

STATUTORY REPORT

LATIMER COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016



*Independently serving the citizens of
Oklahoma by promoting the
accountability and fiscal integrity of
governmental funds.*



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**LATIMER COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE TRUST AUTHORITY
STATUTORY REPORT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

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**TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LATIMER COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE TRUST AUTHORITY**

Transmitted herewith is the audit report of Latimer County Emergency Medical Service Trust Authority for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016.

The goal of the State Auditor and Inspector is to promote accountability and fiscal integrity in state and local government. Maintaining our independence as we provide this service to the taxpayers of Oklahoma is of utmost importance.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the assistance and cooperation extended to our office during our engagement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gary A. Jones". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GARY A. JONES, CPA, CFE
OKLAHOMA STATE AUDITOR & INSPECTOR

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Presentation of Collections, Disbursements, and Cash Balances of Authority Funds for FY 2016

	<u>FY 2016</u>
Beginning Cash Balance, July 1	\$ 499,685
Collections	
Ad Valorem Tax	181,749
Total Collections	<u>181,749</u>
Disbursements	
Contract for Personal Services	150,000
Maintenance and operations	7,373
Total Disbursements	<u>157,373</u>
Ending Cash Balance, June 30	<u>\$ 524,061</u>

Source: Authority Estimate of Needs (presented for informational purposes)



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TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LATIMER COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE TRUST AUTHORITY

For the purpose of complying with 19 O.S. § 1706.1, we have performed the following procedures:

- Determined that receipts were properly deposited and accurately reported in the accounting records.
- Determined cash balances were accurately reported in the accounting records.
- Determined whether deposits and invested funds were secured by pledged collateral.
- Determined that disbursements were properly supported, were made for purposes outlined in 19 O.S. § 1710.1, and were accurately reported in the accounting records.
- Determined that all purchases requiring bids complied with 19 O.S. § 1723.
- Determined that payroll expenditures were accurately reported in the accounting records and supporting documentation of leave records was maintained.
- Determined that fixed assets records were properly maintained.
- Determined whether the Authority's collections, disbursements, and cash balances for FY 2016 were accurately presented on the estimate of needs.

All information included in the records of the Authority is the representation of the Latimer County Emergency Medical Service Authority.

Our emergency medical service Authority statutory engagement was limited to the procedures performed above and was less in scope than an audit performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on any basic financial statement of the Latimer County Emergency Medical Service Authority.

Based on our procedures performed, we have presented our findings in the accompanying schedule.

This report is intended for the information and use of the management of the Latimer County Emergency Medical Service Authority. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

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May 8, 2017

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Finding 2016-1 – Inadequate Internal Controls and Noncompliance Over Audit Expense Budget Account (Repeat Finding)

Condition: Upon inquiry and observation of the budgeting process, it was determined that internal controls have not been designed and implemented to ensure the amount required by statute is correctly budgeted for the audit expense budget account.

It was further noted, that Latimer County Emergency Medical Service Trust Authority (the Authority) has not carried forward the balance into the audit expense budget account for each fiscal year. As a result, the Authority’s beginning balance in the audit expense budget account for the year ending June 30, 2016 was \$1,763. The correct balance should have been \$39,934 leaving an underfunded account balance of \$38,171.

Cause of Condition: Policies and procedures have not been designed and implemented to ensure the audit expense budget account is accurately budgeted in accordance with statutory requirements.

Effect of Condition: This condition resulted in noncompliance with the state statute and the audit expense budget account being underfunded.

Recommendation: The Oklahoma State Auditor & Inspector’s Office (OSAI) recommends the District implement a system of internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that one-tenth mill upon the net total assessed valuation be set aside in the audit account and that any unused portion be carried forward into the next year audit account in accordance with 19 O.S. § 1706.1.

Management Response:

Chairman of the Board: We will ensure that the budgeted amount is correct for audit expense.

Criteria: Accountability and stewardship are overall goals of management in the accounting of funds. A component objective of an effective internal control system is to provide accurate and reliable information through proper review and approval.

Title 19 O.S. § 1706.1 states in part “The net proceeds of the one-tenth mill annual ad valorem levy upon the net total assessed valuation in any emergency medical service district for any year which shall be authorized and mandatorily required to be appropriated and dedicated to emergency medical service district audit



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