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



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Official

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Trustee

Gwendolyn L. Ostrom

01-01-07 to 12-31-10

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO 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.

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. The Schedule has not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the basic financial information and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the Schedule.

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JACKSON TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY 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	\$ 48,723	\$ 36,147	\$ 38,834	\$ 46,036
Dog	-	725	609	116
Township Assistance	8,734	1,952	2,650	8,036
Firefighting	38,708	27,873	34,968	31,613
Donation	143	-	-	143
Rainy Day	-	2,151	-	2,151
Cumulative Fire	89,836	9,240	-	99,076
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	238	2,624	2,638	224
Totals	<u>\$ 186,382</u>	<u>\$ 80,712</u>	<u>\$ 79,699</u>	<u>\$ 187,395</u>
	Cash and Investments 01-01-09	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-09
Governmental Funds:				
Township	\$ 46,036	\$ 56,411	\$ 39,302	\$ 63,145
Dog	116	-	116	-
Township Assistance	8,036	5,824	3,196	10,664
Firefighting	31,613	59,371	47,966	43,018
Donation	143	-	143	-
Rainy Day	2,151	3,918	2,133	3,936
Cumulative Fire	99,076	16,611	55,000	60,687
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	224	2,676	2,783	117
Totals	<u>\$ 187,395</u>	<u>\$ 144,811</u>	<u>\$ 150,639</u>	<u>\$ 181,567</u>

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

JACKSON 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.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO 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>\$ 245,000</u>

JACKSON TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY
EXAMINATION RESULT AND COMMENT

CASH NECESSARY TO BALANCE, BANK RECONCILIATIONS

A comparison of the records to the bank account indicated a cash necessary to balance of \$74 as of December 31, 2009. Monthly reconcilements provided for our examination show that for the 2009 year, only one month's reconciliation to bank balances had the same difference as the previous month.

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)

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."

JACKSON TOWNSHIP, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on March 24, 2010, with Gwendolyn L. Ostrom, Trustee. The official concurred with our finding.