BATH TOWNSHIP

SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO

AUDIT REPORT

For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Charles E. Harris and Associates, Inc. Certified Public Accountants and Government Consultants



Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Bath Township 3864 W. Bath Road P.O. Box 1188 Bath, Ohio 44210-1188

We have reviewed the *Report of Independent Accountants* of Bath Township, Summit County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. 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. Bath Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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May 4, 2011

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Bath Township Summit County 3864 W. Bath Road P.O. Box 1188 Bath, Ohio 44210-1188

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio, (the Township), as of and for the year ended December 31. 2010, 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 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 basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic 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 modified cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio, as of December 31. 2010, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, the Road and Bridge Fund, the Police District Fund, the Fire District Fund, Joint Economic Development Fund I and the Joint Economic Development Fund II thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting basis Note 2 describes.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 to 8 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information the Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally on 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.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 18, 2011 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, grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

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Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc. March 18, 2011

Bath Township, Summit County Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended December 31, 2010 Unaudited

This discussion and analysis of the Bath Township's financial performance provides an overall review of the Township's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2010, within the limitations of the Township's modified cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Township's financial performance.

Highlights

Key highlights for 2010 are as follows:

Net assets of governmental activities decreased \$1.38 million, or 9.8 percent, from the prior year.

The Township's general receipts are primarily property and other local taxes. These receipts represent 93 percent of the total cash received for governmental activities during the year. Property and other local tax receipts for 2010 changed very little compared to 2009 as development within the Township has slowed.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

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

Report Components

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

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

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

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

Reporting the Government as a Whole

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the Township did financially during 2010, within the limitations of modified cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances and investments 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 receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts.

These statements report the Township's cash position and the changes in cash position. Keeping in mind the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting, you can think of these changes as one way to measure the Township's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's cash position are one indicator of whether the Township's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the Township's financial condition, you should also consider other nonfinancial factors as well such as the Township's property tax base, the 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, the Township's basic services are reported as governmental activities, including police, fire, streets and parks. 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 which is restricted as to how it may be used is being spent for the intended purpose. The funds of the Township are split into two categories: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds - Most 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) are combined and presented in total in a single column. The Township's major governmental funds are the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Police District Fund, Fire District Fund, and Joint Economic Development Funds I and II. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements. There is no reconciliation between the two reports as the Township reports on the cash basis.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Township. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Township's programs as a whole.

The Township as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the Township's net assets (assets less liabilities) for 2010 compared to 2009 on a modified cash basis:

Net Assets

	overnmental Activities 2010	G	overnmental Activities 2009
Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 8,981,211	\$	10,359,753
Investments	3,659,721		3,657,003
Total Assets	12,640,932		14,016,756
Net Assets			
Restricted for:			
Capital Projects	228,721		753,592
Debt Service	-		8,105
Other Purposes	8,147,926		8,875,028
Permanent Fund- Wilson Memorial			
Expendable	4,691		4,579
Nonexpendable	100,000		100,000
Unrestricted	4,159,594		4,275,452
Total Net Assets	\$ 12,640,932	\$	14,016,756

* Cash equivalents are investments which can be quickly converted to cash.

Total assets decreased by \$1.38 million, mainly due to the retirement of Nature Preserve debt.

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets in 2010:

(Table 2) Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities 2010	Governmental Activities 2009
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services and Sales	\$ 674,033	\$ 730,234
Operating Grants and Contributions	55,877	35,386
Total Program Receipts	729,910	765,620
General Receipts:		
Property and Other Local Taxes	7,468,690	7,248,978
Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted		
to Specific Programs	2,380,895	2,540,837
Sale of Capital Assets	24,588	28,276
Interest	22,156	67,193
Miscellaneous	75,018	209,316
Total General Receipts	9,971,347	10,094,600
Total Receipts	10,701,257	10,860,220
Disbursements:		
General Government	1,166,150	1,154,826
Public Safety	5,000,315	4,711,791
Public Works	2,040,183	1,454,889
Health	661,049	689,891
Conservation-Recreation	229,760	293,905
Other	4,933	4,888
Capital Outlay	843,191	369,390
Debt Service		
Principal Retirement	2,030,000	205,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	101,500	111,750
Total Disbursements	12,077,081	8,996,330
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(1,375,824)	1,863,890
Net Assets Beginning of Year	14,016,756	12,152,866
Net Assets End of Year	\$ 12,640,932	\$ 14,016,756

Program receipts represent only 6 percent of total receipts and are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as false alarm fees, building permits and inspection fees.

