Tyrone Township Livingston County, Michigan

Financial Report
with Supplemental Information
March 31, 2012

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Members of the Township Board of Tyrone Township

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Tyrone Township (the "Township") as of and for the year ended March 31, 2012, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. 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 of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township as of March 31, 2012 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis, and the budgetary comparison schedules, as identified in the table of contents, 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, which 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 supplemental information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about 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 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.



To the Honorable Members of the Township Board of Tyrone Township

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplemental information, as identified in the table of contents, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

During the year, the Township implemented GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund-type Definitions, as discussed in Notes I and II. As a result of this required implementation, the Road Improvement Fund, Building and Site Fund, Township Improvement Revolving Fund, Technology Fund, and Beautification Fund, formerly special revenue funds, have been reported within General Fund effective April I, 2011. In addition, fund balance classifications in the governmental fund financial statements have been changed to reflect the five new classifications under GASB No. 54.

Plante + Moran, PLLC

July 16, 2012

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our discussion and analysis of Tyrone Township, Michigan's (the "Township") financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2012. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements.

Financial Highlights

As discussed in further detail in this discussion and analysis, the following represents the most significant financial highlights for the year ended March 31, 2012:

- The Township's total net assets are \$13.7 million.
- During the year, the Township's total net assets increased \$370,000. Governmental
 activities realized an \$840,000 increase in net assets. Business-type activities realized a
 decrease of \$470,000 in net assets.
- General Fund revenue exceeded expenditures by \$776,000, leaving a fund balance of \$2,520,000.

Using This Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The statement of net assets and the statement of activities provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances. This longer-term view uses the accrual basis of accounting so that it can measure the cost of providing services during the current year, and whether the taxpayers have funded the full cost of providing government services.

The fund financial statements present a short-term view; they tell us how the taxpayers' resources were spent during the year, as well as how much is available for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The fiduciary fund statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside of the government.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

Governmental Activities

The following table shows, in a condensed format, the current year's net assets and changes in net assets, compared to the prior two years:

				Govern	me	ntal Activities		
								Percent
		2010		2011		2012	 Change	Change
Assets								
Other assets	\$	1,834,913	\$	3,150,996	\$	3,972,358	\$ 821,362	26%
Capital assets		168,056		195,208	_	218,101	 22,893	12%
Total assets		2,002,969		3,346,204		4,190,459	844,255	25%
Liabilities								
Current liabilities		92,520		711,045		772,502	61, 4 57	9%
Long-term liabilities		220,000	_	628,000	_	571,200	 (56,800)	-9%
Total liabilities		312,520		1,339,045		1,343,702	 4,657	0%
Net Assets								
Invested in capital assets -								
Net of related debt		168,056		195,208		218,101	22,893	12%
Restricted		233,204		686,857		797,232	110,375	16%
Unrestricted		1,289,189		1,125,094		1,831,424	 706,330	63%
Total net assets	<u>\$</u>	1,690,449	\$	2,007,159	\$	2,846,757	\$ 839,598	42%

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

	Governmental Activities							
								Percent
		2010		2011		2012	Change	Change
Revenue								
Program revenue:								
Charges for services	\$	322,708	\$	883,65 I	\$	306,323	\$ (577,328)	-65%
Capital grants		-		53,969		-	(53,969)	100%
General revenue:								
Property taxes		406,196		378,934		355,849	(23,085)	-6%
Public safety special assessment		-		-		578,950	578,950	100%
State-shared revenue		508,511		560,212		787,886	227,674	41%
Investment earnings		19,288		22,027		9,088	(12,939)	-59%
Other revenue		94,563	_	104,103		263,840	159,737	153%
Total revenue	_1	,351,266	_2	2,002,896		2,301,936	299,040	15%
Program Expenses								
General government		694,568		604,567		631,249	26,682	4%
Public safety		461,182		511,640		615,859	104,219	20%
Public works		89,167		519,681		186,822	(332,859)	-64%
Health and welfare		4,035		4,000		4,000	-	0%
Interest on long-term debt		5,459	_	15,344	_	24,408	9,064	59%
Total expenses	_1	,254,411		,655,232		1,462,338	(192,894)	-12%
Change in Net Assets	\$	96,855	\$	347,664	\$	839,598	\$ 491,934	141%

The governmental net assets increased 42 percent from a year ago - increasing from \$2,007,159 to \$2,846,757- due in part to a new public safety special assessment that was approved by the public. Last year's net assets increased by 19 percent.

Unrestricted net assets - the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations - increased by \$706,330 for the governmental activities due mainly to the new public safety special assessment. This represents an increase of approximately 63 percent. The current level of unrestricted net assets for our governmental activities stands at \$1,831,424, or about 125 percent of expenditures.

The Township's total governmental net revenue increased by \$299,040. The increase, which represents 15 percent, was primarily due to an increase in state-shared revenue, first year recognition of public safety special assessment, and recognition of PEG fees. Note that a decrease on charges for services of approximately \$577,000 between fiscal year 2011 and 2012 is primarily due to the recognition of Parkin Lane special assessments during fiscal year 2011.

Expenses decreased by \$192,894 during the year.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

Business-type Activities

The following table shows, in a condensed format, the current year's net assets and changes in net assets, compared to the prior two years:

			Busines	ss-type Activities			
							Percent
		2010	2011	2012		Change	Change
Assets							
Other assets	\$	9,827,554	\$ 9,419,954	\$ 8,717,076	\$	(702,878)	-7%
Capital assets		5,917,080	15,415,696	14,914,312	_	(501,384)	-3%
Total assets	2	25,744,634	24,835,650	23,631,388		(1,204,262)	-5%
Liabilities							
Current liabilities		1,223,528	1,249,019	1,258,496		9,477	1%
Long-term liabilities		2,986,85 I	12,257,864	11,513,875		(743,989)	-6%
Total liabilities		4,210,379	13,506,883	12,772,371	_	(734,512)	-5%
Net Assets							
Invested in capital assets -							
Net of related debt		3,390,620	3,623,031	3,387,304		(235,727)	-7%
Restricted		7,445,655	6,774,329	7,136,684		362,355	5%
Unrestricted		697,980	931,407	335,029		(596,378)	-64%
Total net assets	<u>\$ I</u>	1,534,255	\$ 11,328,767	\$ 10,859,017	\$	(469,750)	-4%
			Busine	ss-type Activities			
							Percent
		2010	2011	2012		Change	Change
Operating revenue	\$	283,287	\$ 388,310	\$ 444,186	\$	55,876	14%
Operating expenses, other							
than depreciation		190,206	222,174	282,836		60,662	27%
Nonoperating expense		1,004,022	-	-		-	0%
Depreciation and							
amortization		549,455	501,384	501,384	_		0%
Operating loss		(1,460,396)	(335,248)	(340,034)		(4,786)	
Interest income		22,955	12,526	5,376		(7,150)	-57%
Interest expense		538,376	510,511	489,615		(20,896)	
Nonoperating expenses		-	3,800	53,709		49,909	1313%
Gain on sale of assets		-	72,300	-		(72,300)	
Capital contributions	_	424,212	559,245	408,232	_	(151,013)	-27%
Change in Net Assets	\$	(1,551,60 <u>5</u>)	\$ (205,488)	\$ (469,750)	<u>\$</u>	(264,262)	129%

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

The Township's business-type activities consist of the Sewer Fund.

The net assets of business-type activities decreased 4 percent from a year ago - decreasing from \$11,328,767 to \$10,859,017 due to an operating loss and other changes in net assets. Last year's net assets decreased by 2 percent.

Unrestricted net assets - the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations - decreased by \$596,378.

The Township's Funds

Our analysis of the Township's major funds begins on page 11, following the government-wide financial statements. The fund financial statements provide detail information about the most significant funds, not the Township as a whole. The Township board creates funds to help manage money for specific purposes as well as to show accountability for certain activities, such as special property tax millages and public safety assessment. The Township's major funds for 2012 include the General Fund, Public Safety Fund, and Parkin Lane Road Construction Maintenance Fund.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the Township amended the budget to take into account events during the year. Over the past year, with a few exceptions, Township departments overall stayed below budget, resulting in total expenditures \$76,000 below budget and actual revenue being \$223,000 greater than budget. This allowed the General Fund's fund balance (excluding other funds that were reclassified to the General Fund due to implementation of GASB No. 54) to increase from \$1,054,000 a year ago to \$1,591,000 at March 31, 2012. The increase in fund balance is mainly due to the creation of a Public Safety Fund. All public safety expenses were mainly paid by the Public Safety Fund starting in fiscal year 2012.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

At the end of 2012, the Township had \$15 million invested in a broad range of capital assets, including buildings, equipment, and sewer lines. The Township has \$571,200 in governmental activities debt and \$11,513,875 in business-type activities debt (substantially for sewer improvement bonds).

Contacting the Township's Management

This financial report is intended to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to show the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, we welcome you to contact the clerk's office.

