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**TROY TOWNSHIP  
RICHLAND COUNTY**

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Troy Township  
Richland County  
3481 Lindsey Road  
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Troy Township, Richland County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the 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 management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The Township processes its financial transactions with the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to audit the Township because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and as requested, operates UAN. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 2, the accompanying financial statements and notes follow the modified cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Troy Township, Richland County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2007, and the respective changes in modified cash financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General, Gasoline Tax, Road and Bridge, Fire District, and Permissive Sales Tax Funds thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 2 describes.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 29, 2008, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information the Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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**Mary Taylor, CPA**  
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April 29, 2008

**Troy Township, Richland County**  
Management's Discussion and Analysis  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007  
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This discussion and analysis of Troy Township's (the Township) financial performance provides an overall review of the Township's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2007, within the limitations of the Township's modified cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Township's financial performance.

**Highlights**

Key highlights for 2007 are as follows:

Net assets of governmental activities increased \$319,091, a significant change from the prior year. The fund most affected by the increase in cash and cash equivalents was the General Fund, which realized the greatest increase in revenue in 2007; however, cost increases and reductions in receipts affected the Road and Bridge Fund and Special Levy Fund, which reflected decreases in fund balances as of December 31, 2007.

The Township's general receipts are primarily property and other local taxes. These receipts represent 53.6 percent of the total cash received for governmental activities during the year. Property and other local tax receipts for 2007 changed very little compared to 2006 as development within the Township has slowed.

The township has no business type activity.

**Using the Basic Financial Statements**

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, as applicable to the Township's modified cash basis of accounting.

**Report Components**

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities provide information about the cash activities of the Township as a whole.

Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the Township as a way to segregate money whose use is restricted to a particular specified purpose. These statements present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the entity-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

**Basis of Accounting**

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The Township has elected to present its financial statements on a modified cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the Township's modified cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of using the modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the modified cash basis of accounting.

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**Reporting the Township as a Whole**

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the Township did financially during 2007, within the limitations of modified cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances and investments of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each Township program. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each governmental function draws from the Township's general receipts.

These statements report the Township's cash position and the changes in cash position. Keeping in mind the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting, you can think of these changes as one way to measure the Township's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's cash position is one indicator of whether the Township's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the Township's financial condition, you should also consider other nonfinancial factors as well such as the Township's property tax base, the condition of the Township's capital assets and infrastructure, the extent of the Township's debt obligations, the reliance on non-local financial resources for operations and the need for continued growth in the major local revenue sources such as property taxes.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, we divide the Township into two types of activities:

Governmental activities. All of the Township's basic services are reported here. State grants and property taxes finance most of these activities. Benefits provided through governmental activities are not necessarily paid for by the people receiving them.

Business-type activity. The Township has no business type activity.

**Reporting the Township's Most Significant Funds**

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the Township's major funds – not the Township as a whole. The Township establishes separate funds to better manage its many activities and to help demonstrate that money that is restricted as to how it may be used is being spent for the intended purpose. The funds of the Township are all governmental funds.

Governmental Funds - All of the Township's activities are reported in governmental funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the Township's governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent to finance the Township's programs. The Township's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for nonmajor funds (funds whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting) is combined and presented in total in a single column. The Township's major governmental funds are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund and Permissive Sales Tax Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements.

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**The Township as a Whole**

Table 1 provides a summary of the Township's net assets for 2007 compared to 2006 on a modified cash basis:

(Table 1)

**Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities	
	2007	2006
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$197,425	\$139,109
Investments	2,549,444	2,288,669
Total Assets	\$2,746,869	\$2,427,778
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Restricted for:		
Other Purposes	\$1,085,985	\$951,210
Unrestricted	1,660,884	1,476,568
Total Net Assets	\$2,746,869	\$2,427,778

As mentioned previously, net assets of governmental activities increased \$319,091, or 13.1 percent during 2007. The primary reasons contributing to the increase in cash balances are as follows:

- The General Fund receipts increased due to receiving \$39,534 more in estate taxes than the previous year.
- Interest income on investments increased significantly due to increases in interest rates and increases in the amount of cash invested.
- The Gasoline Tax Fund receipts increased \$6,522 due to rising gas costs.

