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EXAMINATION REPORT
OF
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005



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Trustee

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01-01-03 to 12-31-06

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the schedules of receipts, disbursements, and cash and investment balances of Franklin 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

September 18, 2006

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY 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	\$ 30,320	\$ 18,278	\$ 20,670	\$ 27,928
Dog	488	411	304	595
Township Assistance	21,980	14,638	2,192	34,426
Firefighting	31,101	27,624	13,247	45,478
Cumulative Fire	29,635	19,088	1,868	46,855
Rainy Day	-	547	-	547
Fire Debt	935	2,577	-	3,512
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	-	765	505	260
Totals	<u>\$ 114,459</u>	<u>\$ 83,928</u>	<u>\$ 38,786</u>	<u>\$ 159,601</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-05	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-05
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 27,928	\$ 11,779	\$ 18,816	\$ 20,891
Dog	595	326	295	626
Township Assistance	34,426	2,478	994	35,910
Firefighting	45,478	23,292	22,678	46,092
Cumulative Fire	46,855	7,714	-	54,569
Rainy Day	547	20	-	567
Fire Debt	3,512	-	-	3,512
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	260	857	822	295
Totals	<u>\$ 159,601</u>	<u>\$ 46,466</u>	<u>\$ 43,605</u>	<u>\$ 162,462</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedules.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, DEKALB 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, culture and recreation, 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.

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.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on September 18, 2006, with Sandra Harrison, Trustee. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.