Statement of Net Assets March 31, 2012

	Primary Government						
	Governmental Business-type						
	Activities			Activities		Total	
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,233,854	\$	406,955	\$	2,640,809	
Investments		422,067		-		422,067	
Receivables (Note 4)		816,322		6,254,018		7,070,340	
Internal balances		427,162		(427,162)		-	
Prepaid expenses and other		72,953		-		72,953	
Capital assets: Assets not subject to depreciation		7,500				7,500	
Assets subject to depreciation - Net of depreciation		210,601		- 14,914,312		15,124,913	
Cash and equivalents - Restricted		210,001		2,377,668		2,377,668	
Cash held with agent - Restricted		-		39,725		39,725	
_		-		65,872		65,872	
Bond issuance cost	_	-	_	63,672	_	63,672	
Total assets		4,190,459		23,631,388		27,821,847	
Liabilities							
Accounts payable		126,546		62,035		188,581	
Due to other governmental units		-		1,004,022		1,004,022	
Refundable deposits, bonds, etc.		-		20,000		20,000	
Accrued liabilities and other		38,066		172,439		210,505	
Deferred revenue (Note 4)		607,890		-		607,890	
Unamortized bond premium and loss on refinancing							
(Note 7)		-		(66,125)		(66,125)	
Noncurrent liabilities:							
Due within one year (Note 7)		32,800		750,000		782,800	
Due in more than one year (Note 7)	_	538,400	_	10,830,000	_	11,368,400	
Total liabilities	_	1,343,702	_	12,772,371	_	14,116,073	
Net Assets							
Invested in capital assets - Net of related debt		218,101		3,387,304		3,605,405	
Restricted for:							
Debt service		622,080		7,136,684		7,758,764	
Public access programming		148,073		-		148,073	
Streets and right of way		4,092		-		4,092	
Various special assessed services		22,987		-		22,987	
Unrestricted		1,831,424	_	335,029	_	2,166,453	
Total net assets	\$	2,846,757	\$	10,859,017	\$	13,705,774	

				enue		
Functions/Programs	_	Expenses		Charges for Services		pital Grants and entributions
Primary government:						
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$	631,249	\$	201,831	\$	-
Public safety		615,859		71,136		-
Public works		186,822		33,356		_
Health and welfare - Seniors		4,000		-		-
Interest on long-term debt	_	24,408				
Total governmental						
activities		1,462,338		306,323		-
Business-type activities		1,327,544		444,186		408,232
Total primary government	<u>\$</u>	2,789,882	\$	750,509	\$	408,232

General revenue:

Property taxes

Public safety special assessment

State-shared revenue

Investment income

Cable franchise fees

Other miscellaneous income

Total general revenue

Change in Net Assets

Net Assets - Beginning of year

Net Assets - End of year

Statement of Activities Year Ended March 31, 2012

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets								
Primary Government								
Governmental	Business-type							
Activities	Activities	Total						
\$ (429,418)	\$ -	\$ (429,418)						
(544,723)	-	(544,723)						
(153,466)	-	(153,466)						
(4,000)	-	(4,000)						
(24,408)		(24,408)						
(1,156,015)	-	(1,156,015)						
-	(475,126)	(475,126)						
(1,156,015)	(475,126)	(1,631,141)						
355,849	_	355,849						
578,950	_	578,950						
787,886	-	787,886						
9,088	5,376	14,464						
254,172	-	254,172						
9,668		9,668						
1,995,613	5,376	2,000,989						
839,598	(469,750)	369,848						
2,007,159	11,328,767	13,335,926						

<u>\$ 2,846,757</u> <u>\$ 10,859,017</u> <u>\$ 13,705,774</u>

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet March 31, 2012

Assets	G	ieneral Fund	Po	ublic Safety Fund	c	Parkin Lane Road Construction flaintenance Fund	1	Nonmajor Funds		Total
Assets										
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables:	\$	1,402,674 422,067	\$	603,850	\$	132,275 -	\$	95,055 -	\$	2,233,854 422,067
Special assessments receivable Other receivables Due from other governmental		2,533 149,272		-		411,872 -		27,019 -		441,424 149,272
units		175,174		42,137		6,570		1,745		225,626
Due from other funds (Note 6)		2,162		50		-		,,		2,212
Advances to other funds (Note 6)		425,000		-		_		_		425,000
Prepaid expenses		4,103		68,850		-				72,953
Total assets	\$	2,582,985	\$	714,887	\$	550,717	\$	123,819	\$	3,972,408
Liabilities and Fund Balances										
Liabilities										
	\$	29,824	\$	96,560	\$		\$	162	\$	126,546
Accounts payable Due to other funds	Ф	50	Ф	76,360	Ф	-	Ф	102	Ф	50
Accrued liabilities and other		30,034		-		-		-		30,034
		2.533		- 582,675		411.872		52.234		1,049,314
Deferred revenue (Note 4)	_	2,333		302,073		711,072	_	32,234	_	1,077,317
Total liabilities		62,441		679,235		411,872		52,396		1,205,944
Fund Balances										
Nonspendable:										
Prepaids		4,103		35,652		-		-		39,755
Long-term advance		425,000		-		-		-		425,000
Restricted:										
Debt service		-		-		138,845		44,344		183,189
Public access programming		148,073		-		-		-		148,073
Waste removal		-		-		-		9,395		9,395
Snow removal		-		-		-		6,835		6,835
Other maintenance		-		-		-		6,228		6,228
Lighting districts		-		-		-		529		529
Right of way		-		-		-		4,092		4,092
Assigned: Technology		23,272								23,272
Township improvement		371,360		-		-		-		371,360
Building and site		3,856		-		-		-		3,856
Road improvement		531,908		_		_		_		531,908
Unassigned		1,012,972		-		-		-		1,012,972
Total fund balances		2,520,544		35,652		138,845		71,423		2,766,464
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	2,582,985	\$	714,887	\$	550,717	\$	123,819	\$	3,972,408

Governmental Funds Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets March 31, 2012

Fund Balance Reported in Governmental Funds	\$	2,766,464
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the funds		218,101
Special assessment receivables are expected to be collected over several years and are not available to pay for current year expenditures		441,424
Bonds payable are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds		(571,200)
Accrued interest is not due and payable in the current period and is not reported in the funds		(8,032)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	<u>\$</u>	2,846,757

Governmental Funds Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Year Ended March 31, 2012

Parkin Lane

			Pı	ublic Safety	(Road Construction Maintenance		Nonmajor	
	Ge	eneral Fund	_	Fund	_	Fund		Funds	Total
Revenue									
Property taxes	\$	355,849	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- \$	355,849
Licenses and permits		12,758		-		-		-	12,758
State-shared revenue		787,886		-		-		8,571	796,457
Charges for services		67,581		15,324		-		2,275	85,180
Interest		8,019		765		-		304	9,088
Other revenue:									
Special assessments		_		578,950		36,792		43,476	659,218
Cable franchise fees		254,172		-		-		-	254,172
Fees		154,364		-		-		-	154,364
Other miscellaneous income		30,232		-	_	-	_	101	30,333
Total revenue		1,670,861		595,039		36,792		54,727	2,357,419
Expenditures - Current									
General government		632,697		-		-		-	632,697
Public safety		13,197		600,387		-		2,275	615,859
Public works		143,674		-		1,890		41,258	186,822
Health and welfare - Seniors		4,000		-		-		-	4,000
Capital outlay		21,445		-		-		-	21,445
Debt service	_	-		39,000	_	21,115		21,093	81,208
Total expenditures		815,013		639,387	_	23,005	_	64,626	1,542,031
Excess of Revenue Over									
(Under) Expenditures		855,848		(44,348)		13,787		(9,899)	815,388
Other Financing Sources (Uses)									
Transfers in		-		80,000		-		-	80,000
Transfers out	_	(80,000)		-	_	-	_		(80,000)
Net Change in Fund Balances		775,848		35,652		13,787		(9,899)	815,388
Fund Balances - As restated -									
Beginning of year (Note 11)	_	1,744,696			_	125,058	_	81,322	1,951,076
Fund Balances - End of year	\$	2,520,544	\$	35,652	\$	138,845	<u>\$</u>	71,423 \$	2,766,464

Governmental Funds Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended March 31, 2012

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$	815,388
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the statement of activities, these costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation:		
Capital outlay		52,244
Depreciation expense		(29,351)
Revenue is recorded in the statement of activities when earned; it is not reported in the funds until collected or collectible within 60 days of year end		(55,483)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but not in the statement of activities (where it reduces long-term debt)		56,800
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities		839,598

Proprietary Funds Statement of Net Assets March 31, 2012

	Enterprise
	Funds
	Sewer Fund
Assets	
Current assets:	404.055
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 406,955
Receivables:	EE0 200
Special assessments receivable	558,299 81,094
Accounts receivable Due from other governmental units	292,342
	4,960
Tap-in receivables	1,700
Total current assets	1,343,650
Noncurrent assets:	
Special assessment receivables	5,204,739
Tap-in receivables	112,584
Capital assets	14,914,312
Restricted cash	2,377,668
Cash held by agent - Restricted	39,725 65,872
Bond issuance cost	
Total noncurrent assets	22,714,900
Total assets	24,058,550
Liabilities	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	62,035
Due to other governmental units	1,004,022
Due to other funds	2,162
Deposits	20,000
Accrued interest payable	172,439
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 7)	750,000
Total current liabilities	2,010,658
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Advances from other funds (Note 6)	425,000
Unamortized bond premium and loss on refinancing (Note 7)	(66,125)
Long-term debt - Net of current portion (Note 7)	10,830,000
Total noncurrent liabilities	11,188,875
Total liabilities	13,199,533
Net Assets	
Invested in capital assets - Net of related debt	3,387,304
Restricted - Debt service	7,136,684
Unrestricted	335,029
Total net assets	\$ 10,859,017

Proprietary Funds Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Enterprise Funds Sewer Fund
Operating Revenue Charges for services	\$ 403,515
Interest and penalty charges	7,512
Other miscellaneous revenue	33,159
Total operating revenue	444,186
Operating Expenses	
Cost of sewage operations and maintenance	282,836
Depreciation	501,384
Total operating expenses	784,220
Operating Loss	(340,034)
Nonoperating Revenue (Expenses)	
Investment income	5,376
Interest expense	(489,615)
Other nonoperating expenses	(53,709)
Total nonoperating expenses	(537,948)
Loss - Before contributions	(877,982)
Capital Contributions	
Special assessments interest	345,521
Tap-in fees	62,711
Total capital contributions	408,232
Change in Net Assets	(469,750)
Net Assets - Beginning of year	11,328,767
Net Assets - End of year	\$ 10,859,017