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets on a modified cash basis in 2007 and 2006 for governmental activities.

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(Table 2)

**Changes in Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities	
	2007	2006
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services and Sales	\$76,287	\$77,292
Operating Grants and Contributions	102,175	106,382
Total Program Receipts	178,462	183,674
General Receipts:		
Property and Other Local Taxes	577,027	561,327
Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted to Specific Programs	169,420	121,075
Interest	124,955	96,381
Miscellaneous	26,287	28,321
Total General Receipts	897,689	807,104
Total Receipts	1,076,151	990,778
Disbursements:		
General Government	207,162	290,447
Public Safety	206,504	195,347
Public Works	277,216	325,433
Health	42,069	38,682
Human Services	2,800	4,200
Capital Outlay	21,309	26,173
Total Disbursements	757,060	880,282
Increase in Net Assets	319,091	110,496
Net Assets, January 1, 2007	2,427,778	2,317,282
Net Assets, December 31, 2007	\$2,746,869	\$2,427,778

Program receipts represent only 16.6 percent of total receipts and are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle license and gas tax money and charges to other entities for emergency protection.

General receipts represent 83.4 percent of the Township's total receipts, and of this amount, over 64 percent are local taxes. State grants and entitlements make up 19 percent of the Townships General Receipts. Other receipts are very insignificant and somewhat unpredictable revenue sources.

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Disbursements for General Government represent the overhead costs of running the Township and the support services provided for the other Township activities. These include the costs of the board and the fiscal officer, as well as internal services such as payroll and purchasing.

Public Safety is the costs of fire protection; Public Works is the cost of maintaining the roads.

**Governmental Activities**

If you look at the Statement of Activities you will see that the first column lists the major services provided by the Township. The next column identifies the costs of providing these services. The next two columns of the statement entitled Program Cash Receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants received by the Township that must be used to provide a specific service. The net Receipts (Disbursements) column compares the program receipts to the cost of the service. This "net cost" amount represents the cost of the service which ends up being paid from money provided by local taxpayers. These net costs are paid from the general receipts which are presented at the bottom of the Statement. A comparison between the total cost of services and the net cost is presented in Table 3.

(Table 3)

**Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Services 2007	Net Cost of Services 2007	Total Cost of Services 2006	Net Cost of Services 2006
General Government	\$207,162	(\$207,162)	\$290,447	(\$290,447)
Public Safety	206,504	(129,167)	195,347	(111,980)
Public Works	277,216	(176,091)	325,433	(225,126)
Health	42,069	(42,069)	38,682	(38,682)
Human Services	2,800	(2,800)	4,200	(4,200)
Capital Outlay	21,309	(21,309)	26,173	(26,173)
Total Expenses	\$757,060	(\$578,598)	\$880,282	(\$696,608)

The dependence upon property and permissive sales tax receipts is apparent as over 76 percent of governmental activities are supported through these general receipts.

**Business-type Activities**

The Township has no business type activity.

**The Township's Funds**

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$1,076,151 and disbursements of \$757,060. The greatest change within governmental funds occurred within the General Fund, Fire District Fund and Permissive Sales Tax Fund. The fund balance of the General Fund increased \$184,316 as the result of increased interest revenue and estate tax revenue. The Fire District Fund balance increased \$94,744 due to no major emergency apparatus equipment was purchased this year. The fund balance in the Permissive Sales Tax Fund increased \$51,795 due to a decrease in spending on road repairs and resurfacing.

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**General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

The Township's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During 2007, the Township did not amend its General Fund budget, and as a result, final budgeted receipts equaled the original budgeted receipts. The difference between final budgeted receipts and actual receipts was due to an estate tax receipt which was not budgeted for and a large increase in interest receipts.

Final disbursements and other financing uses were budgeted at \$1,733,268 while actual disbursements were \$185,135. The Township kept spending well under budgeted amounts. The significant variance between actual and budgeted disbursements relates to an over estimation of the Township's Other Expenses appropriation category which is part of their General Government operations.

**Current Issues**

The challenge for all Townships is to provide quality services to the public while staying within the restrictions imposed by limited, and in some cases shrinking, funding. We rely heavily on local taxes and have very little industry to support the tax base.

