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EXAMINATION REPORT
OF
TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP
MARSHALL COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2009



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OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trustee	James A. Bates, Jr.	01-01-07 to 12-31-10
Chairman of the Township Board	Kirk Livengood	01-01-07 to 12-31-10



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP, MARSHALL COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Tippecanoe Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2009. The Township's management is responsible for the financial information presented herein. 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 financial information presented herein 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 financial information referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial information of the Township for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2008, and 2009, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Schedule of Capital Assets, as listed in the Table of Contents, is presented for additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial information. It has not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the basic financial information, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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April 1, 2010

TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP, MARSHALL COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
As Of And For The Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2008, And 2009

	Cash and Investments 01-01-07	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-07
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 79,427	\$ 49,212	\$ 45,414	\$ 83,225
Township Assistance	9,295	582	660	9,217
Fire Fighting	36,161	29,863	19,473	46,551
Cumulative Fire	63,384	12,449	8,284	67,549
Dog	647	-	647	-
Rainy Day	777	11,404	-	12,181
Township Building	2,393	550	-	2,943
Totals	<u>\$ 192,084</u>	<u>\$ 104,060</u>	<u>\$ 74,478</u>	<u>\$ 221,666</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-08	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-08
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 83,225	\$ 49,676	\$ 48,364	\$ 84,537
Township Assistance	9,217	1,790	400	10,607
Fire Fighting	46,551	31,716	22,597	55,670
Cumulative Fire	67,549	13,390	-	80,939
Rainy Day	12,181	6,474	3,682	14,973
Township Building	2,943	650	256	3,337
Totals	<u>\$ 221,666</u>	<u>\$ 103,696</u>	<u>\$ 75,299</u>	<u>\$ 250,063</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-09	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-09
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 84,537	\$ 38,321	\$ 41,628	\$ 81,230
Township Assistance	10,607	1,891	2,860	9,638
Fire Fighting	55,670	29,465	27,490	57,645
Cumulative Fire	80,939	9,595	19,878	70,656
Rainy Day	14,973	263	503	14,733
Township Building	3,337	450	253	3,534
Totals	<u>\$ 250,063</u>	<u>\$ 79,985</u>	<u>\$ 92,612</u>	<u>\$ 237,436</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information.

TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP, MARSHALL COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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. 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.

TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP, MARSHALL COUNTY
 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
 As of December 31, 2009

Capital assets are reported at actual or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Contributed or donated assets are reported at estimated fair value at the time received

<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:	
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	
Machinery and equipment	\$ <u>128,500</u>

TIPPECANOE TOWNSHIP, MARSHALL COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on April 1, 2010, with James A. Bates, Jr., Trustee; and Margaret Bates, Township Clerk. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.