## MIAMI TOWNSHIP CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

## AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Miami Township 6101 Meijer Dr. Milford, Ohio 45150

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of Miami Township, Clermont County, prepared by Bastin & Company, LLC, for the audit period January 1, 2007 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. Miami Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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September 17, 2009

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# Bastin & Company, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

The Honorable Members of the Board of Trustees Miami Township, Clermont County

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Miami Township (the Township), Clermont County, Ohio 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 *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 accompanying financial statements and notes follow the cash accounting basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting 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 cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio as of December 31, 2007, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General, Police, Ambulance, Public Safety #1 and Public Safety #2 Funds for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting as described in Note 2.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 7, 2009 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. 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 compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 9 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Bastin & Company, L & C

Cincinnati, Ohio August 7, 2009

This discussion and analysis of Miami Township's 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 cash basis of 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 basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Township's financial performance.

## <u>Highlights</u>

Key highlights for 2007 are as follows:

- Net assets of the Township increased \$2,117,226, or 26 percent, a significant change from the prior year.
- The General Fund has net assets of \$2,167,386, an increase of \$607,793 which is largely due to controlling costs below receipts, receiving proceeds from bonds, and the return of advances made to other funds in prior years.
- The Police Fund, Ambulance Fund, Public Safety Fund #1 and Public Safety Fund #2 all experienced increases in net assets of \$97,976, \$287,562, \$762,185 and \$224,632, respectively. These increases are largely due to an increase in tax receipts and relatively stable levels of spending.
- The Township's receipts are primarily property taxes. These receipts represent \$15,044,255, or 72 percent of the total cash received for governmental activities during the year. Property tax receipts increased by over 9 percent during 2007 compared to 2006.

### **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 Government's 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 government-wide and fund financial statements and provide 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 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 related expenditures (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.

## **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 the cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the pooled cash and investment 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 program's goods or 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 non-financial 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 report governmental activities which include basic services such as construction, maintenance and repair of Township roads, the provision of police, fire, ambulance and other safety services and other government services.

### **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 for a specific use 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 non-major 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, Police, Ambulance, Public Safety #1 and Public Safety #2 Funds. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements. We describe this relationship in reconciliations presented with the governmental fund financial statements.

#### The Township as a Whole

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

## (Table 1) Net Assets

	Governmental Activities			
	2007	2006		
Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 10,342,532	\$ 8,225,306		
Total Assets	\$ 10,342,532	\$ 8,225,306		
Net Assets				
Restricted for:				
Other Purposes	\$ 8,175,146	\$ 6,665,713		
Unrestricted	2,167,386	1,559,593		
Total Net Assets	\$ 10,342,532	\$ 8,225,306		

As mentioned previously, net assets of governmental activities increased \$2,117,226 or 26 percent during 2007 as overall revenues of \$20,988,008 exceeded expenditures of \$18,870,782.

Tables 2 reflect the changes in net assets in 2007 compared to 2006 on a cash basis.

## (Table 2) Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities			
	2007	2006		
Receipts:				
Program Receipts:				
Charges for Services and Sales	\$ 1,292,765	\$ 1,290,572		
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,212,839	3,104,902		
Total Program Receipts	3,505,604	4,395,474		
General Receipts:				
Property and Other Local Taxes	15,044,255	13,731,217		
Cable Franchise Fees	295,143	252,675		
Grants and Entitlements not				
Restricted to Specific Programs	724,594	1,281,130		
Proceeds from Bonds	300,000	1,050,000		
Interest .	571,653	396,152		
Miscellaneous	546,759	551,204		
Total General Receipts	17,482,404	17,262,378		
Total Receipts	20,988,008	21,657,852		
Disbursements:				
General Government	2,672,044	2,293,421		
Public Safety	11,635,340	10,175,627		
Public Works	2,283,444	2,268,774		
Health	46,517	57,748		
Conservation & Recreation	1,203,827	1,113,556		
Capital Outlay	579,778	1,600,177		
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	215,000	100,000		
Interest and Fiscal Charges	234,832	186,095		
Total Disbursements	18,870,782	17,795,398		
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	2,117,226	3,862,454		
Net Assets, January 1	8,225,306	4,362,852		
Net Assets, December 31	\$ 10,342,532	\$ 8,225,306		

Program receipts represent only 17 percent of total receipts and are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle license and gas tax money, TIF and RID revenues and EMS receipts. General receipts represent 83 percent of the Township's total receipts, and of this amount approximately 86 percent are property taxes and other local taxes. Local government funds, hotel/motel occupancy tax, estate tax, miscellaneous receipts, and interest income make up the balance of the Township's general receipts.

