determine whether:	No exceptions noted.	
a. Minutes were properly signed as required by Chapter 380.7 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
b. Meetings were preceded by proper notice. (Chapter 21.4 of the Code of Iowa).	No exceptions noted.	
c. The minutes show information sufficient to indicate the vote of each member present as required by Chapter 21.3 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
d. The passage of ordinances, amendments or resolutions were by a majority vote of all the members of the City Council rather than a majority vote of a quorum of the City Council as required by Chapter 380.4 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
e. Minutes document the City Council followed proper proceedings for any closed sessions. (Chapter 21.5 of the Code of Iowa).	No closed sessions were noted.	
i. The session was closed by affirmative roll call vote.		
ii. The specific exemption under Chapter 21.5 of the Code of Iowa.		
iii. Final action was taken in open session.		

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GENERAL PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
f. Minutes were published (or posted) within 15 days of the meeting as required by Chapter 372.13(6) of the Code of Iowa and included:		
i. Total disbursements from each fund. ii. A list of all claims allowed (including the reason for the claim). iii. A summary of all receipts. iv. A summary of ordinances or amendments adopted.	We noted published claims included a total of all disbursements, but did not include total disbursements for each fund.	We recommend published claims include a total of disbursements for each fund.
B. Obtain copy of City's June 30 financial statement(s) and/or reports.	No exceptions noted.	
C. Obtain a listing of the surety bond coverage for all officials and employees required by Chapters 64.13 and 64.15 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
D. Internal Control		
1. Request the City Clerk complete an internal control checklist (ICC).	See Step D.3.	
2. Discuss with City Clerk the City's internal control procedures and processes documented in the completed ICC.	See Step D.3.	
3. Document findings identified.	We noted an overall lack of adequate segregation of duties due to the small staff size.	We recommend the City Council consider additional steps which may be needed to mitigate the effects of limited number of staff.

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GENERAL PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
E. Inquire of the City's management about whether it is aware of actual or suspected fraud or any allegations (e.g. communications from employees or others).	No such circumstances noted.	
F. Immediately contact the Manager/Partner if fraud or embezzlement is suspected. Ensure the appropriate officials are notified after contacting the Manager/Partner. Chapter 11.6 of the Code of Iowa requires a CPA firm and the City to notify the Auditor of State immediately regarding any suspected embezzlement, theft or other significant financial irregularities. If federal funds are involved, the appropriate U.S. Regional Inspector General should be notified.	No such circumstances noted.	

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CASH AND INVESTMENTS PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Observe cash on hand, if any.	No exceptions noted.	
B. Obtain one (1) monthly Clerk's report, recalculate the report totals and trace ending fund balances to the general ledger.	We noted the monthly Clerk's report serves as the general ledger in the City's manual accounting system.	We recommend the City consider converting to an automated accounting system.
C. Cash In Bank and Investments:		
1. Inquire whether bank reconciliations are performed monthly.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Inquire whether bank reconciliations are reviewed by an independent person.	We noted bank reconciliations are not reviewed by an independent person.	We recommend the monthly bank reconciliations be reviewed each month by the Mayor or a Council member.
3. Obtain bank reconciliations for two (2) months and perform the following:		
a. Agree reconciling items other than outstanding checks to supporting documentation.	No such items noted.	
b. Recalculate the bank reconciliation(s).	No exceptions noted.	
c. Not used.		
d. Obtain a list of outstanding checks at the end of the selected month(s). Determine the list of outstanding checks includes check number, amount and date written for each listed check and the listed outstanding checks subsequently cleared the bank.	We noted the list of outstanding checks includes the amount, but does not include check number or date written.	We recommend the check number and date written be included on the list of outstanding checks.
e. Trace reconciled balance for selected months to general ledger account balances and to monthly reports provided to the City Council.	No exceptions noted.	

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CASH AND INVESTMENTS PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
4. Inquire whether the unclaimed property report per Chapter 556.1(12) of the Code of Iowa has been submitted to the State Treasurer annually before November 1 as required by Chapter 556.11 of the Code of Iowa	No exceptions noted.	
5. Obtain a copy of the current depository resolution and inquire whether the depository resolution includes all depositories used by the City and has been approved as required by Chapter 12C.2 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
6. Obtain a copy of the City's adopted written investment policy as required by the provisions of Chapter 12B.10B of the Code of Iowa.	We noted the policy had not been reviewed in the past three years as required.	We recommend the Council document review of the investment policy.
7. Obtain a schedule of investment transactions and balances for the same two (2) months (selected in procedure 3 above) and trace applicable investment balances to the bank reconciliations.	No exceptions noted.	
8. Determine investments held at the end of the selected months were allowed by the City's adopted investment policy and statutory provisions of Chapter 12B.10 of the Code of Iowa, as applicable.	No exceptions noted.	

