# FREDERIC TOWNSHIP CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2021

#### FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

November 10, 2021

To the Township Board Frederic Township Crawford County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township's basic 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the Untied States of America; this includes 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 opinions 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 misstatements of the financial statements, where due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity'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 entity'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 audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position of the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplemental Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 2-4 budgetary comparison information on pages 19-21 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the Untied States of America, which consisted of inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Frederic Township's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basis financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the Untied States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Hanley & Miller, PLC

Hanley Miller, PLC

# FREDERIC TOWNSHIP MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

This section of Frederic Township's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Township's financial performance during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Our financial position improved as compared to the prior year.

Overall revenues were \$2,811,463, of which \$1,829,682 is classified as program revenues, and \$981,781 is classified as general revenues (consisting primarily of property taxes and state-shared revenues). Total revenues increased by \$319,403 or 13% over the year ended June 30, 2020. Overall expenses totaled \$2,701,503 which is an increase of \$203,687 from the year ended June 30, 2020.

Total assets at June 30, 2021 totaled \$2,034,243, which consists of \$1,338,106 in capital assets net of depreciation, \$557,245 in cash and \$138,892 in accounts receivable.

Liabilities as of June 30, 2021 include \$653,227 due on the installment contracts with banks.

Net position as of June 30, 2021 total \$1,381,016 which represents an increase of \$109,960 from the prior year. \$684,879 of the total net position is invested in capital assets with \$338,329 restricted for fire/ambulance fund, \$160,286 restricted for trash fund, \$24,450 restricted for inspections, and \$173,072 being unrestricted.

The following table shows in condensed format, the net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020.

	Governmenal Activities				
	2021	2020			
Assets					
Current assets	\$ 557,245	\$ 575,825			
Noncurrent assets	1,476,998	1,450,408			
Total assets	2,034,243	2,026,233			
Liabilities					
Long Term Debt	653,227	755,266			
Net Position					
Invested in capital assets	684,879	695,142			
Restricted	523,065	460,887			
Unrestricted	173,072	114,938			
Total net position	\$1,381,016	\$1,270,967			

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of three parts: management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two different kinds of statements that present different views of the Township.

The first two statements are government-wide financial statements and provide both long and short-term information about our overall financial status. These statements present an overview of the government broken down by the services it provides.

The remaining statements are fund financial statements, which focus on individual parts of the Township in more detail.

The notes to the financial statements explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data.

Required supplementary information further explains and supports the financial statement information with budgetary comparisons.

#### **Government-wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the Township as a whole using accounting methods used by private companies. The statement of net position includes all of the Township's assets and liabilities. The statement of activities records all of the current year revenues and expenses regardless of when received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report net position and how it has changed. Net position is the difference between the Township's assets and liabilities. This is one method to measure our financial health or position.

Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's net position is an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating.

To assess overall health of the Township, you may also have to consider additional factors such as tax base changes, economic conditions, and personnel changes.

Most of the activities of the Township are reported as governmental activities. These would include the operations recorded in the General, Trash and Fire/Ambulance Funds.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Township's funds, focusing on significant (major) funds, not the Township as a whole. Funds are used to account for specific activities or funding sources. Some funds are required by law or bond covenants. The Township board also may create them. Funds are established to account for funding and spending of specific financial resources and to show proper expenditure of those resources.

The Township has a Governmental Fund type fund: All of the Township's activities are included in the governmental fund category. These funds are presented on the modified accrual basis, which is designed to show short-term financial information.

You will note that the differences between the Township's government-wide statements and the fund statements are disclosed in reconciling statements to explain the differences between them.

#### **Capital Asset and Long-term Debt Activity**

#### **Capital Assets:**

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Township acquired one vehicle through the purchase of a lease buyout with the purchase totaling \$27,152.

#### **Long Term Debt:**

The Townships long term debt is detailed in the following table:

	Gove	Governmental Activities							
Year ended June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total						
2022	105,714	26,970	132,684						
2023	105,643	23,084	128,727						
2024	109,582	19,146	128,728						
2025 - 2029	332,288	46,488	378,776						
Total	\$ 653,227	\$ 115,688	\$ 768,915						

#### **Known Factors Affecting Future Operations**

None.

#### **Contacting Township Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our taxpayers, creditors, investors, and customers with a general overview of the Township's finances and to demonstrate the Township's accountability for the revenues it receives. If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact Mr. Brandon Gabriel, Supervisor.

