#### TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON COUNTY OF HUNTERDON STATE OF NEW JERSEY

REPORT OF AUDIT DECEMBER 31, 2021

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# PART I REPORT ON EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2021





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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Lebanon 530 West Hill Road Glen Gardner, New Jersey 08826

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements-regulatory basis, which comprise the comparative balance sheets-regulatory basis of the various funds of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey (the "Township"), as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related comparative statements of operations and changes in fund balance-regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related statement of revenues-regulatory basis, and statement of expenditures-regulatory basis of the various funds, and the related notes to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

#### Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements-regulatory basis referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position-regulatory basis of the various funds of the Township, as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the results of operations and changes in fund balance-regulatory basis of such funds for the years then ended and the statement of revenues-regulatory basis and statement of expenditures-regulatory basis of the various funds for the years then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, as described in Note 1.

#### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, or the results of its operations and changes in its fund balances for the years then ended.

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#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Township, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinions.

#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Township prepares its financial statements in conformity with regulatory basis accounting practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements-regulatory basis. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements-regulatory basis.

The supplementary information exhibits are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements-regulatory basis. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements-regulatory basis and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements-regulatory basis, or to the basic financial statements-regulatory basis themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 15, 2022, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Frenchtown, New Jersey April 15, 2022

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April 15, 2022



#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET</u>

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ASSETS	REF.	BALANCE 12/31/21	BALANCE 12/31/20
Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash - Treasurer	A-4	\$ 3,928,899	\$ 2,952,368
Subtotal	71-4	3,928,899	2,952,368
Receivables And Other Assets With Full Reserves:			
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-6	343,180	244,400
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-7	217,822	208,628
Property Acquired for Taxes - Assessed Valuation	A-9	94,200	94,200
Due to Municipal Open Space Trust Fund	A-17	-	48,906
Due from Animal Control Fund	В	64	598
Due from General Capital Fund	В	1,003	
Subtotal		656,269	596,732
Deferred Charges:			
Special Emergencies	A-25	60,000	80,000
Subtotal		60,000	80,000
Subtotal - Current Fund		4,645,168	3,629,100
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Cash	A-4	7,113	3,810
Due From Current Fund	A	228,051	53,675
State Grants Receivable	A-19	790,738	607,238
Subtotal		1,025,902	664,723
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 5,671,070	\$ 4,293,823

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET</u>

A Sheet 2

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	REF.	BALANCE 12/31/21	BALANCE 12/31/20
Liabilities:			
Reserve for Encumbrances	A-10	\$ 123,762	\$ 86,224
Appropriation Reserves	A-3:11	262,328	249,402
Amount Due to Grants Fund	A	228,051	53,675
Amount Due To Other Trust Funds	В	185,476	86,912
Amount Due To General Capital Fund	C	-	39,292
Taxes Collected In Advance	A-12	252,648	212,191
Reserve for Codification of Ordinances	A-13	5,625	5,625
Amount Due County For Added Taxes	A-14	6,481	374
Local District School Tax Payable	A-15	755,842	650,507
Regional High School Taxes Payable	A-16	1,090,115	875,945
Due to Municipal Open Space Trust Fund	A-17	49,304	
Due From State of New Jersey - Veterans and Sr. Citizens Deductions	A-18	4,590	4,590
Reserve for FEMA	A-23	131,171	131,171
Due State of New Jersey - Marriage Fees	A-24	330	233
Subtotal		3,095,723	2,396,141
Reserve For Receivables And Other Assets	A	656,269	596,732
Fund Balance	A-1	893,176	636,227
Subtotal - Current Fund		4,645,168	3,629,100
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Appropriated Reserves	A-20	994,697	663,237
Unappropriated Reserves	A-21	31,205	1,486
Subtotal	11 21	1,025,902	664,723
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		\$ 5,671,070	\$ 4,293,823

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REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED	<u>REF.</u>	YEAR <u>2021</u>	YEAR <u>2020</u>
Fund Balance Utilized	A-2	\$ 550,000	\$ 750,000
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated	A-2	3,721,844	3,221,238
Receipts From Delinquent Taxes	A-2	247,330	269,723
Receipts from Current Taxes	A-2	22,627,991	21,959,814
Non-Budget Revenues	A-2	205,325	149,454
Other Credits To Income:			
Interfund Return - Municipal Open Space Trust	A-4	48,906	<del>-</del>
Unexpended Balance Of Appropriation Reserves	A-11	236,404	245,870
Total Income		27,637,800	26,596,099
EXPENDITURES			
Budget and Emergency Appropriations:			
Operations:			
Salaries and Wages	A-3	2,483,907	2,540,809
Other Expenses	A-3	2,078,697	1,712,339
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	A-3	660,541	593,618
Capital Improvements	A-3	891,500	850,000
Municipal Debt Service	A-3	480,735	805,096
County Taxes	A-14	3,535,797	3,498,130
Amount Due County For Added and Omitted Taxes	A-14	6,481	374
Local District School Taxes	A-15	10,744,210	10,533,540
Regional High School Taxes	A-16	5,855,133	5,426,794
Municipal Open Space	A-6	93,380	93,455
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	A-4	-	17,641
Interfund Advances	C:B	470	35,906
Total Expenditures		26,830,851	26,107,702
Excess in Revenues		806,949	488,397
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance		806,949	488,397
Fund Balance January 1	A	636,227	897,830
·		1,443,176	1,386,227
Decreased by: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	A-1	550,000	750,000
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Fund Balance December 31	A	<u>\$ 893,176</u>	\$ 636,227