General receipts represent 93 percent of the Township's total receipts, and of this amount, 75 percent are local taxes. Grants and entitlements make up the bulk of the Township's other general receipts. Other receipts are somewhat insignificant and somewhat unpredictable revenue sources.

Disbursements for General Government represent the overhead costs of running the Township and the support services provided for the other Township activities.

Public Safety represents the costs of police and fire/EMS protection; health is the health department and solid waste removal; conservation - recreation is the cost of maintaining the parks and playing fields; and public works is the cost of maintaining the roads.

Governmental Activities

If you look at the Statement of Activities on page 10, 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 41 and 17 percent of all governmental disbursements, respectively. General government, which includes zoning, also represents a significant cost, about 10 percent. The next two columns of the Statement entitled Program Receipts identify (1) amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service, and (2) grants 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 which is paid by local taxpayers. These net costs are paid from the general receipts which are presented at the bottom of the Statement. A comparison between the total cost of services and the net cost is presented in Table 3.

		(Table 3)								
Governmental Activities											
	Т	otal Cost		Net Cost	Т	otal Cost		Net Cost			
	0	f Services	C	of Services	0	f Services	0	f Services			
		2	010			20)09				
General Government	\$	1,166,150	\$	(1,044,690)	\$	1,154,826	\$	(1,032,163)			
Public Safety		5,000,315		(4,909,272)		4,711,791		(4,569,001)			
Public Works		2,040,183		(2,039,633)		1,454,889		(1,438,308)			
Health		661,049		(185,052)		689,891		(211,913)			
Conservation-Recreation		229,760		(188,900)		293,905		(288,297)			
Other		4,933		(4,933)		4,888		(4,888)			
Capital Outlay		843,191		(843,191)		369,390		(369,390)			
Debt Service											
Principal Retirement		2,030,000		(2,030,000)		205,000		(205,000)			
Interest and Fiscal Charges		101,500		(101,500)		111,750		(111,750)			
Total Expenses	\$	12,077,081	\$	(11,347,171)	\$	8,996,330	\$	(8,230,710)			

The dependence upon property tax receipts is apparent as 94 percent of governmental activities are supported through these general receipts.

The Township's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$10.7 million and disbursements of \$12.1 million. Total fund balances decreased by \$1.38 million, with the largest decreases due to the payment debt from the JEDD I and Other Governmental Funds.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

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

During 2010, the actual receipts were greater than budgeted receipts due to additional grant money received but not expected. Also, the Township has a very conservative budgeting approach.

Final disbursements for the General Fund were budgeted at \$3.85 million while actual disbursements were \$2.65 million. The Township kept the expenditures well below the budgeted levels as shown by the large variance.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Township does not currently report its capital assets and infrastructure. "Capital assets" include long-lived, costly items such as buildings, cars, trucks and equipment. The Township schedules the useful life of capital assets such as cars, trucks and equipment and saves for replacements over their useful lives. Buildings are on regular maintenance schedules. "Infrastructure" represents immovable, common capital assets such as roads, bridges, tennis courts, and street lights. These assets are also covered by maintenance schedules designed to avoid decline or decay, and the subsequent need for early replacement.

Debt

During 2010, the Township paid off the outstanding debt of \$2,030,000 in general obligation bonds issued for the Bath Nature Preserve project. For further information regarding the Township's debt, refer to Note 9 to the basic financial statements.

