

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

AUDIT REPORT

JANUARY 1, 2006 – DECEMBER 31, 2007

**Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc.
37 South Seventh Street
Zanesville, Ohio 43701**



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

Board of Trustees
Jackson Township
250 South Fifth Street
Byesville, Ohio 43723

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of Jackson Township, Guernsey County, prepared by Wolfe, Wilson & Phillips, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2007. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. Jackson Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor

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Auditor of State

June 25, 2008

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GUERNSEY COUNTY**

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**WOLFE, WILSON, & PHILLIPS, INC.
37 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET
ZANESVILLE, OHIO 43701**

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Jackson Township
Guernsey County
250 South 5th Street
Byesville, Ohio 43723

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major funds and aggregate remaining fund information of Jackson Township, Guernsey County as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, which collectively comprised the Township's basic financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about 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. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 2, the Township has prepared these financial statements and notes using the cash basis of accounting. 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 financial position-cash basis of the governmental activities, major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information of Jackson Township, Guernsey County, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the respective changes in financial position-cash basis and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, Gas Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Cemetery Fund, Fire Levy Fund and Ambulance Levy Fund, thereof for the years then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 2 describes.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated May 5, 2008, on our consideration of Jackson Township's internal control structure over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering 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 Government 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.

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc.
Zanesville, Ohio
May 5, 2008

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP, GUERNSEY COUNTY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006
UNAUDITED**

This discussion and analysis of the Jackson Township's financial performance provides an overall review of the Township's financial activities for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, within the limitations of the Township's cash basis accounting. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Township's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Township's financial performance.

Highlights

Key highlights for 2007 and 2006 are as follows:

The Township's general receipts are primarily Real Estate and property taxes for governmental activities for the year. Tax receipts for 2007 and 2006 changed very little compared to 2005 as development within the Township has stayed about the same.

The Township paved various roads in 2007 and 2006 with a cost of \$62,247 and \$84,736, respectively.

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 cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

The statement of net assets and statement of activities provide information about the cash activities of the Township as a whole. The statement of cash basis assets and fund balances, and the statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in fund cash balances, present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of the government-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 on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the Township's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of using the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their 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 cash basis of accounting.

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Reporting the Government as a Whole

The statements of net assets and statements of activities for 2007 and 2006 reflect how the Township did financially within the limitations of the cash basis of accounting. The statement of net assets present the cash balances of the governmental activities of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each governmental program. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the programs services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General cash 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 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 tax base, 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 and real estate taxes.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, we divide the government into governmental activities. All of the Township's basic services are reported here, including road maintenance. Real estate and property taxes finance most of these activities. Benefits provided through governmental activities are not necessarily paid for by the people receiving them.

Reporting the Government'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.

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 for 2007 and 2006 the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Cemetery Fund, Fire Levy Fund and the Ambulance Levy Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements. There are no reconciliations between the two reports as the township reports on the cash basis.

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The Government as a Whole

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

Table 1
NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities	
	2007	2006
Assets		
Cash	\$ 447,205	\$ 403,740
Total Assets	447,205	403,740
Net Assets		
Restricted for:		
Permanent:		
Expendable	3,625	3,283
Nonexpendable	2,510	2,510
Debt Service	4,956	4,444
Other Purposes	390,791	332,181
Unrestricted	45,143	61,322
Total Net Assets	\$ 447,205	\$ 403,740

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Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets in 2007 and 2006

Table 2
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities	
	2007	2006
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services	\$ 28,900	\$ 27,375
Operating Grants	115,644	123,574
Capital Grants	25,088	25,088
Total Program Receipts	<u>169,632</u>	<u>176,037</u>
General Receipts;		
Property and Other Tax	520,645	485,448
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted	41,306	49,772
Interest	20,589	15,060
Cable Franchise Fees	7,189	5,817
Miscellaneous	3,424	2,052
Total General Receipts	<u>593,153</u>	<u>558,149</u>
Total Receipts	<u>762,785</u>	<u>734,186</u>
Disbursements:		
General Government	171,873	182,599
Public Safety	105,148	69,724
Public Works	300,062	296,398
Health	82,114	80,260
Other	-	
Capital Outlay	25,311	25,338
Debt Service-Principal	31,700	31,700
Interest	3,112	4,218
Total Disbursements	<u>719,320</u>	<u>690,237</u>
Increase/(Decrease)		
In Net Assets	<u>43,465</u>	<u>43,949</u>
Net Assets, January 1	<u>403,740</u>	<u>359,791</u>
Net Assets, December 31	<u>\$ 447,205</u>	<u>\$ 403,740</u>

Program receipts represent 22% and 24% of total receipts for 2007 and 2006, respectively. They are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle license and gas tax money.