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		<u>ANTICIPATED</u> SPECIAL N.J.S.				
	REF.	BUDGET	40A:4-87	REALIZED	EXCESS OR DEFICIT	
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Fund Balance Anticipated	A-2	\$ 550,000		\$ 550,000		
Miscellaneous Revenues:						
Local Revenues:						
Licenses:						
Alcoholic Beverages	A-8	15,000		15,000	-	
Fines and Costs:						
Municipal Court	A-8	22,000		43,131	\$ 21,131	
Interest and Costs On Taxes	A-5	66,000		60,832	(5,168)	
Interest on Investments	A-8	10,000		5,306	(4,694)	
Total Local Revenues		113,000		124,269	11,269	
State Aid:						
Energy Receipts Tax	A-8	2,627,013		2,627,013		
Garden State Trust Fund	A-8	15,409		23,729	8,320	
Total State Aid		2,642,422		2,650,742	8,320	
Special Items Of Revenue Anticipated With Prior						
Written Consent of Local Government Services-						
Public and Private Revenues:						
Clean Communities Grant	A-20	1,131		1,131		
Recycling Tonnage Grant	A-20	4,099		4,099		
Body Armor Grant	A-20	78		78		
Drunk Driving Enforcement Grant	A-20	277		277		
NJDOT Grant - East Hill Road	A-20	183,500		183,500		
American Rescue Plan (ARP)	A-20		\$ 318,244	318,244		
<b>Total Special Items Of Revenues</b>		189,085	318,244	507,329		
OTHER SPECIAL ITEMS:						
Shared Services Agreements	A-8	235,000	_	439,504	204,504	
Total Other Special Items		235,000		439,504	204,504	
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	A-2	3,179,507	318,244	3,721,844	224,093	
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	ANTICIPATED					
		SPECIAL N.J.S.				
	REF.	<b>BUDGET</b>	40A:4-87	<b>REALIZED</b>	<u>DEFICIT</u>	
Receipts From Delinquent Taxes	A-2	260,000		247,330	(12,670)	
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:						
Local Tax For Municipal Purposes	A-2	2,741,213		2,846,523	105,310	
<b>Total General Revenues</b>		6,730,720	318,244	7,365,697	316,733	
Other Non-Budget Revenues	A-2			205,325	205,325	
	-	\$ 6,730,720	\$ 318,244	\$ 7,571,022	\$ 522,058	
	_	A-3	A-3		_	

A-2 Sheet 3

ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUES	<u>REF.</u>	
Allocation Of Current Tax Collections:		
Revenue from Collections	A-6	\$ 22,592,089
State of New Jersey, Senior Citizens and		
Veterans Deductions	A-6	35,902
	A-1	22,627,991
Allocated To:		
School and County Taxes	A-6	20,235,001
Balance for Support Of Municipal Budget Appropriations		2,392,990
Add by: Appropriation "Reserve For Uncollected Taxes"	A-3	453,533
Amount For Support Of Municipal Budget Appropriations	A-2	\$ 2,846,523

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ANALYSIS OF NON-BUDGET REVENUES	REF.				
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated:					
Treasurer:					
Permits		\$	11,481		
Certified Lists		Ψ	155		
Copies/Maps			883		
Planning Board			2,560		
Zoning Board			10,890		
Board of Health			6,225		
Retail Food			4,500		
Cable TV			18,759		
Covid Grant			2,432		
Insurance Refunds			36,293		
Newsletters			2,599		
Cell Tower			52,886		
Sale of Municipal Assets			15,000		
Vets/Sr Admin Fee			718		
Miscellaneous			30,059		
	A-4			\$	195,440
Collector:					
Miscellaneous			1,005		
Trailer Court Fees	A-5		8,880		9,885
				\$	205,325

