# **COMPLIANCE AUDIT**

# Treasurer

Bradford County, Pennsylvania
For the Period
Hunting - July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019
Fishing and Dog - January 1, 2015 to
December 31, 2019

September 2020



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The Honorable Matthew Allen Treasurer Bradford County Towanda, PA 18848

We have conducted a compliance audit of the Treasurer, Bradford 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 objective of the audit was to determine whether all moneys collected on behalf of the Commonwealth have been correctly assessed, reported, and promptly remitted and to provide a report to the Department of Revenue to allow the Department of Revenue to state and settle the County Office's account. Our audit was limited to areas related to the objective identified above and was not conducted, nor was it required to be, in accordance with Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The County Office is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that the County Office complies with state laws and regulations applicable to the collection of moneys on behalf of the Commonwealth, including whether they have been correctly assessed, reported, and promptly remitted. The County Office is also responsible for complying with those laws and regulations. It is our responsibility to perform procedures to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to the extent necessary to satisfy the audit objective. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our conclusions.

Based on our audit procedures, we conclude that, for the license period identified on the contents page, are presented in accordance with the criteria set forth in the background section, the County Office, in all significant respects, complied with state laws and regulations applicable to the collection of moneys on behalf of the Commonwealth, including whether they have been correctly assessed, reported, and promptly remitted.

This report includes summaries of the County Office's receipts and disbursements of funds collected on behalf of the Commonwealth (summaries). We obtained data representing the County Office's receipts and disbursements from the Pennsylvania Game Commission, Fish and Boat Commission and the Department of Agriculture, which obtains data from each of the Commonwealth's treasurer offices, and used the data to create the summaries. We also evaluated the accuracy of the data as part of our audit to conclude on the County Office's compliance with certain state laws and regulations as described in the previous paragraph. Any adjustments that we considered necessary based on our audit work are disclosed in the *Audit Adjustments* line of the summaries; however, the scope of our audit does not include the issuance of an opinion on the accuracy of the amounts reported in the summaries.

The purpose of this report is to determine whether all moneys collected on behalf of the Commonwealth have been correctly assessed, reported, and promptly remitted. This report is not suitable for any other purposes.

The contents of this report were discussed with the management of the County Office. We appreciate the courtesy extended by the Treasurer, Bradford County, to us during the course of our audit. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Bureau of County Audits at 717-787-1363.

August 26, 2020

Eugene A. DePasquale Auditor General

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#### TREASURER BRADFORD COUNTY BACKGROUND

FOR THE HUNTING LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2019 AND FOR THE FISHING AND DOG LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019

The Department of Auditor General is mandated by Article IV, Section 401 (d) of *The Fiscal Code* (Act of April 9, 1929, P.L.343, No. 176), 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.

Treasurer receipts consist of monies collected on behalf of the licensing agency.

The proceeds from the sale of hunting licenses, sold electronically, for license years 2015 through 2019 were remitted weekly through an electronic funds transfer program.

The proceeds from the sale of fishing licenses, sold electronically, for license years 2015 through 2019 were remitted weekly through an electronic funds transfer program.

The proceeds from the sale of dog licenses for the license years 2015 through 2019 were remitted by check to the appropriate licensing agency with the monthly reports of sales.

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

<u>License Type</u>	Licensing Agency	<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. The balances reflect the summary of monthly sales reports as settled by the appropriate licensing agency.

Becky Clark served as Treasurer during the hunting license period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019 and during the fishing and dog license period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2019.

The summaries 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 summaries 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.

