

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2022

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Township Board
Frederic Township
Crawford County, Michigan

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, and each major fund of Frederic Township as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, and each major fund of Frederic Township as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Frederic Township, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management 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 United States of America, and 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including and currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedure 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, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charge with governance regarding among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4-7 and 25-27 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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 United 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.

Hanley & Miller, PLC

Hanley & Miller, PLC

November 9, 2022

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

This section of Frederic Township's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Township's financial performance during the twelve months ended June 30, 2022. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Assets at June 30, 2022 totaled \$2,436,845 for governmental activities. Of this total, \$1,381,613 represents capital assets net of depreciation, \$882,106 in cash and \$173,126 in other current assets.

Overall revenues were \$3,131,943 of which \$2,213,804 is classified as program revenues, and \$918,139 is classified as general revenues (consisting primarily of state-shared revenues and property taxes). Overall expenses totaled \$2,692,125.

The Township has outstanding debt items consisting of a loan for a Spartan tanker & pumper and an ambulance. Capital asset activity is addressed further in subsequent section of this letter.

The following table shows in condensed format, the net position as of June 30, 2022 and 2021.

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Assets		
Current assets	\$1,055,232	\$ 665,088
Noncurrent assets	<u>1,381,613</u>	<u>1,338,106</u>
Total assets	<u><u>2,436,845</u></u>	<u><u>2,003,194</u></u>
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	-	-
Unearned Revenue - ARPA Funds	99,548	-
Long Term Debt	<u>547,512</u>	<u>653,227</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>647,060</u>	<u>653,227</u>
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	834,101	684,039
Restricted	610,553	523,065
Committed	-	-
Assigned	-	-
Unassigned	<u>345,131</u>	<u>142,863</u>
Total net position	<u><u>1,789,785</u></u>	<u><u>1,349,967</u></u>

The current level of unrestricted net position for our governmental activities stands at \$345,131, or about 63% of annual expenditures.

The following table shows the changes in the net position during the current year and as compared to the prior year.

	Governmental Activities	
	2022	2021
Program revenue	\$ 2,213,804	\$ 1,829,682
General revenue	918,139	981,781
Total revenue	3,131,943	2,811,463
Program expenses:		
General government	441,316	442,480
Public safety	2,026,014	2,000,266
Public works	165,435	169,707
Community Development	58,951	84,145
Recreation/Culture	409	4,905
Total program expenses	2,692,125	2,701,503
Change in net position	\$ 439,818	\$ 109,960

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 are 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, Fire and EMS, Trash collection, and non-major 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 the following types of funds:

Governmental Funds: Most 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.

Fiduciary Funds: The Township is a trustee or fiduciary for assets that belong to others. The Township maintains these funds and is responsible for ensuring that the assets of these activities are collected and disbursed to the respective entities to which the funds belong. These activities do not appear in the Township's government-wide financial statements since the assets do not belong to the Township. The Township maintains a Tax Collection Fund in this category.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP'S FUNDS

General Fund – This fund is used to record all activities of the Township not required to be recorded in a separate fund. The major source of revenue for the general fund is from the Township's tax base, and revenue sharing from the State of Michigan. The major expenses for this fiscal year include the general operating activities of the Township.

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.

Capital Asset and Long-term Debt Activity

Capital Assets:

There were capital asset additions totaling \$140,902 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

Long Term Debt:

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

Year ended June 30,	Governmental Activities		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	105,643	23,084	128,727
2024	109,582	19,146	128,728
2025	60,703	15,052	75,755
2026	63,453	12,302	75,755
2027-29	208,131	19,134	227,265
Total	\$ 547,512	\$ 88,718	\$ 636,230

Known Factors Affecting Future Operations

There are no known factors that will affect future operations.

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, at P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733.