A-3 Sheet 1

OPERATIONS within "CAPS"	<u>APPROPR</u> BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER		EXPENDED PAID OR CHARGED		UNEXPENDED BALANCES CANCELED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS:						
Mayor and Council:						
Salaries and Wages	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000			-	-
Other Expenses	71,000	71,000	51,19	92 \$	19,808	
Municipal Clerk:						
Salaries and Wages	201,743	201,743	200,9	13	830	
Other Expenses:						
Elections	5,250	5,250	4,74	15	505	
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	55,000	55,000	40,63	32	14,368	
Financial Administration (Treasury):						
Salaries and Wages	47,713	45,713	44,22	22	1,491	
Other Expenses	11,000	12,000	11,8	71	129	
Audit Services:						
Other Expenses	31,339	31,339	31,33	39		
Revenue Administration (Tax Collection):						
Salaries and Wages	28,560	28,560	28,50	60	-	
Other Expenses	12,150	13,150	13,09	90	60	
Tax Assessment Administration:						
Salaries and Wages	29,131	29,131	29,13	31	-	
Other Expenses	41,600	40,600	20,19	98	20,402	
Legal Services (Legal Dept.):						
Other Expenses	65,000	60,000	32,68	34	27,316	
Engineering Services:						
Other Expenses	12,000	12,000	-		12,000	
Historical Sites Office:						
Other Expenses	2,275	2,275	62	24	1,651	
Aid to New Hampton Historic Museum:						
Salaries and Wages	30,000	31,500	30,82	28	672	
Other Expenses	6,500	5,000	2,3	58	2,642	

A-3 Sheet 2

OPERATIONS within "CAPS"	APPROPRIATION BUDGET AFTER BUDGET MODIFICATION		EXPENDED PAID OR CHARGED RESERVED		UNEXPENDED BALANCES CANCELED
LAND USE ADMINISTRATION:					
Planning Board:					
Salaries and Wages	32,498	32,498	28,436	4,062	
Other Expenses	14,200	14,200	8,846	5,354	
Zoning Costs:					
Salaries and Wages	32,498	32,498	28,436	4,062	
Other Expenses	10,275	10,275	2,920	7,355	
Zoning Board of Adjustment(Zoning Officer):					
Salaries and Wages	19,827	19,827	19,452	375	
Other Expenses	9,200	9,200	267	8,933	
UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCEMENT:					
Other Expenses	100	100	-	100	
INSURANCE:					
Liability Insurance	707	707	707		
Other Insurance Premiums	128,485	129,317	129,317		
Workmens' Compensation	77,841	77,841	77,841		
Employee Group Health	400,000	380,000	368,397	11,603	
PUBLIC SAFETY FUNCTIONS:					
Police Department:					
Salaries and Wages	1,373,870	1,383,870	1,383,870	-	
Other Expenses	84,100	84,100	74,432	9,668	
Office of Emergency Management:					
Salaries and Wages	5,345	5,345	5,345	-	
Other Expenses	2,500	2,500	134	2,366	
Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies in Adjoining Mun.	95,000	95,000	95,000	-	
Fire Department/Uniform Fire Safety Code:					
Salaries and Wages	10,000	10,000	6,940	3,060	
Other Expenses:					
Fire Hydrant Services	3,475	3,475	644	2,831	
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	3,575	3,575	2,539	1,036	

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES</u>

A-3 Sheet 3

	APPROPRIATION		<u>EXPENDED</u>				
		BUDGET AFTER	PAID OR		BALANCES		
OPERATIONS within "CAPS"	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>MODIFICATION</u>	MODIFICATION CHARGED		MODIFICATION CHARGED RESERVE		<u>CANCELED</u>
PUBLIC WORKS FUNCTIONS:							
Streets and Road Maintenance:							
Salaries and Wages	639,392	634,392	605,220	29,172			
Other Expenses:							
Snow Removal	90,000	90,000	80,220	9,780			
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	212,000	212,000	210,079	1,921			
Solid Waste Collection(Recycling Program):							
Salaries and Wages	6,199	6,199	6,199	-			
Other Expenses	5,400	5,400	4,089	1,311			
Buildings and Grounds:							
Other Expenses	70,000	70,000	69,430	570			
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNCTIONS:							
Public Health Services(Board Of Health):							
Other Expenses	7,000	7,800	7,121	679			
Environmental Health Services:							
Other Expenses	1,000	1,000	-	1,000			
Animal Control Services:							
Salaries and Wages	5,631	5,631	5,631	-			
Other Expenses	2,760	2,760	-	2,760			
Contribution to Social Services Agencies:							
Other Expenses	500	500	-	500			
PARK AND RECREATION FUNCTIONS:							
Recreation Services and Programs:							
Other Expenses:							
Senior Citizens	100	100	-	100			
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	6,500	6,500	1,501	4,999			
Maintenance of Parks:							
Other Expenses	2,500	-	-	-			
EDUCATION FUNCTIONS (Includes Library):							
Municipal/County Library:							
Other Expenses	75,000	75,000	65,627	9,373			