**Contacting the Township's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to reflect the Township's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Jane Volz Blackstone, Fiscal Officer, Troy Township Office, 3481 Lindsey Road Lexington, Ohio 44904.

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*Statement of Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis  
December 31, 2007*

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	Governmental Activities
<b>Assets</b>	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$197,425
Investments	2,549,444
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u><u>\$2,746,869</u></u>
<b>Net Assets</b>	
Restricted for:	
Other Purposes	\$1,085,985
Unrestricted	1,660,884
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	<u><u>\$2,746,869</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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*Statement of Activities - Modified Cash Basis  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	Program Cash Receipts		Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Assets
	Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions
			Governmental Activities
<b>Governmental Activities</b>			
General Government	\$207,162		(\$207,162)
Public Safety	206,504	\$76,287	(129,167)
Public Works	277,216		(176,091)
Health	42,069		(42,069)
Human Services	2,800		(2,800)
Capital Outlay	21,309		(21,309)
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	<u>\$757,060</u>	<u>\$76,287</u>	<u>\$102,175</u>
			(578,598)
<b>General Receipts</b>			
Property Taxes Levied for:			
General Purposes			129,981
Road and Bridge			110,968
Fire District			192,125
Cemetery			35,859
Permissive Sales Tax			108,094
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs			169,420
Interest			124,955
Miscellaneous			26,287
<i>Total General Receipts</i>			897,689
Change in Net Assets			319,091
<i>Net Assets Beginning of Year</i>			<u>2,427,778</u>
<i>Net Assets End of Year</i>			<u>\$2,746,869</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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RICHLAND COUNTY**

*Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds  
December 31, 2007*

	General	Gasoline Tax	Road and Bridge	Fire District	Permissive Sales Tax	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>							
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$60,833	\$20,846	\$27,517	\$53,237	\$19,960	\$15,032	\$197,425
Investments	1,600,051	72,553	29,840	644,000	168,000	35,000	2,549,444
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$1,660,884</u>	<u>\$93,399</u>	<u>\$57,357</u>	<u>\$697,237</u>	<u>\$187,960</u>	<u>\$50,032</u>	<u>\$2,746,869</u>
<b>Fund Balances</b>							
Unreserved:							
Undesignated, Reported in:							
General Fund	\$1,660,884						\$1,660,884
Special Revenue Funds		\$93,399	\$57,357	\$697,237	\$187,960	\$50,032	1,085,985
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$1,660,884</u>	<u>\$93,399</u>	<u>\$57,357</u>	<u>\$697,237</u>	<u>\$187,960</u>	<u>\$50,032</u>	<u>\$2,746,869</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**TROY TOWNSHIP  
RICHLAND COUNTY**

*Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Modified-Cash Basis Fund Balances  
Governmental Funds  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	General	Gasoline Tax	Road and Bridge	Fire District	Permissive Sales Tax	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Receipts</b>							
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$129,981		\$110,968	\$192,125	\$108,094	\$35,859	\$577,027
Charges for Services				73,968			73,968
Licenses, Permits and Fees	2,319						2,319
Intergovernmental	115,227	\$90,026	16,376	32,660		17,306	271,595
Earnings on Investments	118,657	5,535				763	124,955
Miscellaneous	3,267	136	574	22,307		3	26,287
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>369,451</u>	<u>95,697</u>	<u>127,918</u>	<u>321,060</u>	<u>108,094</u>	<u>53,931</u>	<u>1,076,151</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>							
Current:							
General Government	145,135		1,962	3,766	56,299		207,162
Public Safety				206,504			206,504
Public Works	40,000	93,415	132,007			11,794	277,216
Health						42,069	42,069
Human Services				2,800			2,800
Capital Outlay				13,246		8,063	21,309
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>185,135</u>	<u>93,415</u>	<u>133,969</u>	<u>226,316</u>	<u>56,299</u>	<u>61,926</u>	<u>757,060</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	184,316	2,282	(6,051)	94,744	51,795	(7,995)	319,091
<i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>	<u>1,476,568</u>	<u>91,117</u>	<u>63,408</u>	<u>602,493</u>	<u>136,165</u>	<u>58,027</u>	<u>2,427,778</u>
<i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>	<u>\$1,660,884</u>	<u>\$93,399</u>	<u>\$57,357</u>	<u>\$697,237</u>	<u>\$187,960</u>	<u>\$50,032</u>	<u>\$2,746,869</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**TROY TOWNSHIP  
RICHLAND COUNTY**

