

ATTESTATION ENGAGEMENT

Treasurer

Tioga County, Pennsylvania

For the Period

Hunting – July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016

Fishing and Dog – January 1, 2014 to
December 31, 2015

April 2017



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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Kera L. Hackett
Treasurer
Tioga County
Wellsboro, PA 16901

We have examined the accompanying statements of receipts and disbursements (Statements) of the Treasurer, Tioga County, Pennsylvania (County Officer), for the license period identified on the contents page, pursuant to the requirements of Section 401(d) of *The Fiscal Code*, 72 P.S. § 401(d). The county office's management is responsible for these Statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Statements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the Statements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are mandated by Section 401(d) of *The Fiscal Code* to audit the accounts of each county officer to determine whether all moneys collected on behalf of the Commonwealth have been correctly assessed, reported and promptly remitted. *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States include attestation engagements as a separate type of audit. An attestation engagement performed pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards* involves additional standards that exceed the standards provided by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Accordingly, this attestation engagement complies with both *Government Auditing Standards* and Section 401(d) of *The Fiscal Code*.

In our opinion, the Statements referred to above present, in all material respects, the operations of the County Officer as it pertains to receipts made on behalf of the licensing agencies, for the license period identified on the contents page, in conformity with the criteria set forth in Note 1

Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we are required to report all deficiencies that are considered to be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control; fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws or regulations that have a material effect on the Statements; and any other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance; noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and abuse that has a material effect on the Statements. We are also required to obtain and report the views of responsible officials concerning the findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as any planned corrective actions. We performed our examination to express an opinion on whether the Statement is presented in accordance with the criteria described above and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on internal control over reporting on the Statement or on compliance and other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the Statements are presented in accordance with the criteria described above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over reporting on the Statement that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our engagement we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of the County Officer's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of Statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our engagement, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, and the County Officer and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

We appreciate the courtesy extended by the Treasurer, Tioga County, to us during the course of our examination. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michael B. Kashishian, CPA, CGAP, CFE, Director, Bureau of County Audits, at 717-787-1363.



Eugene A. DePasquale
Auditor General

April 10, 2017

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TREASURER
TIOGA COUNTY
HUNTING LICENSE SALES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licenses Sold</u>	<u>Amount Due Game Commission</u>
Resident		
Adult	47	\$ 925.90
Junior	1	5.70
Junior combination	7	60.90
Senior	6	76.20
Senior Lifetime Combo	2	201.40
Senior Lifetime Hunting	5	253.50
Military	14	23.80
Spring Turkey	1	20.70
Mentored Youth	4	6.80
Non-resident		
Adult	5	503.50
Junior	1	40.70
Archery - Resident and Non-resident	42	659.40
Muzzleloaders - Resident and Non-resident	32	342.40
Antlerless deer		
Resident	8,317	47,406.90
Resident landowners	10	57.00
Non-resident	697	17,912.90
Armed forces	20	114.00
Disabled veterans	45	256.50
Elk - Antlered and Antlerless	6	64.20
Bobcat	11	62.70
Fisher	3	17.10
Furtaker		
Adult resident	6	118.20
Migratory - Resident and Non-resident	10	27.00
Bear - Resident and Non-resident	61	977.70
DMAP - Resident and Non-resident	10	197.00
Replacements	33	188.10
Totals (Note 2)	<u>9,396</u>	<u>70,520.20</u>
Disbursements to Game Commission (Note 3)		(70,395.60)
Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals		<u>(124.60)</u>
Balance due Game Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4)		-
Examination adjustments		<u>-</u>
Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County) for the license period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015		<u>\$ -</u>

Notes to the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements are an integral part of this report.

TREASURER
TIOGA COUNTY
HUNTING LICENSE SALES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licenses Sold</u>	<u>Amount Due Game Commission</u>
Resident		
Adult	60	\$ 1,182.00
Junior	3	17.10
Junior combination	6	52.20
Senior	14	177.80
Senior Lifetime Combo	4	402.80
Senior Lifetime Hunting	1	50.70
Military	7	11.90
Spring Turkey	2	41.40
Mentored Youth	9	15.30
Non-resident		
Adult	7	704.90
Archery - Resident and Non-resident	38	616.60
Muzzleloaders - Resident and Non-resident	40	428.00
Antlerless deer		
Resident	8,405	47,908.50
Resident landowners	10	57.00
Non-resident	679	17,450.30
Armed forces	12	68.40
Disabled veterans	49	279.30
Elk - Antlered and Antlerless	9	96.30
Bobcat	10	57.00
Fisher	4	22.80
River Otter	3	17.10
Federal Duck Stamp	1	27.20
Furtaker		
Adult resident	4	78.80
Migratory - Resident and Non-resident	13	38.10
Bear - Resident and Non-resident	64	1,064.80
DMAP - Resident and Non-resident	25	342.50
Replacements	40	224.00
Totals (Note 2)	<u>9,519</u>	<u>71,432.80</u>
Disbursements to Game Commission (Note 3)		(71,295.30)
Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals		<u>(137.50)</u>
Balance due Game Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4)		-
Examination adjustments		<u>-</u>
Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County) for the license period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016		<u>\$ -</u>

