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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT REPORT

OF

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP

HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trustee	Jeff Hern	01-01-11 to 12-31-16
	(Vacant)	01-01-17 to 01-16-17
	Doug Allman	01-17-17 to 12-31-18
Chairman of the Township Board	Ed Offerman	01-01-14 to 12-31-14
	Dan Rieke	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
	Brian Baehl	01-01-16 to 12-31-16
	Emily Alexander	01-01-17 to 09-18-17
	Brian Baehl	09-19-17 to 12-31-18



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Fall Creek Township (Township), which comprise the financial position and results of operations for the period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Indiana State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6). Management is responsible for and has determined that the regulatory basis of accounting, as established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts, is an acceptable basis of presentation. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Township's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
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Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Township prepares its financial statements on the prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the reporting requirements established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position and results of operations of the Township for the period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017.


Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the Township for the period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Indiana State Board of Accounts described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the Township's financial statements. The Combining Schedules of Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash and Investment Balances - Regulatory Basis and Schedule of Capital Assets, as listed in the Table of Contents, are presented for additional analysis and are not required parts of the financial statements. They have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied by us in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.


Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

December 10, 2018

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ACCOMPANYING NOTES

The financial statements and accompanying notes were approved by management of the Township. The financial statements and notes are presented as intended by the Township.

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-14	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-14	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-15
Township	\$ 2,047,575	\$ 539,590	\$ 1,409,451	\$ 1,177,714	\$ 555,147	\$ 1,204,744	\$ 528,117
Township Assistance	188,745	88,464	65,799	211,410	139,034	71,250	279,194
Fire Fighting	570,342	420,893	495,509	495,726	447,524	528,044	415,206
Rainy Day	132,283	-	-	132,283	-	-	132,283
Excess Levy	15,311	26	-	15,337	-	15,337	-
Cumulative Fire	73,896	-	-	73,896	-	-	73,896
Payroll Deductions	3,656	36,309	36,094	3,871	52,587	53,220	3,238
Totals	<u>\$ 3,031,808</u>	<u>\$ 1,085,282</u>	<u>\$ 2,006,853</u>	<u>\$ 2,110,237</u>	<u>\$ 1,194,292</u>	<u>\$ 1,872,595</u>	<u>\$ 1,431,934</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2016 and 2017

Fund	Cash and Investments 01-01-16	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-16	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-17
Township	\$ 528,117	\$ 524,853	\$ 284,664	\$ 768,306	\$ 353,563	\$ 184,902	\$ 936,967
Township Assistance	279,194	72,783	65,703	286,274	71,184	74,845	282,613
Fire Fighting	415,206	428,584	525,202	318,588	607,942	538,562	387,968
Rainy Day	132,283	213,101	-	345,384	-	-	345,384
Cumulative Fire	73,896	-	-	73,896	-	-	73,896
Payroll Deductions	3,238	53,515	53,563	3,190	26,059	25,852	3,397
Totals	<u>\$ 1,431,934</u>	<u>\$ 1,292,836</u>	<u>\$ 929,132</u>	<u>\$ 1,795,638</u>	<u>\$ 1,058,748</u>	<u>\$ 824,161</u>	<u>\$ 2,030,225</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Township was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The Township operates under a township trustee/township board form of government and provides some or all of the following services: public safety (fire), health and social services (township assistance), culture and recreation (parks and/or community centers), and general administrative services (weed and dog control).

The accompanying financial statements present the financial information for the Township.

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are reported on a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Indiana State Board of Accounts in accordance with state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The basis of accounting involves the reporting of only cash and investments and the changes therein resulting from cash inflows (receipts) and cash outflows (disbursements) reported in the period in which they occurred.

The regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, in that receipts are recognized when received in cash, rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid, rather than when a liability is incurred.

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are stated at cost. Any changes in fair value of the investments are reported as receipts in the year of the sale of the investment.

D. Receipts

Receipts are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate receipts include the following sources:

Taxes. Amounts received from one or more of the following: property tax, certified shares (local option tax), property tax replacement credit (local option tax), county option income tax, wheel tax, innkeeper's tax, food and beverage tax, county economic development income tax, boat and trailer excise tax, county adjusted gross income tax, and other taxes that are set by the Township.

Intergovernmental receipts. Amounts received from other governments in the form of operating grants, entitlements, or payments in lieu of taxes. Examples of intergovernmental receipts include, but are not limited to, the following: federal grants, state grants, cigarette tax distributions received from the state, motor vehicle highway distributions received from the state, local road and street distributions received from the state, financial institution tax received from the state, auto excise surtax received from the state, commercial vehicle excise tax received from the state, major moves distributions received from the state, and riverboat receipts received from the county.