Current Issues

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

Contacting the Township's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to reflect the Township's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Sharon Troike, Fiscal Officer, 3864 W. Bath Road, Bath, Ohio 44210.

Statement of Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis December 31, 2010

	Governmental Activities					
Assets	\$	001 211				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments	Ф	8,981,211 3,659,721				
nivestilents		5,057,721				
Total Assets	\$	12,640,932				
Net Assets						
Restricted for:						
Capital Projects	\$	228,721				
Other Purposes		8,147,926				
Permanent Funds - Wilson Trust:						
Expendable		4,691				
Nonexpendable		100,000				
Unrestricted		4,159,594				
Total Net Assets	\$	12,640,932				

Statement of Activities - Modified Cash Basis

For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

				Program Ca	sh Receij	ots	Recei	Disbursements) ots and Changes 1 Net Assets
	Cash Disbursements		for	Charges Services nd Sales	Gr	perating ants and tributions	G	overnmental Activities
Governmental Activities								
General Government	\$	1,166,150	\$	121,460		-	\$	(1,044,690)
Public Safety		5,000,315		71,176	\$	19,867		(4,909,272)
Public Works		2,040,183		550		-		(2,039,633)
Health		661,049		475,997		-		(185,052)
Conservation-Recreation		229,760		4,850		36,010		(188,900)
Other		4,933		-		-		(4,933)
Capital Outlay		843,191		-		-		(843,191)
Debt Service								
Principal Retirement		2,030,000		-		-		(2,030,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges		101,500		-		-		(101,500)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	12,077,081	\$	674,033	\$	55,877		(11,347,171)
	General Re	e ceipts xes Levied for						
	General l		•					1,205,928
	Debt Ser	•						286,187
	Special F							5,976,047
	Special Ass	-						528
	•	Entitlements r	not Restri	cted to				
	Specific							2,380,895
	Sale of Cap							24,588
	Interest							22,156
	Miscellaneo	ous						75,018
	Total Gener	ral Receipts						9,971,347
	Change in N	Net Assets						(1,375,824)
	Net Assets 1	Beginning of Y	'ear					14,016,756
	Net Assets I	End of Year					\$	12,640,932

Bath Township, Summit County Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances Governmental Funds December 31, 2010

	General	Road and Bridge Fund	Police District Fund	Fire District Fund	JEDD I Fund	JEDD II Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments <i>Total Assets</i>	\$ 4,159,5 <u>\$ 4,159,5</u>		\$ 512,155 <u>\$ 512,155</u>	\$ 507,172 - \$ 507,172	\$ 2,118,878 \$ 2,118,878	\$ 4,721 3,659,721 \$ 3,664,442	\$ 926,729 - \$ 926,729	\$ 8,981,211 3,659,721 \$ 12,640,932
Fund Balances Reserved: Reserved for Encumbrances Unreserved:	\$ 138,0	62 \$ 53,980	\$ 52,671	\$ 53,443		-	\$ 19,037	\$ 317,193
Undesignated (Deficit), Reported in: General Fund Special Revenue Funds Capital Projects Funds Permanent Fund Total Fund Balances	4,021,5 \$ 4,159,5	- 697,982	459,484 - \$ 512,155	453,729 - \$ 507,172	\$ 2,118,878 - - \$ 2,118,878	\$ 3,664,442 <u>\$ 3,664,442</u>	\$ 574,280 228,721 104,691 \$ 926,729	4,021,532 7,968,795 228,721 104,691 \$ 12,640,932

Bath Township, Summit County Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Basis Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

