John H. Dietershagen, C.P.A. Jerry E. Mickelson, C.P.A. Thomas K. Van Derzee, C.P.A. Debbie Conley Jordan, C.P.A. Patrick S. Jordan, C.P.A. Duane R. Shoen, C.P.A. Lesley L. Horner, C.P.A. D. Leslie Spurgin, C.P.A.



Ciaschi • Dietershagen • Little • Mickelson & Company, LLP

Certified Public Accountants and Consultants

Frederick J. Ciaschi, C.P.A.

**COUNTY OF TIOGA** 

**Owego, New York** 

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

December 31, 2014

CORTLAND

39 Church Street Cortland, New York 13045 607-753-7439 fax 607-753-7874 ITHACA

401 East State Street ~ Suite 500 Ithaca, New York 14850 607-272-4444 fax 607-273-8372 www.cdlm.com WATKINS GLEN

2 North Franklin Street, Suite 330 Watkins Glen, New York 14891 607-535-4443 *fax* 607-535-6220

### COUNTY OF TIOGA

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF 2014 AUDIT REPORT AND FINDINGS

#### Basic Financial Statements

Independent Auditor's Report on Basic Financial Statements

Independent Auditor's Report on Supplemental Financial Information

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* 

### **Description of Report and Findings**

**Unmodified opinion** on the County of Tioga's (the County's) financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014.

**Unmodified report** on supplemental financial information in relation to primary audit report.

Reports on the County's internal control over financial reporting based on the auditor's understanding of the internal control structure and assessment of control risk obtained as part of the audit of the basic financial statements. This report identified **one significant deficiency and no material weaknesses in internal control.** 

Report on the County's compliance with laws and regulations that may have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. This report identified **no material instances of noncompliance**.

Letter of comments dated September 11, 2015 discusses three

Management Comment Letter

### Single Audit (OMB A-133) Report

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance required by OMB Circular A-133

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Communication with Those Charged with Goverance at the Conclusion of the Audit

# Description of Report and Findings

items, two of which have been resolved.

Report on 1) the County's internal control structure policies and procedures used in administering federal award programs; 2) compliance with general requirements of the County's federal awards; and 3) compliance with specific requirements applicable to its major federal award programs. This report identified **no instances of noncompliance and no material weaknesses.** 

**Unmodified report** on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards supplemental information in relation to the primary audit report. Federal expenditures amounted to \$12,351,997.

A letter that specifically addresses certain required communications to the Legislature in accordance with professional standards - there were **no comments of concern** to be reported regarding the following:

- Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices
- Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit
- Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements
- Disagreements with Management
- Management Representations
- Management Consultations with Other Independent
  Accountants
- Other Audit Findings or Issues
- Other Matters

# COUNTY OF TIOGA

# **5 YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS**

GENERAL FUND	_	12/31/14		12/31/13		12/31/12	. <u> </u>	12/31/11	 12/31/10
ASSETS									
Cash and investments	\$	13,075,438	\$	11,675,314	\$	10,972,716	\$	13,173,961	\$ 11,153,897
Taxes receivable		6,404,030		6,254,643		7,124,699		5,900,648	5,382,910
Due from state and federal		6,555,906		5,452,958		7,683,603		5,407,426	6,625,293
Other receivables		1,006,230		792,221		872,561		675,863	187,813
Prepaid expenses		847,111		1,379,495		781,314		677,957	499,385
Due from other governments		40,506		-0-		25,640		-0-	27,490
Due from other funds	_	3,258,689	· _	346,556		529,964	· -	369,452	 2,150,239
Total Assets	\$_	31,187,910	\$	25,901,187	\$	27,990,497	\$_	26,205,307	\$ 26,027,027
LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCE	<u>s</u>								
Accounts payable and accruals	\$	2,206,434	\$	2,431,351	\$	2,184,705	\$	2,136,631	\$ 2,336,103
Due to other governments		4,512,729		4,405,529		6,294,390		5,136,504	5,064,472
Due to other funds		2,605,343		1,808,234		3,190,052		3,436,484	304,023
Deferred revenue		2,669,387		956,016		840,740		980,582	555,379
Deferred inflows of resources	_	2,259,071		2,031,514	• -	1,957,440	· -	1,745,533	 1,726,978
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	_	14,252,964		11,632,644		14,467,327	. <u> </u>	13,435,734	 9,986,955
FUND BALANCES									
Nonspendable		847,111		1,379,495		781,314		677,957	499,385
Restricted		417,236		486,834		475,097		441,851	375,965
Assigned		2,477,096		1,887,753		3,753,013		6,464,067	5,463,742
Unassigned	_	13,193,503		10,514,461		8,513,746		5,185,698	 9,700,980
Total Fund Balances	_	16,934,946		14,268,543		13,523,170	. <u> </u>	12,769,573	 16,040,072
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources,									
and Fund Balances	\$_	31,187,910	\$_	25,901,187	\$	27,990,497	\$_	26,205,307	\$ 26,027,027

Note: Abstracted from audited financials - See audit reports for complete information