*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and  
Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis  
General Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Receipts</b>				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$127,000	\$127,000	\$129,981	\$2,981
Licenses, Permits and Fees	3,000	3,000	2,319	(681)
Intergovernmental	57,500	57,500	115,227	57,727
Earnings on Investments	65,000	65,000	118,657	53,657
Miscellaneous	3,000	3,000	3,267	267
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>255,500</u>	<u>255,500</u>	<u>369,451</u>	<u>113,951</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
General Government	1,498,444	1,456,041	145,135	1,310,906
Public Works	52,824	95,227	40,000	55,227
Health	2,000	2,000		2,000
Capital Outlay	130,000	130,000		130,000
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>1,683,268</u>	<u>1,683,268</u>	<u>185,135</u>	<u>1,498,133</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(1,427,768)</u>	<u>(1,427,768)</u>	<u>184,316</u>	<u>1,612,084</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>				
Transfers Out	(50,000)	(50,000)		50,000
Other Financing Sources	1,200	1,200		(1,200)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(48,800)</u>	<u>(48,800)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>48,800</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	<u>(1,476,568)</u>	<u>(1,476,568)</u>	<u>184,316</u>	<u>1,660,884</u>
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>1,476,568</u>	<u>1,476,568</u>	<u>1,476,568</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) End of Year</i>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,660,884</u>	<u>\$1,660,884</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**TROY TOWNSHIP  
RICHLAND COUNTY**

*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and  
Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis  
Gasoline Tax Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Receipts</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$61,000	\$61,000	\$90,026	\$29,026
Earnings on Investments	2,500	2,500	5,535	3,035
Miscellaneous	500	500	136	(364)
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>64,000</u>	<u>64,000</u>	<u>95,697</u>	<u>31,697</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
Public Works	<u>155,117</u>	<u>155,117</u>	<u>93,415</u>	<u>61,702</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(91,117)	(91,117)	2,282	93,399
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>91,117</u>	<u>91,117</u>	<u>91,117</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance (Deficit) End of Year</i>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$93,399</u>	<u>\$93,399</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and  
Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis  
Road and Bridge Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Receipts</b>				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$116,000	\$116,000	\$110,968	(\$5,032)
Intergovernmental	19,000	19,000	16,376	(2,624)
Miscellaneous	2,000	2,000	574	(1,426)
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>137,000</u>	<u>137,000</u>	<u>127,918</u>	<u>(9,082)</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
General Government	3,000	3,000	1,962	1,038
Public Works	182,408	182,408	132,007	50,401
Capital Outlay	15,000	15,000		15,000
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>200,408</u>	<u>200,408</u>	<u>133,969</u>	<u>66,439</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(63,408)	(63,408)	(6,051)	57,357
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>63,408</u>	<u>63,408</u>	<u>63,408</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$57,357</u>	<u>\$57,357</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**TROY TOWNSHIP  
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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and  
Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis  
Fire District Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Receipts</b>				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$185,000	\$185,000	\$192,125	\$7,125
Charges for Services	74,000	74,000	73,968	(32)
Intergovernmental	39,500	40,550	32,660	(7,890)
Miscellaneous	10,000	10,000	22,307	12,307
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>308,500</u>	<u>309,550</u>	<u>321,060</u>	<u>11,510</u>
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
General Government	6,000	6,000	3,766	2,234
Public Safety	342,000	342,000	206,504	135,496
Public Works	5,000	5,000		5,000
Human Services	7,000	8,050	2,800	5,250
Capital Outlay	550,843	550,843	13,246	537,597
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>910,843</u>	<u>911,893</u>	<u>226,316</u>	<u>685,577</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(602,343)	(602,343)	94,744	697,087
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>602,493</u>	<u>602,493</u>	<u>602,493</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$150</u>	<u>\$150</u>	<u>\$697,237</u>	<u>\$697,087</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**TROY TOWNSHIP  
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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and  
Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis  
Permissive Sales Tax Fund  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<b>Receipts</b>				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$108,000	\$108,000	\$108,094	\$94
<b>Disbursements</b>				
Current:				
General Government	200,000	200,000	56,299	143,701
Health	44,165	44,165	0	44,165
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>244,165</u>	<u>244,165</u>	<u>56,299</u>	<u>187,866</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(136,165)	(136,165)	51,795	187,960
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>136,165</u>	<u>136,165</u>	<u>136,165</u>	<u>0</u>
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$187,960</u></u>	<u><u>\$187,960</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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**1. Reporting Entity**