General receipts represent 78% and 76% of the Township's total receipts for 2007 and 2006, respectively. Local taxes represent 88% and 87% of the general receipts. Grants and entitlements make up the balance of general receipts. Other receipts are insignificant and somewhat unpredictable receipt 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.

The Government's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$762,785 and \$734,186 for 2007 and 2006 and disbursements of \$719,320 and \$690,237 for 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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 and disbursements. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During 2007 and 2006, the Township made amendments to its appropriation budget and receipts budget to reflect changing circumstances. For both 2007 and 2006, actual receipts were greater than budgeted receipts.

Final budgeted disbursements for 2007 and 2006 were \$192,000 and \$179,700, respectively. Actual disbursements for 2007 and 2006 were \$171,118 and \$164,175, respectively. The Township kept spending close to budgeted amounts.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Township does not currently keep track of its capital assets and infrastructure in the accompanying financial statements, but records payments for capital assets as disbursements.

Debt

As of December 31, 2007, the Township has outstanding debt in the amount of \$42,900 with \$19,700 due within one year. The debt are loans used to purchase vehicles and an Excavator. Payments are made annually.

Contacting the Government'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 Donna Mallet, Fiscal Officer, 250 South 5th Street, Byesville, Ohio 43723.

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GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS-CASH BASIS
December 31, 2007**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 447,205</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 447,205</u>
NET ASSETS:	
Restricted for:	
Permanent Fund	
Expendable	3,625
Nonexpendable	2,510
Other Purposes	390,791
Debt Service	4,956
Unrestricted	<u>45,143</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 447,025</u></u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

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GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES-CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	Cash	Charges for	Operating	Capital Grants	Net
	Disbursements	Services	Grants and	and	(Disbursements)
		and Sales	Contributions	Contributions	Receipts and
					Changes in
					Net Assets
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 171,873	\$ -	\$ 3,860	\$ -	\$ (168,013)
Public Safety	105,148	-	3,441	-	(101,707)
Public Works	300,062	-	108,343	25,088	(166,631)
Health	82,114	9,250	-	-	(72,864)
Conservation	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	19,650	-	-	19,650
Capital Outlay	25,311	-	-	-	(25,311)
Debt Service	31,700	-	-	-	(31,700)
Interest Expense	3,112	-	-	-	(3,112)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 719,320	\$ 28,900	\$ 115,644	\$ 25,088	\$ (549,688)

General Receipts:

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	520,645
Grants and Entitlements not	
Restricted to Specific Programs	41,306
Interest	20,589
Cable Franchise Fees	7,189
Miscellaneous	3,424
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Total General Receipts	593,153
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Change in Net Assets	43,465
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Net Assets Beginning of Year	403,740
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Net Assets End of Year	\$ 447,205
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See notes to the basic financial statements.