Brandon Gabriel,	Supervisor	

#### Frederic Township Statement of Net Position June 30, 2021

	Govermenta Activities	
Assets Cash	\$	557,245
Receivables	Φ	108,683
Land Contract Receivable		30,209
Fixed Assets, Net of Depreciation		1,338,106
Total Assets		2,034,243
Liabilities		
Long Term Debt Due Within One Year		105,714
Long Term Debt Due in More Than One Year		547,513
Total Liabilities		653,227
Net Position		
Investment in Fixed Assets Restricted for		684,879
Fire/Ambulance		338,329
Trash Collection		160,286
Inspection		24,450
Unrestricted		173,072
Total Net Position	\$	1,381,016

#### Frederic Township Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2021

#### PROGRAM REVENUES

	Expenses	(	Charges for Services	G	perating rants and ntributions	Gran	oital ts and outions	an	t (Expense) Revenue d Changes Net Position
Programs/Functions									
General Government	\$ 442,480	\$	148,902	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(293,578)
Public Safety Public Works	2,000,266		1,473,277		_		-		(526,989)
Community/Economic Dev.	169,707 84,145		171,140 36,363		-		-		1,433 (47,782)
Recreation/Culture	4,905		-		- -		- -		(4,905)
Total Governmental Activities	2,701,503		1,829,682		-		-		(871,821)
General Revenues									
General Property Taxes									106,196
Fire & Ambulance Taxes									242,846
State Shared Revenue									182,706
Interest, Rent, & Other Revenue									450,033
Total General Revenues									981,781
Change in Net Position									109,960
Net Position, Beginning of Year									1,271,056
Net Position, End of Year								\$	1,381,016

#### Frederic Township Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2021

		General Fund	Fire	/Ambulance Fund		Trash Fund		on Major ection Fund		Total
Assets	ф	1.42.000	Ф	220 700	ф	160.206	ф	24.450	Ф	555.045
Cash	\$	142,800	\$	229,709	\$	160,286	\$	24,450	\$	557,245
Receivables  Due from other Governments		63		108,620		-		-		108,683
Due from other Governments										
Total Assets		142,863		338,329		160,286		24,450		665,928
Liabilities and Fund Balance										
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable		-		-		-		-		-
Fund Balance:										
Restricted for:				220 220						220, 220
Fire/Ambulance Fund		-		338,329		160 296		-		338,329
Trash Collection Fund Inspection		-		-		160,286		24,450		160,286 24,450
Unassigned		142,863		-		-		24,430		142,863
Total Fund Balance		142,863		338,329		160,286		24,450		665,928
Total liabilities and fund balan	\$	142,863	\$	338,329	\$	160,286	\$	24,450	\$	665,928

#### Frederic Township Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Posittion June 30, 2021

<b>Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds (Per Balance Sheet - page 7)</b>	\$ 665,928
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (page 5) are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not finanical resources and therefore are not recorded in the funds	1,338,106
Land contract receivable is not currently due and therefore is not recorded in the funds	30,209
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds	 (653,227)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities (per Statement of Net Position - page 6)	\$ 1,381,016

#### Frederic Township Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Year Ended June 30, 2021

	 General Fund	Fi	re/Ambulan Fund	Trash Fund	on Major ection Fund	 Total
Revenue						
Property Taxes and Assessments	\$ 106,196	\$	242,846	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 349,042
State Revenue	182,706		-	-	-	182,706
Charges for Services	148,902		1,473,277	171,140	36,363	1,829,682
Interest and Rent	32,268		-	-	-	32,268
Miscellaneous	58,715		289,921	-	-	348,636
Reimbursements	 69,129		_	 	 -	 69,129
Total Revenue	597,916		2,006,044	171,140	36,363	2,811,463
Expenditures						,
General Government	432,976		-	-	25,128	458,104
Public Safety	15,358		1,828,261	-	-	1,843,619
Public Works	-		_	169,252	-	169,252
Community/Economic Dev.	84,145		-	-	-	84,145
Recreation/Culture	729		-	-	-	729
Debt Service						
Principal	3,746		98,204	-	-	101,950
Interest	 515		30,524	 	 	31,039
Total Expenditures	537,469		1,956,989	169,252	25,128	2,688,838
Change in Fund Balance	60,447		49,055	1,888	11,235	122,625
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	82,416		289,274	 158,398	 13,215	543,303
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 142,863	\$	338,329	\$ 160,286	\$ 24,450	\$ 665,928