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Other receipts. Amounts received from various sources, including, but not limited to, the following: net proceeds from borrowings; interfund loan activity; transfers authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order; internal service receipts; and fiduciary receipts.

E. Disbursements

Disbursements are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate disbursements include the following uses:

Personal services. Amounts disbursed for salaries, wages, and related employee benefits provided for all persons employed. In those units where sick leave, vacation leave, overtime compensation, and other such benefits are appropriated separately, such payments would also be included.

Supplies. Amounts disbursed for articles and commodities that are entirely consumed and materially altered when used and/or show rapid depreciation after use for a short period of time. Examples of supplies include, but are not limited to, the following: office supplies, operating supplies, and repair and maintenance supplies.

Other services and charges. Amounts disbursed for services including, but not limited to, the following: professional services, communication and transportation, printing and advertising, insurance, utility services, repairs and maintenance, and rental charges.

Capital outlay. Amounts disbursed for land, infrastructure, buildings, improvements, and machinery and equipment having an appreciable and calculable period of usefulness.

Other disbursements. Amounts disbursed for various other purposes including, but not limited to, the following: interfund loan payments; loans made to other funds; internal service disbursements; and transfers out that are authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order.

F. Interfund Transfers

The Township may, from time to time, make transfers from one fund to another. These transfers, if any, are included as a part of the receipts and disbursements of the affected funds and as a part of total receipts and disbursements. The transfers are used for cash flow purposes as provided by various statutory provisions.

G. Fund Accounting

Separate funds are established, maintained, and reported by the Township. Each fund is used to account for amounts received from and used for specific sources and uses as determined by various regulations. Restrictions on some funds are set by statute while other funds are internally restricted by the Township. The amounts accounted for in a specific fund may only be available for use for certain, legally-restricted purposes. Additionally, some funds are used to account for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity as an agent of individuals, private organizations, other funds, or other governmental units and, therefore, the funds cannot be used for any expenditures of the unit itself.

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Note 2. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. The fiscal officer of the Township submits a proposed operating budget to the governing board for the following calendar year. The budget is advertised as required by law. Prior to adopting the budget, the governing board conducts public hearings and obtains taxpayer comments. Prior to November 1, the governing board approves the budget for the next year. The budget for funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received is subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 3. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are scheduled to be distributed to the Township in June and December; however, situations can arise which would delay the distributions. 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 lien date (March 1 in a year ending before January 1, 2016 and January 1 in a year beginning after December 31, 2015) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100 percent 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 normally become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively.

Note 4. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with state statute (IC 5-13), with financial institutions in the State of Indiana, at year end, should be 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 statutes authorize the Township to invest in securities including, but not limited to, the following: federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

Note 5. Risk Management

The Township may be exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; job-related illnesses or injuries to employees; medical benefits to employees, retirees, and dependents; and natural disasters.

These risks can be mitigated through the purchase of insurance, establishment of a self-insurance fund, and/or participation in a risk pool. The purchase of insurance transfers the risk to an independent third-party. The establishment of a self-insurance fund allows the Township to set aside money for claim settlements. The self-insurance fund would be included in the financial statements. The purpose of participation in a risk pool is to provide a medium for the funding and administration of the risks.

OTHER INFORMATION - UNAUDITED

The Township's Annual Financial Reports information can be found on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units website: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>.

Differences may be noted between the financial information presented in the financial statements contained in this report and the financial information presented in the Township's Annual Financial Reports referenced above. These differences, if any, are due to adjustments made to the financial information during the course of the audit. This is a common occurrence in any financial statement audit. The financial information presented in this report is audited information, and the accuracy of such information can be determined by reading the opinion given in the Independent Auditor's Report.

The other information presented was approved by management of the Township. It is presented as intended by the Township.

FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Township	Township Assistance	Fire Fighting	Rainy Day	Excess Levy	Cumulative Fire	Payroll Deductions	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 2,047,575	\$ 188,745	\$ 570,342	\$ 132,283	\$ 15,311	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,656	\$ 3,031,808
Receipts:								
Taxes	64,455	78,882	363,475	-	-	-	-	506,812
Intergovernmental receipts	443,663	9,382	57,418	-	-	-	-	510,463
Other receipts	31,472	200	-	-	26	-	36,309	68,007
Total receipts	539,590	88,464	420,893	-	26	-	36,309	1,085,282
Disbursements:								
Personal services	102,471	29,773	-	-	-	-	-	132,244
Supplies	6,172	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,172
Other services and charges	132,408	36,026	495,509	-	-	-	-	663,943
Capital outlay	1,168,400	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,168,400
Other disbursements	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,094	36,094
Total disbursements	1,409,451	65,799	495,509	-	-	-	36,094	2,006,853
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	(869,861)	22,665	(74,616)	-	26	-	215	(921,571)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 1,177,714	\$ 211,410	\$ 495,726	\$ 132,283	\$ 15,337	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,871	\$ 2,110,237