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2007**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Gas Tax</u>	<u>Road and Bridge</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Fire Levy</u>	<u>Ambulance Levy</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS:								
Equity in Pooled Cash and cash Equivalents	\$ 45,143	\$ 52,674	\$ 97,399	\$ 11,755	\$ 74,910	\$ 135,100	\$ 30,224	\$ 447,205
Total Assets	<u>\$ 45,143</u>	<u>\$ 52,674</u>	<u>\$ 97,399</u>	<u>\$ 11,755</u>	<u>\$ 74,910</u>	<u>\$ 135,100</u>	<u>\$ 30,224</u>	<u>\$ 447,205</u>
Fund Balances:								
Unreserved:								
General Fund	45,143	-	-	-	-	-	-	45,143
Special Revenue Fund	-	52,674	97,399	11,755	74,910	135,100	18,953	390,791
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,956	4,956
Permanent Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,315	6,315
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 45,143</u>	<u>\$ 52,674</u>	<u>\$ 97,399</u>	<u>\$ 11,755</u>	<u>\$ 74,910</u>	<u>\$ 135,100</u>	<u>\$ 30,224</u>	<u>\$ 447,205</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Gasoline Tax</u>	<u>Road and Bridge</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Fire Levy</u>	<u>Ambulance Levy</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
CASH RECEIPTS								
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 100,481	\$ -	\$ 233,302	\$ 45,629	\$ 70,747	\$ 35,161	\$ 35,325	\$ 520,645
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	607	-	-	19,650	-	-	-	20,257
Intergovernmental	28,919	88,980	12,378	2,416	2,951	1,942	44,452	182,038
Interest	17,585	1,722	-	-	-	-	1,282	20,589
Other	158	-	2,659	9,250	-	-	-	12,067
Total Receipts	<u>147,750</u>	<u>90,702</u>	<u>248,339</u>	<u>76,945</u>	<u>73,698</u>	<u>37,103</u>	<u>81,059</u>	<u>755,596</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:								
Current:								
General Government	156,596	-	7,000	1,645	2,357	4,275	-	171,873
Public Safety	-	-	-	-	61,883	43,265	-	105,148
Public Works	14,299	69,502	202,411	-	-	-	13,850	300,062
Health	-	-	-	82,114	-	-	-	82,114
Debt Service								
Principal Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	31,700	31,700
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,112	3,112
Capital Outlay	223	-	-	-	-	-	25,088	25,311
Total Disbursements	<u>171,118</u>	<u>69,502</u>	<u>209,411</u>	<u>83,759</u>	<u>64,240</u>	<u>47,540</u>	<u>73,750</u>	<u>719,320</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(23,368)	21,200	38,928	(6,814)	9,458	(10,437)	7,309	36,276
Other Financing Sources:								
Other Financing Sources:	7,189	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,189
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>7,189</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,189</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(16,179)	21,200	38,928	(6,814)	9,458	(10,437)	7,309	43,465
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>61,322</u>	<u>31,474</u>	<u>58,471</u>	<u>18,569</u>	<u>65,452</u>	<u>145,537</u>	<u>22,915</u>	<u>403,740</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 45,143</u>	<u>\$ 52,674</u>	<u>\$ 97,399</u>	<u>\$ 11,755</u>	<u>\$ 74,910</u>	<u>\$ 135,100</u>	<u>\$ 30,224</u>	<u>\$ 447,205</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 83,901	\$ 83,901	\$ 100,481	\$ 16,580
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	600	600	607	7
Intergovernmental	28,638	28,638	28,919	281
Interest	13,000	13,000	17,585	4,585
Other	-	-	158	158
Total Receipts	<u>126,139</u>	<u>126,139</u>	<u>147,750</u>	<u>21,611</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	172,500	172,500	156,596	15,904
Public Works	16,000	16,000	14,299	1,701
Conservation/Recreation	2,500	2,500	-	2,500
Capital Outlay	1,000	1,000	223	777
Total Disbursements	<u>192,000</u>	<u>192,000</u>	<u>171,118</u>	<u>20,882</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(65,861)	(65,861)	(23,368)	42,493
Other Financing Sources				
Other Financing Sources	5,000	5,000	7,189	2,189
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>7,189</u>	<u>2,189</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(60,861)	(60,861)	(16,179)	44,682
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>61,322</u>	<u>61,322</u>	<u>61,322</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 461</u>	<u>\$ 461</u>	<u>\$ 45,143</u>	<u>\$ 44,682</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
GAS TAX FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	\$ 82,000	\$ 82,000	\$ 88,980	\$ 6,980
Interest	700	700	1,722	1,022
Miscellaneous	700	700	-	(700)
Total Receipts	<u>83,400</u>	<u>83,400</u>	<u>90,702</u>	<u>7,302</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
Public Works	114,800	114,800	69,502	45,298