Disbursements for General Government represent the overhead costs of running the Township and the support services provided for the other Township activities. These include costs of counsel, Finance

Officer, Trustees, as well as internal services such as payroll and purchasing. Public Safety costs are the costs of police, fire protection and EMS. Public Works represents the cost of maintaining roads. Conservation and Parks charges represent the cost of maintaining parks and administering the recreation programs. Health costs are the costs of cemetery maintenance.

Overall, revenues decreased by \$669,844 from 2006, largely due to reduced proceeds from issuing debt during 2007 and reduced intergovernmental revenues. These decreases were offset by an increase in property taxes receipts of \$1,313,035. Expenditures increased during 2007 by \$1,075,384 primarily from increases in public safety expenditures across all areas including police, ambulance and fire, totaling \$1,459,713, and increases in general government expenditures of \$378,623 that were related to TIF and RID related projects. These increases were offset by a \$1,020,399 decrease in capital outlay expenses as a result of completing the Miami Township Civic Center renovation during 2006.

### **Governmental Activities**

If you look at the Statement of Activities on page 11, 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 major program disbursements for governmental activities are for Public Safety and Public Works, which account for 62 percent and 12 percent of all governmental disbursements, respectively. General government also represents a significant cost, about 14 percent. The next three columns of the Statement entitled Program Receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants and received by the Township that must be used to provide a specific service. The Net Receipt (Disbursement) column compares the program receipts to the cost of the service. This "net cost" amount represents the cost of the service that is 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.

(Table 3)								
Governmental Activities								
Total Cost Net Cost Total Cost Net Cost								
	of Services	of Services	of Services	of Services				
	2007	2007	2006	2006				
General Government	\$ 2,672,044	\$ (1,682,270)	\$ 2,293,421	\$ (1,279,481)				
Public Safety	11,635,340	(10,284,673)	10,175,627	(7,927,415)				
Public Works	2,283,444	(1,485,328)	2,268,774	(1,454,272)				
Health	46,517	(16,169)	57,748	(37,252)				
Conservation-Recreation	1,203,827	(867,128)	1,113,556	(815,232)				
Capital Outlay	579,778	(579,778)	1,600,177	(1,600,177)				
Debt Service:								
Principal Retirement	215,000	(215,000)	100,000	(100,000)				
Interest and Fiscal Charges	234,832	(234,832)	186,095	(186,095)				
Total Expenses	\$ 18,870,782	\$ (15,365,178)	\$ 17,795,398	\$ (13,399,924)				

A comparison between the total cost of services and the net cost is presented in Table 3 for 2007 and 2006.

The dependence upon property tax receipts is apparent as over 79 and 77 percent of governmental activities are supported through these receipts for 2007 and 2006 respectively.

## Miami Township

Clermont County, Ohio Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended December 31, 2007 Unaudited

### The Township's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$20,560,608 and disbursements of \$18,870,782 (excluding other financing sources and uses). The greatest changes in fund balances occurred in the General Fund and Public Safety Fund #1, \$607,793 and \$762,185 respectively.

The General Fund receipts were greater than disbursements by \$607,793 compared to disbursements exceeding receipts by (\$478,395) during 2006. The major cause for the change was that 2006 had significant capital outlay expenditures related to the Miami Township Civic Center renovation. The Civic Center renovation was completed in 2006 and was developed as a central location for Miami Township offices for administration, zoning and recreation. It also includes several areas which are available for citizens use. It is the hope of the Township Trustees that all Miami Township residents will make use of this facility.

The Public Safety # 1 Fund receipts were greater than disbursements by \$762,185 compared to \$364,388 during 2006. The major cause for the change is attributable to a lower level of disbursements during 2007.

## **General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

Miami 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 amended its General Fund budget several times to reflect changing circumstances. Final receipts were within \$26,497 of budgeted amounts.

Final disbursements (excluding other financing uses) were budgeted at \$3,449,378 while actual disbursements were \$2,437,741. Final budgeted appropriations were increased by \$358,101 from the original budget. Actual spending was \$1,011,637 less than appropriations. The final result, including other financing sources and uses, was an increase in the budget fund balance of \$459,637 for 2007.

### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

### Capital Assets

The Township has chosen not to report capital assets and infrastructure.

#### Debt

At December 31, 2007, the Township's outstanding debt included \$5,640,000 in notes and bonds issued for improvements to buildings and structures, and \$178,924 in capital leases for facilities and equipment.

Additional information on the Township's debt can be found in Notes 6 and 7 to the financial statements.

### **Current Issues**

The greatest challenge of today for all governments is to provide quality services to its residents while staying within the limitations imposed by limited funding. In the case of Miami Township, the funding consists mainly of property taxes. Our challenge is to seek other sources of funding, such as government grants, to augment Township revenues. We are also challenged to make decisions about expenses which make the best use of resources. Toward this end, Miami Township is dedicated to providing the best services at the most reasonable cost.