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TREASURER
TIOGA COUNTY
FISHING LICENSE SALES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2014

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licenses Sold</u>	<u>Amount Due Fish and Boat Commission</u>
Resident	20	\$ 434.00
Voluntary Youth	1	1.70
Senior resident	2	21.40
National Guard/Armed Forces	2	3.40
Non-resident	3	155.10
Tourist		
One day	1	25.70
Three day	3	77.10
Senior lifetime	5	253.50
Lifetime Upgrade Card	10	107.00
Replacements	6	17.10
Lake Erie Stamp	1	8.70
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	1	14.70
Trout/Salmon Stamp	28	243.60
Angler and Boater Magazine	1	12.70
Totals (Note 2)	<u>84</u>	<u>1,375.70</u>
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission (Note 3)		<u>(1,375.70)</u>
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4)		-
Examination adjustments		<u>-</u>
Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) for the license period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014		<u>\$ -</u>

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TIOGA COUNTY
FISHING LICENSE SALES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licenses Sold</u>	<u>Amount Due Fish and Boat Commission</u>
Resident	38	\$ 786.60
3 Year Resident	1	63.70
Voluntary Youth	1	1.70
Replacements	3	17.10
Senior resident	5	48.50
Reduced Disabled Veterans	4	6.80
Non-resident	4	202.80
Tourist		
Three day	2	51.40
Senior lifetime	12	608.40
Lifetime Upgrade Card	6	64.20
Replacements	4	22.80
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	1	14.70
Trout/Salmon Stamp	37	321.90
1 Year Trout/Salmon	6	52.20
Annual Fishing Button	1	4.00
Totals (Note 2)	<u>125</u>	<u>2,266.80</u>
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission (Note 3)		<u>(2,266.80)</u>
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County)		
per settled reports (Note 4)		-
Examination adjustments		<u>-</u>
Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County)		
for the license period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015		<u>\$ -</u>

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TREASURER
TIOGA COUNTY
DOG LICENSE SALES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2014

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licenses Sold</u>	<u>Amount Due Department of Agriculture</u>
Individual	4,932	\$ 28,088.00
Senior citizen	1,840	6,414.00
Lifetime	122	3,940.00
Totals (Note 2)	<u>6,894</u>	38,442.00
Disbursements to Department of Agriculture (Note 3)		<u>(38,442.00)</u>
Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports (Note 4)		-
Examination adjustments		<u>-</u>
Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014		<u>\$ -</u>

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TIOGA COUNTY
DOG LICENSE SALES
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licenses Sold</u>	<u>Amount Due Department of Agriculture</u>
Individual	5,147	\$ 29,293.00
Senior citizen	1,851	6,501.00
Lifetime	156	5,030.00
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Totals (Note 2)	<u>7,154</u>	40,824.00
Disbursements to Department of Agriculture (Note 3)		<u>(40,824.00)</u>
Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports (Note 4)		-
Examination adjustments		<hr/> -
Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015		<hr/> <u>\$ -</u>

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TREASURER
TIOGA COUNTY
NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE HUNTING LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2016 AND FOR
THE FISHING AND DOG LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

1. Criteria

The Statements of Receipts and Disbursements provide a summary of receipts and disbursements by category. The categories and the costs of licenses are based on Pennsylvania laws and regulations.

The Statements were prepared in accordance with reporting requirements prescribed by the licensing agencies. Under this method, only the Commonwealth portion of cash receipts and disbursements are presented, revenues are recognized when received, and expenditures are recognized when paid.

The following schedule identifies the licensing agencies and the respective reporting period:

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Licensing Agency</u>	<u>License Period</u>
Hunting	Game Commission	July 1 to June 30
Fishing	Fish and Boat Commission	January 1 to December 31
Dog	Department of Agriculture	January 1 to December 31

With all of the license types listed above, there are licenses that are sold the month prior to the official license period beginning date. For our reporting purposes, these sales are included in the official first month of the license period.

2. Receipts

Receipts consist of monies collected on behalf of the licensing agency.

3. Disbursements

The proceeds from the sale of hunting licenses, sold electronically, for license years 2014 through 2015 were remitted weekly through an electronic funds transfer program.

The proceeds from the sale of fishing licenses, sold electronically, for license years 2014 through 2015 were remitted weekly through an electronic funds transfer program.

The proceeds from the sale of dog licenses for the license years 2014 through 2015 were remitted by check to the appropriate licensing agency with the monthly reports of sales.

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4. Balance Due Licensing Agency (County) Per Settled Reports

This balance reflects the summary of monthly sales reports as settled by the appropriate licensing agency.

5. County Officer Serving During Examination Period

Kera L. Hackett served as Treasurer during the hunting license period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016 and during the fishing and dog license period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015.

TREASURER
TIOGA COUNTY
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THE FISHING AND DOG LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

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