Total Disbursements	<u>114,800</u>	<u>114,800</u>	<u>69,502</u>	<u>45,298</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(31,400)	(31,400)	21,200	52,600
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>31,474</u>	<u>31,474</u>	<u>31,474</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 74</u>	<u>\$ 74</u>	<u>\$ 52,674</u>	<u>\$ 52,600</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 236,950	\$ 236,950	\$ 233,302	\$ (3,648)
Intergovernmental	11,079	11,079	12,378	1,299
Miscellaneous	200	200	2,659	2,459
Total Receipts	<u>248,229</u>	<u>248,229</u>	<u>248,339</u>	<u>110</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	7,500	7,500	7,000	500
Public Works	298,800	298,800	202,411	96,389
Total Disbursements	<u>306,300</u>	<u>306,300</u>	<u>209,411</u>	<u>96,889</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(58,071)	(58,071)	38,928	96,999
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>58,471</u>	<u>58,471</u>	<u>58,471</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 400</u>	<u>\$ 400</u>	<u>\$ 97,399</u>	<u>\$ 96,999</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
CEMETERY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 45,782	\$ 45,782	\$ 45,629	\$ (153)
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	15,000	15,000	19,650	4,650
Intergovernmental	2,560	2,560	2,416	(144)
Miscellaneous	10,000	10,000	9,250	(750)
Total Receipts	<u>73,342</u>	<u>73,342</u>	<u>76,945</u>	<u>3,603</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	1,700	1,700	1,645	55
Health	89,300	89,300	82,114	7,186
Total Disbursements	<u>91,000</u>	<u>91,000</u>	<u>83,759</u>	<u>7,241</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(17,658)	(17,658)	(6,814)	10,844
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>18,569</u>	<u>18,569</u>	<u>18,569</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 911</u>	<u>\$ 911</u>	<u>\$ 11,755</u>	<u>\$ 10,844</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
FIRE LEVY 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>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 71,017	\$ 71,017	\$ 70,747	\$ (270)
Intergovernmental	2,944	2,944	2,951	7
Total Receipts	<u>73,961</u>	<u>73,961</u>	<u>73,698</u>	<u>(263)</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	3,050	3,050	2,357	693
Public Safety	135,000	135,000	61,883	73,117
Total Disbursements	<u>138,050</u>	<u>138,050</u>	<u>64,240</u>	<u>73,810</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(64,089)	(64,089)	9,458	73,547
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>65,452</u>	<u>65,452</u>	<u>65,452</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 1,363</u>	<u>\$ 1,363</u>	<u>\$ 74,910</u>	<u>\$ 73,547</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
AMBULANCE LEVY 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>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 35,522	\$ 35,522	\$ 35,161	\$ (361)
Intergovernmental	1,965	1,965	1,942	(23)
Total Receipts	<u>37,487</u>	<u>37,487</u>	<u>37,103</u>	<u>(384)</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	66,700	66,700	4,275	62,425
Public Safety	60,000	60,000	43,265	16,735
Total Disbursements	<u>126,700</u>	<u>126,700</u>	<u>47,540</u>	<u>79,160</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(89,213)	(89,213)	(10,437)	78,776
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>145,537</u>	<u>145,537</u>	<u>145,537</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 56,324</u>	<u>\$ 56,324</u>	<u>\$ 135,100</u>	<u>\$ 78,776</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS-CASH BASIS
December 31, 2006**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 403,740</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 403,740</u>
NET ASSETS:	
Restricted for:	
Permanent Fund	
Expendable	3,283
Nonexpendable	2,510
Other Purposes	332,181
Debt Service	4,444
Unrestricted	<u>61,322</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 403,740</u></u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES-CASH BASIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	Cash	Charges for	Operating	Capital Grants	Net
	Disbursements	Services	Grants and	and	(Disbursements)
		and Sales	Contributions	Contributions	Receipts and
					Changes in
					Net Assets
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 182,599	\$ -	\$ 5,154	\$ -	\$ (177,445)
Public Safety	69,724	-	12,862	-	(56,862)
Public Works	296,398	-	105,558	25,088	(165,752)
Health	80,260	10,300	-	-	(69,960)
Conservation	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	17,075	-	-	17,075
Capital Outlay	25,338	-	-	-	(25,338)
Debt Service	31,700	-	-	-	(31,700)
Interest Expense	4,218	-	-	-	(4,218)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 690,237	\$ 27,375	\$ 123,574	\$ 25,088	\$ (514,200)