#### **Contacting the Township's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of Miami 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 Eric Ferry, Finance Officer, Miami Township, 6101 Meijer Drive, Milford, Ohio 45150.

Statement of Net Assets - Cash Basis December 31, 2007

	Governmental Activities		
Assets			
Cash	\$	10,342,532	
Total Assets	\$	10,342,532	
Net Assets			
Restricted for:			
Other Purposes	\$	8,175,146	
Unrestricted		2,167,386	
Total Net Assets	\$	10,342,532	

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

			Program Cash Receipts					Reco	(Disbursements) eipts and Changes in Net Assets
	D	Cash isbursements		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	-	l Grants tributions		Governmental Activities
<b>Governmental Activities</b>									
General Government	\$	2,672,044	\$	989,774	\$ -	\$	-	\$	(1,682,270)
Public Safety		11,635,340		47,261	1,303,406		-		(10,284,673)
Public Works		2,283,444		-	798,116		-		(1,485,328)
Health		46,517		30,348	-		-		(16,169)
Conservation-Recreation		1,203,827		225,382	111,317		-		(867,128)
Capital Outlay		579,778		-	-		-		(579,778)
Debt Service:									
Principal Retirement		215,000		-	-		-		(215,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges		234,832		-			-		(234,832)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	18,870,782	\$	1,292,765	\$ 2,212,839	\$	-		(15,365,178)
				neral Receipts perty Taxes Leviec	l for:				

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	789,544
Police	2,652,260
Ambulance	2,046,835
Public Safety #1	2,461,733
Public Safety #2	3,311,658
Road and Bridge	1,316,502
Parks	1,051,488
Fire	1,414,235
Cable Franchise Fees	295,143
Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs	724,594
Bonds Issued	300,000
Interest	571,653
Miscellaneous	 546,759
Total General Receipts	 17,482,404
Change in Net Assets	2,117,226
Net Assets Beginning of Year	 8,225,306
Net Assets End of Year	\$ 10,342,532

Miami Township Clermont County, Ohic of Cash Basis Assets and Fund Bal

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

Total Governmental Funds	<pre>\$ 10,342,532 \$ 10,342,532</pre>	\$ 877,579	2,019,230 7,445,723 \$ 10,342,532
Other Governmental Funds	\$         1,972,946         \$         1,126,458         \$         1,126,573         \$         1,571,716         \$         2,377,453         \$         10,342,532           \$         1,972,946         \$         1,126,458         \$         1,126,573         \$         1,571,716         \$         2,377,453         \$         10,342,532           \$         1,972,946         \$         1,126,573         \$         1,571,716         \$         2,377,453         \$         10,342,532	462,202	- 1,915,251 2,377,453
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Public Safety Fund #2	<u>1,571,716</u> <u>1,571,716</u>	10,346	- 1,561,370 \$ 1,571,716
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Public Safety Fund #1	5 1,126,573 5 1,126,573		- 1,126,573 \$ 1,126,573
Ambulance	\$ 1,126,458         \$ 1,126,573         \$ 1,571,716           \$ 1,126,458         \$ 1,126,573         \$ 1,571,716	145,305	- 981,153 1,126,458
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Police	1,972,946 1,972,946	111,570	- 1,861,376 1,972,946
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General	<u>\$ 2,167,386</u> <u>\$ 2,167,386</u>	148,156	2,019,230 - \$ 2,167,386
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	<b>Assets</b> Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents <i>Total Assets</i>	Fund Balances Reserved: Reserved for Encumbrances Unreserved:	Undesignated, Reported in: General Fund Special Revenue Funds <i>Total Fund Balances</i>

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Assets of Governmental Activities December 31, 2007

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 10,342,532
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 10,342,532

Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Fund Balances

Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

	General	Police	Ambulance	Public Safety #1	Public Safety #2	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts							
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 789,544	\$ 2,652,260	\$2,046,835	\$2,461,733	\$3,311,658	\$ 3,782,225	\$ 15,044,255
Intergovernmental	724,594	253,844	206,287	254,347	381,011	1,117,350	2,937,433
Special Assessments	-	-	-	-	-	240,026	240,026
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	636,841	636,841
Charges for Services	190	275	46,986	-	-	255,730	303,181
Licenses, Permits and Fees	295,143	-	-	-	-	137,136	432,279
Fines and Forfeitures	18,506	-	-	-	-	17,401	35,907
Interest	468,659	-	-	-	-	102,994	571,653
Other	179,700	126,205	19,818			33,310	359,033
Total Receipts	2,476,336	3,032,584	2,319,926	2,716,080	3,692,669	6,323,013	20,560,608
Disbursements							
Current:							
General Government	2,053,538	-	-	-	-	618,506	2,672,044
Public Safety	-	2,773,911	2,032,364	1,876,237	3,438,177	1,514,651	11,635,340
Public Works	-	-	-	-	-	2,283,444	2,283,444
Health	-	-	-	-	-	46,517	46,517
Conservation-Recreation	-	-	-	-	-	1,203,827	1,203,827
Capital Outlay	236,047	10,697	-	-	-	333,034	579,778
Debt Service:							
Principal Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	215,000	215,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges						234,832	234,832
Total Disbursements	2,289,585	2,784,608	2,032,364	1,876,237	3,438,177	6,449,811	18,870,782
Excess of Receipts Over (Under)							
Disbursements	186,751	247,976	287,562	839,843	254,492	(126,798)	1,689,826
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
Bonds Issued	300,000	-	-	-	-	-	300,000
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	449,832	449,832
Transfers Out	(156,358)	-	-	(77,658)	(29,860)	(185,956)	(449,832)
Advances In	170,000	-	-	-	-	20,000	190,000
Advances Out	(20,000)	(150,000)	-	-	-	(20,000)	(190,000)
Other Financing Sources	127,400						127,400
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	421,042	(150,000)		(77,658)	(29,860)	263,876	427,400
Net Change in Fund Balances	607,793	97,976	287,562	762,185	224,632	137,078	2,117,226
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	1,559,593	1,874,970	838,896	364,388	1,347,084	2,240,375	8,225,306
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 2,167,386	\$ 1,972,946	\$1,126,458	\$1,126,573	\$1,571,716	\$ 2,377,453	\$ 10,342,532

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 2,117,226
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	\$ 2,117,226

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

	Budgete	ed Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
Receipts					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 749,107	\$ 749,107	\$ 789,544	\$ 40,437	
Intergovernmental	512,393	962,232	724,594	(237,638)	
Special Assessments	2,500	2,500	-	(2,500)	
Charges for Services	1,000	1,000	190	(810)	
Licenses, Permits and Fees	290,000	290,000	295,143	5,143	
Fines and Forfeitures	10,000	10,000	18,506	8,506	
Interest	300,000	300,000	468,659	168,659	
Other	135,000	135,000	179,700	44,700	
Total Receipts	2,000,000	2,449,839	2,476,336	26,497	
Disbursements					
Current:					
General Government	2,994,779	2,878,036	2,201,694	676,342	
Capital Outlay	96,498	571,342	236,047	335,295	
Total Disbursements	3,091,277	3,449,378	2,437,741	1,011,637	
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(1,091,277)	(999,539)	38,595	1,038,134	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Bonds Issued	-	300,000	300,000	-	
Transfers Out	(123,393)		(156,358)	715	
Advances In	-	170,000	170,000	-	
Advances Out	-	(20,000)	(20,000)	-	
Other Financing Sources		127,400	127,400		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(123,393)	420,327	421,042	715	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,214,670)	(579,212)	459,637	1,038,849	
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	1,220,296	1,220,296	1,220,296	-	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	339,297	339,297	339,297		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 344,923	\$ 980,381	\$ 2,019,230	\$ 1,038,849	

## Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis Police Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Budgeted	l Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 2,548,009	\$ 2,548,009	\$ 2,652,260	\$ 104,251
Intergovernmental	215,491	348,050	253,844	(94,206)
Charges for Services	-	-	275	275
Licenses, Permits and Fees	15,000	15,000	-	(15,000)
Fines and Forfeitures	6,500	6,500	-	(6,500)
Other	115,000	115,000	126,205	11,205
Total Receipts	2,900,000	3,032,559	3,032,584	25
Disbursements				
Current:	1 402 020		2 005 401	1 170 015
Public Safety	4,482,039	4,057,496	2,885,481	1,172,015
Capital Outlay	12,477	450,000	10,697	439,303
Total Disbursements	4,494,516	4,507,496	2,896,178	1,611,318
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(1,594,516)	(1,474,937)	136,406	1,611,343
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Advances Out		(150,000)	(150,000)	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(150,000)	(150,000)	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,594,516)	(1,624,937)	(13,594)	1,611,343
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	1,584,609	1,584,609	1,584,609	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	290,361	290,361	290,361	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 280,454	\$ 250,033	\$ 1,861,376	\$ 1,611,343

## Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis Ambulance Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Budgeted	l Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,970,985	\$ 1,970,985	\$ 2,046,835	\$ 75,850
Intergovernmental	174,015	193,795	206,287	12,492
Charges for Services	125,000	125,000	46,986	(78,014)
Other	30,000	30,000	19,818	(10,182)
Total Receipts	2,300,000	2,319,780	2,319,926	146
Disbursements				
Current:				
Public Safety	3,006,870	3,015,761	2,177,669	838,092
Total Disbursements	3,006,870	3,015,761	2,177,669	838,092
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(706,870)	(695,981)	142,257	838,238
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	764,287	764,287	764,287	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	74,609	74,609	74,609	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 132,026	\$ 142,915	\$ 981,153	\$ 838,238

## Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis Public Safety Fund #1 For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Budgeted	l Amounts		Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Receipts	¢ 2.421.607	\$ 2,431,607	¢ 0.461.722	\$ 30,126
Property and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental	\$ 2,431,607 330,393	\$ 2,431,607 284,473	\$ 2,461,733 254,348	\$ 30,120 (30,125)
Other	38,000	-		
Total Receipts	2,800,000	2,716,080	2,716,081	1
Disbursements				
Current:				
Public Safety	3,074,213	3,002,213	1,876,237	1,125,976
Total Disbursements	3,074,213	3,002,213	1,876,237	1,125,976
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(274,213)	(286,133)	839,844	1,125,977
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers Out	(78,000)	(77,659)	(77,659)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(78,000)	(77,659)	(77,659)	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(352,213)	(363,792)	762,185	1,125,977
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	364,388	364,388	364,388	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 12,175	\$ 596	\$ 1,126,573	\$ 1,125,977

## Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - Budget Basis Public Safety Fund #2 For the Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Budgetec	l Amounts Final	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
<b>Receipts</b> Property and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental Other	\$ 3,384,570 364,430 51,000	\$ 3,384,570 257,099 51,000	\$ 3,311,658 381,011	\$ (72,912) 123,912 (51,000)	
Total Receipts	3,800,000	3,692,669	3,692,669		
<b>Disbursements</b> Current: Public Safety	4,404,318	4,404,318	3,448,523	955,795	
Total Disbursements	4,404,318	4,404,318	3,448,523	955,795	
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(604,318)	(711,649)	244,146	955,795	
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b> Transfers Out		(29,860)	(29,860)		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(29,860)	(29,860)		
Net Change in Fund Balance	(604,318)	(741,509)	214,286	955,795	
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	668,060	668,060	668,060	-	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	679,024	679,024	679,024		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 742,766	\$ 605,575	\$ 1,561,370	\$ 955,795	

### **1. REPORTING ENTITY**

Miami Township, Clermont County, (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 Finance 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 road and bridge maintenance, police protection, 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.

Based on these criteria, the Township has no component units.

#### C. Public Entity Risk Pools

The Township participates in one public entity risk pool, the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA). Note 12 to the financial statements provides additional information for this entity.

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

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2. C, these financial statements are presented on the 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. 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. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. All activities of the Township are governmental activities. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Township does not report any business-type activities.

The statement of net assets presents the cash 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. 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 cash basis or draws from the Township's general receipts.

### Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Township segregates transactions related to certain Township function or activities in separate funds in order 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 fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

#### 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 categorized as 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 as follows:

1. General 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.

2. Police Fund

This fund receives tax levy money for the operating expenses incurred by the police department for the Township.

3. Ambulance Fund

This fund receives tax levy money to provide emergency medical services to the Township.

4. Public Safety Fund #1

This fund receives tax levy money for operating expenses incurred by the fire/EMS and police departments. The monies are split with 57 percent going to fire/EMS operations and 43 percent to police operations.

5. Public Safety Fund #2

This fund receives tax levy money for operating expenses incurred by the fire/EMS and police departments. The monies are split evenly for fire/EMS and police operations.

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 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 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 fund, department and object level.

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 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.

## 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".

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 were \$468,659.

#### 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. There are no 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.

#### J. 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.

### 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 10 and 11, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

#### L. 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.

#### 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 special revenue funds. Those resources restricted for road and bridge repairs and maintenance, police and fire protection, and ambulance services were generated by levies. 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.

#### 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. Fund balance reserves have been established for encumbrances.

### 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.

#### P. Total Columns on Financial Statements

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. This data is not comparable to a consolidation. Inter-fund type eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

### 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, Police, Ambulance, Public Safety #1 and Public Safety #2 are prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is due to outstanding year end encumbrances, which are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (cash basis). The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$148,156 for the General Fund, \$111,570 for the Police Fund, \$145,305 for the Ambulance Fund and \$10,346 for the Public Safety #2 Fund.

#### 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.

#### 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 in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$10,444,162 of the Township's bank balance of \$10,544,162 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 deposite being secured.

### Investments

As of December 31, 2007, the Township had no investments.

## 5. PROPERTY TAX

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, 2006, 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. Tangible personal property is currently assessed at 25 percent of true value for capital assets and 23 percent for inventory. 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.

