

TREASURER

ARMSTRONG COUNTY

EXAMINATION REPORT OF LICENSE SALES

HUNTING - JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2007

FISHING AND DOG - JANUARY 1, 2005 TO DECEMBER 31, 2007

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Sonie Mervis Treasurer Armstrong County Kittanning, PA 16201

We have examined the accompanying statements of receipts and disbursements (Statements) of the Treasurer, Armstrong 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). These Statements are the responsibility of the county office's management. 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. An examination includes 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*.

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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 of the licensing agencies, for the license period identified on the contents page, in conformity with the criteria set forth in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we are required to report findings of significant deficiencies in internal control, violations of provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and abuse that are material to the Statements and any fraud and illegal acts that are more than inconsequential that come to our attention during our examination. We are also required to obtain the views of management on those matters. We performed our examination to express an opinion on whether the Statements are presented in accordance with the criteria described above and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the internal control over reporting on the Statements or on compliance and other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the County Officer's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report data reliably in accordance with the applicable criteria such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the County Officer's Statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the County Officer's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the Statements will not be prevented or detected by the County Officer's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over reporting on the Statements was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses, as defined above, in internal control over reporting on the Statements.

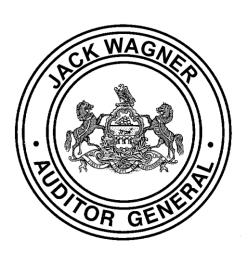
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The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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.

July 21, 2008

JACK WAGNER Auditor General



TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY HUNTING LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2006

| License Type | Licenses Sold | | License Value | | mount Due Game ommission |
|--|------------------|----|------------------|----|--------------------------------|
| • • | | | • | | |
| Resident | 100 | ¢. | 10.00 | Ф | 2 501 00 |
| Adult | 189 | \$ | 19.00 | \$ | 3,591.00 |
| Junior | 25 | | 5.00 | | 125.00 |
| Junior combination | 12 | | 8.00 | | 96.00 |
| Senior | 33 | | 12.00 | | 396.00 |
| Replacements | 16 43 | | 5.00 | | 80.00 |
| Military Non-resident | 43 | | 1.00 | | 43.00 |
| Adult | 12 | | 100.00 | | 1 200 00 |
| Junior | 12 | | 40.00 | | 1,200.00 40.00 |
| | 2 | | | | 60.00 |
| Seven day | 2 | | 30.00 | | 60.00 |
| Archery Resident | 76 | | 15.00 | | 1 140 00 |
| Non-resident | 1 | | 25.00 | | 1,140.00 25.00 |
| Replacements | 3 | | 5.00 | | 15.00 |
| Muzzleloaders | 3 | | 3.00 | | 15.00 |
| Resident | 98 | | 10.00 | | 980.00 |
| Non-resident | 1 | | 20.00 | | 20.00 |
| Replacements | 2 | | 5.00 | | 10.00 |
| Antlerless deer | 2 | | 3.00 | | 10.00 |
| Resident | 14,434 | | 5.00 | | 72,170.00 |
| Resident landowners | 45 | | 5.00 | | 225.00 |
| Non-resident | 519 | | 25.00 | | 12,975.00 |
| Non-resident landowners | 2 | | 25.00 | | 50.00 |
| Armed forces | 59 | | 5.00 | | 295.00 |
| Disabled veterans | 21 | | 5.00 | | 105.00 |
| Replacements | 35 | | 5.00 | | 175.00 |
| Furtaker | | | 2.00 | | 170.00 |
| Adult resident | 7 | | 19.00 | | 133.00 |
| Senior resident | 1 | | 12.00 | | 12.00 |
| Migratory | | | | | |
| Resident | 37 | | 2.00 | | 74.00 |
| Non-resident | 2 | | 5.00 | | 10.00 |
| Bear | | | | | |
| Resident | 93 | | 15.00 | | 1,395.00 |
| Non-resident | 2 | | 35.00 | | 70.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 15,771 | | | | 95,510.00 |
| Disbursements to Game Commission (Note 3) | | | | | (95,285.00) |
| Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans | and | | | | |
| Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals | and | | | | (225.00) |
| Balance due Game Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | | | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | | | | - |
| Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County) | | | | | |
| for the license period ending June 30, 2006 | | | | \$ | _ |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY HUNTING LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2007