Troy Township, Richland County, Ohio, (the Township) is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township also has an elected Township Fiscal Officer.

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that were included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading.

**A. Primary Government**

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Township. The Township provides general government services, maintenance of Township roads and bridges, fire protection and emergency medical services.

**B. Component Units**

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Township is financially accountable. The Township is financially accountable for an organization if the Township appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Township is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Township is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Township is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide support to, the organization; or the Township is obligated for the debt of the organization. The Township is also financially accountable for any organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Township in that the Township approves their budget, the issuance of their debt or the levying of their taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the Township, are accessible to the Township and are significant in amount to the Township.

The Township has no component units.

**C. Public Entity Risk Pool**

The Township participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 6 and 10 to the financial statements provide additional information for this entity. This organization is:

Public Entity Risk Pool:

The Township belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan") for property and casualty coverage.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity** (Continued)

**D. Related Organization - Lexington Union Cemetery**

The Troy Township Board of Trustees and the Lexington Village Council are responsible for appointing individuals to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Lexington Union Cemetery (the “Cemetery”). The Cemetery hires and fires its own staff and does not rely on the Township to finance deficits. The Township is not financially accountable for the Cemetery; however, the Cemetery is financially dependent on the Township and Village. The Township collects and remits taxes to the Cemetery which are then used to meet the operating costs of the Cemetery.

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

As discussed further in Note 2C, these financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting. This modified cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the modified cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the Township’s accounting policies.

**A. Basis of Presentation**

The Township’s basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Township as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. The statements distinguish between those activities of the Township that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. The Township does not have any business type activities to report.

The statement of net assets presents the cash and investment balances of the governmental activities of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each of the Township’s governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the Township is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program’s goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and receipts of interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a modified cash basis or draws from the Township’s general receipts.

**Fund Financial Statements**

During the year, the Township segregates transactions related to certain Township functions or activities in separate funds to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Township at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

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**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies** (Continued)

**B. Fund Accounting**

The Township uses fund accounting to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Funds are used to segregate resources that are restricted as to use. All of the Township's funds are governmental.

**Governmental Funds**

The Township classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The Township's major governmental funds are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Fire District Fund, and Permissive Sales Tax Fund. The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the Township for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

The other governmental funds of the Township account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

**C. Basis of Accounting**

The Township's financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in the Township's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Any such modifications made by the Township are described in the appropriate section in this note.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued liabilities and the related expenses) are not recorded in these financial statements.

**D. Budgetary Process**

All funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Township may appropriate.

The appropriations ordinance is the Township's authorization to spend resources and sets limits on disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Township. The legal level of control has been established at the object level for all funds.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Township Fiscal Officer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificated of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Township.

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**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies** (Continued)

**D. Budgetary Process** (Continued)

The appropriations ordinance is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation ordinance for that fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Township during the year.

**E. Cash and Investments**

To improve cash management, cash received by the Township is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through Township records. Interest in the pool is presented as “Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents”.

During 2007, the Township invested in certificates of deposit and Star Ohio.

The certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

STAR Ohio is an investment pool, managed by the State Treasurer’s Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio’s share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 2007.

Interest earnings are allocated to Township funds according to State statutes, grant requirements, or debt related restrictions. Interest receipts credited to the General Fund during 2007 was \$118,657.

**F. Restricted Assets**

Cash, cash equivalents and investments are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of their use. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. During 2007, the Township did not report any restricted assets.

**G. Inventory and Prepaid Items**

The Township reports disbursements for inventories and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

**H. Capital Assets**

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

**I. Interfund Receivables/Payables**

The Township reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. During 2007, the Township did not report any interfund loans.