Brandon Gabriel, Township Supervisor

Frederic Township
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2022

	Governmental Activities
Assets	
Cash	\$ 882,106
Receivables	173,126
Capital assets not being depreciated	116,552
Capital assets being depreciated, net	1,265,061
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Total Assets	2,436,845
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Liabilities	
Long Term Debt Due Within One Year	105,643
Long Term Debt Due in More Than One Year	441,869
Unearned Revenue	99,548
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Total Liabilities	647,060
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Net Position	
Net Investment in Fixed Assets	834,101
Restricted for	
Fire/Ambulance	408,343
Trash Collection	165,662
Inspection	36,548
Unassigned	345,131
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Total Net Position	\$ 1,789,785
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Frederic Township
Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2022

<u>PROGRAM REVENUES</u>					
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Programs/Functions					
General Government	\$ 441,316	\$ 139,943	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (301,373)
Public Safety	2,026,014	1,865,191	-	-	(160,823)
Public Works	165,435	170,811	-	-	5,376
Community/Economic Dev.	58,951	37,859	-	-	(21,092)
Recreation/Culture	409	-	-	-	(409)
Total Governmental Activities	2,692,125	2,213,804	-	-	(478,321)
General Revenues					
General Property Taxes					118,868
Fire & Ambulance Taxes					248,045
State Shared Revenue					195,618
Interest, Rent, & Other Revenue					355,608
Total General Revenues					918,139
Change in Net Position					439,818
Net Position, Beginning of Year					1,349,967
Net Position, End of Year					<u><u>\$ 1,789,785</u></u>

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Frederic Township
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2022

	General Fund	Fire/Ambulance Fund	Trash Fund	Non Major Inspection Fund	Total
Assets					
Cash	\$ 444,616	\$ 235,280	\$ 165,662	\$ 36,548	\$ 882,106
Receivables	63	173,063	-	-	173,126
Total Assets	444,679	408,343	165,662	36,548	1,055,232
Liabilities and Fund Balance					
Liabilities:					
Unearned Revenue	99,548	-	-	-	99,548
Fund Balance:					
Restricted for:					
Fire/Ambulance Fund	-	408,343	-	-	408,343
Trash Collection Fund	-	-	165,662	-	165,662
Inspection	-	-	-	36,548	36,548
Unassigned	345,131	-	-	-	345,131
Total Fund Balance	345,131	408,343	165,662	36,548	955,684
Total liabilities and fund balan	\$ 444,679	\$ 408,343	\$ 165,662	\$ 36,548	\$ 1,055,232

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Frederic Township
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet
to the Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2022

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds (Per Balance Sheet - page 1	\$	955,684
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (page 5) are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not recorded in the funds		1,381,613
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds		(547,512)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities (per Statement of Net Position - page 8)	\$	1,789,785

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Frederic Township
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances
Year Ended June 30, 2022

	General Fund	Fire/Ambulan Fund	Trash Fund	Non Major Inspection Fund	Total
Revenue					
Property Taxes and Assessments	\$ 118,868	\$ 248,045	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 366,913
State Revenue	195,618	-	-	-	195,618
Charges for Services	139,943	1,865,191	170,811	37,859	2,213,804
Interest and Rent	40,539	-	-	-	40,539
Miscellaneous	201,994	28,740	-	-	230,734
Reimbursements	84,335	-	-	-	84,335
Total Revenue	781,297	2,141,976	170,811	37,859	3,131,943
Expenditures					
General Government	417,412	-	-	25,761	443,173
Public Safety	51,509	1,956,672	-	-	2,008,181
Public Works	-	-	165,435	-	165,435
Community/Economic Dev.	58,951	-	-	-	58,951
Recreation/Culture	32,734	-	-	-	32,734
Debt Service					
Principal	18,140	88,414	-	-	106,554
Interest	283	26,876	-	-	27,159
Total Expenditures	579,029	2,071,962	165,435	25,761	2,842,187
Change in Fund Balance	202,268	70,014	5,376	12,098	289,756
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year	142,863	338,329	160,286	24,450	665,928
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$ 345,131	\$ 408,343	\$ 165,662	\$ 36,548	\$ 955,684

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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, 2022