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	<u>APPROPR</u>	BUDGET AFTER	SUDGET AFTER PAID OR		UNEXPENDED BALANCES
OPERATIONS within "CAPS"	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>MODIFICATION</u>	ATION CHARGED RESERVED		CANCELED
OTHER COMMON OPERATING FUNCTIONS (Unclassified):					
Accumulated Leave Compensation Underground Storage Tank Remediation	1,000 2,500	1,000 2,850	2,850	1,000	
MUNICIPAL COURT:					
Other Expenses	31,000	31,000	30,500	500	
UTILITY EXPENSES AND BULK PURCHASES:					
Electricity	50,000	45,000	38,600	6,400	
Street Lighting	5,000	5,000	3,766	1,234	
Telephone (excluding equipment acquisition)	12,000	11,254	8,605	2,649	
Gasoline	50,000	60,000	53,833	6,167	
Subtotal Operations within "CAPS"	4,245,239	4,227,975	3,985,181	242,794	
Contingent					
Total Operations Including Contingent	4,245,239	4,227,975	3,985,181	242,794	
Detail:					
Salaries and Wages	2,479,407	2,483,907	2,439,183	44,724	-
Other Expenses	1,765,832	1,744,068	1,545,998	198,070	
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures within "CAPS" Statutory Expenditures:					
Social Security (O.A.S.I.)	194,430	194,430	190,696	3,734	
New Jersey Disability Fund	5,000	5,000	-	5,000	
Contribution to:	,	,		,	
PERS	129,648	146,912	146,912		
PFRS	294,199	294,199	294,199		
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory					
Expenditures within "CAPS"	623,277	640,541	631,807	8,734	
Total General Appropriations within "CAPS"	4,868,516	4,868,516	4,616,988	251,528	

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	<u>APPROPRIATION</u> BUDGET AFTER		EXPENDED PAID OR	UNEXPENDED BALANCES
	BUDGET	MODIFICATION	<u>CHARGED</u>	RESERVED CANCELED
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS":			<u> </u>	
Fire Department:				
LOSAP	10,800	10,800	-	10,800
Total Other Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	10,800	10,800	-	10,800
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFFSET BY REVENUES:				
Federal and State Grants:				
Clean Communities Program:				
Other Expenses - PY Unappropriated	1,131	1,131	1,131	-
Drunk Driving Grant:				
Other Expenses	27	27	27	-
Police Body Armor Grant	78	78	78	
Alcohol Education - PY	250	250	250	-
Recycling Tonnage Grant	4,099	4,099	4,099	
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021		318,244	318,244	-
Total Public and Private Programs Offset				
by Revenues Excluded from "CAPS"	5,585	323,829	323,829	-
Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	16,385	334,629	323,829	10,800
Detail:				
Other Expenses	16,385	334,629	323,829	10,800

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	<u>APPROPI</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	RIATION BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	<u>EXPENDED</u> PAID OR <u>CHARGED</u>	RESERVED	UNEXPENDED BALANCES <u>CANCELED</u>
Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"	·			· <del></del>	
Capital Improvement Fund	708,000	708,000	708,000	-	
NJDOT Grant - East Hill Road	183,500	183,500	183,500	-	
Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"	891,500	891,500	891,500	-	
Municipal Debt Service Excluded from "CAPS"					
Payment of Bond Anticipation and Capital Notes	462,846	462,846	462,846	_	_
Payment of Interest on Notes	17,940	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	17,889	_	\$ 51
Total Municipal Debt Service Excluded from "CAPS"	480,786		480,735	-	51
DEFERRED CHARGES-MUNICIPAL EXCL. "CAPS" Deferred Charges:					
Deferred Charges - Special 5-Year	20,000		20,000	-	
Total Deferred Charges Exluded from "CAPS"	20,000	20,000	20,000	-	
Total Gen. Appropriations Excluded from "CAPS"	1,408,671	1,726,915	1,716,064	10,800	51
Subtotal General Appropriations	6,277,187	6,595,431	6,333,052	262,328	51
Reserve For Uncollected Taxes	453,533	453,533	453,533	-	
TOTALS	\$ 6,730,720	\$ 7,048,964	\$ 6,786,585	\$ 262,328	\$ 51
REF.				A	A-1
Appropriated by 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159) Adopted Budget	<u>REF.</u> A-2 A-2	\$ 318,244 6,730,720 \$ 7,048,964			
Reserve for State Grants Deferred Charges Encumbrances Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		A-20 A-25 A-10 A-2	\$ 507,329 20,000 5,805,723 453,533 <b>6,786,585</b>		

#### TRUST FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS	REF.	BALANCE 12/31/21	BALANCE 12/31/20
Dog License Fund: Cash and Cash Equivalents Total Dog License Fund	B-2	\$ 62,673 62,673	\$ 56,143 56,143
Other Trust Funds: Cash and Cash Equivalents Due from Current Fund Total Other Trust Funds	B-2 B-6	2,277,414 234,780 2,512,194	2,421,622 38,006 2,459,628
Total Other Trust Funds		2,512,194	<u>2,439,628</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 2,574,867</u>	<u>\$ 2,515,771</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE			
Dog License Fund:			
Due to Current Fund	B-5	\$ 64	\$ 598
Due State of New Jersey	B-4	-	-
Reserve for Dog Fund Expenditures	B-3	62,609	55,545
Total Dog License Fund		62,673	56,143
Other Trust Fund:			
Schedule of Reserve for Museum Donations	B-7	80,924	78,768
Schedule of Reserve for Developers' Deposits	B-8	72,200	80,295
Schedule of Reserve for Driveway Bonds	B-9	2,665	2,661
Schedule of Reserve for Unemployment Compensation	B-10	91,396	100,407
Schedule of Reserve for Library Trust	B-11	5,824	5,941
Schedule of Reserve for Recreation Commission	B-12	15,121	15,106
Schedule of Reserve for Fair Share Housing (COAH)	B-13	177,425	151,719
Schedule of Reserve for Off-Track Improvements	B-14	59,180	59,119
Schedule of Reserve for Open Space Deposits	B-15	1,308,525	1,256,582
Schedule of Reserve for Emergency Snow Removal	B-16	46,576	46,530
Schedule of Reserve for Accumulated Absences	B-17	308,002	307,695
Schedule of Reserve for Developers' Trust Escrow Deposits	B-18	115,089	114,805
Schedule of Reserve for Tax Sale Premiums	B-19	219,456	225,016
Schedule of Reserve for Environmental Trust Deposits	B-20	3,494	3,491
Schedule of Reserve for Off-Duty Police	B-21	2,545	9,596
Schedule of Reserve for Memorial Park	B-22	3,772	1,897
Total Other Trust Fund		2,512,194	2,459,628
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		\$ 2,574,867	\$ 2,515,771