	General	Road and Bridge Fund	Police District Fund	Fire District Fund	JEDD I Fund	JEDD II Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts	¢ 1.005.000	¢ 1.520.200	A 110 Acc	A 1 540 015			A	A 7460.160
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,205,928	\$ 1,539,398	\$ 2,410,366	\$ 1,642,816	-	-	\$ 669,654	\$ 7,468,162
Charges for Services	60	-	-	-	-	-	553,169	553,229
Licenses, Permits and Fees	88,620	550	-	-	-	-	4,850	94,020
Fines and Forfeitures	16,322	-	8,300	-	-	-	2,162	26,784
Intergovernmental	1,190,253	206,589	325,019	219,650	\$ -	-	495,261	2,436,772
Special Assessments	-	-	-	-	-	-	528	528
Interest	13,000	-	-	-	2,781	\$ 6,208	167	22,156
Other	43,181		4,298	1,470			6,939	55,888
Total Receipts	2,557,364	1,746,537	2,747,983	1,863,936	2,781	6,208	1,732,730	10,657,539
Disbursements								
Current:								
General Government	1,159,095	-	-	-	-	-	7,055	1,166,150
Public Safety	367,411	-	2,789,934	1,733,696	-	-	109,274	5,000,315
Public Works	7,138	1,856,304	-	-	-	-	176,741	2,040,183
Health	184,502	-	-	-	-	-	476,547	661,049
Conservation-Recreation	237	-	-	-	-	-	229,523	229,760
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,933	4,933
Capital Outlay	401,148	21,469	33,253	20,900	-	-	366,421	843,191
Debt Service:								
Principal Retirement	527,351	-	-	-	747,860	-	754,789	2,030,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-						101,500	101,500
Total Disbursements	2,646,882	1,877,773	2,823,187	1,754,596	747,860		2,226,783	12,077,081
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(89,518)	(131,236)	(75,204)	109,340	(745,079)	6,208	(494,053)	(1,419,542)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Sale of Capital Assets	18,988	-	-	-	-	-	5,600	24,588
Transfers In	-	-	-	-	-	-	64,458	64,458
Transfers Out	(64,458)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(64,458)
Other Financing Sources	19,130							19,130
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(26,340)						70,058	43,718
Net Change in Fund Balances	(115,858)	(131,236)	(75,204)	109,340	(745,079)	6,208	(423,995)	(1,375,824)
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	4,275,452	883,198	587,359	397,832	2,863,957	3,658,234	1,350,724	14,016,756
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 4,159,594	\$ 751,962	\$ 512,155	\$ 507,172	\$ 2,118,878	\$ 3,664,442	\$ 926,729	\$ 12,640,932

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

	Budgete	ed Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,114,386	\$ 1,131,062	\$ 1,205,928	\$ 74,866
Charges for Services	34	36	60	24
Licenses, Permits and Fees	50,569	53,446	88,620	35,174
Fines and Forfeitures	9,314	9,844	16,322	6,478
Intergovernmental	679,184	717,836	1,190,253	472,417
Interest	7,418	7,840	13,000	5,160
Other	24,640	26,042	43,181	17,139
Total receipts	1,885,545	1,946,106	2,557,364	611,258
Disbursements				
Current:				
General Government	1,910,374	1,910,374	1,297,157	613,217
Public Safety	368,500	368,500	367,411	1,089
Public Works	-	45,123	7,138	37,985
Health	231,961	231,961	184,502	47,459
Conservation-Recreation	21,500	21,500	237	21,263
Capital Outlay	740,690	740,690	401,148	339,542
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	531,500	531,500	527,351	4,149
Total Disbursements	3,804,525	3,849,648	2,784,944	1,064,704
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(1,918,980)	(1,903,542)	(227,580)	1,675,962
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Sale of Capital Assets	10,835	11,452	18,988	7,536
Transfers Out	(74,000)	(74,000)	(64,458)	9,542
Other Financing Sources	10,916	11,537	19,130	7,593
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(52,249)	(51,011)	(26,340)	24,671
Net Change in Fund Balance	(1,971,229)	(1,954,553)	(253,920)	1,700,633
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	4,170,698	4,170,698	4,170,698	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	104,754	104,754	104,754	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 2,304,223	\$ 2,320,899	\$ 4,021,532	\$ 1,700,633

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis Road and Bridge Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