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**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies** (Continued)

**J. Accumulated Leave**

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused sick leave. Unpaid sick leave is not reflected as a liability under the Township's modified cash basis of accounting.

**K. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans**

The Township recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 7 and 8, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

**L. Long-Term Obligations**

Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither an other financing source nor capital outlay expenditure are reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

**M. Net Assets**

Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for road work. The Township's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an obligation is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available. The Township has no net assets restricted by enabling legislation.

**N. Fund Balance Reserves**

The Township reserves any portion of fund balances which is not available for appropriation or which is legally segregated for a specific future use. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods.

**O. Interfund Transactions**

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

**Note 3 – Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Fire District Fund, and Permissive Sales Tax Fund are prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. There were no differences between the budgetary basis and the modified cash basis.

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**Note 4 – Deposits and Investments**

Monies held by the Township are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Township treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Township treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Trustees have identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts, including passbook accounts.

Interim monies held by the Township can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Township, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions.

**Troy Township  
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**Note 4 – Deposits and Investments** (Continued)

Deposits

The Township has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Township or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

Investments

As of December 31, 2007, the Township had the following investments:

	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Maturity</u>
Certificates of Deposit	\$2,037,895	6 months to one year
STAR Ohio	511,549	39 days average
Total Portfolio	<u>\$2,549,444</u>	

STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAAM by Standard and Poor's. The Township has no investment policy dealing with investment credit risk beyond the requirements in State statutes. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service.

**Note 5 – Property Taxes**

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property, public utility property, and tangible personal property located in the Township. Real property tax receipts received in 2007 represent the collection of 2006 taxes. Real property taxes received in 2007 were levied after October 1, 2006, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2006, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax receipts received in 2007 represent the collection of 2006 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in 2007 became a lien on December 31, 2005, were levied after October 1, 2006, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax receipts received in 2007 (other than public utility property) represent the collection of 2007 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in 2007 were levied after October 1, 2006, on the true value as of December 31, 2006. In prior years, tangible personal property was assessed at twenty-five percent of true value for capital assets and twenty-three percent of true value for inventory. The tangible personal property tax is being phased out – the assessment percentage for all property including inventory for 2007 was 12.5 percent. This will be reduced to 6.25 percent for 2008 and zero for 2009. Amounts paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semiannually. If paid annually, the first payment is due April 30; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20.

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**Note 5 – Property Taxes** (Continued)

The full tax rate for all Township operations for the year ended December 31, 2007, was \$5.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real property, public utility property, and tangible personal property upon which 2007 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

Real Property	
Residential	\$118,238,620
Agricultural	6,686,120
Commercial/Industrial	10,911,370
Public Utility Property	
Personal	3,467,510
Tangible Personal Property	5,882,690
Total Assessed Value	\$145,186,310

**Note 6 – Risk Management**

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During 2007, the Township contracted with the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the “Plan”) for insurance coverage as follows:

Type of Coverage	Amount of Coverage
Commercial Property	\$1,285,881
General Liability	2,000,000
Employer’s Liability	2,000,000
Automobile	2,000,000
Inland Marine	324,461
EDP	8,182
Vehicle	408,143
Employee benefits	1,000,000
Public Officials	2,000,000
Uninsured motorists	250,000
Crime	1,000
Public Employee Dishonesty	5,000

The Township also provides health insurance through Richland County’s risk management plan, and dental, eye, cancer and life insurance fro all officials and full time employees through a private carrier.

There were no significant reductions in coverage from prior years and claims have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years. The Township pays the State Workers’ Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries.

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**Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Township participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the member directed plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings. The combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the combined plan, employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar to the traditional plan benefit. Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the member directed plan.

OPERS provide retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. Members of the member directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705 or (800) 222-7377.

For the year ended December 31, 2007, the members of the plans were required to contribute 9.5 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Township's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2007 was 8.85 percent from January 1, 2007 to June 30, 2007 and 7.85 percent from July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Township's required contributions for pension obligations to the traditional and combined plans for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$10,583, \$10,831, and \$10,864, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2007, 2006, and 2005.