General Receipts:

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	485,448
Grants and Entitlements not	
Restricted to Specific Programs	49,772
Interest	15,060
Cable Franchise Fees	5,817
Miscellaneous	2,052
	<u>558,149</u>
Total General Receipts	558,149
Change in Net Assets	43,949
Net Assets Beginning of Year	<u>359,791</u>
Net Assets End of Year	<u>\$ 403,740</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
December 31, 2006**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Gas Tax</u>	<u>Road and Bridge</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Fire Levy</u>	<u>Ambulance Levy</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS:								
Equity in Pooled Cash and cash Equivalents	\$ 61,322	\$ 31,474	\$ 58,471	\$ 18,569	\$ 65,452	\$ 145,537	\$ 22,915	\$ 403,740
Total Assets	<u>\$ 61,322</u>	<u>\$ 31,474</u>	<u>\$ 58,471</u>	<u>\$ 18,569</u>	<u>\$ 65,452</u>	<u>\$ 145,537</u>	<u>\$ 22,915</u>	<u>\$ 403,740</u>
Fund Balances:								
Unreserved:								
General Fund	61,322	-	-	-	-	-	-	61,322
Special Revenue Fund	-	31,474	58,471	18,569	65,452	145,537	12,678	332,181
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,444	4,444
Permanent Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,793	5,793
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 61,322</u>	<u>\$ 31,474</u>	<u>\$ 58,471</u>	<u>\$ 18,569</u>	<u>\$ 65,452</u>	<u>\$ 145,537</u>	<u>\$ 22,915</u>	<u>\$ 403,740</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Gasoline Tax</u>	<u>Road and Bridge</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Fire Levy</u>	<u>Ambulance Levy</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
CASH RECEIPTS								
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 93,461	\$ -	\$ 209,259	\$ 44,640	\$ 68,119	\$ 34,043	\$ 35,926	\$ 485,448
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	657	-	-	17,075	-	-	-	17,732
Intergovernmental	31,668	86,201	23,426	4,612	5,389	2,693	44,444	198,433
Interest	13,853	756	-	-	-	-	451	15,060
Other	106	-	36	11,356	-	-	198	11,696
Total Receipts	<u>139,745</u>	<u>86,957</u>	<u>232,721</u>	<u>77,683</u>	<u>73,508</u>	<u>36,736</u>	<u>81,019</u>	<u>728,369</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:								
Current:								
General Government	150,048	19,447	6,867	1,521	2,289	2,427	-	182,599
Public Safety	-	-	-	-	52,492	17,232	-	69,724
Public Works	13,877	60,664	202,889	-	-	-	18,968	296,398
Health	-	-	-	80,260	-	-	-	80,260
Debt Service								
Principal Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	31,700	31,700
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,218	4,218
Capital Outlay	250	-	-	-	-	-	25,088	25,338
Total Disbursements	<u>164,175</u>	<u>80,111</u>	<u>209,756</u>	<u>81,781</u>	<u>54,781</u>	<u>19,659</u>	<u>79,974</u>	<u>690,237</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(24,430)	6,846	22,965	(4,098)	18,727	17,077	1,045	38,132
Other Financing Sources:								
Other Financing Sources:	5,817	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,817
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>5,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,817</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	(18,613)	6,846	22,965	(4,098)	18,727	17,077	1,045	43,949
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>79,935</u>	<u>24,628</u>	<u>35,506</u>	<u>22,667</u>	<u>46,725</u>	<u>128,460</u>	<u>21,870</u>	<u>359,791</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 61,322</u>	<u>\$ 31,474</u>	<u>\$ 58,471</u>	<u>\$ 18,569</u>	<u>\$ 65,452</u>	<u>\$ 145,537</u>	<u>\$ 22,915</u>	<u>\$ 403,740</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 58,732	\$ 58,732	\$ 93,461	\$ 34,729
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	600	600	657	57
Intergovernmental	29,106	29,106	31,668	2,562
Interest	6,500	6,500	13,853	7,353
Other	500	500	106	(394)
Total Receipts	<u>95,438</u>	<u>95,438</u>	<u>139,745</u>	<u>44,307</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	162,200	162,200	150,048	12,152
Public Works	14,000	14,000	13,877	123
Conservation/Recreation	2,500	2,500	-	2,500
Capital Outlay	1,000	1,000	250	750
Total Disbursements	<u>179,700</u>	<u>179,700</u>	<u>164,175</u>	<u>15,525</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(84,262)	(84,262)	(24,430)	59,832
Other Financing Sources				
Other Financing Sources	5,000	5,000	5,817	817
Total Other Financing Sources	5,000	5,000	5,817	817
Net Change in Fund Balance	(79,262)	(79,262)	(18,613)	60,649
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>79,935</u>	<u>79,935</u>	<u>79,935</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u><u>\$ 673</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 673</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 61,322</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 60,649</u></u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
GAS TAX FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	\$ 69,000	\$ 69,000	\$ 86,201	\$ 17,201
Interest	400	400	756	356
Total Receipts	<u>69,400</u>	<u>69,400</u>	<u>86,957</u>	<u>17,557</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	20,000	20,000	19,447	553
Public Works	73,300	73,300	60,664	12,636
Total Disbursements	<u>93,300</u>	<u>93,300</u>	<u>80,111</u>	<u>13,189</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(23,900)	(23,900)	6,846	30,746
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>24,628</u>	<u>24,628</u>	<u>24,628</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 728</u>	<u>\$ 728</u>	<u>\$ 31,474</u>	<u>\$ 30,746</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 162,781	\$ 162,781	\$ 209,259	\$ 46,478
Intergovernmental	9,565	25,565	23,426	(2,139)
Miscellaneous	500	4,761	36	(4,725)
Total Receipts	<u>172,846</u>	<u>193,107</u>	<u>232,721</u>	<u>39,614</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	7,500	7,500	6,867	633
Public Works	200,300	220,561	202,889	17,672
Total Disbursements	<u>207,800</u>	<u>228,061</u>	<u>209,756</u>	<u>18,305</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(34,954)	(34,954)	22,965	57,919
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>35,506</u>	<u>35,506</u>	<u>35,506</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 552</u>	<u>\$ 552</u>	<u>\$ 58,471</u>	<u>\$ 57,919</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
CEMETERY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 32,532	\$ 32,532	\$ 44,640	\$ 12,108
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	20,000	20,000	17,075	(2,925)
Intergovernmental	2,726	2,726	4,612	1,886
Miscellaneous	10,000	10,000	11,356	1,356
Total Receipts	<u>65,258</u>	<u>65,258</u>	<u>77,683</u>	<u>12,425</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	1,800	1,800	1,521	279
Health	84,800	84,800	80,260	4,540
Total Disbursements	<u>86,600</u>	<u>86,600</u>	<u>81,781</u>	<u>4,819</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(21,342)	(21,342)	(4,098)	17,244
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>22,667</u>	<u>22,667</u>	<u>22,667</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 1,325</u>	<u>\$ 1,325</u>	<u>\$ 18,569</u>	<u>\$ 17,244</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
FIRE LEVY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 54,456	\$ 54,456	\$ 68,119	\$ 13,663
Intergovernmental	2,341	2,341	5,389	3,048
Total Receipts	<u>56,797</u>	<u>56,797</u>	<u>73,508</u>	<u>16,711</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	2,550	2,550	2,289	261
Public Safety	90,000	90,000	52,492	37,508
Total Disbursements	<u>92,550</u>	<u>92,550</u>	<u>54,781</u>	<u>37,769</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(35,753)	(35,753)	18,727	54,480
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>46,725</u>	<u>46,725</u>	<u>46,725</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 10,972</u>	<u>\$ 10,972</u>	<u>\$ 65,452</u>	<u>\$ 54,480</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS
AMBULANCE LEVY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 54,456	\$ 54,456	\$ 34,043	\$ (20,413)
Intergovernmental	2,341	2,341	2,693	352
Total Receipts	<u>56,797</u>	<u>56,797</u>	<u>36,736</u>	<u>(20,061)</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	2,550	2,550	2,427	123
Public Safety	90,000	90,000	17,232	72,768
Total Disbursements	<u>92,550</u>	<u>92,550</u>	<u>19,659</u>	<u>72,891</u>
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(35,753)	(35,753)	17,077	52,830
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	<u>128,460</u>	<u>128,460</u>	<u>128,460</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	<u>\$ 92,707</u>	<u>\$ 92,707</u>	<u>\$ 145,537</u>	<u>\$ 52,830</u>

