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COMPLIANCE REPORT
OF
PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP
LAPORTE COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2018



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trustee	Robert Younggreen	01-01-15 to 12-31-22
Chairman of the Township Board	Chester Rosenkranz	01-01-15 to 10-31-16
	Daniel Meder	11-01-16 to 12-31-19



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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, LAPORTE COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Prairie Township (Township), LaPorte County, for the period of January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2018, to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

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

The Schedule of Cash and Investment Balances - Regulatory Basis, as listed in the Table of Contents, is presented as other information. It has not been subjected to any auditing procedures and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Any Official Response to the Results and Comments, incorporated within this report, was not verified for accuracy.

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

October 31, 2019

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OTHER INFORMATION - UNAUDITED

The Township's Annual Financial Reports information can be found on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units (Gateway) website: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>. The schedule presented herein is presented as other information and is derived from the Township's Annual Financial Reports information and has not been subjected to any audit procedures. No adjustments have been made to the information as reported in Gateway and, as such, balances may differ.

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, LAPORTE COUNTY
 SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENT
 BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

Fund	Cash and Investments 12-31-18
Township	\$ 72,053
Riverboat	47,544
Township Assistance	25,462
Fire Fighting	17,476
Rainy Day	2,229
Excess Levy Fund	515
Cumulative Fire Fund	66,611
School General	<u>4,349</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 236,239</u>

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, LAPORTE COUNTY
RESULTS AND COMMENTS

ADOPTION OF INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

Condition and Context

The Township had not adopted the acceptable minimum level of internal control standards as defined by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Criteria

Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(g) states in part:

"After June 30, 2016, the legislative body of a political subdivision shall ensure that:

- (1) the internal control standards and procedures developed under subsection (e) are adopted by the political subdivision; and . . ."

CERTIFICATION ON INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

Condition and Context

The Township certified on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units financial reporting system that it had adopted the minimum internal control standards as required by Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(e); however, during the engagement, the Trustee indicated that the Township had not adopted the minimum internal control standards.

Criteria

Indiana Code 5-11-1-4(a) states:

"The state examiner shall require from every municipality and every state or local governmental unit, entity, or instrumentality financial reports covering the full period of each fiscal year. These reports shall be prepared, verified, and filed with the state examiner not later than sixty (60) days after the close of each fiscal year. The reports must be in the form and content prescribed by the state examiner and filed electronically in the manner prescribed under [IC 5-14-3.8-7](#)."

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP, LAPORTE COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were communicated on October 31, 2019, to Robert Younggreen, Trustee, and Daniel Meder, Chairman of the Township Board.