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LONG-TERM DEBT PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Inquire whether long-term debt exists (bonds, notes, lease-purchase agreements, deferred payment contracts, real estate contracts, loans, TIF development agreements, local option sales tax debt).	We noted long-term debt consists of general obligation bonds, sewer revenue notes, and water interim financing.	
1. Inquire whether the debt is accounted for accurately.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Determine general obligation debt payments were recorded in the Debt Service Fund as required by Chapter 384.4 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
B. Issuance of Debt:		
1. Read authorization in minutes for any debt issuances during the year.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Obtain documentation of procedures for bonds or notes sold during the current year and determine compliance with Chapters 75, 384, and 403.9 of the Code of Iowa.	No exception noted.	
3. Determine debt proceeds were recorded in the City's general ledger and trace proceeds to cash receipts record and bank statement.	No exceptions noted.	

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FUND BALANCE PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Inquire whether the City is using fund accounting and each fund is properly classified in accordance with the City Finance Committee's recommended Uniform Chart of Accounts (COA).	We noted certain funds reported as Special Revenue funds on the AFR may be more properly classified with the General fund.	We recommend fund classifications be considered to determine proper AFR reporting.
B. Determine and document the financial information provided to the City Council monthly. Determine whether the information provided includes:	No exceptions noted.	
1. A City Clerk's report showing receipts, disbursements, transfers, and balances for each fund.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Comparison of actual disbursements to budget by function.	No exceptions noted.	
C. For enterprise funds with deficit balances, inquire if there is a net earnings violation (book transfers are made to sinking accounts per the bond/note resolution, but if the operating accounts are in a deficit position, the sinking accounts are not backed by cash).	No exceptions noted.	
D. Determine if deficits exist in other funds.	No exceptions noted.	
E. Inquire whether projects are accounted for in separate capital projects accounts.	No exceptions noted.	
F. Inspect journal entries and/or other adjustments made directly to the general ledger.		
1. Select two journal entries/adjustments and determine whether:	No journal entries were noted.	
a. The journal entries/adjustments are supported by documentation.		
b. The journal entries/adjustments are approved by an independent person and there is documented evidence of the approval.		

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FUND BALANCE PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
G. For the Annual Financial Report (AFR) for the most recent fiscal year ended:		
1. Compare AFR to City's general ledger to determine if the following amounts agree: a. Beginning and ending fund balances. b. Road Use Tax transactions reported in the Special Revenue fund. c. Total receipts and disbursements.	No exceptions noted.	
H. Transfers:		
1. Obtain a list of all fund transfers during the year.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Select two transfers and agree to supporting documentation.	No exceptions noted.	
3. Determine transfers were recorded in the general ledger in the intended fund.	No exceptions noted.	
4. Trace transfers selected above to approval in the minutes or budget, as applicable.	No exceptions noted.	

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RECEIPTS PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Inquire whether the City is using the Uniform Chart of Accounts to classify receipts in the general ledger.	No exceptions noted.	
B. For one month during the fiscal year, reconcile deposits per the bank statement to general ledger receipts and discuss with client the possibility of undeposited receipts.	No exceptions noted.	
C. Property Tax:		
1. Observe that electronic deposit of twelve monthly property tax payments during the year are listed on bank statements.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Trace one month's property tax collections to general ledger posting.	No exceptions noted.	
3. Total property tax collections for the fiscal year and compare the total to the final budget.	We noted total property tax collections for the fiscal year exceeded final budgeted amounts by \$1,565.	
D. Governmental Revenue:		
1. Obtain copy of State confirmation from the Auditor of State's Office and obtain from client a reconciliation of amounts per confirmation with the general ledger.	No exceptions noted.	
E. Enterprise Revenues (Water, Sewer, Electric, etc.):		
1. Obtain a copy of a year-end list of delinquent accounts.	We noted a list of ending/outstanding balances for billing cycles is available, but a complete list of delinquent accounts is not available.	We recommend a complete list of delinquent accounts be prepared on a regular basis.
2. Obtain a copy of one monthly reconciliation of billings and collections.	None available.	
a. If not available, compare total amounts billed per billings register to amounts deposited in the bank account in following month.	Total amounts billed per June 2014 billing register were \$3,222 less than amounts deposited in July 2014.	