# COUNTY OF TIOGA (CONTINUED) <u>5 YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS</u>

	_	12/31/14		12/31/13	 12/31/12		12/31/11	_	12/31/10
<u>REVENUES</u>									
Real property taxes and tax items	\$	23,390,519	\$	23,947,541	\$ 22,831,313	\$	22,569,265	\$	22,479,665
Nonproperty tax items		19,892,019		18,823,090	19,778,733		18,573,837		16,858,161
Departmental income		4,697,165		7,195,471	7,243,322		6,583,679		8,221,866
Intergovernmental charges		555,946		516,905	725,519		479,682		704,385
Use of money and property		48,711		61,913	83,659		223,481		102,965
Fines and forfeitures		99,849		99,364	121,401		116,642		117,600
Other		521,428		331,431	372,429		579,616		452,311
State sources		9,509,821		8,810,869	10,025,619		9,194,566		9,137,655
Federal sources	_	7,138,990	. <u> </u>	8,028,295	 7,786,462	_	6,801,319	_	9,043,633
Total Revenues		65,854,448	· <u> </u>	67,814,879	 68,968,457		65,122,087		67,118,241
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
General governmental support		10,660,758		10,331,288	10,461,164		10,062,138		9,471,874
Education		4,501,850		4,269,886	4,164,315		4,405,340		4,494,316
Public safety		7,131,869		7,268,216	7,132,224		6,740,298		6,868,533
Public health		4,740,561		6,008,829	6,700,779		7,094,388		7,092,383
Transportation		1,179,181		987,387	813,822		869,717		1,072,579
Economic assistance and opportunity		19,629,686		20,746,825	21,058,883		20,270,319		19,879,247
Culture and recreation		338,028		285,172	322,207		223,387		229,476
Home and community service		704,465		702,591	632,540		608,096		605,536
Employee benefits		11,074,461		12,176,498	11,787,400		11,125,587		10,089,514
Debt service (principal and interest)		1,822,886		1,654,580	 1,694,739	_	1,341,163	_	874,600
Total Expenditures		61,783,745	. <u> </u>	64,431,272	 64,768,073		62,740,433		60,678,058
Excess of Revenues	_	4,070,703	. <u> </u>	3,383,607	 4,200,384	_	2,381,654		6,440,183
Transfers (out)	_	(1,404,300)	· <u> </u>	(2,638,234)	 (3,446,787)		(5,652,153)	_	(1,022,637)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	2,666,403	\$	745,373	\$ 753,597	\$	(3,270,499)	\$	5,417,546
Restatement	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	\$ -0-	\$	-0-	\$	(404,963)

Note: Abstracted from audited financials - See audit reports for complete information

# COUNTY OF TIOGA (CONTINUED) <u>5 YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS</u>

	12/31/14		12/31/13	12/31/12		12/31/11		12/31/10
EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS		_				-		
IN OTHER FUNDS								
Refuse and Garbage Fund	\$ 1,195,461	\$_	1,203,723	\$	1,219,529	\$	1,187,363	\$ 1,229,018
County Road Fund	\$ 1,933,001	\$	1,961,094	\$	1,960,461	\$	1,984,096	\$ 1,846,969
Road Machinery Fund	\$ 660,376	\$	689,875	\$	634,345	\$	637,672	\$ 616,333
Special Grant Fund	\$ 496,493	\$	467,590	\$	1,375,583	\$	288,918	\$ 688,571
Capital Projects Funds	\$ 8,540,816	\$	5,244,341	\$	5,659,829	\$	10,487,725	\$ 6,007,097

Note: Abstracted from audited financials - See audit reports for complete information

## COUNTY OF TIOGA

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF 2014 AUDIT

### AUDIT FOCUS/REPORTING OBJECTIVES:

- 1) Financial Statements
  - \* Management's Discussion and Analysis
  - \* Government-wide Financial Statements
  - \* Governmental Fund Financial Statements
  - \* Notes to Financial Statements
  - \* Budgetary Comparison Schedules
  - \* Supplementary Information
- 2) Single Audit
  - \* Study and Evaluation of Internal Controls
  - \* Testing of Compliance with Laws and Regulations

### AUDIT APPROACH:

- \* Preliminary Planning
- \* Consideration of Internal Control Structure
- \* Tests of Controls
- \* Tests of Compliance with Laws and Regulations
- \* Substantive Testing of Financial Information

### AUDIT REPORTS:

- \* Report on Financial Statements and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- \* Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
- \* Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Major Programs and Internal Control over Compliance with Circular A-133

### **UNDERSTANDING THE COUNTY'S OPERATIONS:**

- \* Services Provided
- \* Assessment of Accounting and Reporting System
- \* Nature of Activities
- \* Special Reporting Requirements
- \* Nature of Compliance Requirements
- \* Assessment of Management

### FACTORS AFFECTING THE SCOPE OF TESTING:

- \* Effectiveness of Overall Financial Controls
- \* Qualifications of Key Personnel
- \* Appropriate Segregation of Duties
- \* Budget Administration
- \* Ability to Issue Timely and Accurate Financial Reports

### **CONSIDERATION OF INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE:**

- \* Ability to Demonstrate Compliance with Laws and Regulations
- \* Effectiveness of Budget Process
- \* Accuracy and Comprehensiveness of Internal Reporting
- \* Existence of Adequate Policies and Procedures