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EXAMINATION REPORT  
OF  
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP  
JOHNSON COUNTY, INDIANA  
January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2005



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OFFICIALS

Office

Official

Term

Trustee

Cecelia Campbell

01-01-02 to 12-31-06

Chairman of the  
Township Board

John Ditmars  
Ed Vandiver

01-01-02 to 12-31-02  
01-01-03 to 12-31-06



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON 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, 2002 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, 2002, 2003, 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 11, 2006

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON 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, 2002, 2003, 2004 And 2005

	Cash and Investments 01-01-02	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-02
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 70,741	\$ 78,631	\$ 33,099	\$ 116,273
Dog	509	261	209	561
Township Assistance	91,910	113,986	100,807	105,089
Firefighting	59,574	695	16,700	43,569
Levy Excess	-	255	-	255
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	-	968	-	968
Totals	<u>\$ 222,734</u>	<u>\$ 194,796</u>	<u>\$ 150,815</u>	<u>\$ 266,715</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-03	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-03
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 116,273	\$ 42,701	\$ 36,480	\$ 122,494
Dog	561	244	561	244
Township Assistance	105,089	142,648	117,394	130,343
Firefighting	43,569	50,644	16,700	77,513
Levy Excess	255	-	-	255
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	968	-	968	-
Totals	<u>\$ 266,715</u>	<u>\$ 236,237</u>	<u>\$ 172,103</u>	<u>\$ 330,849</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-04	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-04
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 122,494	\$ 45,654	\$ 33,618	\$ 134,530
Dog	244	216	-	460
Township Assistance	130,343	157,788	119,391	168,740
Firefighting	77,513	54,878	16,700	115,691
Levy Excess	255	-	255	-
Rainy Day	-	6,659	-	6,659
Totals	<u>\$ 330,849</u>	<u>\$ 265,195</u>	<u>\$ 169,964</u>	<u>\$ 426,080</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-05	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-05
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 134,530	\$ 47,959	\$ 33,881	\$ 148,608
Dog	460	222	160	522
Township Assistance	168,740	128,494	134,321	162,913
Firefighting	115,691	74,468	26,700	163,459
Rainy Day	6,659	-	-	6,659
Totals	<u>\$ 426,080</u>	<u>\$ 251,143</u>	<u>\$ 195,062</u>	<u>\$ 482,161</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the schedules.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON 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.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON COUNTY  
NOTES TO SCHEDULES  
(Continued)

Note 6. Pension Plan

Public Employees' Retirement Fund

Plan Description

The Township contributes to the Indiana Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF), a defined benefit pension plan. PERF is an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system, which provides retirement benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. All full-time employees are eligible to participate in this defined benefit plan. State statutes (IC 5-10.2 and 5-10.3) govern, through the PERF Board, most requirements of the system, and give the Township authority to contribute to the plan. The PERF retirement benefit consists of the pension provided by employer contributions plus an annuity provided by the member's annuity savings account. The annuity savings account consists of members' contributions, set by state statute at 3% of compensation, plus the interest credited to the member's account. The employer may elect to make the contributions on behalf of the member.

PERF administers the plan and issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan as a whole and for its participants. That report may be obtained by contacting:

Public Employees' Retirement Fund  
Harrison Building, Room 800  
143 West Market Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
Ph. (317) 233-4162

Funding Policy and Annual Pension Cost

The contribution requirements of the plan members for PERF are established by the Board of Trustees of PERF.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON COUNTY  
EXAMINATION RESULTS AND COMMENTS

PRESCRIBED FORMS

The following prescribed form was not in use for the years 2002 through 2005:

Township Form No. 17, Resolution Recommending Salaries of Township Officers and Employees.

Officials and employees are required to use State Board of Accounts prescribed or approved forms in the manner prescribed. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13)

OFFICIAL BOND

The official bond for Cecelia Campbell, Trustee, was not filed in the office of the County Recorder for the years 2002, 2004, and 2005.

Indiana Code 5-4-1-5.1(b) states in part: "Every elected or appointed officer, official, deputy, or employee of a political subdivision . . . shall file the bond in the office of the county recorder . . ."

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, JOHNSON COUNTY  
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on September 11, 2006, with Cecelia Campbell, Trustee. The official concurred with our findings.