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EXAMINATION REPORT
OF
JACKSON TOWNSHIP
CARROLL COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009



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Office

Official

Term

Trustee

Robert Dittman

01-01-07 to 12-31-10

Chairman of the
Township Board

Dan Shanks
Joe Wallace

01-01-07 to 12-31-08
01-01-09 to 12-31-10



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP, CARROLL COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Jackson Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2008 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, 2008 and 2009, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

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April 6, 2010

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

	Cash and Investments 01-01-08	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-08
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 156,967	\$ 41,895	\$ 28,558	\$ 170,304
Township Assistance	23,077	4,798	2,967	24,908
Firefighting	66,081	64,199	32,719	97,561
Park and Recreation	3,238	9,574	11,737	1,075
Cemetery Trust	-	2,512	-	2,512
Levy Excess	738	-	-	738
Totals	<u>\$ 250,101</u>	<u>\$ 122,978</u>	<u>\$ 75,981</u>	<u>\$ 297,098</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-09	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-09
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 170,304	\$ 49,213	\$ 46,826	\$ 172,691
Township Assistance	24,908	5,570	3,376	27,102
Firefighting	97,561	107,374	122,911	82,024
Park and Recreation	1,075	26,923	5,450	22,548
Cemetery	2,512	-	-	2,512
Rainy Day	-	998	-	998
Levy Excess	738	-	-	738
Totals	<u>\$ 297,098</u>	<u>\$ 190,078</u>	<u>\$ 178,563</u>	<u>\$ 308,613</u>

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

JACKSON TOWNSHIP, CARROLL 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.

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.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP, CARROLL COUNTY
EXAMINATION RESULTS AND COMMENTS

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>
Park and Recreation	2008	\$ 6,737
Firefighting	2009	54,411

IC 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."

FORM 100R

The Certified Report of Names, Addresses, Duties and Compensation of Public Employees (Form 100Rs) were not submitted to the State Board of Accounts for 2008 and 2009.

Compliance is required, as applicable, with generally accepted accounting principles, and standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Financial Accounting Standards Board, and other standards setting bodies and also with various accounting guides, manuals and other publications. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13)

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)

JACKSON TOWNSHIP, CARROLL COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on April 6, 2010, with Kathryn Dittman, Township Clerk. The official concurred with our examination findings.