Proprietary Funds Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended March 31, 2012

	 erprise Funds Sewer Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Internal activity - Payments to other funds	\$ 460,256 (269,470) (9,904)
Net cash provided by operating activities	180,882
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities - Loans received from other funds	425,000
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities Special assessment collections Tap-in fees Principal and interest paid on capital debt	1,095,152 84,615 (1,240,579)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(60,812)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities - Interest received on investments	 5,376
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	550,446
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of year	 2,273,902
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of year	\$ 2,824,348
Balance Sheet Classification of Cash and Cash Equivalents Cash and investments Restricted cash Cash held with agent - Restricted	\$ 406,955 2,377,668 39,725
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,824,348
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash from Operating Activities Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash from operating activities:	\$ (340,034)
Depreciation	501,384
Changes in assets and liabilities: Receivables	16,070
Accounts payable	13,366
Due to other funds	 (9,904)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 180,882

Fiduciary Funds Statement of Assets and Liabilities March 31, 2012

	Age	ency Funds
Assets - Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$</u>	159,026
Liabilities		
Due to other governmental units	\$	146,940
Due to primary government		7,270
Performance deposits		4,816
Total liabilities	\$	159,026

Note I - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of Tyrone 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 Tyrone Township:

Reporting Entity

Tyrone Township is governed by an elected seven-member council (board). The accompanying financial statements present the Township and its component units, entities for which the Township is considered to be financially accountable. Although blended component units are legal separate entities, in substance, they are part of the Township's operations. The Township has no component units.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these financial 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 or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenue includes (I) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment 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 not properly included among program revenues 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 and major individual enterprise 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 are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. 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 provider have been met.

Note I - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

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 revenue to be available if it is collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. The following major revenue sources meet the availability criterion: state-shared revenue, district court fines, and interest associated with the current fiscal period. Conversely, special assessments will be collected after the period of availability; receivables have been recorded for these, along with a "deferred revenue" liability.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Public Safety Fund is used to account for the Township's police and fire activities paid with extra voted special assessments.

The Parkin Lane Road Construction Maintenance Fund is used to account for the collection of special assessments levied on affected properties for road construction.

The Township reports the following major proprietary fund:

The Sewer Disposal System Fund accounts for the operations of the sewage pumping and collection systems.

Additionally, the Township reports the following fiduciary activities:

The Agency Funds account for assets held by the Township as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governments.

Private sector standards of accounting issued prior to December 1, 1989 are generally followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The Township has elected not to follow private sector standards issued after November 30, 1989 for its business-type activities.

Note I - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges between the Township's sewer function and various other functions of the Township. Eliminations of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenue reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as program revenue include (I) 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 and interest income.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets or fund balance are available, the Township's policy is to first apply restricted resources.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, it is the Township's policy to spend funds in this order: committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenue and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenue and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of our proprietary funds relates to charges to customers for sales and services. The Sewer Fund recognizes tap fees as capital contributions. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenue and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenue and expenses.

Property Tax Revenue

The Township levies property taxes on December I of each year. These taxes become liens on the property at that date. Township taxes are collected without penalty from December I to February 28 each year.

The Township's 2011 tax is levied and collectible on December 1, 2011 and is recognized as revenue in the year ended March 31, 2012, when the proceeds of the levy are budgeted and available for the financing of operations.

The 2011 taxable valuation of the Township totaled \$408 million, on which taxes levied consisted of .9067 mills for operating purposes. This resulted in approximately \$356,000 for operating purposes recognized in the General Fund.

Note I - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Special Assessments

The Township special assesses a flat fee per parcel for public safety (police and fire), lighting, rubbish removal, and snow removal. The assessment is levied and collectible on December 1, 2010 and is recognized as revenue in the year ended March 31, 2012, when the proceeds of the assessment are budgeted to pay for the operation of the special assessment districts.

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

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. Investments are stated at fair value. Certificates of deposit with a maturity date of greater than three months at time of purchase are recorded as investments on the financial statements.

Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents - The Township's Sewer Enterprise Fund has cash in the amount of \$2,377,668 that is restricted for debt service. The balance represents special assessments that have been collected and will be used to pay off the sewer bonds. The Sewer Fund has unspent bond proceeds, investment earnings, and prepayments of \$39,725 on deposit with the Livingston County Water and Waste Services Division for the construction of sewer line improvements. The division will hold these funds on behalf of the Township and expend the proceeds for allowable construction costs.

Receivables and Payables - In general, 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 are referred to as "advances to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown as net of allowance for uncollectible amounts.

Prepaid Items - Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Note I - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Capital Assets - Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, intangible assets, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$2,500 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Interest incurred during the construction of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. During the current year, \$0 of interest expense was capitalized as part of the cost of assets under construction.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Infrastructure, intangibles, buildings, equipment, and vehicles are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Building	39 years
Building improvements	15 years
Vehicles	5 years
Office equipment	5 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Sewer distribution system	39 years
Software	5 years

Long-term Obligations - In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or business-type activities statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premium and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

Note I - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fund Equity - In March 2009, the GASB issued Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund-type Definitions*. The objective of this statement is to enhance the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund-type definitions. This statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed on the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. Under this standard, the fund balance classifications of reserved, designated, and unreserved/undesignated were replaced with five new classifications - nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned. The Township implemented GASB Statement No. 54 during the year, whose impact was only the utilization of these new fund balance classifications.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the following components of fund balance:

- Nonspendable Amounts that are not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact
- Restricted Amounts that are legally restricted by outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation for use for a specific purpose
- Committed Amounts that have been formally set aside by the board for use for specific purposes. Commitments are made and can be rescinded only via resolution of the board.
- Assigned Intent to spend resources on specific purposes expressed by the 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 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.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 2 - Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

Building Department Revenue and Expenses - The State Construction Code Act, Michigan Public Act 245 of 1999, and rules promulgated by the Department of Treasury regarding that act, require that a local unit's fees collected from construction code permits be accounted for in a method which shows that all of these fees were used for expenditures related to the operations of the enforcing agency. The rules indicated that if the revenue exceeded the expenditures, the fees collected must be kept in a separate fund. The rules allowed for monitoring these funds in a separate activity center within the General Fund if the expenditures would normally exceed the revenue. The Township chose the latter. The activity related to construction code activities for the year ended March 31, 2012 is as follows:

Shortfall at April 1, 2011	\$ (297,028)
Construction permit revenue	11,945
Related expenses - Building department expenditures	 22,007
Current year shortfall	 (10,062)
Cumulative shortfall at March 31, 2012	\$ (307,090)

Note 3 - Deposits 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; bankers' acceptances of United States banks; 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 composed of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

The Township has designated several banks for the deposit of its funds. The investment policy adopted by the board is in accordance with Public Act 196 of 1997. The Township's deposits and investment policies are in accordance with statutory authority.

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 3 - Deposits and Investments (Continued)

The Township's cash and investments are subject to several types of risk, which are examined in more detail below:

Custodial Credit Risk of Bank Deposits - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a 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 \$3,591,545 of bank deposits (certificates of deposit 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 with which it deposits funds and assesses the level of risk of each institution; only those institutions with an acceptable estimated risk level are used as depositories.

Custodial Credit Risk of Investments - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Township will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Township does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. At year end, \$315,875 of investment securities was uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty or by its trust department or agent but not in the Township's name.

Credit Risk - State law limits investments in commercial paper to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The Township has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of year end, the credit quality ratings of debt securities (other than the U.S. government) are as follows:

				Rating
Investment	<u></u>	air Value	Rating	Organization
MBIA CLASS - Mutual fund	\$	315,875	AAA	Fitch

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 4 - Receivables and Deferred Revenue

Receivables as of year end for the Township's General Fund and the nonmajor funds, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

						arkin Lane Road onstruction				
		General		Public	M	aintenance	Ν	onmajor		
		Fund	Sat	fety Fund		Fund		Funds		Total
Receivables:										
Accounts	\$	213,483	\$	52,619	\$	-	\$	-	\$	266,102
Special assessments		2,533		-		411,872		27,019		441,424
Other receivables		75,366		-		-		-		75,366
Due from other governmental units		175,174		42,137		6,570		1,745		225,626
Less allowance for uncollectibles		(139,577)		(52,619)						(192,196)
unconectibles	_	(137,377)	_	(32,017)			_		_	(172,170)
Net receivables	\$	326,979	\$	42,137	\$	418,442	\$	28,764	\$	816,322

Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenue that is not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenue are as follows:

	Governmental Funds					
	Unavailable			Unearned		
Special assessments	\$	441,424	\$	25,215		
Public safety special assessment		-		582,675		
Total	\$	441,424	\$	607,890		

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 5 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity of the Township's governmental and business-type activities was as follows:

		Balance						Balance
Governmental Activities		April I, 2011	_	Additions	_	Disposals	Ma	arch 31, 2012
Capital assets not being depreciated - Land	\$	7,500	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,500
Capital assets being depreciated: Buildings Land improvements Machinery and equipment Information technology	_	378,360 70,424 150,380 35,620	_	5,000 20,615 17,829 8,800		- - - -	_	383,360 91,039 168,209 44,420
Subtotal		634,784		52,244		-		687,028
Accumulated depreciation: Buildings Land improvements Machinery and equipment Information technology		212,191 69,726 145,777 19,382	_	13,402 1,474 5,591 8,884		- - -		225,593 71,200 151,368 28,266
Subtotal		447,076		29,351				476,427
Net capital assets being depreciated		187,708		22,893		-		210,601
Net capital assets	\$	195,208	\$	22,893	\$		\$	218,101
Business-type Activities								
Capital assets being depreciated: Sewer system Machinery and equipment	\$	19,418,713 360,810	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	19,418,713 360,810
Subtotal		19,779,523		-		-		19,779,523
Accumulated depreciation: Sewer system Machinery and equipment		4,020,384 343,443		497,911 3,473		- -		4,518,295 346,916
Subtotal	_	4,363,827		501,384	_			4,865,211
Net capital assets being depreciated		15,415,696		(501,384)				14,914,312
Net capital assets	\$	15,415,696	\$	(501,384)	<u>\$</u>		\$	14,914,312

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 5 - Capital Assets (Continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities - General government		29,351
Business-type Activities - Sewer	\$	501,384

Note 6 - Interfund Receivables, Payables, and Transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of March 31, 2012 is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund		Amount
Due to/from Other Funds General Fund	Sewer Fund	\$	2,162
Public Safety Fund	General Fund		50
	Total	\$	2,212
Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	<u> </u>	Amount
Advances from/to Other Funds General Fund	Sewer Fund	\$	425,000

These balances result from the time lag between the dates that goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and payments between funds are made. Advances between the General Fund and Sewer Fund are expected to be repaid in the next 20 years, as the Sewer Fund looks for ways to increase funds while making its bond payments.