# Frederic Township Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2021

Net change in fund balances - Governmental activities (page 9)	\$ 122,625
Amounts reported for governmenal activities in the Statement of Activities (Page 6) are different because:	
Depreciation expense is recorded in the statement of activities but not the governmental fund financial statements	(139,454)
Payments on long-term debt are recorded as an expenditure in the fund financial statements but are a reduction to outstanding balances in the government-wide statements	101,950
Governmental funds report capital outlays ad expenditures; however, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives	27,152
The principle collection of a long term receivable on the sale of an asset is recorded as a revenue in the fund financial statements	 (2,313)
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities (Per Statement of Activities - Page 6)	\$ 109,960

#### **NOTE 1: ENTITY**

The Township of Frederic is a general law township of the State of Michigan located in Crawford County, Michigan. It operates under an elected board and provides service to its residents in many areas including fire and ambulance services, community enrichment, and human services. The criteria established for determining various governmental functions to be included in the reporting entity's financial statements include oversight responsibility, scope of public service, and special financing relationships. On this basis, the financial statements include all of the governmental functions of Frederic Township.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### INTRODUCTION

The accounting policies of Frederic Township (the "Township") conform to accounting principles generally accepted int eh United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies used by Frederic Township.

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. The statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements, Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include (1) charges to customer or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items are reported instead as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the later are excluded from the government wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as is the fiduciary fund financial statement. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESETATION (continued)

Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provided have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measure and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Township considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Major revenue types for which receivables are recorded on the current accounting period's balance sheet include property taxes and state-shared revenue. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when cash is received by the township.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

The Township reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund - This fund is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The fund includes the general operating expenditures of the local unit. Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes, state distributions and interest earnings.

Fire and Ambulance Fund - This fund is used to account for financial activities of the Frederic Township Fire/Ambulance Department. Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes for fire protection and user fees for ambulance services to the residents.

*Trash Collection Fund* – This fund is used to account for financial activities of the Trash Collection Department. Revenues are derived primarily from a special assessment.

Additionally, the Township reports the following fund type:

Agency Fund – The Agency Fund accounts for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve the measurement of results of operations.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLCIES (CONTINUED)

### MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESETATION (continued)

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide financial statement to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as program revenue include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenue rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

#### **PROPERTY TAXES**

The property tax calendar is as follows:

Levy Dates July 1, 2020 (summer collection)
December 1, 2020 (winter collection)

Due Dates September 15, 2020 (summer collection)

February 15, 2021 (winter collection)

The real property tax rolls were turned over to the County of Crawford on March 1, 2021. Collection of personal property taxes remains the responsibility of the Township. Amounts collected after the due date are assessed interest and / or penalty provisions. A county revolving fund normally pays the balance of the Township's real property tax levy by May 31. The entire Township levy is recorded as revenue in the current year.

The tax rates for the year ended June 30, 2021, were as follows:

Purpose	Rate / Assessed Valuation
General	0.8122 mills per \$1,000
Fire (operating)	2.0000 mills per \$1,000
Fire (purchases)	1.0000 mills per \$1,000
Ambulance	0.9969 mills per \$1,000

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLCIES (CONTINUED)

#### ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION / FUND BALANCE

#### **Bank Deposits and Investments**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired.

#### **Receivables and Payables**

Outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "advances to/from other funds." All trade receivables are shown net of allowance for uncollectible amounts.

#### **Capital Assets**

The Township's property, plant, and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and comprehensively reported in the government-wide financial statements. Donated assets are stated at fair value on the date donated. The Township generally capitalizes assets with historical cost of \$5,000 or more as purchase and construction outlays occur. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations.

The following ranges are proposed as guidelines in estimating useful lives for asset reporting:

Buildings and improvements	5 - 50
Land improvements	2 - 50
Machinery and equipment	3 - 30
Furniture and fixtures	3 - 30
Vehicles	5 - 25

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated.

With respect to asset improvements, costs over \$5,000 should be capitalized if:

- 1. The estimated life of the asset is extended by more than 25%, or
- 2. The cost results in an increase in the capacity of the asset, or
- 3. The efficiency of the asset is increased by more than 10%, or
- 4. Significantly changes the character of the asset, or
- 5. In the case of streets and roads, if the work done impacts the "base" structure.
- 6. Otherwise, the cost should be expensed as repair and maintenance.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLCIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Fund Balance**

In the fund financial statements, fund balances may be presented in five possible categories, each of which identifies the extent to which the Township is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts can be spent:

*Non-spendable* – Amounts that are not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted* – Amounts that are restricted by outside parties, constitutional provision, or enabling legislation for use for a specified purpose.