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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
GUERNSEY COUNTY**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

Reporting Entity

The Township of Jackson, Guernsey County, 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 and a publicly elected 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.

Primary Government

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Township. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, and fire protection. The Township contracts with the Village of Byesville to provide fire services and United Ambulance for ambulance service.

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.

Jackson Township has no component units.

Joint Ventures, Jointly Governed Organizations and Public Entity Risk Pools

A joint venture is a legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual arrangement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate and specific activity subject to joint control, in which the participants retain (a) an ongoing financial interest or (b) an ongoing financial responsibility. Under the cash basis of accounting, the Township does not report assets for equity interest in joint ventures.

The Township participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 6 to the financial statements provide additional information for this entity. This organization is: Public Entity Risk Pool: Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA). OTARMA provides property, casualty and liability coverage.

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

**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This 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 cash basis of accounting. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Following are more of the Township's accounting policies.

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 or 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. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or service. The Township has no business-type activities.

The statement of net assets present the cash balance 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 programs 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 limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a 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 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 fund financial 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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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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. The funds of the Township are divided into one category: 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 for 2007 and 2006 are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Cemetery Fund, Fire Levy Fund and Ambulance Levy 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 Road and Bridge Fund is used for road and bridge maintenance. The Gasoline Tax Fund is used for the maintenance and up keep of roads. The Cemetery Fund receives real estate taxes and sales of lots for cemetery use. The Fire Levy Fund is used to collect real estate taxes and disbursed for fire contracts. The Ambulance Levy collects real estate taxes and disbursed for ambulance services. The other governmental funds of the Township account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

Fiduciary Funds

These funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements and funds for which the Township is acting in an agency capacity. The Township has an Cemetery Bequest Permanent Fund which receives interest to be used for the care of Township cemeteries.

Basis of Accounting

The Township's financial statements are prepared using the 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. There were no modifications having substantial support.

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgetary Process

All funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated (except certain agency funds). 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 set limits on disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Township. The legal level of control has been established at the fund, department, and 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 in the original budget 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 certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Township.

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.

Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Township is deposited into a checking and savings account which earns 4.58 percent interest. In 2007 and 2006, interest credited to the General Fund was \$17,585 and \$13,853, respectively.

Restricted Assets

Cash and cash equivalents 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. Amounts restricted for other purposes represents special revenue funds restricted to a specific use.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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.

Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

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

Long-Term Obligations

The Township's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds or other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when the cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither a other financing source nor a capital outlay expenditure are reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

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 gasoline tax receipts used for the upkeep of Township roads and bridges, real estate tax used for fire protection, capital projects funds are used for improvements in the Township.

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.

Fund Balance Reserve

The Township may reserve any portion of fund balances which is not available for appropriation or which is legally segregated for a specific future use. The Township has no reserves as of December 31, 2007 and 2006. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods.

Accumulated Leave

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as cash receipts in the seller funds and as cash disbursements in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods 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 cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements. In the government-wide statements, transfers within governmental activities are eliminated.

3. CHANGE IN BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY

Last audit period the Township reported fund financial statements by fund type using the regulatory basis of accounting as prescribed by the State Auditor's Office. This audit period the Township has implemented the cash basis of accounting. The fund financial statements now present each major fund in a separate column with nonmajor funds aggregated and presented in a single column, rather than a column for each fund type. There was no restatement of fund equity due to this change.

4. 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 is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparisons of actual results with the budget. The differences between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (cash basis). There were no outstanding encumbrances at year-end for 2007 and 2006, respectively.

5. DEPOSITS

Monies held by the Township are classified by State 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, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Township has 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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5. DEPOSITS (Continued)

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 issuance 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 obligation 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 obligation 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.

Protection of the Township's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by collateral pledged to the Township by the financial institution, or by a collateral pool established by the financial institution, to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution. The National City Bank is the financial institution for Jackson Township.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5. DEPOSITS (Continued)

The Township did not have any undeposited cash on hand for 2007 and 2006.

Deposits:

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Township will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are the possession of an outside party. At year ended December 31, 2007, \$285,237 of the Township's bank balance of \$385,237 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Township's name. At year ended December 31, 2006, \$261,205 of the Township's bank balance of \$361,205 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Township's name.

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.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The Township insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

The Township belongs to the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio Townships. OTARMA provides property and casualty coverage for its members. OTARMA is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member governments pay annual contributions to fund OTARMA. OTARMA pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty Coverage

For an occurrence prior to January 1, 2006, OTARMA retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per occurrence, including claim adjustment expenses. OTARMA pays a percentage of its contributions to APEEP. APEEP reinsures claims exceeding \$250,000, up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. For an occurrence on or subsequent to January 1, 2006, the Pool retains casualty risk up to \$350,000 per occurrence, including loss adjustment expenses. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured with APEEP in an amount not to exceed \$2,650,000 for each claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect up to \$10,000,000 in additional coverage with the General Reinsurance Corporation, through contracts with OTARMA.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

6. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

Property Coverage

Through 2004, OTARMA retained property risks, including automobile physical damage, up to \$100,000 on any specific loss in any one occurrence. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsured losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$500 million per occurrence.

Beginning in 2005, The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures specific losses exceeding \$250,000 up to \$600 million per occurrence. APEEP reinsures members for specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$250,000 per occurrence, subject to an annual aggregate loss payment. Travelers provides aggregate stop-loss coverage based upon the combined members total insurable value. If the stop-loss is reached by payment of losses between \$100,000 and \$250,000, Travelers will reinsure specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to their \$600 million per occurrence limit. The aggregate stop-loss limit for 2006 was \$1,901,127.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge OTARMA's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective township.

Property and casualty settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

Financial Position

OTARMA's financial statements (audited by other accountants) 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.

Casualty Coverage	2006	2005
Assets	\$ 32,031,312	\$ 30,485,638
Liabilities	(11,443,952)	(12,344,576)
Retained Earnings	\$ 20,587,360	\$ 18,141,062
Property Coverage	2006	2005
Assets	\$ 10,010,963	\$ 9,177,796
Liabilities	(676,709)	(1,450,031)
Retained Earnings	\$ 9,334,254	\$ 7,771,765

At December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively, casualty coverage liabilities noted above include approximately \$10.8 million and \$11.6 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The Casualty Coverage assets and retained earnings above also include approximately \$10.8 million and \$11.6 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 958 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. The Townships's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$22,802. This payable includes the subsequent year's contribution due if the Township terminates participation, as described in the last paragraph.