Interfund transfers reported in the fund financial statements are comprised of the following:

Fund Providing Resources	Fund Receiving Resources	 Amount
General Fund	Public Safety Fund	\$ 80,000

The transfer from the General Fund represents the movement of resources to be used for public safety needs.

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 7 - Long-term Debt

The Township issues bonds to provide for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the Township. County contractual agreements and installment purchase agreements are also general obligations of the government. Special assessment bonds provide for capital improvements that benefit specific properties, and will be repaid from amounts levied against those properties benefited from the construction. In the event that a deficiency exists because of unpaid or delinquent special assessments at the time a debt service payment is due, the Township is obligated to provide resources to cover the deficiency until other resources (such as tax sale proceeds or a reassessment of the Township) are received. Revenue bonds involve a pledge of specific income derived from the acquired or constructed assets to pay debt service.

Long-term debt activity can be summarized as follows:

Governmental Activities	Interest Rate	Final Payment Due	· ·		Additions	ons Reductions			Balance at March 31, 2012		Due Within One Year	
Tyrone Fire Authority Contract Jayne Hill No. I and 2 Road Improvement Project	0%	January 15, 2012	\$	39,000	\$	-	\$	39,000	\$	-	\$	-
Special Assessment Bonds	3.7%	April I, 2015		89,000		-		17,800		71,200		17,800
Parklin Lane Road Special Assessment Bond	3.00%-4.95%	July 1, 2030	_	500,000	_	-	_	-		500,000		15,000
Total bonds payable			\$	628,000	\$	-	\$	56,800	\$	571,200	\$	32,800

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 7 - Long-term Debt (Continued)

	Interest Rate Principal Maturity Ranges Ranges			Beginning Balance	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year	
Business-type Activities								
Livingston County Sanitary Sewer Improvement Bonds Series 2007 Less deferred amounts - Unamortized bond premium and loss on	4%	June 30, 2023	\$	4,100,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 4,085,000	\$ 15,000	
refinancing				(72,137)	(6,012)	(66,125)	-	
Livingston County Sanitary Sewer	2.2750/ 4.250/				275 000		275 000	
Improvement Bonds Series 2005 Livingston County Sanitary Sewer	3.375%-4.25%	May 1, 2028		6,750,000	375,000	6,375,000	375,000	
Improvement Bonds Series 2003	3.25%-4.125%	June 30, 2014		1,480,000	360,000	1,120,000	360,000	
Total bonds payable		•	\$	12,257,863	\$ 743,988	\$ 11,513,875	\$ 750,000	

Total interest expense for the year was approximately \$478,000. Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the above bonds and note obligations are as follows:

	Governmental Activities						Business-type Activities							
Years Ending March 31	Principal		Interest	Total		Principal			Interest		Total			
2013	\$ 32,800	\$	23,420	\$	56,220	\$	750,000	\$	453,333	\$	1,203,333			
2014	32,800		22,301		55,101		765,000		424,475		1,189,475			
2015	32,800		21,181		53,981		775,000		393,903		1,168,903			
2016	37,800		19,986		57,786		775,000		362,663		1,137,663			
2017	20,000		18,716		38,716		775,000		331,663		1,106,663			
2018-2022	110,000		83,779		193,779		4,125,000		1,175,478		5,300,478			
2023-2027	150,000		56,663		206,663		2,865,000		397,759		3,262,759			
2028-2032	155,000		15,690		170,690		750,000		31,875		781,875			
Total	\$ 571,200	\$	261,736	\$	832,936	\$	11,580,000	\$	3,571,149	\$	15,151,149			

Tyrone Township Jayne Hill Farms Subdivision I and 2 Road Improvement Special Assessment Bonds - Tyrone Township issued \$178,000 in Special Assessment Bonds. The Jayne Hill Farms Subdivision I and 2 Road Improvement Special Assessment Bonds were issued pursuant to Act 188, Michigan Public Acts of 1954, as amended. They are primarily payable from collections of special assessments levied against the benefited properties in the district. The bonds are dated August 30, 2005 with interest payable April I, beginning on April I, 2006. The Township's limited tax full faith and credit are pledged for the payment of the bonds if the special assessments are not adequate.

Note 7 - Long-term Debt (Continued)

Parkin Lane Road Improvement Special Assessment Bonds - Tyrone Township issued \$500,000 in Special Assessment Bonds. The Parkin Lane Road Improvement Special Assessment Bonds were issued pursuant to Act 188, Michigan Public Acts of 1954, as amended. They are primarily payable from collections of special assessments levied against the benefited properties in the district. The bonds are dated September 9, 2010 with interest payable December 1, beginning in December 2010. The Township's limited tax full faith and credit are pledged for the payment of the bonds if the special assessments are not adequate.

Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds - Series 2003 - Tyrone Township, through Livingston County, issued \$7,725,000 in Sanitary Sewer Improvement Bonds. The Livingston County Sanitary Sewer Improvement Bonds Series 2003 (Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds) were issued pursuant to Act 185 and 342, Michigan Public Acts of 1954, as amended. They are primarily payable from collections of special assessments levied against the benefited properties in the district and revenue expected to be generated by future sewer connection fees. The bonds are dated August 27, 2003 with interest payable November 1 and May 1, beginning November 1, 2003. The Township's limited tax full faith and credit are pledged for the payment of the bonds if the special assessments is not adequate.

Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds - Series 2005 - Tyrone Township, through Livingston County, issued \$8,640,000 in Sanitary Sewer Improvement Bonds. The Livingston County Sanitary Sewer Improvement Bonds Series 2005 (Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds) were issued pursuant to Act 185 and 342, Michigan Public Acts of 1954, as amended. They are primarily payable from revenue expected to be generated by future sewer connection fees. The bonds are dated June 22, 2005 with interest payable November I and May I, beginning on May I, 2007. The Township's limited tax full faith and credit are pledged for the payment of the bonds if the collection of revenue from the system is not adequate.

Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds - Series 2007 - Tyrone Township, through Livingston County, issued \$4,155,000 in Sanitary Sewer Improvement Refunding Bonds. The Livingston County Sanitary Sewer Improvement Refunding Bonds Series 2007 (Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds) were issued pursuant to Act 185 and 342, Michigan Public Acts of 1954, as amended. The bonds were issued to refund a portion of the Tyrone Township Sewer Bonds - Series 2003. The bond proceeds were placed in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the old bonds. Accordingly, the trust accounts' assets and liabilities for the defeased bonds are not included in the financial statements. At March 31, 2011, \$5,455,000 of bonds outstanding are considered defeased.

Note 7 - Long-term Debt (Continued)

The bonds are primarily payable from collections of special assessments levied against the benefited properties in the district. The bonds are dated December 12, 2007 with interest payable June 30 and December 31, beginning on June 30, 2008. The Township's limited tax full faith and credit are pledged for the payment of the bonds if the special assessments are not adequate.

Act 359, Michigan Public Acts of 1947, as amended, provides that net indebtedness of municipalities cannot exceed 10 percent of the assessed real and personal property in the Township. As of March 31, 2011, Tyrone Township had not incurred any indebtedness which would be limited under Act 359. The Township's existing general long-term debt obligation contracts are specifically exempted from consideration in the 10 percent limit computation.

Note 8 - Risk Management and Contingent Liabilities

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omission, and employee injuries. The Township has purchased commercial insurance for these claims. Settled claims for the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Livingston County (the "County") purchases delinquent tax rolls from the County's local units. In the event that those taxes become uncollectible, the County charges those amounts back to the local units. Therefore, the Township is exposed to potential refunds to Livingston County for the amount of uncollectible taxes and special assessment that were purchased by the County. The County has purchased a significant amount of delinquent special assessments levied by the Sewer Fund over the past few years. As of March 31, 2012, the Township estimates that \$1,004,022 will have to be repaid back to the County over the next few years and thus a payable has been recorded in the Sewer Fund. Subsequent to year end, the Township made an \$803,686 payment to the County.

Note 9 - Commitments

The Township has committed to a multiyear fire suppression, rescue, and emergency medical services agreement with Charter Township of Fenton, City of Fenton, and Hartland Township through March 31, 2016 at the following base rates:

- April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013 at \$1,350 per run
- April I, 2013 through March 31, 2014 at \$1,360 per run
- April I, 2014 through March 31, 2015 at \$1,377 per run
- April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016 at \$1,391 per run

Under the terms of the contract, the Township is required to pay for a minimum of 17 runs per year per municipality, which is due at the beginning of each fiscal year.