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b. If available:	Reconciliation not available.	
1) Agree total billings to billings register and collections to amounts deposited in the bank account.		
2) Not used.		
3. Obtain listing of all City officials' accounts (including the Utility Clerk's account). For Utility Clerk and one other official, trace billing from a selected month to collection/deposit in the bank account.	No exceptions noted.	
F. General:		
1. Obtain receipts detail for miscellaneous receipts during one month of fiscal year and agree to supporting documentation.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Obtain deposit tickets for one month and list the amounts of currency deposited by types of receipts received in currency.	No exceptions noted.	
G. Inquire whether local option sales tax receipts were expended as required by local ballot provisions. Obtain a copy of the ballot authorizing the local option tax.	No exceptions noted.	

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DISBURSEMENTS PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Obtain a schedule of all related party transactions with officials or employees and inquire whether transactions were entered into in compliance with Chapter 362.5 of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
B. Obtain disbursement journal or detail for miscellaneous disbursements during one month of fiscal year and agree to supporting documentation.	No exceptions noted.	
C. From a list of all cancelled checks/images:		
1. Request a list of all checks to City personnel (non-payroll), occasional or one-time vendors, and "Cash", and inspect checks payable to the City Clerk and other personnel authorized to issue/sign checks.	No exceptions noted.	
a. Total amount and frequency of inspected checks.	We noted three such checks, totaling \$589.51.	
b. Trace inspected checks to supporting documentation.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Select five (5) consecutive checks from alternating months and agree:		
a. The disbursement to supporting documentation.	No exceptions noted.	
b. The amount and payee on the check to the general ledger posting.	No exceptions noted.	
c. Disbursement to authorization by the City Council.	No exceptions noted.	
d. Credit card transactions to approval and supporting documentation.	No such transactions were noted.	
e. Disbursement to function classification in COA.	No exceptions noted.	
f. The disbursement to documentation as to how the expenditure meets the test of public purpose, if any.	No disbursements requiring specific documentation of public purpose were noted.	
D. Inspect all bank statements for erasures/alterations.	No exceptions noted.	

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E. If canceled checks are not received with bank statements, determine whether both the front and back of electronic check images are received as required by Chapter 554D.114(5) of the Code of Iowa.	No exceptions noted.	
F. Inquire whether the City applied for and received sales tax refunds on completed projects unless an exemption certificate was issued by the City for the contractor as required by Chapter 423.3(80)(b) of the Code of Iowa.	We were informed the City has issued exemption certificates, when applicable.	
G. Budgets 1. Determine City Council authorized and certified the annual budget and amendments, if any.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Obtain a schedule of disbursements by function and compare with the budget or amended budget.	No exceptions noted.	
H. Inquire of management and/or those charged with governance as to the existence of any agreement(s) containing confidentiality clauses.	No such agreements were noted.	
1. Determine if legal counsel agreed to insertion of the clause(s).		
2. Determine if agreement(s) were properly approved by the City Council.		
3. Determine the funding source for the payment(s) made under the agreement(s).		

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PAYROLL PROCEDURES	FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Select five (5) payroll transactions from throughout the year to determine:		
1. Authorization for gross pay or hourly rate by City Council.	No exceptions noted.	
2. Approval of hours worked is documented.	We noted approval of hours worked is not documented in every department.	We recommend documenting approval of hours worked.
3. The number of hours paid per the payroll journal agrees to hours worked per approved timesheets (for hourly employees).	No exceptions noted.	
B. City Clerk and/or Payroll Clerk Pay:		
1. If salaried, reconcile the salary for the City Clerk and payroll clerk to the City Council approved salary.	No exceptions noted.	
2. If hourly, test one selected paycheck each for the City Clerk and payroll clerk to determine the hourly rate paid agrees to the Council approved hourly rate.	Not applicable.	
C. Obtain documentation showing wage increases are approved by the City Council as an hourly rate or salary and not just a percentage increase.	We noted that City Council approves wage increases as a percentage.	We recommend that City Council approve wage increases by indicating dollar amounts or specific pay rates or amounts.
D. Inspect copies of Forms 941, W-2, and 1099 filed with the IRS.	No exceptions noted.	