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6. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

Based on discussion with OTARMA, the expected rates OTARMA charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to OTARMA for each year of membership. The Townships contributions to OTARMA for the past three years are as follows:

<u>Contributions to OTARMA</u>	
2005	\$12,838
2006	14,751
2007	11,401

After completing one year of membership, members may withdraw on each anniversary of the date they joined OTARMA provided they give written notice to OTARMA 60 days in advance of the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's budgetary contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to the pool. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim occurred or was reported prior to the withdrawal.

The Township pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The System administers and pays all claims.

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 provides 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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Post Employment Benefits

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

For the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the members in the traditional plan, were required to contribute 9.5 and 9.0, percent, respectively, of their annual covered salaries. The Township's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2007 and 2006 was 13.85 percent and 13.70 percent, respectively. 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 \$21,679, \$21,128, and \$19,941, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2007, 2006 and 2005. Contributions to the member-directed plan for 2007 were \$21,679 made by the Township and \$14,870 made by the plan members.

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. 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 portion of employer contributions in 2007, for all employers, allocated to health care was 5.0% from January 1 through June 30, 2007 and 6.0% from July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions, based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as December 31, 2006, include a rate of return on investments of 6.5 percent, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4 percent compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .5 percent and 6.3 percent based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase between .50 percent and 5 percent annually for the next eight years and 4 percent annually after nine years.

All investments are carried at market value. 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, not to exceed a 12 percent corridor.

The number of active contributing participants in the traditional and combined plans was 362,130. Actual employer contributions for 2007 and 2006 which were used to fund postemployment benefits was \$8,609 and \$6,939, respectively. 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, (the latest information available) were \$12.0 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. Member and employer contribution rates increased as of January 1, 2006, January 1, 2007, and January 1, 2008, which allowed additional funds to be allocated to the health care plan.

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8. 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 circumstance, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located in the Township.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must be file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

The full tax rate for all Township operations for the year ended December 31, 2007, was \$3.20 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/Agriculture	\$ 24,833,510
Commercial/Industrial/Mineral	14,230,620
Public Utility Property	
Real	8,600
Personal	3,103,030
Tangible Personal Property	9,374,700
Total Assessed Value	<u>\$ 51,550,460</u>

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9. DEBT

Long term debt of the Township, as of December 31, 2007 is as follows:

	Balance January 1 2006	Additions	Deductions	Balance December 31 2007	Amount Due Within One Year
Note-Vehicle	\$ 36,800	\$ -	\$ 18,400	\$ 18,400	\$ 9,200
Note-Vehicle	10,500	-	7,000	3,500	3,500
Note-Dump Truck	24,000	-	24,000	-	-
Note-Excavator	35,000	-	14,000	21,000	7,000
Total	\$ 106,300	\$ -	\$ 63,400	\$ 42,900	\$ 19,700

A promissory note was issued in the amount of \$46,000 in 2004 for the purchase of a vehicle to be used for Township road maintenance. This note is collateralized by the vehicle. Payments are made annually.

A promissory note was issued in the amount of \$14,000 in 2004 for the purchase of a vehicle to be used for Township road maintenance. This note is collateralized by the vehicle. Payments are made annually.

A promissory note was issued to finance the purchase of a new dump truck to be used for Township road maintenance. The note was paid off in 2007.

A promissory note was issued in the amount of \$35,000 in 2005 for the purchase of a mini-excavator to be used for Township road maintenance. This note is collateralized by the mini-excavator. Payments are made annually

Amortization of the above debt is as follows:

	Excavator		Vehicle		Vehicle	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2008	\$ 7,000	\$ 1,231	\$ 9,200	\$ 570	\$ 3,500	\$ 109
2009	7,000	820	9,200	285	-	-
2010	7,000	410	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 21,000	\$ 2,461	\$ 18,400	\$ 855	\$ 3,500	\$ 109

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

Jackson Township
Guernsey County
250 South 5th Street
Byesville, Ohio 43723

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Jackson Township, Guernsey County, Ohio, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated May 5, 2008, wherein we noted the Township followed the cash basis of accounting, a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Jackson Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion 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 a misstatement of the Township's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Township's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Township's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purposes described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Jackson Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on 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 such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that we must report under *Government Auditing Standard*. However, we have noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of Jackson Township in a separate letter dated May 5, 2008.

This report is intended for the information of the Township's management, fiscal officer, and Auditor of State, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc.
Zanesville, Ohio
May 5, 2008

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**SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006**

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain:
2005-01	ORC 5705.41(D) Invoice dated prior to fiscal certification	No	Partially Corrected; less than 5% reported in management letter



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

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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
JULY 8, 2008**