		Budgeted	Amo	unts			Variance with Final Budget	
	Original			Final		Actual		Positive Negative)
Receipts								
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	1,636,772	\$	1,670,837	\$	1,539,398	\$	(131,439)
Licenses, Permits and Fees		-		-		550		550
Intergovernmental		74,919		74,919		206,589		131,670
Total receipts		1,711,691		1,745,756		1,746,537		781
Disbursements								
Current:		0 000 (77		2 002 (77		1 010 294		172 202
Public Works		2,083,677		2,083,677		1,910,284		173,393
Capital Outlay		49,500		49,500		21,469		28,031
Total Disbursements		2,133,177		2,133,177		1,931,753		201,424
Net Change in Fund Balance		(421,486)		(387,421)		(185,216)		202,205
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		592,656		592,656		592,656		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		290,542		290,542		290,542		-
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	461,712	\$	495,777	\$	697,982	\$	202,205

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis

Police District Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

				Fi	riance with nal Budget			
		Original	Final		Actual			Positive Negative)
Receipts								
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	2,549,395	\$	2,602,177	\$	2,410,366	\$	(191,811)
Fines and Forfeitures		-		-		8,300		8,300
Intergovernmental		133,997		133,997		325,019		191,022
Other		-		-		4,298		4,298
Total receipts		2,683,392		2,736,174		2,747,983		11,809
Disbursements								
Current:								
Public Safety		2,920,582		2,920,582		2,842,605		77,977
Capital Outlay		34,935		34,935		33,253		1,682
Total Disbursements		2,955,517		2,955,517		2,875,858		79,659
Net Change in Fund Balance		(272,125)		(219,343)		(127,875)		91,468
Fund Balance Beginning of Year		540,465		540,465		540,465		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		46,894		46,894		46,894		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	315,234	\$	368,016	\$	459,484	\$	91,468

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis

Fire District Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

	 Budgeted	Amo	unts		Fir	riance with nal Budget Positive
	Original		Final	Actual		Negative)
Receipts	 					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 1,740,073	\$	1,776,721	\$ 1,642,816	\$	(133,905)
Intergovernmental	85,622		85,622	219,650		134,028
Other	 -		-	 1,470		1,470
Total receipts	 1,825,695		1,862,343	 1,863,936	. <u> </u>	1,593
Disbursements Current:						
Public Safety	1,986,191		1,986,191	1,787,139		199,052
Capital Outlay	 21,986		21,986	 20,900		1,086
Total Disbursements	 2,008,177		2,008,177	 1,808,039		200,138
Net Change in Fund Balance	(182,482)		(145,834)	55,897		201,731
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	365,062		365,062	365,062		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	 32,770		32,770	 32,770	. <u> </u>	-
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 215,350	\$	251,998	\$ 453,729	\$	201,731

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis JEDD I Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final Actual					Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
Receipts								
Interest	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,781	\$	2,781
Total receipts		-		-		2,781		2,781
Disbursements								
Principal Retirement		-		747,860		747,860		-
Total Disbursements		-		747,860		747,860		-
Net Change in Fund Balance		-		(747,860)		(745,079)		2,781
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	\$	2,863,957	\$	2,863,957	\$	2,863,957		
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	2,863,957	\$	2,116,097	\$	2,118,878	\$	2,781

Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis JEDD II Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final				Actual		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
Receipts								
Interest	\$	-	\$		\$	6,208	\$	6,208
Total receipts		-		-		6,208		6,208
Disbursements								
Debt Service:								
Principal Retirement		-		-		-		-
Total Disbursements		_						
Net Change in Fund Balance		-		-		6,208		6,208
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	\$	3,658,234	\$	3,658,234	\$	3,658,234		-
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	3,658,234	\$	3,658,234	\$	3,664,442	\$	6,208

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis Fiduciary Funds December 31, 2010

Assets	Agency
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$15,450
Net Assets	
Restricted - Deposits	\$15,450

<u>Note 1 – Reporting Entity</u>

Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio (the Township), is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township also has an elected 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. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Township. The Township provides general government services, fire, EMS and police protection, maintenance of Township roads, and cemetery maintenance.