# HUNTING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016

License Type	Licenses Sold	Amount Due Game Commission
Resident		
Adult	143	\$ 2,817.10
Junior	9	51.30
Junior combination	6	52.20
Senior	20	254.00
Senior Lifetime Combo	3	302.10
Senior Lifetime Hunting	3	152.10
Military	31	55.70
Reserves	1	1.70
Spring Turkey	10	207.00
Mentored Youth	5	8.50
Non-resident		
Adult	14	1,409.80
Junior combination	2	101.40
Archery - Resident and Non-resident	91	1,448.70
Muzzleloaders - Resident and Non-resident	86	960.20
Antlerless deer		
Resident	12,894	73,495.80
Resident landowners	24	136.80
Non-resident	1,507	38,729.90
Non-resident landowners	3	77.10
Armed forces	44	250.80
Disabled veterans	47	267.90
Elk - Antlered and Antlerless	7	74.90
Bobcat	17	96.90
Fisher	5	28.50
River Otter	2	11.40
Furtaker	2	11.10
Adult resident	12	236.40
Disabled veterans	2	5.40
Migratory - Resident and Non-resident	24	64.80
Bear - Resident and Non-resident	95	1,511.50
DM AP - Resident and Non-resident	4	88.80
Replacements	75	423.50
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Totals	15,186	123,322.20
Disbursements to Game Commission		(123,142.20)
Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and		
Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals		(180.00)
Balance due Game Commission (County)		
per settled reports		-
Audit adjustments		
Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County)		
for the license period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016		\$ -
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# HUNTING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

License Type	Licenses Sold	nount Due Game ommission
Resident	440	
Adult	119	\$ 2,368.10
Junior	9	53.10
Junior combination	9	80.10
Senior	17	219.30
Senior Lifetime Combo	2	201.80
Senior Lifetime Hunting	6	305.40
Military	32	67.80
Spring Turkey	12	250.80
Mentored Youth	8	15.20
Non-resident		
Adult	20	2,018.00
Junior	1	40.90
Spring Turkey	1	40.90
Archery - Resident and Non-resident	93	1,518.70
Muzzleloaders - Resident and Non-resident	77	889.30
Antlerless deer		
Resident	13,193	77,838.70
Resident landowners	19	112.10
Non-resident	1,455	37,684.50
Non-resident landowners	3	77.70
Armed forces	37	218.30
Disabled veterans	51	300.90
Elk - Antlered and Antlerless	7	76.30
Bobcat	13	76.70
Fisher	4	23.60
River Otter	2	11.80
Furtaker		
Adult resident	8	159.20
Senior resident	2	25.80
Migratory - Resident and Non-resident	28	90.20
Bear - Resident and Non-resident	103	1,637.70
DM AP - Resident and Non-resident	4	64.60
Replacements	64	369.60
Totals		
Totals	15,399	126,837.10
Disbursements to Game Commission		(126,643.10)
Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and		
Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals		 (194.00)
Balance due Game Commission (County)		
per settled reports		
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Audit adjustments		 -
Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County)		
for the license period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017		\$ -

# HUNTING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018

License Type	Licenses Sold	nount Due Game ommission
Resident		
Adult	105	\$ 2,089.50
Junior	5	29.50
Junior combination	5	44.50
Senior	13	167.70
Senior Lifetime Combo	5	504.50
Senior Lifetime Hunting	1	50.90
Military	35	72.50
Spring Turkey	10	209.00
Mentored Youth	5	9.50
Non-resident		
Adult	19	1,917.10
Spring Turkey	1	40.90
Archery - Resident and Non-resident	103	1,667.70
Muzzleloaders - Resident and Non-resident	64	717.60
Antlerless deer		
Resident	14,852	87,626.80
Resident landowners	20	118.00
Non-resident	1,757	45,506.30
Non-resident landowners	4	103.60
Armed forces	38	224.20
Disabled veterans	64	377.60
Elk - Antlered and Antlerless	3	32.70
Bobcat	10	59.00
Fisher	4	23.60
River Otter	2	11.80
Adult Pheasant	10	259.00
Furtaker		
Adult resident	5	99.50
Migratory - Resident and Non-resident	23	75.70
Bear - Resident and Non-resident	96	1,566.40
DM AP - Resident and Non-resident	10	99.00
Replacements	56	330.40
Hunting & Trapping Digest	21	105.00
Totals	17,346	144,139.50
Disbursements to Game Commission		(143,939.50)
Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and		
		(200,00)
Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals		 (200.00)
Balance due Game Commission (County)		
per settled reports		-
Audit adjustments		
Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County)		
for the license period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018		\$ _
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# HUNTING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2019