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS	REF.	3ALANCE 12/31/21		3ALANCE 12/31/20
Cash and Cash Equivalents	C-2	\$ 1,374,002	\$	1,091,798
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:				
Funded	C-3	91,063		125,038
Unfunded	C-4	1,196,026		1,658,872
Amount Due Current Fund	C-5	 	_	39,292
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 2,661,091	\$	2,915,000
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE				
Amount Due Current Fund	C-5	\$ 1,003		-
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	331,165	\$	245,165
State of New Jersey Trust Loan Program	C-7	91,063		125,038
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-8	972,292		1,435,138
Reserve for:				
Fire Truck and Ambulance	C-9	17,233		17,233
Fund Balance	C-1	57,310		57,310
Improvement Authorizations:				
Funded	C-10	763,626		735,008
Unfunded	C-10	147,358		179,465
Encumbrances	C-11	 280,041		120,643
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		\$ 2,661,091	<u>\$</u>	2,915,000

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF FUND BALANCE

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	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	C	\$ 57,310
Balance December 31, 2021	C	\$ 57,310

## GENERAL FIXED ASSETS STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2021

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General Fixed Assets:	_	BALANCE 12/31/21		3ALANCE 12/31/20
Land	\$	3,510,219	\$	3,510,219
Buildings	*	4,787,073	•	4,787,073
Machinery and Equipment		9,843,954		9,811,847
Total General Fixed Assets	<u>\$</u>	18,141,246	<u>\$</u>	18,109,139

## PAYROLL AGENCY FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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	BALANCE	BALANCE
	<u>12/31/21</u>	12/31/20
ASSETS		

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Cash and Cash Equivalents:
Cash - Treasurer \$ 133,012 \$ 164,302

TOTAL ASSETS 133,012 164,302

**LIABILITIES AND RESERVES** 

Payroll Deductions Payable - - Imprest Balances - 133,012 164,302

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES <u>\$ 133,012</u> <u>\$ 164,302</u>



#### Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Reporting Entity

GASB Statement No.14 established criteria to be used to determine which component units should be included in the financial statements of the oversight entity. The Division requires the financial statements of the Township to be reported separately.

The financial statements of the Township of Lebanon include every board, body, officer or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the Township, as The financial statements of the Township do not include the operations of the Board of Education.

#### **B.** Description of Funds

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The GASB Codification establishes seven fund types and two account groups to be used by governmental units when reporting financial position and results of operations in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America(GAAP).

The accounting policies of the Township of Lebanon conform to the accounting principles applicable to municipalities which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Township of Lebanon accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds, which differ from the fund structure required by GAAP.

#### **Current Fund**

Resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including State grants for operations.

#### **Trust Funds**

Records the receipts, disbursement and custodianship of monies in accordance with the purpose for which each account was established.

#### **General Capital Fund**

The receipts and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general infrastructure and other capital facilities, other than those acquired in the Current Fund. General bonds and notes payable are recorded in this fund offset by deferred charges to future taxation.

#### **General Fixed Assets Account Group**

To account for all fixed assets of the Township. The Township's infrastructure is not reported in the group.

#### Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### C. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for municipalities by the State of New Jersey differ in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local government units. The more significant policies in New Jersey follow.

A modified accrual basis of accounting is followed with minor exceptions.

Revenues—are recorded as received in cash except for certain amounts which are due from other governmental units. Receipts from State grants are realized as revenue when anticipated in the Township budget. Receivables for property taxes are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the Township's Current Fund; accordingly, such amounts are not recorded as revenue until collected. Other amounts that are due the Township which are susceptible of accrual are also recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves and recorded as revenue when received.

<u>Expenditures</u>—are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with the Encumbrance Accounting System. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31, are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements and constitute part of the Township's statutory Appropriation Reserve balance. Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at December 31st of each year and recorded as liabilities, except for amounts which may be cancelled by the governing body.

Appropriation reserves are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income. Appropriations for principal payments on outstanding general capital and utility bonds and notes are provided on the cash basis; interest on general capital indebtedness is on the cash basis, whereas interest on utility indebtedness is on the accrual basis.