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note 10 - Upcoming Accounting Pronouncements

In November 2010, the GASB issued Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity Omnibus*. This pronouncement, which is an amendment to Statement 14 and Statement 34, modifies certain requirements for inclusion of component units in the financial reporting entity. This statement also amends the criteria for reporting component units as if they were part of the primary government (that is, blending) in certain circumstances. Lastly, the statement also clarifies the reporting of equity interests in legally separate organizations. The Township is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on the financial statements when adopted during the Township's 2013 fiscal year.

In December 2010, the GASB issued Statement No. 62, Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements. This statement incorporates into GASB literature certain accounting and financial reporting guidance issued on or before November 30, 1989 that is included in FASB statements and interpretations, APB opinions, and accounting research bulletins of the AICPA Committee on Accounting Procedure. The Township is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on the financial statements when adopted during the Township's 2013 fiscal year.

In June 2011, the GASB issued Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position. The statement will be effective for the Township's 2013 fiscal year. The statement incorporates deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, as defined by GASB Concepts Statement No. 4, into the definitions of the required components of the residual measure of net position, formerly net assets. This statement also provides a new statement of net position format to report all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position. Once implemented, this statement will impact the format and reporting of the balance sheet at the government-wide level and also at the fund level.

In March 2012, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, which is required to be implemented for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 2012. Statement No. 65 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows and inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. This statement also provides other financial reporting guidance related to the impact of the financial statement elements deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. Statement No. 65 will be implemented for the Township as of the 2014 fiscal year.

Notes to Financial Statements March 31, 2012

Note II - Accounting and Reporting Change

The financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2011 have been restated in order to recognize collections of service-type special assessments in the year in which expenses are budgeted and incurred. Both the assessment revenue and the expenditures (expenses) for which the assessments were levied should be recognized on the same basis of accounting as that normally used for that fund type. The effect of this correction was to decrease beginning fund balance and net assets by \$30,954.

	G	overnmental Activities	_	Nonmajor Funds
Fund balance/net assets - March 31, 2011 - As previously reported Adjustment for special assessments to be recognized in	\$	2,038,113	\$	112,276
fiscal year 2012		(30,954)	_	(30,954)
Fund balance/net assets - March 31, 2011 - As restated	\$	2,007,159	\$	81,322

During the year, the Township adopted GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund-type Definitions. The objective of this statement is to enhance the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing governmental fund-type definitions. In order to conform the classifications of the funds to the appropriate fund types under these new definitions, beginning fund balance was restated to fold previously classified special revenue funds into the General Fund as follows:

								rownship						
							In	nprovement						
				Road	Е	Building and		Revolving	7	Гесhnology	В	eautification		
	G	eneral Fund	lm	nprovement	_	Site	_	Fund	_	Fund	_	Fund		Total
Fund balance - March 31, 2011 -														
As previously reported Reclassifications under GASB	\$	1,053,658	\$	312,311	\$	3,806	\$	364,969	\$	11,058	\$	(1,106)	\$	1,744,696
No. 54		691,038	_	(312,311)		(3,806)		(364,969)		(11,058)		1,106		
Fund balance - March 31, 2011 -	•	1.744.606	•		φ.		.		φ.		.		φ.	1.744.606
As restated	<u>*</u>	1,744,696	<u> </u>		\$	-	\$		\$		<u>></u>		\$	1,744,696



Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Orig	inal Budget	_	Amended Budget		Actual		ariance with Amended Budget
Revenue	.	270.007	.	245.007	.	255.040	Φ.	(10.040)
Property taxes	\$	379,897	\$	365,897	\$	355,849	\$	(10,048)
Licenses and permits		10,125		10,125		12,758		2,633
State-shared revenue and grants		475,060		763,060		787,886		24,826
Charges for services		60,510		60,510		67,581		7,071
Investment income		3,461		3,461		4,557		1,096
Other revenue:								
Cable franchise fees		70,000		70,000		254,172		184,172
Fees		127,400		127,400		154,364		26,964
Other miscellaneous income		35,850	_	41,850	_	27,870	_	(13,980)
Total revenue		1,162,303		1,442,303		1,665,037		222,734
Expenditures - Current								
General government:								
Township board		122,107		116,107		106,035		10,072
Supervisor		29,574		31,074		28,654		2,420
Cemeteries		4,840		4,840		4,072		768
Zoning administrator		29,266		26,766		22,007		4,759
Planning Commission		59,017		67,017		62,944		4,073
Zoning Board of Appeals		6,488		6,988		3,886		3,102
Treasurer		88,355		85,855		80,635		5,220
Assessing		46,086		47,086		44,668		2,418
Board of Review		1,380		1,380		1,071		309
Clerk		84,054		90,554		87,771		2,783
Elections		53,240		50,740		42,044		8,696
Buildings and grounds		43,750		41,250		28,283		12,967
Economic development		500		8,500		8,500		-
Other '		12,840		12,340		11,378		962
Insurance, bond, and fringes		97,488	_	91,488	_	80,134	_	11,354
Total general government		678,985		681,985		612,082		69,903
Public safety - Ordinance enforcement		8,491		13,491		13,197		294
Public works		16,423		16,423		10,756		5,667
Recreation and culture		4,000	_	4,000	_	4,000	_	
Total expenditures		707,899		715,899		640,035		75,864

Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund (Continued) Year Ended March 31, 2012

	<u>O</u> 1	riginal Budget		Amended Budget		Actual		ariance with Amended Budget
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures	\$	454,404	\$	726,404	\$	1,025,002	\$	298,598
Other Financing Uses - Transfers out	_	(443,660)		(703,660)		(488,160)		215,500
Net Change in Fund Balance		10,744		22,744		536,842		514,098
Fund Balance - Beginning of year	_	1,053,658	_	1,053,658	_	1,053,658	_	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	1,064,402	\$	1,076,402	\$	1,590,500	\$	514,098

Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Special Revenue Funds Public Safety Fund Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Orig	inal Budget		Amended Budget		Actual	A	iance with mended Budget
Revenue								
Charges for services Investment income	\$	10,000	\$	10,000	\$	15,324 765	\$	5,324 765
Other revenue - Special assessments		583,650		583,650		578,950		(4,700)
Total revenue		593,650		593,650		595,039		1,389
Expenditures								
Current - Public safety:								
Police/Sheriff (county)		150,350		150,350		146,726		3,624
Fire and EMS		373,730		453,730		453,661		69
Total public safety		524,080		604,080		600,387		3,693
Debt service		39,000	_	39,000		39,000		
Total expenditures		563,080	_	643,080		639,387		3,693
Excess of Revenue Over (Under)								
Expenditures		30,570		(49,430)		(44,348)		5,082
Other Financing Sources - Transfers in				80,000		80,000		
Net Change in Fund Balance		30,570		30,570		35,652		5,082
Fund Balance - Beginning of year			_		_			
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	30,570	\$	30,570	\$	35,652	\$	5,082

Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Special Revenue Funds Parkin Lane Road Construction Maintenance Fund Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Orio	ginal Budget	Variance with Amended Budget					
	Ong	giriai budget	_	Budget	_	Actual		budget
Revenue - Other revenue - Special assessments	\$	35,208	\$	35,208	\$	36,792	\$	1,584
Expenditures								
Current - Public works		875		875		1.890		(1,015)
Debt service		20,966		20,966		21,115		(149)
Total expenditures		21,841		21,841		23,005		(1,164)
Net Change in Fund Balance		13,367		13,367		13,787		420
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		125,058		125,058		125,058		
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	138,425	\$	138,425	\$	138,845	\$	420

Note to Required Supplemental Information Year Ended March 31, 2012

Budgetary Information - Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the General Fund and all special revenue funds, except that the Township does not budget for capital assets acquired through purchase with federal grants. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end, except for approved contracts which are appropriated on a contract (grant) length basis.

The budget document presents information by fund, function, department, and line items. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the department level (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations). The supervisor is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within departmental appropriation accounts. However, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any department must be approved by the Township board.

Amounts encumbered for purchase orders, contracts, etc. are not tracked during the year.

Budgeted amounts are reported on the financial statements as originally adopted and as amended by the Township board.

The Township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- Prior to February I, the supervisor submits to the Township board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April I. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them, for the General Fund and special revenue funds.
- 2. Public hearings are conducted at the Township Hall to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 3. Prior to April I, the budget is legally enacted on a departmental (activity) basis through passage of a resolution in accordance with Public Act 621 of the State of Michigan.

A reconciliation of the budgetary comparison schedule to the fund-based statement of changes in fund balance is below. This reconciliation illustrates the effects of GASB Statement No. 54 on the General Fund and funds that were previously considered to be special revenue funds and are now included in the General Fund on the fund-based statements.

Note to Required Supplemental Information (Continued) Year Ended March 31, 2012

				Excess of
				Revenue Over
			Total	(Under)
	To	tal Revenue	Expenditures	Expenditures
General Fund				
Amounts per operating statement	\$	1,670,861	\$ 815,013	\$ 855,848
Road Improvement Fund budgeted separately from the				
General Fund		(1,706)	(56,609)	54,903
Building and Site Fund budgeted separately from the				
General Fund		(665)	(20,615)	19,950
Township Improvement Revolving Fund budgeted				
separately from the General Fund		(1,756)	(75,366)	73,610
Technology Fund budgeted separately from the				
General Fund		-	(21,445)	21,445
Beautification Fund budgeted separately from the				··
General Fund		(1,697)	(943)	(754)
Amounts per budget statement	\$	1,665,037	\$ 640,035	\$ 1,025,002

Excess of expenditures over appropriations in budgeted funds - The Township did not have significant expenditure budget variances.

Other Supplemental Information

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Funds Fund Descriptions

Liquor Law Enforcement - To account for funds received by the Township for liquor law enforcement.