License Type	Licenses Sold		mount Due Game ommission
Resident	Bola		onminosion
Adult	124	\$	2,467.60
Junior	3	Ψ	17.70
Junior combination	5		44.50
Senior	14		180.60
Senior Lifetime Combo	3		302.70
Senior Lifetime Hunting	6		305.40
Senior Lifetime Up grade Combo	1		50.90
Military	23		49.70
Spring Turkey	6		125.40
Mentored Youth	8		15.20
Non-resident	O		13.20
Adult	21		2,118.90
Spring Turkey	1		40.90
Archery - Resident and Non-resident	89		1,455.10
Muzzleloaders - Resident and Non-resident	53		597.70
Antlerless deer	33		371.10
Resident	14,349		84,659.10
Resident landowners	20		118.00
Non-resident	1,680		43,512.00
Non-resident landowners	3		77.70
Armed forces	25		147.50
Disabled veterans	60		354.00
Elk - Antlered and Antlerless	4		43.60
Bobcat	6		35.40
Adult Pheasant	8		207.20
Furtaker	0		207.20
Adult resident	5		99.50
Migratory - Resident and Non-resident	14		43.60
Bear - Resident and Non-resident	87		1,503.30
DM AP - Resident and Non-resident	20		1,303.30
Replacements  Hypting & Transping Diggst	71 14		418.90
Hunting & Trapping Digest			70.00
Totals	16,723		139,260.10
Disbursements to Game Commission			(139,070.10)
Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and			
Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals			(190.00)
Schol Elictine Hunt lenewals		-	(170.00)
Balance due Game Commission (County)			
per settled reports			_
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Audit adjustments			-
Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County)			
for the license period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019		\$	-

# FISHING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Licenses	Fish	nount Due n and Boat
<u>License Type</u>	Sold		mmission
Resident	67	\$	1,386.90
Replacements	2		11.40
Senior resident	10		97.00
One day resident	1		10.70
National Guard/Armed Forces	1		1.70
Reduced Disabled Veterans	2		5.40
Non-resident	1		50.70
Tourist			
Three day	1		25.70
Senior lifetime	6		304.20
Replacements	7		39.90
Lake Erie Stamp	2		17.40
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	2		29.40
Trout/Salmon Stamp	28		243.60
1 Year Trout/Salmon	6		52.20
Replacements	1		(1.00)
Annual Fishing Button	3		12.00
Totals	140		2,287.20
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission			(2,287.20)
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports			-
Audit adjustments			
Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (Cofor the license period January 1, 2015 to December	• /	\$	

# FISHING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Licenses	Fisl	nount Due
<u>License Type</u>	Sold		ommission
Resident	61	\$	1,328.10
3 Year Resident	1		63.70
5 Year Resident	1		105.70
Senior resident	4		42.80
National Guard/Armed Forces	3		5.10
Reduced Disabled Veterans	4		7.40
Non-resident	3		130.20
Tourist			
Three day	1		25.70
Seven day	1		33.90
Senior lifetime	7		400.30
Lifetime Upgrade Card	2		21.60
Replacements	6		34.60
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	2		29.40
Trout/Salmon Stamp	24		209.20
1 Year Trout/Salmon	7		60.90
3 Year Trout/Salmon	1		24.70
5 Year Trout/Salmon	1		40.70
Annual Fishing Button	5		20.00
Totals	134		2,584.00
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission			(2,584.00)
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports			-
Audit adjustments			-
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# FISHING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Licenses	Fish	ount Due and Boat
License Type	Sold		nmission
Resident	37	\$	810.30
Replacements	1		5.90
Senior resident	6		65.40
Reduced Disabled Veterans	4		7.60
Non-resident	2		103.80
Tourist			
Three day	3		77.70
Seven day	1		33.90
Senior lifetime	7		356.30
Replacements	3		17.70
Lake Erie Stamp	1		8.90
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	2		29.80
Trout/Salmon Stamp	19		169.10
1 Year Trout/Salmon	3		26.70
Replacements	1		5.90
Annual Fishing Button	2		8.00
Totals	92		1,727.00
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission			(1,727.00)
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports			-
Audit adjustments			
Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (C for the license period January 1, 2017 to December	• /	\$	

