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Rodney Blase, Chairperson Village of Hordville P.O. Box 16 Hordville, NE 68846

Dear Chairperson Blase:

The Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts (APA) has reviewed the audit waiver request received from the Village of Hordville (Village) for the fiscal year ending 2020. **That request has been approved.**

While performing, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-304 (Cum. Supp. 2020), the preliminary examination necessary to determine whether the audit waiver should be allowed or further audit work would be required, the APA noted certain internal control or compliance matters, or other operational issues, within the Village.

The following information is intended to improve internal controls or result in other operational efficiencies.

Comment and Recommendation

Payment in Excess of Approved Amount

During our comparison of the Village's bank account details to claims approved by the Board, the APA identified one check that was paid in excess of the amount approved by the Board.

The following table summarizes this overpayment:

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Name	Claim Date		Amount	An	nount Paid	Pa	ayment
Floor Pros	1/13/2020	\$	5,550.83	\$	5,691.83	\$	141.00

Good internal control requires procedures to ensure that all claims are made in the amounts approved by the Board. Without such procedures, there is an increased risk for the loss or misuse of Village funds.

We recommend the Village implement procedures to ensure payments are made in the amounts approved by the Board.

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The preliminary planning work that resulted in this letter was designed primarily on a test basis and, therefore, may not bring to light all existing weaknesses in the Village's policies or procedures. Nevertheless, our objective is to use the knowledge gained during the performance of that preliminary planning work to make comments and suggestions that we hope will prove useful to the Village.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Village and its management. It is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than those specified parties. However, this letter is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

If you have any questions, please contact **Dakota Christensen at 402-499-8702 or dakota.christensen** @nebraska.gov.

Sincerely,

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