Jayne Hill I and 2 Road Improvement - To account for the collection of special assessments levied on affected properties for road improvements.

Parkwood/Driftwood Maintenance - To account for the collection of special assessments levied on affected properties for road improvements.

Jayne Hill Lighting - To account for the collection of special assessments levied on affected properties for lighting improvements.

Walnut Drive Lighting - To account for the collection of special assessments levied on affected properties for lighting improvements.

Jayne Hill Waste Removal - To account for the collection of special assessments for waste disposal.

Parkin Snow Removal - To account for the collection of special assessments levied on affected properties for snow removal.

Right of Way - To account for funds transferred from the Township's General Fund for right-of-way projects.

						Spe	ecial R	evenue Fi	unds			
							٧	Valnut				
			Pa	rkwood/	Ja	yne Hill	[Orive	Jayne Hill			Snow
	Liqu	or Law	Dı	riftwood	Ĺ	.ighting	Lighting Assessment		·	Waste	F	Removal
		rcement	Mai	intenance		sessment				Removal	Fund	
Assets					- 13		- 100		_			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	6,728	\$	2,727	\$	609	\$	26,795	\$	10,210
Receivables:												
Special assessments receivable		-		-		- 45		-		- 750		- 500
Due from other governmental units			_			4 3			_	/30		300
Total assets	\$		\$	6,728	\$	2,772	\$	609	\$	27,545	\$	10,710
Liabilities and Fund Balances												
Liabilities												
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	147	\$	15	\$	-	\$	-
Deferred revenue		-	_	500	_	2,340		350	_	18,150	_	3,875
Total liabilities		-		500		2,487		365		18,150		3,875
Fund Balances - Restricted												
Debt service		-		-		-		-		-		-
Waste removal		-		-		-		-		9,395		-
Snow removal		-		-		-		-		-		6,835
Other maintenance		-		6,228		-		-		=		-
Lighting districts		-		-		285		244		-		-
Right of way			_						_		_	
Total fund balances			_	6,228	_	285		244	_	9,395		6,835
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	-	\$	6,728	\$	2,772	\$	609	\$	27,545	\$	10,710

Other Supplemental Information Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds March 31, 2012

Debt Service	е			
Fund	_			
				Total
	Ja	yne Hill I	١	Vonmajor
	aı	nd 2 Road	Go	vernmenta
Right of Way	lm	provement		Funds
\$ 4,092	\$	43,894	\$	95,055
_		27,019		27,019
-		450		1,745
\$ 4,092	\$	71,363	\$	123,819
\$ -	\$	_	\$	162
-	*	27,019	Ψ.	52,234
-		27,019		52,396
-		44,344		44,344
-		-		9,395
-		-		6,835
-		-		6,228
4,092		-		529 4,092
.,372			_	.,.,2
4,092		44,344		71,423
	-			
\$ 4,092	\$	71,363	\$	123,819

					S	pecial Rev	enue Fu	ınds				
	Liquor Law			kwood/ ftwood		ne Hill ghting	Dr	Inut ive nting	,	ne Hill Vaste		Snow emoval
	Enfo	rcement	Maii	ntenance	Ass	essment	Asses	sment	Re	emoval		Fund
Revenue												
State revenue	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-
Charges for services	·	2,275	•	_		_	·	-		-	·	_
Investment income		´-		-		-		-		-		-
Other revenue:												
Special assessments		-		500		2,340		450		19,139		8,525
Other miscellaneous income		-		-						-	_	
Total revenue		2,275		500		2,340		450		19,139		8,525
Expenditures - Current Public safety - Combined public safety												
department		2,275		_		_		_		_		_
Public works:		_,										
Routine maintenance		-		-		-		-		-		-
Winter maintenance		-		-		-		-		-		1,702
Rubbish disposal		-		-		-		-		16,167		-
Street lighting		-		-		1,380		141		-		-
Debt service:												
Principal		-		-		-		-		-		-
Interest on long-term debt	_	-	_	_				-			_	-
Total expenditures		2,275		-		1,380		141		16,167		1,702
Net Change in Fund Balances		-		500		960		309		2,972		6,823
Fund Balances (Deficit) - As restated - Beginning of year				5,728		(675)		(65)		6,423		12
Fund Balances - End of year	\$		\$	6,228	\$	285	\$	244	\$	9,395	\$	6,835

Other Supplemental Information Combining Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds Year Ended March 31, 2012

Debt Service Fund		
		Total
	Jayne Hill I	Nonmajor
	and 2 Road	Governmental
Right of Way	Improvement	Funds
\$ 8,571	\$ -	\$ 8,571
-	-	2,275
-	304	304
-	12,522	43,476
	101	101
8,571	12,927	54,727
-	-	2,275
21.0/0		21.0/0
21,868	-	21,868 1,702
_	-	16,167
-	-	1,521
_	17,800	17,800
-	3,293	3,293
21,868	21,093	64,626
(13,297)	(8,166)	(9,899)
17,389	52,510	81,322
\$ 4,092	\$ 44,344	\$ 71,423

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Liquor Law Enforcement Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Origi	Variance with Amended Budget					
Revenue - Charges for services	\$	1,900	\$	1,900	\$ 2,275	\$	375
Expenditures - Current - Public safety		1,900		1,900	2,275		(375)
Net Change in Fund Balance		-		-	-		-
Fund Balance - Beginning of year			_		 		
Fund Balance - End of year	\$		\$		\$ 	\$	

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Jayne Hill I and 2 Road Improvement Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Orig	ginal Budget		Amended Budget		Actual	٧	ariance with Amended Budget
Revenue							_	
Investment income	\$	150	\$	150	\$	304	\$	154
Other revenue - Special assessments		11,368	_	11,368	_	12,623	_	1,255
Total revenue		11,518		11,518		12,927		1,409
Expenditures - Current - Debt service								
Principal		17,800		17,800		17,800		-
Interest on long-term debt		3,952	_	3,952	_	3,293	_	659
Net Change in Fund Balance		(10,234)		(10,234)		(8,166)		2,068
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		52,510	_	52,510		52,510		-
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	42,276	\$	42,276	\$	44,344	\$	2,068

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Parkwood/Driftwood Maintenance Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Origi	nal Budget		Amended Budget		Actual	٧	ariance with Amended Budget
Revenue - Other revenue	\$	-	\$	-	\$	500	\$	500
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		5,728	_	5,728	_	5,728	_	
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	5,728	\$	5,728	\$	6,228	\$	500

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Jayne Hill Lighting Assessment Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Original Budget		Amended Budget	Actual		ariance with Amended Budget
Revenue - Other revenue - Special assessments	\$	2,340	\$ 2,340	\$	2,340	\$ -
Expenditures - Current - Public works - Street lighting		1,840	1,840		1,380	460
Net Change in Fund Balance		500	500		960	460
Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginning of year		(675)	 (675)		(675)	
Fund Balance (Deficit) - End of year	\$	(175)	\$ (175)	\$	285	\$ 460

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Walnut Drive Lighting Assessment Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Original Budget		Amended Budget		Actual		Am	nce with nended udget
Revenue - Other revenue - Special assessments	\$	450	\$	450	\$	450	\$	-
Expenditures - Current - Public works - Street lighting		175		175		141		34
Net Change in Fund Balance		275		275		309		34
Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginning of year		(65)		(65)		(65)		
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	210	\$	210	\$	244	\$	34

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Jayne Hill Waste Removal Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Orig	Amended Original Budget Budget Actual						Variance with Amended Budget		
Revenue - Other revenue - Special assessments	\$	20,239	\$	20,239	\$	19,139	\$	(1,100)		
Expenditures - Current - Public works - Rubbish disposal		18,900		18,900		16,167		2,733		
Net Change in Fund Balance		1,339		1,339		2,972		1,633		
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		6,423	_	6,423		6,423				
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	7,762	\$	7,762	\$	9,395	\$	1,633		

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Snow Removal Fund Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	Original Budget			Amended Budget		Actual	Variance with Amended Budget	
Revenue - Other revenue - Special assessments	\$	8,525	\$	8,525	\$	8,525	\$	-
Expenditures - Current - Public works		6,500		6,500	_	1,702		4,798
Net Change in Fund Balance		2,025		2,025		6,823		4,798
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		12		12		12		
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	2,037	\$	2,037	\$	6,835	\$	4,798

Other Supplemental Information Nonmajor Governmental Fund - Right of Way Budgetary Comparison Year Ended March 31, 2012

	<u>Ori</u> g	ginal Budget		Amended Budget		Actual		ariance with Amended Budget
Revenue - State-shared revenue and grants	\$	-	\$	9,000	\$	8,571	\$	(429)
Expenditures - Current - Public works			_	12,000		21,868	_	(9,868)
Net Change in Fund Balance		-		(3,000)		(13,297)		(10,297)
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		17,389		17,389		17,389		_
Fund Balance - End of year	\$	17,389	\$_	14,389	\$_	4,092	\$	(10,297)



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July 16, 2012

To the Board of Trustees
Tyrone Township

We have audited the financial statements of Tyrone Township (the "Township") as of and for the year ended March 31, 2012 and have issued our report thereon dated July 16, 2012. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit which is divided into the following sections:

Section I - Communications Required Under SAS 115

Section II - Communications Required Under SAS 114

Section III - Other Recommendations and Related Information

Section IV - Legislative and Informational Items

Section I includes any deficiencies we observed in the Township's accounting principles or internal control that we believe are significant. Current auditing standards require us to formally communicate annually matters we note about the Township's accounting policies and internal control.

Section II includes information that current auditing standards require independent auditors to communicate to those individuals charged with governance. We will report this information annually to the board.