**Note 8 – Post employment Benefits**

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with either the traditional or combined plans. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for postretirement health care coverage. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit as described in *GASB Statement No. 12*. A portion of each employer's contribution to the traditional or combined plans is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care based on authority granted by State statute. The 2007 local government employer contribution rate was 13.85 percent of covered payroll; 5 percent from January 1, 2007 to June 30, 2007 and 6 percent from July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 of covered payroll was the portion that was used to fund health care.

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions, based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2006 include a rate of return on investments of 6.50 percent, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4.00 percent compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .50 percent and 6.30 percent based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase between .50 and 6.30 percent annually for the next eight years and 4.00 percent annually after eight years.

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**Note 8 – Post employment Benefits** (Continued)

All investments are carried at market. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Assets are adjusted to reflect 25 percent of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets annually.

The number of active contributing participants in the traditional and combined plans was 374,979. The number of active contributing participants for both plans used in the December 31, 2006 (the latest information available), actuarial valuation was 362,130. Actual employer contributions for 2006 which were used to fund postemployment benefits were \$6,977. The actual contribution and the actuarially required contribution amounts are the same. OPERS's net assets available for payment of benefits at December 31, 2006 (latest information available), were \$12 billion. The actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability were \$30.7 billion and \$18.7 billion, respectively.

On September 9, 2004, the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) with an effective date of January 1, 2007. The HCPP restructures OPERS' health care coverage to improve the financial solvency of the fund in response to increasing health care costs.

**Note 9 - Leases**

In prior years the Township entered into a lease purchase agreement for a backhoe. The lease is for a period of 6 years with an interest rate of 4.25 percent. Yearly payments are \$9,061.

During 2007, the Township entered into a lease purchase agreement for a fire truck. The lease is for a period of 5 years with an interest rate of 4.546 percent. Bi-annual payments are \$20,507 for a yearly payment of \$41,014. The first lease payment is due in 2008.

Future lease payments are as follows:

Year	<u>Fire Truck</u>	<u>Backhoe</u>
2008	\$50,075	\$9,061
2009	50,073	9,061
2010	41,014	
2011	41,014	
2012	41,016	
Total	<u>\$223,192</u>	<u>\$18,122</u>

**Note 10 – Public Entity Risk Pool**

The Township belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to over 550 Ohio governments ("Members").

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages, modified for each Member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the Member's deductible.

The Plan issues its own policies and reinsures the Plan with A- VII or better rated carriers, except for the 15% casualty and the 10% property portions the Plan retains. The Plan retains the lesser of 15% or \$37,500 of casualty losses and the lesser of 10% or \$100,000 of property losses. Individual Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member.

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**Note 10 – Public Entity Risk Pool** (Continued)

Plan members are responsible to notify the Plan of their intent to renew coverage by their renewal date. If a member chooses not to renew with the Plan, they have no other financial obligation to the Plan, but still need to promptly notify the Plan of any potential claims occurring during their membership period. The former member's covered claims, which occurred during their membership period, remain the responsibility of the Plan.

Settlement amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

The Pool's audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2006 and 2005 (the latest information available):

	<b><u>2006</u></b>	<b><u>2005</u></b>
Assets	\$9,620,148	\$8,219,430
Liabilities	<u>(3,329,620)</u>	<u>(2,748,639)</u>
Members' Equity	<u>\$6,290,528</u>	<u>\$5,470,791</u>

You can read the complete audited financial statements for The Ohio Government Risk Management Plan at the Plan's website, [www.ohioplan.org](http://www.ohioplan.org).

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# Mary Taylor, CPA

Auditor of State

## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Troy Township  
Richland County  
3481 Lindsey Road  
Lexington, Ohio 44904

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Troy Township, Richland County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 29, 2008 wherein we noted the Township follows the modified cash basis of accounting. We also noted the Township uses the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN) to process its financial transactions. *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the Auditor of State's independence to audit the Township. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in 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 Township's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Township's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Township's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

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

We noted a certain matter that we reported to the Township's management in a separate letter dated April 29, 2008.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the Audit Committee, management, and Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Taylor".

**Mary Taylor, CPA**  
Auditor of State

April 29, 2008



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Auditor of State

**TROY TOWNSHIP**

**RICHLAND COUNTY**

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

**This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
MAY 29, 2008**