<u>Property Tax Revenue</u>--Real property taxes are assessed locally, based upon the assessed value of the property. The tax bill includes a levy for Municipal, County, Open Space and School purposes. The bills are mailed annually in June for that calendar year's levy. Taxes are payable in four quarterly installments on February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1

The amounts of the first and second installments are determined as one quarter of the total tax levied against the property for the preceding year. The installment due the third and fourth quarters is determined by taking the current year levy less the amount previously charged for the first and second installments, with the remainder being divided equally.

If unpaid on these dates, the amount due becomes delinquent and subject to interest at 8% per annum, or 18% on any delinquency amount in excess of \$1,500. The school levy is turned over to the Board of Education as expenditures are incurred, and the balance, if any, must be transferred as of June 30, of each fiscal year. County taxes are paid to the County by the Township quarterly on February 15, April 15, August 15 and November 15. The Open Space Levy is paid quarterly to the Township's other trust funds on February 15, April 15, August 15 and November 15.

#### Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

When unpaid taxes or any municipal lien, or part thereof, on real property remains in arrears after the eleventh day of the eleventh month in the year in which they are due, the collector in the municipality shall, subject to provisions of the New Jersey Statutes, enforce the lien by placing the property on a tax sale. Annual in rem tax foreclosure proceedings are instituted to enforce the tax collection or acquisition of title to the property by the Township.

In accordance with the accounting Principles prescribed by the State of New Jersey, current and delinquent taxes are realized as revenue when collected. Since delinquent taxes and liens are fully reserved, no provision has been made to estimate that portion of the taxes receivable and tax title liens that are uncollectible. GAAP required tax revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

<u>Deferred School Taxes</u>--A portion of the school taxes collected at December 31 relating to the period January 1 to June 30 of the subsequent year have been included in fund balance. GAAP requires such revenue to be deferred and recognized in the accounting period when it becomes susceptible to accrual.

<u>Foreclosed Property</u>--Foreclosed property is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved.

<u>Interfunds</u>--Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves.

<u>Inventories</u> of <u>Supplies</u>--The cost of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The cost of inventories are not included on the various balance sheets.

<u>General Fixed Assets</u>--In accordance with Technical Accounting Directive No. 85-2, Accounting for Governmental Fixed Assets, as promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services, which differs in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles, the municipality develops a fixed asset accounting and reporting system.

Fixed assets used in governmental operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized.

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available except for land which is valued at estimated market value.

No depreciation is to be provided for in the financial statements. Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the Capital Funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation.

#### Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Expenditures for construction in progress are recorded in the Capital Funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation.

Fixed assets acquired through grants in aid or contributed capital have not been accounted for separately.

Budget and Budgetary Procedures—The foundation of the New Jersey local finance system is the annual cash basis budget required under the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A.40A:4-1, et seq.). Every local unit must adopt a budget in the form required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division"). Certain items of revenue and appropriation are regulated by law and the proposed budget must be certified by the Director of the Division ("Director") prior to final adoption. The normal budget calendar begins early in the fiscal year with introduction, public advertisement and after state approval, budget adoption. The cash basis for revenues and budgetary basis for expenditures is the budget basis of accounting.

The Township is not required to adopt budgets for the following funds:

General Capital Fund Public Assistance Fund Trust fund

The governing body shall introduce and approve the annual budget not later than February 10, of the fiscal year. The budget shall be adopted not later than March 20, and prior to adoption, must be certified by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. The Director of the Division of Local Government Services, with the approval of the Local Finance Board, may extend the introduction and approval and adoption dates of the municipal budget. The budget is prepared by fund, function, activity and line item (salary or other expense) and includes information on the previous year. The legal level of control for appropriations is exercised at the individual line item level for all operating budgets adopted. Emergency appropriations, those made after the adoption of the budget and determination of the tax rate, may be authorized by the governing body of the municipality.

During the last two months of the fiscal year, the governing body may, by a 2/3 vote, amend the budget through line item transfers. Management has no authority to amend the budget without the approval of the Government Body. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the line item level.

Expenditures—Are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally, expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with an encumbrance accounting system. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31, are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements. Unexpended or uncommitted appropriations at December 31, are reported as expenditures through the establishment of appropriations reserves unless cancelled by the governing body. GAAP requires expenditures to be recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on general long-term debt, which should be recognized when due.

#### Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

<u>Tax Appeals and Other Contingent Losses</u>-Losses which arise from tax appeals and other contingent losses are recognized at the time an unfavorable decision is rendered by an administrative or judicial body.

<u>Deferred Charges to Future Taxation Funded and Unfunded</u>--Upon the authorization of capital projects, the Township establishes deferred charges for the costs of the capital projects to be raised by future taxation. Funded deferred charges relate to permanent debt issued, whereas unfunded deferred charges relate to temporary or non-funding of the authorized cost of capital projects. According to N.J.S.A.40A:2-4, the Township may levy taxes on all taxable property within the local unit to repay the debt. Annually, the Township raises the debt requirements for that particular year in the current budget. As the funds are raised by taxation, the deferred charges are reduced.