Section III presents recommendations related to internal control, procedures, and other matters noted during our current year audit. These comments are offered in the interest of helping the Company in its efforts toward continuous improvement, not just in the areas of internal control and accounting procedures, but also in operational or administrative efficiency and effectiveness.

Section IV contains updated legislative and informational items that we believe will be of interest to you.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Township's staff for the cooperation and courtesy extended to us during our audit. Their assistance and professionalism are invaluable.

This report is intended solely for the use of the Township's staff and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



We welcome any questions you may have regarding the following communications and we would be willing to discuss any of these or other questions that you might have at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Plante & Moran, PLLC

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Section I - Communications Required Under SAS 115

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Revenue Sharing

The State budget has been passed and with it comes some tweaks to revenue sharing. One major change is moving 20 percent of the County revenue sharing to an incentive program. Total revenue sharing as compared to 2011-2012 is as follows:

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EVIP**	225,000,000	210,000,000	+7%
County revenue sharing	104,480,000	115,000,000]	
County incentive (EVIP-like	e)** 26,120,000	0	+13%
Grants *	15,000,000	5,000,000	
Total	\$1,096,096,300	\$1,027,500,500	

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- Produce a performance dashboard
- Publish a projected budget report Include current and succeeding year, debt service payments, and assumptions used

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- Must include one new initiative with savings estimate and timeline
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Key point - This section has three options.

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- New hires that are eligible for retirement plans must be put in plans that cap employer contributions at 10 percent of base salary if eligible for Social Security or 16.2 percent if not.
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	Provided with	
Eligible for Social	Retiree Health	Maximum
Security?	Care?	Multiplier
Yes	Yes	1.5%
Yes	No	2.25%
No	Yes	2.25%
No	No	3.00%

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PAYMENT TIMING HAS CHANGED (well, sort of!)

For all except counties, the way that payments are distributed has changed. In 2011-2012, a portion of the payment for each of the three categories was paid on each of the six payment dates throughout the year. Now, there are only two payment dates for each of the three categories, such that each local unit will not receive payment associated with each category until the due date, and then the payment will be split between the following two months. The following is an example:

	F	Prior Methodo	ology	New Methodology				
		Category	•	Category				
	I	2	3	I	2	3		
October 31, 2012	10,000	10,000	10,000	30,000				
December 31, 2012	10,000	10,000	10,000	30,000				
February 28, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000		30,000			
April 30, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000		30,000			
June 30, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000			30,000		
August 31, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000			30,000		
Total	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000		

If a local unit fails to meet the initial certification timeline, there is still an opportunity to get the second of the two payments if the unit certified prior to the first month of the second distribution. For example, if you miss the 10/1/2012 deadline, a certification prior to 12/1/2012 will allow you to receive the second normally scheduled payment, but not the first.

ASSISTANCE - Detailed guidance is scheduled to be provided by the Department of Treasury by October 1, 2012.

Healthcare Limitations

PA 152 of 2011, Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, was signed into law by the governor in late September 2011. This new law requires all public employers to place hard caps on the amounts they contribute toward health care with an option to elect an 80 percent contribution cap rather than a hard cap. There is also an option for a "local unit" to opt out entirely. Please note that local unit has a different definition than public employer. Not all public employers are deemed to be local units.

PA 152 would limit annual costs for medical benefit plans to the following:

- \$5,500 for single coverage
- \$11,000 for individual and spousal coverage
- \$15,000 for family coverage

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These limits would apply to "contract years" beginning after January I, 2012 (although it would not apply to employees covered by a union contract entered into before September 27, 2011 until that contract expired). Current guidance from the Treasury department defines "contract year" as the one-year period beginning on the date that newly elected or newly renewed coverage begins for a group of persons under a medical benefit plan (typically, this period begins soon after the close of the annual open enrollment).

Alternatively, given a majority vote of its governing bodies, a public employer can opt out of the hard cap and into an 80 percent contribution cap. Under this option, public employers would pay no more than 80 percent of the total annual costs for all of the medical benefit plans it offers or contributed to for its employees and elected public officials. This option would require that publicly elected officials would have to pay 20 percent or more of the total annual costs of that plan, but the employee's share of the costs could be allocated as the government sees fit.

This act does contain a complete opt-out provision, but only for local units. It would allow communities to opt-out of these provisions entirely with a 2/3 vote of the governing body.

Failure to comply with the provisions in this act will result in a 10 percent reduction in each EVIP payment for the period of noncompliance. Opting out by a 2/3 vote of the governing body under the provisions of this act is not considered failure to comply.

Potential Elimination of the Personal Property Tax

There has been much talk regarding elimination of personal property tax. If personal property tax were completely eliminated, this would reduce revenue for communities across the state by approximately \$770 million. Including the school districts, the lost revenue would be over \$1 billion.

Obviously, this would be devastating to many communities as personal property taxes are a significant component of a local unit's tax structure. Proposed legislation may be introduced any day now. The expectation is for the legislation to have a phase-out for industrial personal property beginning in 2016 and being phased out over 10 years' time. There is some discussion of the phase-out being based on the year it was added to the tax roll. In addition, it is expected that companies with less than \$40,000 in commercial personal property would be exempt from the tax going forward. The reasoning from the legislature is that this will eliminate up to 75 percent of the physical bills that need to be processed but would not dramatically impact the tax dollars generated at the local unit level.

The proposals include a plan for replacement revenue from expiring tax credits. The plan is to start appropriating these funds in 2016, which is obviously several years out and will involve new legislators. The replacement revenue is expected to be the amount over and above 2 percent of General Fund revenue. In other words, communities should calculate 2 percent of General Fund revenue and assume that this is the dollar amount of the property tax loss that will need to be absorbed by the community. The amount of personal property tax over that amount is what is slated to be reimbursed.

Emergency Managers - Public Act 4 of 2011

On March 16, 2011, PA 4, Local Government and School District Fiscal Accountability Act, was signed into law. This act repeals Public Act 72 of 1990, the previous Local Government Fiscal Responsibility Act. Under the new act, the state treasurer can conduct a preliminary review to determine the existence of a local government financial problem if one or more of 18 different "triggering events" occur. Some of these events are truly a sign of financial stress, such as incurring payless paydays or defaulting on a bond or note payment. Others are more subjective, including a blanket statement that the existence of "other facts or circumstances...as determined by the state treasurer" is sufficient to start the process.

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For communities that have some of the triggers but seem to have a plan to address them, there is an in-between step whereby a consent agreement is entered into and monitored.

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BILLS BEING CONSIDERED

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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 Township'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.

Section III - Other Recommendations and Related Information

During our audit, we noted areas where we believe there are opportunities for the Township to further strengthen internal control or to increase operating efficiencies. Our observations on those areas are presented for your consideration below:

Long-term Advance - During the current year, the General Fund advanced monies to the Sewer Fund. The Township currently has a spreadsheet to track future revenue of the Sewer Fund. It is expected that additional advances will be required from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund in order to meet the Sewer Fund's required annual bond payment. We recommend that the board continue to monitor the cash flow needs of the Sewer Fund on a yearly basis, as collections of special assessment receivables alone would not be sufficient to fulfill the debt requirements.

The board approved the fiscal year 2012 advance; however, no formal resolution was adopted for the expected repayment term. We recommend that a formal plan be adopted to lay out the expected advancements, repayment terms, interest rate, and yearly accrual of interest.



Section IV - Legislative and Informational Items

Revenue Sharing

The State budget has been passed and with it comes some tweaks to revenue sharing. One major change is moving 20 percent of the County revenue sharing to an incentive program. Total revenue sharing as compared to 2011-2012 is as follows:

	<u>2012-2013</u>	2011-2012 (as of 2/2012)	% Change
Constitutional portion	\$725,496,300	\$697,500,500	+4%
EVIP**	225,000,000	210,000,000	+7%
County revenue sharing	104,480,000	115,000,000	
County incentive (EVIP-like	e)** 26,120,000	O.J	+13%
Grants *	15,000,000	5,000,000	
Total	\$1,096,096,300	\$1,027,500,500	

The EVIP, County incentive, and grants include significant one-time boilerplate appropriations of \$7.5 million, \$2.5 million, and \$10 million, respectively.

- * Includes school districts and ISDs in 2012-2013, but only if not already receiving a grant from the State School Aid Fund. Also, funds can only be used for combining operations with a city, village, township, or county.
- ** In order to receive funds for EVIP and the County incentive program, the following requirements must be met:

Category 1 - Accountability and Transparency - Due date 10/1/12

- Produce a Citizens Guide, including recognition of unfunded liabilities
- Produce a performance dashboard
- Publish a projected budget report Include current and succeeding year, debt service payments, and assumptions used

Category 2 - Consolidation of Services - Due date 2/1/13

- Produce a consolidation plan
- If first time, include past endeavors and associated cost savings
- Must include one new initiative with savings estimate and timeline
- If no new initiatives identified, must address why it is not feasible to enter into any new consolidation efforts
- If second time, report on progress of prior plan, including barriers



Category 3 - Employee Compensation - Due date 6/1/13

Key point - This section has three options.

OPTION I - MODIFIED COMPENSATION PLAN

 New hires that are eligible for retirement plans must be put in plans that cap employer contributions at 10 percent of base salary if eligible for Social Security or 16.2 percent if not.

• For defined benefit plans, maximum multipliers as follows:

	Provided with		
Eligible for Social	Retiree Health	Maximum	
Security?	Care?	Multiplier	
Yes	Yes	1.5%	
Yes	No	2.25%	
No	Yes	2.25%	
No	No	3.00%	

For defined benefit plans, final average compensation shall use a minimum of three years and shall not include more than 240 hours of paid leave. Overtime hours shall not be included.

 Healthcare premium costs for new hires shall include a minimum 20 percent employee share or employer's share shall be cost competitive with new state preferred provider organization health plan on a per-employee basis.

