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EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007



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OFFICIALS

Office

Official

Term

Trustee

Trillia Gearhart

01-01-03 to 12-31-10

Chairman of the  
Township Board

Paul Haist

01-01-06 to 12-31-08



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Franklin Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007. 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, 2006 and 2007, 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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August 7, 2008

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY  
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
As Of And For The Years Ended December 31, 2006 And 2007

	Cash and Investments 01-01-06	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-06
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 38,675	\$ 22,311	\$ 17,284	\$ 43,702
Dog	600	236	750	86
Township Assistance	18,147	3,025	5,018	16,154
Firefighting	39,600	41,682	27,406	53,876
Park and Recreation	9,825	1,648	2,900	8,573
Emergency Medical Services	22,802	2,128	2,000	22,930
Totals	<u>\$ 129,649</u>	<u>\$ 71,030</u>	<u>\$ 55,358</u>	<u>\$ 145,321</u>

	Cash and Investments 01-01-07	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-07
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 43,702	\$ 24,072	\$ 17,757	\$ 50,017
Dog	86	405	491	-
Township Assistance	16,154	3,169	5,587	13,736
Firefighting	53,876	42,418	29,606	66,688
Park and Recreation	8,573	2,552	2,900	8,225
Emergency Medical Services	22,930	1,788	2,000	22,718
Totals	<u>\$ 145,321</u>	<u>\$ 74,404</u>	<u>\$ 58,341</u>	<u>\$ 161,384</u>

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

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO 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.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

For The Year Ended December 31, 2007

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>483</u>
Total governmental activities, capital assets not being depreciated	\$ <u><u>483</u></u>

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY  
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on August 7, 2008, with Trillia Gearhart, Trustee. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.