Net change in fund balances - Governmental activities (page 12)	\$ 289,756
Amounts reported for governmental 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	(97,394)
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	106,554
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives	140,902
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities (Per Statement of Activities - Page 9)	\$ 439,818

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2022

	Tax Collection Fund
Assets	
Cash	\$ 2,840
Liabilities	
Due to General Fund	\$ -
Due to Others	2,840
Total Liabilities	2,840
Net Position	\$ -

See accompanying notes to financial statements

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2022**

Receipts:		
Property Taxes and Interest	\$	2,810,005
Disbursements:		
Property Taxes and Interest		2,810,005
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Changes in Fiduciary Net Position		-
Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning of Year		<hr/> -
Fiduciary Net Position - End of Year	\$	<hr/> <hr/> -

See accompanying notes to financial statements

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

REPORTING 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.

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 latter are excluded from the government wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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.

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 measurable 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 funds:

General Fund - This fund is used to account for all financial transactions except those accounted for and reported in another fund. The fund includes the general operating expenditures of the local unit. Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes, state and federal distributions, grants and other inter-governmental revenues.

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.

Other Funds

Fiduciary Funds - These funds are used to account for assets held in trust or as an agent for others. Tax collection activities are recorded in this category. Fiduciary activities are not reported in the government-wide financial statements, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34.

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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

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, 2021	(summer collection)
	December 1, 2021	(winter collection)
Due Dates	September 15, 2021	(summer collection)
	February 15, 2022	(winter collection)

The real property tax rolls were turned over to the County of Crawford on March 1, 2022. 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 March 31, 2022, were as follows:

PURPOSE	RATE/ASSESSED VALUATION
General	0.8122 mills per \$1,000
Fire (operating)	1.9938 mills per \$1,000
Fire (purchases)	0.9938 mills per \$1,000
Ambulance	0.9969 mills per \$1,000

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (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.

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (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.

Budgets

Public Act 621 of 1978 as amended provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. The approved budgets of the Township for budgetary funds were adopted on a fund level. Amendments are made to the budgets when determined to be necessary throughout the year. The budgets presented are the final amended amounts. Budgets close on June 30th each year.

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Use of Estimates

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments and, as such, include amounts based on informed estimates and judgments of management with consideration given to materiality. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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.

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

The 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. The bank balance of the Township's cash and investments (certificates of deposit, checking and savings accounts) is \$961,269 of which \$250,000 is covered by federal depository insurance. 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.

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 3: CAPITAL ASSETS

	Balance July 1, 2021	Additions	Disposals	Balance June 30, 2022
Governmental Activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 114,052	\$ 2,500	\$ -	\$ 116,552
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Building and Improvements	583,358	44,734	-	628,092
Equipment	469,559	93,668	-	563,227
Vehicles	2,014,764	-	-	2,014,764
Subtotal	<u>3,067,681</u>	<u>138,402</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,206,083</u>
Accumulated depreciation:				
Building and improvements	369,375	20,644	-	390,019
Equipment	443,279	5,865	-	449,144
Vehicles	1,030,974	70,885	-	1,101,859
Subtotal	<u>1,843,628</u>	<u>97,394</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,941,022</u>
Net capital assets	<u>\$ 1,338,105</u>	<u>\$ 43,508</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,381,613</u>

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

Governmental Activities

Township (General Government)	\$ 12,360
Recreation and Culture	409
Public Safety (Fire Depart.)	<u>84,625</u>
Total	<u>\$ 97,394</u>

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 4: LONG TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of long-term debt for the twelve months ended June 30, 2022:

Governmental Activities:	<u>Balance 7/1/2021</u>	<u>Additions (Reductions)</u>	<u>Balance 6/30/2022</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Installment purchase contract:				
2019 Ambulance	\$ 150,302	\$ (48,704)	\$ 101,597	\$ 50,087
2015 Pickup Truck	\$ 3,862	\$ (3,862)	\$ -	
Spartan Tanker & Pumper	\$ 499,063	\$ (53,148)	\$ 445,915	\$ 55,556
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 653,227</u>	<u>\$ (105,714)</u>	<u>\$ 547,512</u>	<u>\$ 105,643</u>