<u>Comparative</u> <u>Data</u> - Comparative data for the prior year has been presented in the accompanying balance sheets and statements of operations in order to provide an understanding of changes in the municipality's financial position and operations. However, comparative data have not been presented in all statements because their inclusion would make certain statements unduly complex and difficult to understand.

<u>Use of Estimates</u>—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. This will affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

<u>Departures from Generally Accepted Accounting Principles</u>--The accounting principles and practices followed by the Township differ generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local government units. The more significant differences are as follows:

- Taxes and other receivables are fully reserved.
- Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are fully reserved.
- Unexpended and uncommitted appropriations are reflected as expenditures.
- Overexpended appropriations and emergency appropriations are deferred to the succeeding years' operations.
- Undetermined contributions to state-administered pension plans applicable to the six months ended December 31 are not accrued.
- Estimated losses arising from tax appeals and other contingencies are not recorded when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated.

It was not practicable to determine the effect of such difference.

#### Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Regulatory-Basis Financial Statements—The GASB Codification also defines the financial statements of a governmental unit to be presented to be in accordance with GAAP. The Township presents the financial statements listed in the table of contents which are required by the Division and which differ from the financial statements required by GAAP. In addition, the Division requires the financial statements listed in the table of contents to be referenced to the supplementary schedules. This practice differs from GAAP.

#### Note 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

#### **Deposits:**

New Jersey statutes require that municipalities deposit public funds in public depositories located in New Jersey, which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories. Municipalities are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

New Jersey statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed depository insurance limits as follows:

The market value of the collateral must equal at least 5% of the average daily balance of collected public funds on deposit.

In addition to the above collateral requirement, if the public funds deposited exceed 75% of the capital funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value at least equal to 100% of the amount exceeding 75%.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures" ("GASB 40"), the municipality's accounts are profiled in order to determine exposure, if any, to Custodial Credit Risk (risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty the municipality would not be able to recover the value of its deposits or investment). Deposits are considered to be exposed to Custodial Credit Risk if they are: uncollarteralized or collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the government's name. At December 31, 2021, all of the municipality's deposits were collateralized by securities held in its name and, accordingly, not exposed to custodial credit risk. The municipality does not have a policy for custodial credit risk.

#### Note 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - (Continued)

#### **Deposits:**

As of December 31, 2021, cash and cash equivalents of the municipality consisted of the following:

Cash and Cash
Equivalents

Total

Checking

\$ 7,783,113

\$ 7,783,113

The carrying amount of the municipality's cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2021, was \$7,783,113 and the bank balance was \$8,134,085. All bank balances were covered by federal depository insurance and/or covered by a collateral pool maintained by the banks as required by New Jersey statutes. Of these bank balances, \$365,089 was covered by federal depository insurances and \$7,768,996 was covered by collateral pool.

#### **Note 3: LONG-TERM DEBT**

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds and notes to finance general municipal expenditures. All bonds issued by the Township are general obligation bonds, backed by the full faith and credit of the Township. Bond anticipation notes, which are issued by temporarily finance capital projects, must be paid off within ten years or retired by issuance of bonds.

The Township debt is summarized as follows:

	Е	Beginning					Ending
		Balance		Issued	Paid		Balance
Long Term Obligations:							_
Bond Anticipation Notes	\$	1,435,138		-	\$ 462,846	\$	972,292
State Of New Jersey Loan Programs		125,038			33,975		91,063
Total Long-Term Obligations	\$	1,560,176		-	\$ 496,821	\$	1,063,355
Summary of Municipal Debt							
				YEAR	YEAR		YEAR
				<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>		2019
Issued							
General:							
Bonds and Notes			\$	1,063,355	\$ 1,560,176	\$	2,401,010
Total Deductions					 		<u> </u>
Net Debt Issued			_	1,063,355	 1,560,176	_	2,401,010
Authorized But Not Issued				223,734	 223,734		223,734
Total Authorized But Not Issued				223,734	223,734		223,734
Net Bonds and Notes Issued							
and Authorized But Not Issued			\$	1,287,089	\$ 1,783,910	\$	2,624,744

## **Note 3: LONG-TERM DEBT - (Continued)**

## **Summary of Statutory Debt Condition - Annual Debt Statement**

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of 0.135%.

	<u>(</u>	Gross Debt	<u>Dedu</u>	<u>ictions</u>	Net Debt
Regional School District Debt	\$	854,564	\$	854,564	
General Debt		1,287,089			\$ 1,287,089
	\$	2,141,653		854,564	\$ 1,287,089
Net Debt \$ 1,287,089 N.J.S.A. 40A:2-2 as amended,	Divided by Equalized \$ 951,767,217	Valuation Ba	usis per 0.135%		

## Borrowing Power Under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6 As Amended

3 1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$ 33,311,853
Net Debt	 1,287,089
Remaining Borrowing Power	\$ 32,024,764

## Schedule of Annual Debt Service for Principal and Interest for Bonded Debt Issued and Outstanding

Calendar	<u>General</u>			
<u>Year</u>	Principal		<u>Interest</u>	
2022	\$ 46,080	\$	1,962	
2023	35,949		1,236	
2024	 9,034		361	
	\$ 91,063	\$	3,559	

## **General Obligation Loans**

General Obligation Loan-Acquisition of Land-dated January 1, 2004 with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program. This loan is payable in semi-annual installments ranging from \$6,823.39 to \$26,294.22 through August 1, 2023. This loan is an interest free loan. The remaining balance as of December 31, 2021, was \$41,334. Outstanding loan principal and interest is paid from the Open Space Trust Fund of the Township.

