



STATE OF INDIANA
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

B44494

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS
302 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
ROOM E418
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204-2769

Telephone: (317) 232-2513
Fax: (317) 232-4711
Web Site: www.in.gov/sboa

November 21, 2014

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

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Jackson Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2013, to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the requirements of Indiana Code 5-11-1. Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Township's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on any basic financial statement of the Township.

Management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents, as well as compliance with applicable state laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Township's Annual Financial Reports filed for years prior to 2011 can be found on the Indiana Transparency Portal website: www.in.gov/itp/annual_reports/. For years 2011 and later, the Annual Financial Reports filed by the Township can be found on the Gateway website: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>.

The Comments contained herein describe the identified reportable instances of noncompliance found as a result of the procedures we performed. Our procedures were not designed to identify all instances of noncompliance; therefore, noncompliance may exist that is unidentified.

Current Period Comments

- *The records presented for review indicated the following disbursements in excess of budgeted appropriations:*

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Excess Amount Disbursed</u>
2013	Township Assistance	\$ 2,014.72
2013	Fire Fighting	1,094.10

- *Receipts were deposited later than the first and fifteenth of the month five times during the review period.*
- *The Township did not adopt a resolution establishing salaries of Township officers and employees for 2012 or 2013.*

- *In 2013, the Trustee received compensation in advance of the actual date the services were provided.*
- *Fire contracts with Fruitdale Volunteer Fire Department were provided; however, did not have an amount listed. One contract for Jackson Volunteer Fire Department did not have an amount. There were invoices submitted for mowing, but no written contracts. Payments were within the budgeted amounts.*
- *The Township did not have a Nepotism Policy for 2012.*
- *Each elected officer did not certify in writing that the officer had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-20.2 (Nepotism) by December 31, 2012 and 2013.*
- *The Township did not have a Contracting Policy for 2012.*
- *Each elected officer did not certify in writing that the officer had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-21 (Contracting With a Unit) by December 31, 2012 and 2013.*
- *The Township did not timely file an Annual Financial Report for 2012. The report was filed on April 22, 2013, which was 52 days past the due date.*
- *The Township did not timely file a Certified Report of Names, Addresses, Duties and Compensation of Public Employees (Form 100-R or its equivalent) with the Indiana State Board of Accounts for 2011 and 2012. The reports were filed on February 8, 2012, and March 11, 2013, respectively, which were 8 days and 39 days past the due dates.*

This letter is intended for the information and use of the governing body and management of the Township. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this letter, which is a matter of public record.

The contents of this letter were discussed on July 23, 2014, with Malinda Weddle, Trustee.

Paul D. Joyce
 Paul D. Joyce, CPA
 State Examiner