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the above installment purchase contract are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	105,643	23,084	128,727
2024	109,582	19,146	128,728
2025	60,703	15,052	75,755
2026	63,453	12,302	75,755
2027-29	<u>208,131</u>	<u>19,134</u>	<u>227,265</u>
Total	<u>\$547,512</u>	<u>\$88,718</u>	<u>\$636,230</u>

NOTE 5: CONTINGENCIES

Insurance

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

**FREDERIC TOWNSHIP
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

NOTE 6: PENSION PLAN

The Township contributes to a pension plan which is a defined contribution pension plan covering substantially all of its employees and is 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 depends on 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, 2022. The Township's contribution for the year totals \$15,951.

No pension provision changes occurred during the year that affected the required contributions to be made by the Township or its employees.

NOTE 7: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Township has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition and disclosure through November 9, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Frederic Township
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual
General Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Variance From Final Budget
Revenue				
Property Taxes and Assessments	\$ 102,496	\$ 118,868	\$ 118,868	\$ -
State Revenue	176,384	195,619	195,618	(1)
Charges for Services	126,662	139,943	139,943	-
Interest and Rent	32,800	40,532	40,539	7
Miscellaneous	61,735	155,937	201,994	46,057
Reimbursement	61,820	84,335	84,335	-
Total Revenue	561,897	735,234	781,297	46,063
Expenditures				
General Government	425,218	417,475	417,412	63
Public Safety	12,100	51,509	51,509	-
Community/Economic Dev.	92,255	58,951	58,951	-
Recreation/Culture	-	32,734	32,734	-
Debt Service				
Payment of loans	18,550	18,140	18,140	-
Interest	-	283	283	-
Total Expenditures	548,123	579,092	579,029	63
Change in Fund Balance	13,774	156,142	202,268	46,126
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	142,863	142,863	142,863	-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 156,637	\$ 299,005	\$ 345,131	\$ 46,126

Frederic Township
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual
Fire/Ambulance Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Variance From Final Budget
Revenues				
Property Taxes	\$ 236,088	\$ 248,045	\$ 248,045	\$ -
Charges for Services	1,621,000	1,800,744	1,865,191	64,447
Interest	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	77,800	28,740	28,740	-
Total Revenues	1,934,888	2,077,529	2,141,976	64,447
Expenditures				
Public Safety	1,828,200	1,956,672	1,956,672	-
Capital Outlay/Payment of Loans	110,337	115,290	115,290	-
Total Expenditures	1,938,537	2,071,962	2,071,962	-
Change in Fund Balance	(3,649)	5,567	70,014	64,447
Other Financing Sources				
Proceeds from issuance of debt	-	-	-	-
Excess of revenues and other sources over expenditures	3,649	(5,567)	(70,014)	64,447
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	338,329	338,329	338,329	-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 334,680	\$ 343,896	\$ 408,343	\$ 64,447

Frederic Township
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual
Trash Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Variance From Final Budget
Revenue				
Charges for Services	\$ 172,000	\$ 170,811	\$ 170,811	\$ -
Expenditures				
Public Works	172,000	165,436	165,435	1
Change in Fund Balance	-	5,375	5,376	1
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	160,286	160,286	160,286	-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 160,286	\$ 165,661	\$ 165,662	\$ 1



AUDIT COMMUNICATION AND REPORT OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

November 9, 2022

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, 2022. 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 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2022. 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 9, 2022.

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 9, 2022

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, 2022, 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*

Criteria: 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.

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

Cause: 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.

Effect: 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.

View of Responsible Officials: 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*

Criteria: 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).

Condition: 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.

Cause: This condition was caused by 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.

Effect: 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.

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

View of Responsible Officials: 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 these specified parties.

Respectfully Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hanley & Miller, PLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hanley & Miller, PLC