| <u>License Type</u> | Licenses Sold | cense Value | mount Due Game ommission |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Resident | | | |
| Adult | 174 | \$ 19.00 | \$ 3,306.00 |
| Junior | 30 | 5.00 | 150.00 |
| Junior combination | 7 | 8.00 | 56.00 |
| Senior | 22 | 12.00 | 264.00 |
| Replacements | 23 | 5.00 | 115.00 |
| Military | 39 | 1.00 | 39.00 |
| Non-resident | | | |
| Adult | 23 | 100.00 | 2,300.00 |
| Archery | | | , |
| Resident | 77 | 15.00 | 1,155.00 |
| Non-resident | 4 | 25.00 | 100.00 |
| Replacements | 1 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Muzzleloaders | - | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Resident | 79 | 10.00 | 790.00 |
| Non-resident | 3 | 20.00 | 60.00 |
| Replacements | 1 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Antlerless deer | 1 | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| Resident | 14,390 | 5.00 | 71,950.00 |
| Resident landowners | 45 | 5.00 | 225.00 |
| Non-resident | 514 | 25.00 | 12,850.00 |
| Non-resident landowners | 3 | 25.00 | 75.00 |
| Armed forces | 48 | 5.00 | 240.00 |
| Disabled veterans | 20 | 5.00 | 100.00 |
| | 28 | | |
| Replacements Furtaker | 28 | 5.00 | 140.00 |
| Adult resident | 0 | 19.00 | 152.00 |
| | 8 1 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Replacements | 1 | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| Migratory | 20 | 2.00 | 76.00 |
| Resident | 38 | 2.00 | 76.00 |
| Bear | 92 | 15.00 | 1 245 00 |
| Resident | 83 | 15.00 | 1,245.00 |
| Non-resident | 4 | 35.00 | 140.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 15,665 | | 95,543.00 |
| Disbursements to Game Commission (Note 3) | | | (95,301.00) |
| Credits taken for licenses issued for Disabled Veterans and | | | |
| | | | (2.12.00) |
| Senior Lifetime Hunt renewals | | | (242.00) |
| Balance due Game Commission (County) | | | |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | |
| per settled reports (Note 4) | | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | | - |
| • | | | |
| Adjusted balance due Game Commission (County) | | | |
| for the license period ending June 30, 2007 | | | \$ <u> </u> |
| | | | |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY FISHING LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2005

| License Type | Licenses Sold | License Value | Fish | nount Due h and Boat ommission |
|--|---------------|------------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| Resident Replacements | 85 1 | \$ 21.00 4.25 | \$ | 1,785.00 4.25 |
| Senior resident | 10 | 10.00 | | 100.00 |
| One day resident | 1 | 10.00 | | 10.00 |
| Non-resident Replacements | 3 1 | 51.00 4.25 | | 153.00 4.25 |
| Tourist Three day Seven day | 4 2 | 25.00 33.00 | | 100.00 66.00 |
| Senior lifetime Replacements | 153 16 | 50.00 4.25 | | 7,650.00 68.00 |
| Lake Erie Stamp | 57 | 8.00 | | 456.00 |
| Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp | 148 | 14.00 | | 2,072.00 |
| Trout/Salmon Stamp | 96 | 8.00 | | 768.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 577 | | | 13,236.50 |
| Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission (Note 3) | | | | (13,236.50) |
| Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | | | |
| Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (Courfor the license period ending December 31, 2005 | nty) | | \$ | |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY FISHING LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

| License Type | Licenses Sold | License Value | Fish | ount Due and Boat mmission |
|---|------------------|------------------|------|----------------------------------|
| Resident Replacements | 102 1 | \$ 21.00 4.25 | \$ | 2,142.00 4.25 |
| Senior resident | 3 | 10.00 | | 30.00 |
| National Guard/Armed Forces | 14 | 1.00 | | 14.00 |
| Three day Seven day | 2 1 | 25.00 33.00 | | 50.00 33.00 |
| Senior lifetime Replacements | 160 21 | 50.00 4.25 | | 8,000.00 89.25 |
| Lake Erie Stamp | 18 | 8.00 | | 144.00 |
| Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp | 163 | 14.00 | | 2,282.00 |
| Trout/Salmon Stamp | 113 | 8.00 | | 904.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 598 | | | 13,692.50 |
| Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission (Note 3) | | | | (13,692.50) |
| Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | | | |
| Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (Coufor the license period ending December 31, 2006 | nty) | | \$ | - |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY FISHING LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