The full tax rate for all Township operations for the year ended December 31, 2007, was \$26.01 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:

	Assessed Value
Real Property	\$ 999,968,750
Public Utility Property	16,831,680
Tangible Personal Property	18,802,733
Total Assessed Value	\$1,035,603,163

#### 6. DEBT

For the year ended December 31, 2007, changes in the Township's project related debt was as follows:

2001 Convert	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance January 1, 2007	Additions	Payments and <u>Deletions</u>	Balance December 31, 2007	Amount Due Within <u>One Year</u>
2001 General Obligation Fire Apparatus Notes	4.10%	\$ 325,000	\$-	\$ 65,000	\$ 260,000	\$ 65,000
2003 Road Improvement Bonds	1.40-4.75%	930,000	-	40,000	890,000	40,000
2004 Various Purpose Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds	2.75-5.00%	3,250,000	-	85,000	3,165,000	85,000
2006 Various Purpose Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds	4.00%	1,050,000	-	-	1,050,000	100,000
2007 General Obligation Road Improvement Bonds	4.00-4.25%	<u>-</u> <u>\$5,555,000</u>	<u>300,000</u> <u>\$ 300,000</u>	<u>25,000</u> <u>\$215,000</u>	<u>275,000</u> <u>\$5,640,000</u>	<u>20,000</u> <u>\$310,000</u>

The General Obligation Fire Apparatus Note, 2001, is for the purchase a fire aerial truck. The note will be repaid over ten years with a principal amount of \$32,500 paid biannually. The note is secured by a tax levy.

The Road Improvement Bonds, 2003 (a tax increment financing project), is for the purpose of improving the Township's public streets. The bonds will be repaid over twenty years. The bonds are collateralized by revenue submitted to the Township from Clermont County by the benefiting companies.

The Various Purpose Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, 2004, are for the purpose of acquiring and constructing improvements to a Township building for use by the Township and constructing road improvements, and paying permissible costs of issuance. Repayment of the bonds and interest is expected to be repaid from TIF revenues. The bonds carry interest rates from 2.75 percent to a maximum of 5.0 percent and are payable over 25 years.

The Various Purpose Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, 2006, are for the purpose of certain Township road improvements (\$350,000) and for the purchase of 4 ambulances (\$700,000) for the

Township's fire department. The bonds carry an interest rate of 4.00 percent and are payable over 10 years.

The Road Improvement General Obligation Bonds, 2007, are for the purpose of certain Township roadway and utility improvements along State Route 131. The bonds carry interest rates from 4.00 percent to 4.25 percent and are payable over 10 years.

The Ohio Revised Code provides that net general obligation debt of the Township, exclusive of certain exempt debt, issued without a vote of the electors shall never exceed 5.5 percent of the tax valuation of the Township. The Revised Code further provides that total voted and unvoted net debt of the Township less the same exempt debt shall never exceed an amount equal to 10.5 percent of its valuation.

The amortization of the above remaining debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

Year ending	2001 General Obligation		20	2003 Road Improvement		2004 Various Purpose						
Decmber 31:	F	Fire Appara	atus	Notes		Bon	ds		Ge	General Obligation Bonds		
	P	rincipal	I	nterest	P	rincipal	]	Interest	Р	cincipal		Interest
2008	\$	65,000	\$	9,994	\$	40,000	\$	36,870	\$	85,000	\$	130,034
2009		65,000		6,729		50,000		35,790		95,000		127,696
2010		65,000		4,664		50,000		34,290		90,000		124,846
2011		65,000		1,999		50,000		32,640		100,000		122,034
2012		-		-		50,000		30,865		100,000		118,784
2013-2017		-		-		260,000		124,740		580,000		536,045
2018-2022		-		-		320,000		63,203		725,000		391,080
2023-2027		-		-		70,000		3,325		940,000		223,312
2028-2029		-		_		-		-		450,000		29,865
Total	\$	260,000	\$	23,386	\$	890,000	\$	361,723	\$3	,165,000	\$	1,803,696

Year ending Decmber 31:	2006 Various Purpose General Obligation Bonds		2007 General Obligation Road Improvement Bonds			Total		
	Principal	Interest	Р	rincipal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
2008	\$ 100,000	\$ 42,000	\$	20,000	\$ 11,500	\$ 310,000	\$ 230,398	
2009	100,000	38,000		25,000	10,650	335,000	218,865	
2010	100,000	34,000		25,000	9,619	330,000	207,419	
2011	100,000	30,000		25,000	8,569	340,000	195,242	
2012	100,000	26,000		25,000	7,506	275,000	183,155	
2013-2017	550,000	66,000		155,000	19,675	1,545,000	746,460	
2018-2022	-	-		-	-	1,045,000	454,283	
2023-2027	-	-		-	-	1,010,000	226,637	
2028-2029	_	-		-	-	450,000	29,865	
Total	\$1,050,000	\$ 236,000	\$	275,000	\$ 67,519	\$5,640,000	\$2,492,324	

### 7. CAPITAL LEASES

During 2005 the Township entered into a long-term lease to finance the purchase of park equipment. The lease includes an interest factor of 3.99 percent. Semi-annual lease payments of \$13,816 are due on May 15 and November 15.