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

<u>Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting. This modified cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the modified cash basis of accounting. 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 modified cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. The Township does not apply FASB statements issued after November 30, 1989, to its governmental activities. 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, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the Township that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. The Township has no business-type activities.

The statement of net assets presents 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 program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and receipts of interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a modified cash basis or draws from the Township's general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Township segregates transactions related to certain Township functions or activities in separate funds to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Township at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental 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. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

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. The funds of the Township are divided into two categories, governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds

The Township classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The Township's major governmental funds are the General Fund, the Road and Bridge Fund, Police District Fund, Fire District Fund and Joint Economic Development Funds. 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 receives property tax money for maintaining and repairing Township roads. The Police District Fund receives special levy tax money for providing fire services to Township residents. The Joint Economic Development Funds I and II (JEDD I and II) are dedicated to preserving the rural character of Bath Township.

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

Fiduciary Funds

Agency funds are purely custodial in nature and are used to hold resources for individuals, organizations or other governments. The Township's agency funds account for insurance proceeds to be held until required repairs to damaged property are made and approved by the Township and to account for road opening deposits and road bonds that are returned when construction is complete. The Township also has \$100,000 in the Wilson Trust, a "Permanent Fund". Although the \$100,000 principal cannot be spent, Wilson Trust interest can be spent on training and equipment costs for safety forces.

C. Basis of Accounting

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

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

D. Budgetary Process

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, 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 appropriation resolution is the Township's authorization to spend resources and sets limits on disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Township. The legal level of control has been established at the object level for all funds.

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

The appropriation resolution 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 resolution 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."

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments. Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During 2010, the Township invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit, treasury bills and STAR Ohio. The non-negotiable certificates of deposit and the treasury certificates are reported at cost.

STAR Ohio is an investment pool, managed by the State Treasurer's Office, which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 2010.

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 2010 were \$13,000.

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, laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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 modified cash basis of accounting.

K. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Township recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 7 and 8, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits. Beyond annual contributions, pensions are the liability of the State or Federal Programs and are not liabilities of Bath Township.

L. Long-Term Obligations

The Township's modified cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds or other longterm 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 an other financing source nor a capital outlay expenditure are reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid. The Township had no such transactions in 2010.

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 totaling \$100,000 in the permanent fund are restricted and are non-expendable. Income on the Wilson Memorial Trust is restricted to training and equipment costs for safety forces.

N. Interfund Transactions

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

Note 3 – Budgetary Basis of Accounting

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Police District Fund, Fire District Fund, and Joint Economic Development Funds 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 modified cash basis is that outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (modified cash basis). The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$138,062 for the General Fund, \$53,980 for the Road and Bridge Fund, \$52,671 for the Police District Fund and \$53,443 for the Fire District Fund.

<u>Note 4 – Deposits and Investments</u>

State statutes classify monies held by the Township into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the Township treasury. Such 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 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 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 may 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.

Note 4 – Deposits and Investments – (continued)

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

Custodial credit risk for deposits 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 December 31, 2010, \$1,903,784 of the Township's bank balance of \$2,403,784, which includes \$2,279,000 of non-negotiable certificates of deposit 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.

As of December 31, 2010, the Township had the following investments and maturities:

Investment Type	Fair Value 12/31/2010	Maturity (1)	Rating (2)
Treasury Bonds and Notes STAR OHIO (Investment Pool)	\$ 3,659,721 6,276,843	95 Daily	AA A AA Am
Total Investments	\$ 9,936,564		
(1) Weighted Maturity - Days (2) Moody's			

Interest rate risk arises because potential purchasers of debt securities will not agree to pay face value for those securities if interest rates subsequently increase. The Township's investment policy addresses interest rate risk by requiring that the Township's investment portfolio be structured so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations and/or long-term debt payments, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity, and by investing operating funds primarily in short-term investments.