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 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2015

	Township	Township Assistance	Fire Fighting	Rainy Day	Excess Levy	Cumulative Fire	Payroll Deductions	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 1,177,714	\$ 211,410	\$ 495,726	\$ 132,283	\$ 15,337	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,871	\$ 2,110,237
Receipts:								
Taxes	121,553	125,338	376,727	-	-	-	-	623,618
Intergovernmental receipts	400,992	12,836	55,461	-	-	-	-	469,289
Other receipts	32,602	860	15,336	-	-	-	52,587	101,385
Total receipts	555,147	139,034	447,524	-	-	-	52,587	1,194,292
Disbursements:								
Personal services	105,068	30,269	-	-	-	-	-	135,337
Supplies	7,706	117	-	-	-	-	-	7,823
Other services and charges	272,189	40,864	528,044	-	-	-	-	841,097
Capital outlay	819,781	-	-	-	-	-	-	819,781
Other disbursements	-	-	-	-	15,337	-	53,220	68,557
Total disbursements	1,204,744	71,250	528,044	-	15,337	-	53,220	1,872,595
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	(649,597)	67,784	(80,520)	-	(15,337)	-	(633)	(678,303)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 528,117	\$ 279,194	\$ 415,206	\$ 132,283	\$ -	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,238	\$ 1,431,934

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 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Township	Township Assistance	Fire Fighting	Rainy Day	Cumulative Fire	Payroll Deductions	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 528,117	\$ 279,194	\$ 415,206	\$ 132,283	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,238	\$ 1,431,934
Receipts:							
Taxes	66,018	66,018	378,861	-	-	-	510,897
Intergovernmental receipts	424,583	6,658	49,723	213,101	-	-	694,065
Other receipts	34,252	107	-	-	-	53,515	87,874
Total receipts	524,853	72,783	428,584	213,101	-	53,515	1,292,836
Disbursements:							
Personal services	106,808	31,476	-	-	-	-	138,284
Supplies	4,075	-	-	-	-	-	4,075
Other services and charges	145,061	34,227	525,202	-	-	-	704,490
Capital outlay	28,720	-	-	-	-	-	28,720
Other disbursements	-	-	-	-	-	53,563	53,563
Total disbursements	284,664	65,703	525,202	-	-	53,563	929,132
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	240,189	7,080	(96,618)	213,101	-	(48)	363,704
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 768,306	\$ 286,274	\$ 318,588	\$ 345,384	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,190	\$ 1,795,638

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 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
 CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Township	Township Assistance	Fire Fighting	Rainy Day	Cumulative Fire	Payroll Deductions	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 768,306	\$ 286,274	\$ 318,588	\$ 345,384	\$ 73,896	\$ 3,190	\$ 1,795,638
Receipts:							
Taxes	312,094	64,899	560,542	-	-	-	937,535
Intergovernmental receipts	6,285	6,285	47,400	-	-	-	59,970
Other receipts	35,184	-	-	-	-	26,059	61,243
Total receipts	<u>353,563</u>	<u>71,184</u>	<u>607,942</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,059</u>	<u>1,058,748</u>
Disbursements:							
Personal services	102,188	31,440	-	-	-	-	133,628
Supplies	3,951	-	-	-	-	-	3,951
Other services and charges	78,763	43,405	538,562	-	-	-	660,730
Other disbursements	-	-	-	-	-	25,852	25,852
Total disbursements	<u>184,902</u>	<u>74,845</u>	<u>538,562</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,852</u>	<u>824,161</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	<u>168,661</u>	<u>(3,661)</u>	<u>69,380</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>234,587</u>
Cash and investments - ending	<u>\$ 936,967</u>	<u>\$ 282,613</u>	<u>\$ 387,968</u>	<u>\$ 345,384</u>	<u>\$ 73,896</u>	<u>\$ 3,397</u>	<u>\$ 2,030,225</u>

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FALL CREEK TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
December 31, 2017

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>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:	
Land	\$ 2,183,215
Buildings	1,303,000
Machinery, equipment, and vehicles	<u>715,343</u>
Total capital assets	<u>\$ 4,201,558</u>

OTHER REPORTS

In addition to this report, other reports may have been issued for the Township. All reports can be found on the Indiana State Board of Accounts' website: <http://www.in.gov/sboa/>.