# FISHING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Licenses		nount Due h and Boat
License Type	Sold		n and Boat ommission
Resident	48	\$	1,051.20
3 Year Resident	2	Ψ	127.80
Voluntary Youth	2		3.80
Replacements	1		5.90
Senior resident	5		54.50
Reduced Disabled Veterans	5		9.50
Tourist	3		9.50
Three day	2		51.80
Seven day	1		33.90
Senior lifetime	2		101.80
Replacements	1		5.90
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	1		14.90
Trout/Salmon Stamp	26		231.40
1 Year Trout/Salmon	4		35.60
3 Year Trout/Salmon	2		49.80
Annual Fishing Button	1		4.00
Attitude I ishing Button		-	1.00
Totals	103		1,781.80
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission			(1,781.80)
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports			-
Audit adjustments			
Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (C for the license period January 1, 2018 to December	• /	\$	_

# FISHING LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Licenses		nount Due n and Boat
License Type	Sold		mmission
Resident	46	\$	1,023.40
Voluntary Youth	40	Ф	7.60
Replacements	2		11.80
Senior resident	5		54.50
Disabled Veterans	42		13
Non-resident	2		103.80
Tourist	2		103.80
Three day	5		129.50
Senior lifetime	8		407.20
	3		17.70
Replacements			
Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp	1		14.90
Trout/Salmon Stamp	26		231.40
1 Year Trout/Salmon	8		71.20
3 Year Trout/Salmon	1		24.90
PA Fishing Summary Booklet	7		14.00
Totals	160		2,125.20
Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission			(2,125.20)
Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports			-
Audit adjustments			<u>-</u>
Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (Coffor the license period January 1, 2019 to December	• /	\$	

# TREASURER BRADFORD COUNTY DOG LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 TO DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Licenses	Amount Due Department of
<u>License Type</u>	Sold	Agriculture
Individual	7,942	\$45,630.00
Senior citizen	3,390	\$12,322.00
Lifetime	264	\$8,040.00
Totals	11,596	\$65,992.00
Disbursements to Department of Agriculture		(\$65,992.00)
Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports		-
Audit adjustments		
Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015		\$ -

# TREASURER BRADFORD COUNTY DOG LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Licenses	Amount Due Department of
<u>License Type</u>	Sold	Agriculture
Individual	7,207	\$41,373.00
Senior citizen	3,347	\$12,143.00
Lifetime	245	\$7,440.00
Totals	10,799	\$60,956.00
Disbursements to Department of Agriculture		(\$60,956.00)
Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports		-
Audit adjustments		
Adjusted balance due Department of		
Agriculture (County) for the license period		
January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016		\$ -

# TREASURER BRADFORD COUNTY DOG LICENSE SALES

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 31, 2017

	Amount Due
Licenses	Department of
Sold	Agriculture
6,875	\$39,441.00
3,192	\$11,568.00
299	\$9,190.00
10,366	\$60,199.00
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# DOG LICENSE SALES SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018

	Licenses	Amount Due
License Type	Sold	Department of Agriculture
Individual	7,161	\$41,513.00
Senior citizen	3,106	\$11,304.00
Lifetime	286	\$8,540.00
Totals	10,553	\$61,357.00
Disbursements to Department of Agriculture		(\$61,357.00)
Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports		-
Audit adjustments		
Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018		<u>\$</u>

# DOG LICENSE SALES OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

# SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Licenses	Amount Due Department of
<u>License Type</u>	Sold	Agriculture
Individual	6,212	\$35,852.00
Senior citizen	2,813	\$10,173.00
Lifetime	355	\$10,840.00
Totals	9,380	\$56,865.00
Disbursements to Department of Agriculture		(\$56,865.00)
Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports		-
Audit adjustments		
Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019		<u>\$</u> -

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