| License Type | Licenses Sold | License Value | Fisl | nount Due n and Boat mmission |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|------|-------------------------------------|
| Resident | 108 | \$ 21.00 | \$ | 2,268.00 |
| Senior resident | 3 | 10.00 | | 30.00 |
| National Guard/Armed Forces | 10 | 1.00 | | 10.00 |
| Non-resident Three day | 1 1 | 51.00 25.00 | | 51.00 25.00 |
| Senior lifetime Lifetime Upgrade Card Replacements | 150 111 16 | 50.00 5.00 4.25 | | 7,500.00 555.00 68.00 |
| Lake Erie Stamp | 13 | 8.00 | | 104.00 |
| Lake Erie And Trout/Salmon Combo Stamp | 144 | 14.00 | | 2,016.00 |
| Trout/Salmon Stamp | 106 | 8.00 | | 848.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 663 | | | 13,475.00 |
| Disbursements to Fish and Boat Commission (Note 3) | | | | (13,475.00) |
| Balance due Fish and Boat Commission (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | | | |
| Adjusted balance due Fish and Boat Commission (Courfor the license period ending December 31, 2007 | nty) | | \$ | |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY DOG LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2005

| License Type | Licenses Sold | Amount Due Department of Agriculture |
|---|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| Individual | 8,973 | \$ 53,205.00 |
| Senior citizen | 2,665 | 10,405.00 |
| Lifetime | 180 | 5,350.00 |
| Duplicates | 4 | 20.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 11,822 | 68,980.00 |
| Disbursements to Department of Agriculture (Note 3) | | (68,980.00) |
| Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | |
| Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period ending December 31, 2005 | | \$ - |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY DOG LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

| | | Amount D | |
|---|------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| License Type | Licenses Sold | Department Agricultur | |
| License Type | Solu | Agricultur | 16 |
| Individual | 8,919 | \$ 52,78 | 9.00 |
| Senior citizen | 2,569 | 9,96 | 7.00 |
| Lifetime | 290 | 9,18 | 0.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 11,778 | 71,93 | 6.00 |
| Disbursements to Department of Agriculture (Note 3) | | (71,93 | 6.00) |
| Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | | |
| Adjusted balance due Department of | | | |
| Agriculture (County) for the license period | | | |
| ending December 31, 2006 | | \$ | - |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY DOG LICENSE SALES STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS LICENSE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

| | Licenses | Amount Due Department of |
|---|----------|--------------------------|
| <u>License Type</u> | Sold | Agriculture |
| Individual | 8,047 | \$ 47,495.00 |
| Senior citizen | 2,550 | 9,866.00 |
| Lifetime | 237 | 7,360.00 |
| Totals (Note 2) | 10,834 | 64,721.00 |
| Disbursements to Department of Agriculture (Note 3) | | (64,721.00) |
| Balance due Department of Agriculture (County) per settled reports (Note 4) | | - |
| Examination adjustments | | |
| Adjusted balance due Department of Agriculture (County) for the license period ending December 31, 2007 | | <u>\$</u> |

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY

NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE HUNTING LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2007 AND FOR THE FISHING AND DOG LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2005 TO DECEMBER 31, 2007

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> | 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.

2. Receipts

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

3. Disbursements

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

The proceeds from the sale of paper fishing licenses for the license years 2004 through 2007 were remitted monthly by check with the monthly reports of sales. The proceeds from the sale of fishing licenses, sold electronically, for the license year 2007 were remitted weekly through an electronic funds transfer program.

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NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE HUNTING LICENSE PERIOD JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2007 AND FOR THE FISHING AND DOG LICENSE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2005 TO DECEMBER 31, 2007

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

Sonie Mervis served as Treasurer during the hunting license period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2007 and during the fishing and dog license period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007.

TREASURER ARMSTRONG COUNTY REPORT DISTRIBUTION

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