Committed – Amounts that have been formally set aside by the Township Board for use for specific purposes. Commitments are made and can be rescinded only via resolution of the Township Board.

Assigned - Intent to spend resources on specific purposes expressed by the Township Board

*Unassigned* – Amounts that do not fall into any other category above. This is the residual classification for amounts in the General Fund and represents fund balance that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to other funds and has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes in the General Fund. In other governmental funds, only negative unassigned amounts are reported, if any, and represent expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeding the amounts previously restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

It is the Township's policy to first use restricted fund balance prior to the use of unrestricted fund balance when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance are available. The Township's policy for the use of unrestricted fund balance amounts require that committed amounts would be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

#### **BUDGET**

Public Act 621 of 1978 as amended provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. In the body of the financial statements, the Township's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgetary funds have been shown on a functional and activity basis. The approved budgets of the Township for these budgetary funds were adopted on a fund basis.

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Township overspent their General Fund, Fire Fund and Trash Fund budgets. The Township elected new officials to the position of Supervisor and Clerk in 2020. The new officials took office as of November 20, 2020. Although this is a recurrence for the Fire Fund budget to be overspent, the General Fund and Trash Fund budgets were not overspent in recent years. Management feels this is an isolated incident due to being new to the positions. The Supervisor is taking action to review 2021-2022 budgets on a regular basis and adjust as necessary.

#### NOTE 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLCIES (CONTINUED)

#### **BUDGET** (continued)

Budgets as adopted end on June 30, of each year. There are no carryover budget items. Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Amendments are made to the budgets when determined to be necessary throughout the year. The budgets presented are both the original and final amended amounts.

#### **ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain report amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Michigan Compiled Laws Section 129.91 (Public Act 20 of 1943, as amended) authorizes local governmental units to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations that have offices in Michigan.

The local unit is allowed to invest in bonds, securities, and other direct obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; repurchase agreements; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications, which matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions, which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds and investment pools composed of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

The Township has designated one bank for the deposit of its funds. The Investment policy adopted by the Board in accordance with Public Act 196 of 1997 has authorized investment in bonds and securities of the United States government and bank accounts and CDs.

Frederic Township's deposits and investment policies are in accordance with statutory authority.

The Township uses a common bank account to pool its cash funds. The various funds' balances at June 30, 2020 are as follows:

	Common Thecking
General	\$ 142,800
Trash	160,286
Fire	229,709
Inspection	 24,450
Total	\$ 557,245

#### NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued)

Township's cash and investments are subject to custodial credit risk which is examined in more detail below:

#### Custodial credit risk of bank deposits:

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At year-end, the Township had \$337,625 of bank deposits (certificates of deposit, checking and savings accounts) that were uninsured and uncollateralized. The Township believes that due to the dollar amounts of cash deposits and the limits of FDIC insurance, it is impractical to insure all deposits. As a result, the Township evaluates each financial institution it deposits funds with and assesses the level of risk of each institution; only those institutions with an acceptable estimated risk level are used as depositories.

#### NOTE 4: <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

Capital asset activity of the Township was as follows:

Balance							Balance	
	6/30/2020		Additions		Disposals		6/30/2021	
Capital assets being depreciated:								
Building and improvements	\$	697,410	\$	-	\$	-	\$	697,410
Equipment		469,559		-		-		469,559
Vehicles		1,987,612		27,152				2,014,764
Subtotal		3,154,581		27,152		-		3,181,733
Accumulated depreciation:		(1,704,173)	(	139,454)		-		(1,843,627)
Net capital assets	\$	1,450,408					\$	1,338,106

Depreciation expense was charged to the functions of the Township as follows:

General government	\$ 8,700
Public safety	126,123
Public works	455
Recreation and culture	 4,176
Total accumulated depreciation	\$ 139,454

#### **NOTE 5: LONG-TERM DEBT**

Long-term debt at June 30, 2021 consists of the following:

		Interest	Principal	Loan	Year End
Type of Indebtedness	Maturity	Rate	Payments	Amount	Balance
Installment note pick up truck	2/1/2022	2.49%	\$3,314-3,840	\$25,000	\$3,862
Installment note tanker and pumper	8/1/2028	4.46%	\$51,902-72,472	\$601,810	\$499,063
Installment note ambulances	12/22/2023	2.84%	\$47,359-51,510	\$197,661	\$150,302

#### **NOTE 5: LONG-TERM DEBT (continued)**

Long-term debt activity for the year is summarized as follows:

Installment note	Balance	Additions	Retirements	Retirements Balance	
Pick up Truck	7,608		3,746	\$ 3,862	3,862
Tanker and Pumper	549,908	-	50,845	\$499,063	53,148
Ambulances	197,661		47,359	\$150,302	48,704
-	\$755,177	\$ -	\$101,950	\$ 653,227	\$105,714

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Township's note obligations are as follows:

	Governmental Activities							
Year ended June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total					
2022	105,714	26,970	132,684					
2023	105,643	23,084	128,728					
2024	109,582	19,146	128,728					
2025-2029	332,287	46,488	378,775					
	\$ 653,227	\$ 115,688	\$ 768,914					

#### **NOTE 6: RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees' and natural disasters. The Township carries commercial insurance for risks to cover these losses. The Township carries commercial insurance for other types of losses, including accident insurance.

#### **NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN**

The Township of Frederic contributes to a pension plan which is a defined contribution pension plan administered by John Hancock.

A defined contribution pension plan provides pension benefits in return for services rendered, provides an individual account for each participant, and specifies how contributions to the individual's account are to be determined instead of specifying the amount of benefits the individual is to receive. Under the Township's defined contribution pension plan, the benefits a participant will receive depend upon the amount contributed to the participant's account and the returns earned on investments of those contributions.

All elected officials, zoning administrator, assessor and fire chief are eligible to participate in the plan. Contributions made by the Township and employees are fully vested. The participant will receive all vested benefits upon termination of employment with the Township.

The plan requires the Township to contribute a 3% match of the eligible wages. The Township has met all pension obligations for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Township's contribution for the year totals \$15,698.

# Frederic Township Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual General Fund Year Ended June 30, 2021

Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Variance From Final Budget
\$ 85,516	\$ 85,516	\$ 106,196	\$ 20,680
164,145	164,145	182,706	18,561
135,230	135,230	148,902	13,672
36,100	36,100	32,268	(3,832)
10,734	10,734	58,715	47,981
55,600	55,600	69,129	13,529
487,325	487,325	597,916	110,591
380,015	380,015	432,976	(52,961)
13,400	13,400	15,358	(1,958)
72,250	72,250	84,145	(11,895)
-	-	729	(729)
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4,000	4,000	3,746	254
-	-	515	(515)
469,665	469,665	537,469	(67,804)
17,660	17,660	60,447	42,787
82,416	82,416	82,416	
\$ 100,076	\$ 100,076	\$ 142,863	\$ 42,787
	\$ 85,516 164,145 135,230 36,100 10,734 55,600 487,325 380,015 13,400 72,250 - 4,000 - 469,665 17,660 82,416	Original Budget         Amended Budget           \$ 85,516         \$ 85,516           164,145         164,145           135,230         36,100           36,100         36,100           10,734         10,734           55,600         55,600           487,325         487,325           380,015         13,400           72,250         72,250           -         -           4,000         4,000           -         -           469,665         469,665           17,660         82,416           82,416         82,416	Original Budget         Amended Budget         Actual           \$ 85,516         \$ 85,516         \$ 106,196           164,145         164,145         182,706           135,230         135,230         148,902           36,100         36,100         32,268           10,734         10,734         58,715           55,600         55,600         69,129           487,325         487,325         597,916           380,015         380,015         432,976           13,400         13,400         15,358           72,250         72,250         84,145           -         -         729           4,000         4,000         3,746           -         -         515           469,665         469,665         537,469           17,660         17,660         60,447           82,416         82,416         82,416

# Frederic Township Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual Fire/Ambulance Fund Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Variance From Final Budget	
Revenues					
Property Taxes	\$ 230,337	\$ 230,337	\$ 242,846	\$ 12,509	
Charges for Services	1,468,250	1,468,250	1,473,277	5,027	
Interest	-	-	-	-	
Miscellaneous	88,100	88,100	289,921	201,821	
Total Revenues	1,786,687	1,786,687	2,006,044	219,357	
Expenditures					
Public Safety	1,652,200	1,652,200	1,828,261	(176,061)	
Capital Outlay/Payment of Loans	132,837	132,837	128,728	4,109	
Total Expenditures	1,785,037	1,785,037	1,956,989	(171,952)	
Change in Fund Balance	1,650	1,650	49,055	47,405	
Other Financing Sources	,	•	,	ŕ	
Proceeds from issuance of debt	-	-	-	-	
Excess of revenues and other	-				
sources over expenditures	(1,650)	(1,650)	(49,055)	47,405	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	289,274	289,274	289,274	-	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 290,924	\$ 290,924	\$ 338,329	\$ 47,405	