<u>Note 5 – Property Taxes</u>

Property taxes are levied, assessed and collected on a calendar year basis. They include amounts levied against all real, public utility, and tangible personal property located in the Township. Taxes collected on real property (other than public utility) in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values as of January 1 of that preceding year, the lien date. Assessed values are established by the Summit County Fiscal Officer at 35% of appraised market value. All property is required to be revalued every six years with 3 year updates. The last revaluation for the Township was completed in 2010. The next update is scheduled for 2013.

Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31. If paid semi-annually, the first payment is usually due December 31, with the remainder payable June 20.

<u>Note 5 – Property Taxes</u> – (continued)

Taxes collected from tangible personal property (other than public utility) received during calendar year 2010 represent the collection of 2010 taxes levied against local and inter-exchange telephone companies. Tangible personal property taxes on business inventory, manufacturing and equipment, and furniture and fixtures is no longer levied and collected. Tangible personal property taxes received from telephone companies in calendar year 2010 were levied April 1, 2009 on the values listed as of December 31, 2009. Public utility real and public utility personal property taxes collected in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values determined as of December 31 of the second year preceding the tax collection year, the lien date. Real property is assessed at 35% of market value and personal property is assessed at 100% of market value. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same dates as real property taxes described previously.

The Summit County Auditor collects property taxes on behalf of the Township and remits the collected taxes to the Township. Tax settlements are made each March and August for real property taxes and each June and October for personal property.

Real Property	
Residential and Agricultural	\$ 451,452,860
Other	78,206,850
Public Utility	 8,544,180
Total Assessed Value	\$ 538,203,890

<u>Note 6 – Risk Management</u>

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters. During 2010, the Township contracted with Wichert Insurance as their broker for the following coverage with the respective companies listed below:

Туре	Amount		Limit	Company	
Legal Liability	\$	1,000,000 3,000,000	Per Occurrence General Aggregate	Westfield Co. Westfield Co.	
Automobile Liability	\$	1,000,000	Per Occurrence	Westfield Co.	
Law Enforcement Operations	\$	1,000,000	Per Occurrence	Scottsdale Indemnity	
Wrongful Acts	\$	1,000,000	Per Occurance & Annual Aggregate	Scottsdale Indemnity	
Property, Boiler & Equipment	\$	10,461,307	Limit	Westfield Co.	

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

<u>Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan</u>

A. Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Township participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: The Traditional Pension Plan—a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan; the Member-Directed Plan—a defined contribution plan; and the Combined Plan—a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Bath Township participates only in the traditional plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional plan. 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.

The 2010 member contribution rates were 10.0% for members in state and local classifications. Public safety and law enforcement members contributed 10.5% and 11.1% respectively. The 2010 employer contribution rate for state and local employers was 14.00% of covered payroll. For both the law enforcement and public safety divisions, the employer contribution rate for 2010 was 17.87%. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Township's required contributions for pension obligations to the traditional plan for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$496,143, \$475,114, and \$475,711, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for all years.

All benefits are established by legislature pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 145. Members are eligible for retirement benefits at age 60 with 5 years or 60 contributing months of service credit, age 55 with 25 or more years of service credit, or at any age with 30 or more years of service credit. The annual benefit is based on final average salary, multiplied by a specific percentage based on service and type of plan. Persons retiring before age 65 with less than 30 years of service credit receive a percentage reduction in benefit amounts. Upon reaching minimum retirement age, benefits are vested at the time of eligibility for monthly benefits.

B. 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 benefits, annual cost-ofliving 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.

<u>Note 7 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan</u> – (continued)

<u>B. Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund</u> – (continued)

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary, while the Township is required to contribute 24 percent for firefighters. Contributions are authorized by State statute. The Township's contributions to the Fund for firefighters were \$191,853 for the year ended December 31, 2010, \$185,993 for the year ended December 31, 2009, and \$176,191 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The full amount has been contributed for all years.

