

COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2023, 2024, AND 2025

PFEFFER, HANNIFORD & PALKA, Certified Public Accountants, registered to practice in the State of Michigan (hereinafter referred to as **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**) and the **COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP**, A municipal corporation, of the State of Michigan (hereinafter referred to as **TOWNSHIP**) contract on this day of , 2022, as follows:

1. For the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, 2024 and 2025 the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** shall conduct an audit of the financial statements of the **TOWNSHIP**. The financial statements are the responsibility of the **TOWNSHIP BOARD**. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audits. We will conduct our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the **TOWNSHIP** as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

2. The **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS'** audit shall meet the requirements of Act No. 2, P.A. 1968, or as amended, and the related Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, dated June 1, 1968, or as amended, which is available from the State Treasurer.

3. If the **TOWNSHIP** receives federal financial assistance, grants, or other contracts, we may be required to, not only conduct the audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, but also in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and (or) in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, OMB A-133. The testing of compliance and other fieldwork would be increased substantially because of the aforementioned. We would issue a separate engagement letter and fee proposal for the additional work to complete the audit in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and (or) the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, OMB A-133.

4. The reports on financial statements, as required by Act 2 of Public Acts of 1968, or as amended, shall contain an unqualified opinion by the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** or such other opinion as he must render under the circumstances when he is unable to express an unqualified opinion.

5. The audit shall begin as soon after the signing of this contract as shall be convenient to the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** and shall be completed with the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS'** reports issued not later than six months after the conclusion of the fiscal year.

6. The **TOWNSHIP** shall have closed and balanced all funds and bank accounts, agencies and operations to be examined by the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**.

7. The estimated total audit fee for the years ended March 31, 2023, 2024, and 2025 will be \$7,800, \$7,800, and \$7,800 respectively. Additional services outside the scope of the audit will be billed at \$105 per hour.

8. The **TOWNSHIP** authorizes the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** to immediately disclose any and all findings of suspected fraud, and/or embezzlement to the Deputy State Treasurer in charge of the Local Audit Division of the State Department of Treasury.

9. The **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** shall provide a reasonable number of reports for each of the funds to the **TOWNSHIP** officials.

10. This contract may be terminated by either party upon a ninety day (90) advance written notice.

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