# Frederic Township Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual Trash Fund Year Ended June 30, 2021

	 Original Budget	_	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Fı	Variance rom Final Budget
Revenue						
Charges for Services	\$ 172,000	\$	172,000	\$ 171,140	\$	(860)
Expenditures						
Public Works	147,450		147,450	169,252		(21,802)
Change in Fund Balance	 24,550		24,550	 1,888		(22,662)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	158,398		158,398	158,398		-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 182,948	\$	182,948	\$ 160,286	\$	(22,662)



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### AUDIT COMMUNICATION AND REPORT OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

November 10, 2021

To the Township Board Frederic Township Crawford County, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Frederic Township for the year ended June 30, 2021. As required by auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the independent auditor is required to make several communications to the governing body having oversight responsibility for the audit. The purpose of this communication is to provide you with additional information regarding the scope and results of our audit that may assist you with your oversight responsibilities of the financial reporting process for which management is responsible.

#### Significant Audit Findings

#### Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Frederic Township are described in Note 2 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2021. We noted no transactions entered into by Frederic Township during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the governmental activities of the Township were:

Management's estimate of the useful lives of capital assets is based on previous history. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimates in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

#### Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements.

#### Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated November 10, 2021.

#### Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

#### Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

#### Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the Management Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on combining nonmajor fund financial statements which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial

statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

#### Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Township Board and others within the organization and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully Yours,

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#### **AUDIT COMMUNICATION OF MATERIAL WEAKNESSES**

November 10, 2021

To the Township Board Frederic Township Crawford County, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Frederic Township as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered Frederic Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Frederic Township's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Frederic Township's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the following deficiencies in internal control to be material weaknesses:

1) Segregation of Incompatible Duties and Documented Independent Review

<u>Criteria:</u> Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls in order to safeguard the assets of the government. A key element of internal control is the segregation of incompatible duties.

<u>Condition</u>: The government has several accounting functions that are performed by the same individual and are not subject to a documented independent review and approval.

<u>Cause:</u> This condition is primarily the result of staffing constraints typical of smaller governmental units. Some of the control activities may be occurring on a routine basis, but are not being documented.

<u>Effect:</u> As a result of this condition. The government is exposed to an increased risk that misstatements (whether caused by error or fraud) may occur and not be prevented or detected by management on a timely basis.

Recommendation: There are, of course, no easy answers to the challenge of balancing the costs and benefits of internal controls and the segregation of incompatible duties. Recognizing this fact, we encourage the government to mitigate this risk by requiring as much independent review, reconciliation, and approval or accounting functions by qualified members of management as possible.

<u>View of Responsible Officials:</u> Management recognizes that this limitation is a natural outgrowth of the small number of staff and applies its judgement in determining how best to allocate the government's resources to provide and appropriately balance between sound internal controls and fiscal prudence.

#### 2) Preparation of Financial Statements in Accordance with GAAP

<u>Criteria:</u> All Michigan governments are required to prepare financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). This is the responsibility of the government's management. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP requires internal controls over both (1) recording, processing. And summarizing accounting data (i.e., maintaining internal books and records), and (2) reporting government-wide and fund financial statements, including related footnotes (i.e., external financial reporting).

<u>Condition</u>: As is the case with many smaller entities, the government has historically relied on its independent external auditor to assist with the preparation of the government-wide financial statements and footnotes as part of its external financial reporting process. Accordingly, the government's ability to prepare financial statements in accordance with GAAP is based, in part, on its reliance on its external auditors, who cannot by definition be considered part of the government's internal controls.

<u>Cause:</u> This condition was cased b the government's decision that it is more cost effective to outsource the preparation of its financial statements to the auditors than to incur the time and expense of obtaining the necessary training and expertise required for the government to perform this task internally.

<u>Effect:</u> As a result of this condition, the government's internal controls over the preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP are incomplete. Instead, the government relies, in part, on its external auditors for assistance with this task.

<u>Recommendations:</u> Due to the size and minimal activity, we recommend that the government continue to outsource financial statement preparation.

<u>View of Responsible Officials:</u> The government has evaluated the cost vs. benefit of establishing internal controls over the preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and determined that it is in the best interest of the government to outsource this task to its external auditors, and to carefully review the draft financial statements and notes prior to approving them and accepting responsibility for their content and presentation,

Frederic Township's responses to the material weaknesses identified in our audit have not been subjected to the audit procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Township Board, and others within the organization, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than other than these specified parties.

Respectfully Yours,

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