Note 8 - Postemployment Benefits

A. Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) administers three separate pension plans: the Traditional Pension Plan – a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pensions plan; the Member Directed Plan – a defined contribution plan; and the Combined Plan – a cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit pension plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and survivor benefits as well as postretirement health care coverage to qualifying members of both the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including postemployment health care coverage. In order to qualify for postemployment health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined Plan must have 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS is considered an Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 45.

A portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employer contributions. For local government employer units, the Township's contribution rate was 14.00% of covered payroll for 2010. The employer contribution included 5.5% from January 1 through February 28, 2010 and 5.0% from March 1 through December 31, 2010 to fund health care for the year. The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority to require public employers to fund post retirement health care through their contributions to OPERS.

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

Under the HCPP, retirees for health care coverage will receive a graded monthly allocation based on their years of service at retirement. The Plan incorporates a cafeteria approach, offering a broad range of health care option that allow benefit recipients to use their monthly allocation to purchase health care coverage customized to meet their individual needs. If the monthly allocation exceeds the cost of the options selected, the excess is deposited into a Retiree Medical Account that can be used to fund future health care expenses.

<u>Note 8 - Postemployment Benefits</u> – (continued)

B. Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund

The Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F) provides postretirement health care coverage to any person who receives or is eligible to receive a monthly service, disability or survivor benefit check or is a spouse or eligible dependent child of such person. An eligible dependent child under the age of 18 whether or not the child is attending school, or under the age of 22 if attending school full-time or on a 2/3 basis.

The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in *GASB Statement No. 12*. The Ohio Revised Code provides the authority allowing the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund's board of trustees to provide health care coverage and states that health care costs paid from the funds of OP&F shall be included in the employer's contribution rate. Health care funding and accounting is on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The total firefighter contribution rate is 24 percent of covered payroll, of which 6.75 percent of covered payroll was applied to the postemployment health care program during 2010. In addition, since July 1, 1992, most retirees and survivors have been required to contribute a portion of the cost of their health care coverage through a deduction from their monthly benefit payment. Beginning in 2001, all retirees and survivors have monthly health care contributions.

Note 9 - Debt

The Township's long-term debt activity for the year ended December 31, 2010, was as follows:

	Balance December 31,			Balance December 31,	Due Within
	2009	Additions	Reductions	2010	One Year
Governmental Activities: G.O. Bonds - 4.3%	\$ 2,030,000	\$-	\$ 2,030,000	\$-	\$-

The general obligation bonds provided resources for the Bath Nature Preserve project. The Township purchased land from the Firestone Estate and converted the land to a nature preserve. These voter-approved bonds have been repaid in 2010.

Note 10 – Contingent Liabilities/ Subsequent Events

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the Township are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

Management believes there are no pending claims or lawsuits.

Note 11 – Joint Ventures

The Township is a member of a Joint Economic District with the cities of Akron and Fairlawn. The City of Akron provides water service to businesses within the JEDD while the JEDD is permitted to collect income tax on those businesses. At the same time, the JEDD prevents annexation of Township property by either city and maintains the Township's rural character and property tax base.

The Township jointly operates a fire station with Copley Township. The Township is responsible for half of the operating and maintenance costs (with the exception of snow and ice control paid by Copley Township, and lawn and landscape maintenance paid by Bath Township, and 50% of payroll costs for the station. For the year ended December 31, 2010, the Township's expenditures for the fire station were \$227,619.

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY <u>GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</u>

Bath Township Summit County 3864 W. Bath Rd. Bath Ohio 44210-1188

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Bath Township, Summit County Ohio (the Township) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010 and have issued our report thereon dated March 18, 2011, wherein we noted the Township uses the modified cash basis of accounting rather 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 Controls 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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining 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 *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and timely corrected.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, 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 reasonably assuring whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, the Board of Trustees and others within the Township. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Charles Having Association

Charles E. Harris and Associates, Inc. March 18, 2011

STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT'S CITATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The prior audit report, for the year ending December 31, 2009, reported no material citations or recommendations.



Dave Yost • Auditor of State

BATH TOWNSHIP

SUMMIT 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 MAY 17, 2011

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