OPTION 2 - COMPLIANCE WITH PA 152 OF 2011 - Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act - Certify compliance with the new act that requires hard caps or alternately 80 percent/20 percent cost sharing. This includes the opt-out provision.

OPTION 3 - Certify that no medical benefits are offered



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PAYMENT TIMING HAS CHANGED (well, sort of!)

For all except counties, the way that payments are distributed has changed. In 2011-2012, a portion of the payment for each of the three categories was paid on each of the six payment dates throughout the year. Now, there are only two payment dates for each of the three categories, such that each local unit will not receive payment associated with each category until the due date, and then the payment will be split between the following two months. The following is an example:

	Prior Methodology Category			New Methodology Category		
		2	3	****	2	3
October 31, 2012	10,000	10,000	10,000	30,000		
December 31, 2012	10,000	10,000	10,000	30,000		
February 28, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000		30,000	
April 30, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000		30,000	
June 30, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000			30,000
August 31, 2013	10,000	10,000	10,000			30,000
Total	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000

If a local unit fails to meet the initial certification timeline, there is still an opportunity to get the second of the two payments if the unit certified prior to the first month of the second distribution. For example, if you miss the 10/1/2012 deadline, a certification prior to 12/1/2012 will allow you to receive the second normally scheduled payment, but not the first.

ASSISTANCE - Detailed guidance is scheduled to be provided by the Department of Treasury by October 1, 2012.

Healthcare Limitations

PA 152 of 2011, Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, was signed into law by the governor in late September 2011. This new law requires all public employers to place hard caps on the amounts they contribute toward health care with an option to elect an 80 percent contribution cap rather than a hard cap. There is also an option for a "local unit" to opt out entirely. Please note that local unit has a different definition than public employer. Not all public employers are deemed to be local units.

PA 152 would limit annual costs for medical benefit plans to the following:

- \$5,500 for single coverage
- \$11,000 for individual and spousal coverage
- \$15,000 for family coverage



These limits would apply to "contract years" beginning after January 1, 2012 (although it would not apply to employees covered by a union contract entered into before September 27, 2011 until that contract expired). Current guidance from the Treasury department defines "contract year" as the one-year period beginning on the date that newly elected or newly renewed coverage begins for a group of persons under a medical benefit plan (typically, this period begins soon after the close of the annual open enrollment).

Alternatively, given a majority vote of its governing bodies, a public employer can opt out of the hard cap and into an 80 percent contribution cap. Under this option, public employers would pay no more than 80 percent of the total annual costs for all of the medical benefit plans it offers or contributed to for its employees and elected public officials. This option would require that publicly elected officials would have to pay 20 percent or more of the total annual costs of that plan, but the employee's share of the costs could be allocated as the government sees fit.

This act does contain a complete opt-out provision, but only for local units. It would allow communities to opt-out of these provisions entirely with a 2/3 vote of the governing body.

Failure to comply with the provisions in this act will result in a 10 percent reduction in each EVIP payment for the period of noncompliance. Opting out by a 2/3 vote of the governing body under the provisions of this act is not considered failure to comply.

Potential Elimination of the Personal Property Tax

There has been much talk regarding elimination of personal property tax. If personal property tax were completely eliminated, this would reduce revenue for communities across the state by approximately \$770 million. Including the school districts, the lost revenue would be over \$1 billion.

Obviously, this would be devastating to many communities as personal property taxes are a significant component of a local unit's tax structure. Proposed legislation may be introduced any day now. The expectation is for the legislation to have a phase-out for industrial personal property beginning in 2016 and being phased out over 10 years' time. There is some discussion of the phase-out being based on the year it was added to the tax roll. In addition, it is expected that companies with less than \$40,000 in commercial personal property would be exempt from the tax going forward. The reasoning from the legislature is that this will eliminate up to 75 percent of the physical bills that need to be processed but would not dramatically impact the tax dollars generated at the local unit level.

The proposals include a plan for replacement revenue from expiring tax credits. The plan is to start appropriating these funds in 2016, which is obviously several years out and will involve new legislators. The replacement revenue is expected to be the amount over and above 2 percent of General Fund revenue. In other words, communities should calculate 2 percent of General Fund revenue and assume that this is the dollar amount of the property tax loss that will need to be absorbed by the community. The amount of personal property tax over that amount is what is slated to be reimbursed.



Emergency Managers - Public Act 4 of 2011

On March 16, 2011, PA 4, Local Government and School District Fiscal Accountability Act, was signed into law. This act repeals Public Act 72 of 1990, the previous Local Government Fiscal Responsibility Act. Under the new act, the state treasurer can conduct a preliminary review to determine the existence of a local government financial problem if one or more of 18 different "triggering events" occur. Some of these events are truly a sign of financial stress, such as incurring payless paydays or defaulting on a bond or note payment. Others are more subjective, including a blanket statement that the existence of "other facts or circumstances...as determined by the state treasurer" is sufficient to start the process.

If a finding of probable financial stress is made, the governor shall appoint a review team. The team would conduct its review and report back to the governor and the state treasurer within 60 days of its appointment. Depending on the severity of the findings during the review, the actions then taken could range from none to a declaration of a financial emergency, the local unit would be placed in receivership, and an emergency manager (EM) appointed in place of the existing governing body and chief administrative officer.

For communities that have some of the triggers but seem to have a plan to address them, there is an in-between step whereby a consent agreement is entered into and monitored.

Clearly, this legislation is causing great anxiety in terms of both the uncertainty as to how aggressive the State will be in implementing the legislation as well the broadness of the powers granted to an EM. Any new EMs would have the authority to reject, modify, or terminate the terms of an existing contract or collective bargaining agreement. This legislation may ultimately change the tenor of future union negotiations, in that it gives the collective bargaining representatives a strong incentive to work with the Township to avoid receivership by an EM.

It should be noted that petitions have been delivered to the State calling for a referendum to repeal the law granting special powers to emergency managers. Public Act 4 will remain in effect until state election officials certify the petitions. If the required number of signatures exists, the law could be suspended or Public Act 72, which is the emergency financial manager law, may come back into play. Public Act 72 does not grant the same level of powers to an emergency financial manager. It is uncertain at this time how this will play out.

Retro-pay Prohibition

Public Act 54 of 2011, which was signed by the governor on June 7, prohibits retroactive pay on an expired contract and calls for employees working under an expired agreement to bear the cost of any increased healthcare costs until a new contract is in effect. During that period, the public employer is authorized to make payroll deductions necessary to pay the increased cost of maintaining those benefits.



Deficit Elimination Plans

The Michigan Department of Treasury issued numbered letter 2012-1 in February 2012 which clarifies when a deficit elimination plan is required and how to quantify the deficit requiring elimination. In addition, it also charges local units with the responsibility to file deficit elimination plans concurrent with the submission of the audit report to the Department of Treasury. Local units should no longer be waiting for a letter from the State to file their plans. The plans are now due on or before the filing of your financial statement. Failure to file a plan can result in withholding of 25 percent of the EVIP revenue-sharing payments.

The plans should typically result in elimination of the deficit within one year but should never exceed five years. These plans should also have acceptable evidence to support the plan. The letter defines "acceptable evidence" as certified board/council resolutions approving the funding and the journal entry showing that the transfer was made in the general ledger. Additionally, if there is a projected multi-year budget, this too must be approved by the council/board and submitted. Plans and support can be emailed to <a href="maileo-treasury-trea

The letter defines a fund deficit, since the law lacks any reference to generally accepted accounting terminology. It states that for governmental funds (not proprietary funds, fiduciary funds, or discretely presented component units) "a plan is necessary to eliminate any "unrestricted fund balance" deficits. Unrestricted fund balance is the sum of the committed, assigned, and unassigned balances." Determining whether a deficit exists is more challenging for proprietary funds, fiduciary funds, and discretely presented component units and local units will be expected to apply the test that is explained in the letter. We highly recommend that local units review the letter at the following link to ensure that they comply with the requirements: http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,1607,7-121-1751 2194 2196---,00.html#2012.



BILLS BEING CONSIDERED

Prohibition Against Hiring Current Retirees

House Bill 5637, the Jobs Initiative Reform Act, is a bill that has been introduced in the House that prohibits public employers in Michigan from employing an individual who is receiving benefits from the public employer's defined benefit retirement plan and to provide sanctions.

A public employer shall not directly, or indirectly through a contract with a third party, employ an individual who is receiving retirement benefits from a public employee defined benefit retirement plan of that public employer. This prohibition does not apply if the individual waives his or her right to receive previously accrued retirement benefits from that public employer's defined benefit retirement plan while re-employed by the public employer.

Sanctions would consist of reimbursing the defined benefit retirement plan for retirement benefits that the defined benefit retirement plan paid to the individual during the prohibited employment.

This appears to be an issue only if a retiree is being rehired by the existing employer and would not apply if that retiree seeks employment with a different employer.

PA 314 Pension Changes

Senate Bill 797 and House Bill 5416 make some significant changes to Public Act 314, as follows:

- The legislation utilizes existing asset classes but expands some categories such as foreign equities (from 20 percent to 70 percent), real estate (5-10 percentage points higher) and the "basket clause" (10 percentage points higher than existing limits for all plan sizes)
- Requires fee disclosures by investment service providers
- Establishes uniform transparency standards to allow for benchmarking
- Expands prohibition against payments to providers that make contributions to plan sponsor officials
- Permits local pension boards to self-police, which means they can remove a member who is legally incapacitated, convicted of certain violations, or has committed material breaches of policies
- Imposes limits on dollars spent on training to the lesser of \$12,000 per board trustee or \$150,000. No one trustee can spend more than \$30,000.
- Requires the retention of records for six years