During 2005 the Township entered into a long-term lease to finance the purchase of telephone equipment. The lease includes an interest factor of 4.192 percent. The lease requires semi-annual lease payments over five years of \$26,873 which are due on October 28 and April 28.

The Township's future minimum payments under the capital lease obligations as of December 31, 2007 are as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Amount
2008	\$ 81,377
2009	81,377
2010	26,873
Total minimum lease payments	189,627
Less: amount representing interest	(10,703)
Present value of future minimum lease payments	<u>\$178,924</u>

#### 8. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Transfers represent the (1) allocation of unrestricted receipts collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations or (2) the transfers between various tax increment financing funds that are established for the collection of revenues to funds established for the retirement of related debt.

During 2007 the following transfers were made:

Transfers from the General Fund to:	
Debt Service	\$156,358
Transfer from Public Safety #1 to:	
Debt Service	77,658
Transfers from Public Safety #2 to:	
Debt Service	29,860
Transfers from Park Levy to:	
Debt Service	108,186
Transfers from TIF #1 to:	
Debt Service	77,770

Transfers from the General Fund were to provide for the payment of debt. Other transfers were to provide for the retirement of debt from applicable funds established to receive funds from levies or tax increment financing agreements.

#### 9. INTERFUND BALANCES

Interfund balances as of December 31, 2007, consisted of the following individual fund receivables and payables:

Due to General Fund from:Police Fund\$150,000

The balances due to the General Fund represent loans made to provide working capital for operations. This advance was made in 2006 and is to be totally repaid in 2008.

### **10. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description – 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. While members in the State and local divisions may participate in all three plans, law enforcement (generally sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and township police) and public safety divisions exist only within the traditional pension 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, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2007, members in state and local classifications contributed 9.5 percent of covered payroll and law enforcement members contributed 10.1 percent.

The Township's contribution rate for 2007 was 13.85 percent, except for those plan members in law enforcement, for whom the Township's contribution was 17.17 percent of covered payroll. Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined. State statute sets a maximum contribution rate for the Township of 14 percent, except for law enforcement, where the maximum employer contribution rate is 18.1 percent.

The Township's required contributions OPERS for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$727,663, \$690,985 and \$675,614 respectively, which were equal to the required contributions for each year.

#### Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund

The Township contributes to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F), a cost-sharing multipleemployer defined benefit pension plan. OP&F provides retirement and disability pension benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by the Ohio State Legislature and are codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code. OP&F issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary to fund pension obligations. The Township's contribution was 24 percent for firefighters. Contribution rates are established by State statute. For 2007, a portion of the Township's contribution equal to 6.75 percent of covered payroll was allocated to fund the post-employment health care plan. The Township's contributions to OP&F for firefighters for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$660,196, \$646,009 and \$647,674, respectively. All of the required contributions were paid within the respective years.

### **11. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

#### Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

OPERS maintains a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit post-employment health care plan for qualifying members of both the traditional and combined pension plans. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including post-employment health care. The plan includes a medical plan, a prescription drug program and Medicare Part B premium reimbursement.

To qualify for post-employment health care coverage, age and service retirees under the traditional and combined plans must have ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, OPERS to provide health care benefits to its eligible members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Disclosures for the health care plan are presented separately in the OPERS financial report which may be obtained by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-5601 or 800-222-7377.

The post-employment health care plan was established under, and is administered in accordance with, Internal Revenue Code 401 (h). State statute requires that public employers fund post-employment health care through contributions to OPERS. A portion of each employer's contribution to the traditional or combined plans is set aside for the funding of post-employment health care.

Employer contribution rates are expressed as a percentage of the covered payroll of active employees. In 2007, local government employers contributed 13.85 percent of covered payroll (17.17 percent for law enforcement). Each year, the OPERS retirement board determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside for funding post-employment health care benefits. The amount of the employer contributions which was allocated to fund post-employment health care was 5.00

percent of covered payroll from January 1 through June 30, 2007, and 6.00 percent from July 1 to December 31, 2007.

The retirement board is also authorized to establish rules for the payment of a portion of the health care benefits by the retiree or the retiree's surviving beneficiaries. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected.

The Township's contributions allocated to fund post-employment health care benefits for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$258,037, \$212,192 and \$178,675 respectively. All of the required contributions were paid within the respective years.

On September 9, 2004 the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan which was effective 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.

#### Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund

The Township contributes to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F) sponsored healthcare program, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined post-employment healthcare plan administered by OP&F. OP&F provides healthcare benefits including coverage for medical, prescription drugs, dental, vision, Medicare Part B Premium reimbursement and long term care to retirees, qualifying benefit recipients and their eligible dependents. OP&F provides access to post-retirement healthcare coverage for any person who receives or is eligible to receive a monthly service, disability, or survivor benefit or is a spouse or eligible dependent child of such person.

The Ohio Revised Code allows, but does not mandate, OP&F to provide OPEB benefits. Authority for the OP&F Board of Trustees to provide healthcare coverage to eligible participants and to establish and amend benefits is codified in Chapter 742 of the Ohio Revised Code.

OP&F issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial information and required supplementary information for the Plan. That report may be obtained by writing to OP&F, 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5164.

OP&F's post-employment healthcare plan was established and is administered as an Internal Revenue Code 401(h) account within the defined benefit pension plan, under the authority granted by the Ohio Revised code to the OP&F Board of Trustees. The Ohio Revised Code sets the contribution rates for participating employers and for plan members to the OP&F. Participating employers are required to contribute to the pension plan at rates expressed as percentages of the payroll of active pension plan members, currently, 24 percent of covered payroll for fire employers.

The Board of Trustees is authorized to allocate a portion of the total employer contributions made to the pension plan to the 401(h) account as the employer contribution for retiree healthcare benefits. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the employer contribution allocated to the healthcare plan was 6.75% of covered payroll. The amount of employer contributions allocated to the healthcare plan each year is subject to the trustees' primary responsibility to ensure that pension benefits are adequately funded and also is limited by the provisions of Section 401(h).

The OP&F Board of Trustees is also authorized to establish requirements for contributions to the healthcare plan by retirees and their eligible dependents, or their surviving beneficiaries. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. Active members do not make contributions to the OPEB Plan.

The Township's contributions to OP&F which were allocated to fund post-employment health care benefits for firefighters were \$185,680, \$208,607 and \$209,145 for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 respectively, which were equal to the required contributions for each year.

### **12. RISK MANAGEMENT**

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. 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.

If losses exhaust APEEP's retained earnings, APEEP provides *excess of funds available* coverage up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to a per-claim limit of \$2,000,000 (prior to January 1, 2006) or \$3,000,000 (on or subsequent to January 1, 2006).

### 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, Travelers reinsures specific losses exceeding \$250,000 up to \$600 million per occurrence. This amount increased to \$300,000 in 2007. For 2007, APEEP reinsures members for specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$300,000 per occurrence, subject to an annual aggregate loss payment. Travelers provides aggregate stop-loss coverage based upon the combined members' total insurable values. If the stop loss is reached by payment of losses between \$100,000 and \$250,000 in 2006, or \$100,000 and \$300,000 in 2007, Travelers will reinsure specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to their \$600 million per occurrence limit. The aggregate stop-loss limit for 2007 was \$2,014,548.

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 government.

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, 2007 and 2006 (the latest information available).

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Assets	\$43,210,703	\$42,042,275
Liabilities	(13,357,837)	(12,120,661)
Retained earnings	<u>\$29,852,866</u>	<u>\$29,921,614</u>

At December 31, 2007, and 2006, respectively, liabilities above include approximately \$12.5 million and \$11.3 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets and retained earnings above also include approximately \$11.6 million and \$10.8 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 950 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. The Township's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$328,000. This payable includes the subsequent year's contribution due if the Township terminates participation, as described in the last paragraph below.

Based on discussions with OTARMA the expected rates charged by OTARMA 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:

Year	<b>Contribution</b>
2005	\$189,.903
2006	191,130
2007	163,840

After completing one year of membership, members may withdraw on each anniversary of the date they joined OTARMA provided they provide 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.

# Bastin & Company, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

### REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Members of the Board of Trustees Miami Township, Clermont County

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Miami Township (the Township), Clermont County, Ohio 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 August 7, 2009, wherein we noted that the Township's financial statements follow the cash accounting basis of accounting which is a comprehensive basis of accounting 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 the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion 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 the normal course of 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 purpose 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 to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the 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 are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We noted certain matters that we have reported to management of the Township in a separate letter dated August 7, 2009.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management and Township Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Bastin & Company, LLC

Cincinnati, Ohio August 7, 2009

## MIAMI TOWNSHIP CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2007

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Status Explanation:
2006-01	Appropriations exceeded estimated resources in violation of Ohio Revised Code section 5705.39	Yes	Corrected
2006-02	Classification of appropriations did not meet minimum detail requirements in violation of Ohio Revised Code section 5705.38 (c)	Yes	Corrected





### **MIAMI TOWNSHIP**

## **CLERMONT 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 Babbett

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

CERTIFIED SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

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