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EXAMINATION REPORT
OF
PIKE TOWNSHIP
WARREN COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2009



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Official

Term

Trustee

Edie A. Foust

01-01-07 to 12-31-10

Chairman of the
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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF PIKE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Pike 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.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

March 29, 2010

PIKE TOWNSHIP, WARREN 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	\$ 30,189	\$ 8,917	\$ 10,763	\$ 28,343
Dog	300	-	300	-
Township Assistance	13,661	305	3,213	10,753
Firefighting	43,727	3,336	5,600	41,463
Levy Excess	369	-	-	369
	<u>88,246</u>	<u>12,558</u>	<u>19,876</u>	<u>80,928</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 88,246</u>	<u>\$ 12,558</u>	<u>\$ 19,876</u>	<u>\$ 80,928</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-08	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-08
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 28,343	\$ 8,889	\$ 12,545	\$ 24,687
Township Assistance	10,753	-	3,720	7,033
Firefighting	41,463	7,917	8,000	41,380
Levy Excess	369	-	-	369
Rainy Day	-	607	-	607
	<u>80,928</u>	<u>17,413</u>	<u>24,265</u>	<u>74,076</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 80,928</u>	<u>\$ 17,413</u>	<u>\$ 24,265</u>	<u>\$ 74,076</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-09	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-09
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 24,687	\$ 25,865	\$ 27,799	\$ 22,753
Township Assistance	7,033	-	4,160	2,873
Firefighting	41,380	6,872	8,000	40,252
Levy Excess	369	-	-	369
Rainy Day	607	248	-	855
	<u>74,076</u>	<u>32,985</u>	<u>39,959</u>	<u>67,102</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 74,076</u>	<u>\$ 32,985</u>	<u>\$ 39,959</u>	<u>\$ 67,102</u>

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

PIKE TOWNSHIP, WARREN 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. However, 2007 taxes became delinquent if not paid by June 29 and November 13; 2008 taxes became delinquent if not paid by August 29 and November 10; and 2009 taxes became delinquent if not paid by July 17 and November 10.

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.

PIKE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY
EXAMINATION RESULTS AND COMMENTS

BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS

The Trustee made mistakes in the preparation of her bank reconciliation. The outstanding list at December 31, 2009, did not include two outstanding checks. The earned but not posted interest was not considered as a reconciling item. The adjusted bank balance derived by the Trustee did not match the All Funds balance in the ledger.

IC 5-13-6-1(e) states: "All local investment officers shall reconcile at least monthly the balance of public funds, as disclosed by the records of the local officers, with the balance statements provided by the respective depositories."

At all times, the manual and/or computerized records, subsidiary ledgers, control ledger, and reconciled bank balance should agree. If the reconciled bank balance is less than the subsidiary or control ledgers, then the responsible official or employee may be held personally responsible for the amount needed to balance the fund. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13)

DEPOSIT OF PUBLIC FUNDS

The tax distribution made by the County on December 30, 2009, for \$4,729.04 was not deposited until February 1, 2010.

IC 5-13-6-1(c) states in part: "The public funds collected by township trustees shall be deposited in the designated depository on or before the first and fifteenth day of each month."

FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES - COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Pike Township did not comply with directives of the Internal Revenue Service or the Indiana Department of Revenue. The Trustee did not withhold taxes from employees, remit withholdings, issue Internal Revenue Service Form W-2 or file withholding reports to the Federal or State government. A similar comment appeared in the previous report.

PIKE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY
EXAMINATION RESULTS AND COMMENTS
(Continued)

Political subdivisions are required to comply with all grant agreements, rules, regulations, bulletins, directives, letters, letter rulings and filing requirements concerning reports and other procedural matters of federal and state agencies, including opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Indiana, and court decisions. Governmental units should file accurate reports required by federal and state agencies. Noncompliance may require corrective action. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13)

Each governmental unit is responsible for compliance with all rules, regulations, guidelines, and directives of the Internal Revenue Service and the Indiana Department of Revenue. All questions concerning taxes should be directed to these agencies. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13)

Officials and employees have the duty to pay claims and remit taxes in a timely fashion. Failure to pay claims or remit taxes in a timely manner could be an indicator of serious financial problems which should be investigated by the governmental unit.

Additionally, officials and employees have responsibility to perform duties in a manner which would not result in any unreasonable fees being assessed against the governmental unit.

Any penalties, interest or other charges paid by the governmental unit may be the personal obligation of the responsible official or employee. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 13.)

PIKE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on March 29, 2010, with Edie A. Foust, Trustee. The official concurred with our findings.