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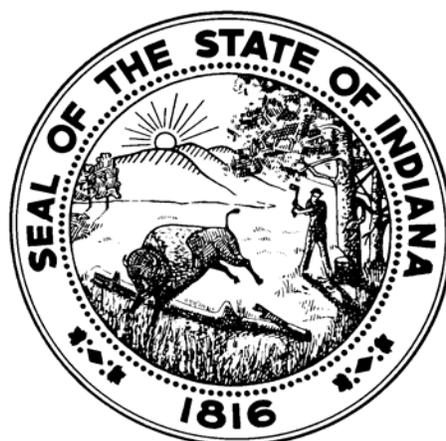
EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

CASS TOWNSHIP

PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005



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Trustee

Nicholas P. Miller
Elaine C. Parish

01-01-03 to 07-31-06
08-01-06 to 12-31-06

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF CASS TOWNSHIP, PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the schedules of receipts, disbursements, and cash and investment balances of Cass Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005. The Township's management is responsible for the schedules. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the schedule of receipts, disbursements, and cash and investment balances and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the schedules referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash transactions of the Township for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2005, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

August 28, 2006

CASS TOWNSHIP, PULASKI COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
As Of And For The Years Ended December 31, 2004 And 2005

	Cash and Investments 01-01-04	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-04
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 20,918	\$ 11,745	\$ 10,228	\$ 22,435
Dog	450	117	150	417
Township Assistance	5,124	551	740	4,935
Firefighting	16,449	16,378	12,300	20,527
	<u>42,941</u>	<u>28,791</u>	<u>23,418</u>	<u>48,314</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 42,941</u>	<u>\$ 28,791</u>	<u>\$ 23,418</u>	<u>\$ 48,314</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-05	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-05
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 22,435	\$ 11,028	\$ 10,303	\$ 23,160
Dog	417	236	117	536
Township Assistance	4,935	1,682	895	5,722
Firefighting	20,527	16,710	17,795	19,442
Levy Excess	-	660	-	660
	<u>48,314</u>	<u>30,316</u>	<u>29,110</u>	<u>49,520</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 48,314</u>	<u>\$ 30,316</u>	<u>\$ 29,110</u>	<u>\$ 49,520</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedules.

CASS TOWNSHIP, PULASKI COUNTY
NOTES TO SCHEDULES

Note 1. Introduction

The Township was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The Township provides the following services: public safety, health and social services, and general administrative services.

Note 2. Fund Accounting

The Township uses funds to report on its cash and investments and the results of its operations on a cash basis. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

Note 3. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. In addition, funds for which property taxes are levied are subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 4. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are distributed to the Township in June and December. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by February 15. These rates were based upon the preceding year's March 1 (lien date) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100% of the true tax value (determined in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance). Taxes may be paid in two equal installments which become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively. All property taxes collected by the County Treasurer and available for distribution were distributed to the Township on or prior to December 31 of the year collected.

Note 5. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with Indiana Code 5-13, with financial institutions in the State of Indiana at year end were entirely insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by the Indiana Public Deposit Insurance Fund. This includes any deposit accounts issued or offered by a qualifying financial institution.

State statute (IC 5-13-9) authorizes the Township to invest in securities including, but not limited to, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

CASS TOWNSHIP, PULASKI COUNTY
EXAMINATION RESULTS AND COMMENTS

DONATIONS

The Township donated \$100 to the Medaryville Baseball League and \$100 to the Westside Softball League in 2004.

Governmental funds should not be donated or given to other organizations, individuals, or governmental units unless specifically authorized by statute. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13)

APPROPRIATIONS

The records presented for audit indicated the following expenditures in excess of budgeted appropriations:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Excess Amount Expended</u>
Fire	2004	\$ 2,300
Fire	2005	4,795

Indiana Code 6-1.1-18-4 states in part: "...the proper officers of a political subdivision shall appropriate funds in such a manner that the expenditures for a year do not exceed its budget for that year as finally determined under this article."

CASS TOWNSHIP, PULASKI COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on August 28, 2006, with Elaine C. Parish, Trustee. The official concurred with our findings.