## **Note 3: LONG-TERM DEBT - (Continued)**

## **General Obligation Loans - (Continued)**

General Obligation Loan-Acquisition of Land-dated January 1, 2004 with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program. This loan is payable in semi-annual installments ranging from \$3,985 to \$15,356 through August 1, 2023. Interest is calculated at 3.0% - 5.00% and is included in the semi-annual installments. This method of calculating interest is not in conformance with New Jersey Statutes. The Township has received approval from the Local Finance Board to use this method of interest calculation for this issue. The remaining balance as of December 31, 2021, was \$27,492. Outstanding loan principal and interest is paid from the Open Space Trust Fund of the Township.

General Obligation Loan-Acquisition of Land-dated October 13, 2004 with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program. This loan is payable in semi-annual installments ranging from \$219 to \$11,181 through August 1, 2024. Interest is calculated at 3.0% - 5.00% and is included in the semi-annual installments. This method of calculating interest is not in conformance with New Jersey Statutes. The Township has received approval from the Local Finance Board to use this method of interest calculation for this issue. The remaining balance as of December 31, 2021, was \$22,237. Outstanding loan principal and interest is paid from the Open Space Trust Fund of the Township.

## **Bond Anticipation Notes**

The Township has outstanding at December 31, 2021, a bond anticipation note in the amount of \$972,292 payable to Amboy Bank. This note matures on July 22, 2022. The interest rate on the note was 0.32%. Principal and interest on these notes are paid from the current fund budget of the Township.

Debt Outstanding

Total General Capital Loans-Above \$ 1,063,355

#### **Note 4: GENERAL FIXED ASSETS**

The following is a summary of changes in the general fixed assets:

	Balance <u>12/31/20</u>		Additions	Adjustments/ <u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>12/31/21</u>
Land Buildings	\$ 3,510,219 4,787,073		-	-	\$ 3,510,219 4,787,073
Equipment	9,811,847	\$	32,107	- -	9,843,954
	\$ 18,109,139	\$	32,107	-	\$ 18,141,246
	Balance 12/31/19		Additions	Adjustments/ <u>Deletions</u>	Balance 12/31/20
Land Buildings	\$ 3,510,219 4,787,073	Φ	-	-	\$ 3,510,219 4,787,073
Equipment	\$ 9,343,047	\$	468,800 468,800	<u>-</u>	\$ 9,811,847

#### **Note 5: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED**

Fund Balances at December 31, 2021, which were appropriated and included as anticipated revenue in their own respective funds for the year ending December 31, 2022, were as follows:

Current Fund - \$550,000 \*

## Note 6: DEFERRED CHARGES TO BE RAISED IN SUCCEEDING BUDGETS

Certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding years and raised over a five (5) year period. At December 31, 2020, the Township had \$60,000 in charges that are required to be liquidated in subsequent budgets. This amount resulted from \$100,000 of special emergency costs authorized by New Jersey statute N.J.S. 40A:4-53 for revaluation of property values. The \$60,000 balance in authorized costs will be raised in subsequent budgets. \$20,000 was raised in the 2021 budget.

## **Note 7: SCHOOL TAXES**

Regulations provide for the deferral of not more than 50% of the annual levy when school taxes are raised for a school year and have not been requisitioned by the school district.

The Township of Lebanon had elected in 1975 to raise local district school taxes on a calendar year basis.

Local District Tax and Regional High School Tax have been raised and liabilities deferred by statute (under provisions of C.63, P.L.1991, as amended), resulting in the school taxes payable set forth in the Current Fund liabilities as follows:

<sup>\*</sup>Approved (Introduced) Budget

Note 7: SCHOOL TAXES - (Continued)

	TOTAL DEFERRED		L DISTRICT OOL TAX	TOTAL DEFERRED		ONAL IOOL TAX
	TAX	BALANCE	BALANCE	TAX	BALANCE	BALANCE
	12/31/21	12/31/21	12/31/20	12/31/20	<u>12/31/21</u>	12/31/20
Balance of Tax		\$ 755,842	\$ 650,507		\$ 1,090,115	\$ 875,945
Deferred		4,616,263	4,616,263		1,837,452	1,837,452
Tax Payable		\$ 5,372,105	\$ 5,266,770		\$ 2,927,567	\$ 2,713,397
Tax Deferred	\$ 6,453,715			\$ 6,453,715		

## **Note 8: PENSION PLANS**

<u>Description</u> <u>of Plans</u> - All required employees of the municipality are covered by either the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), the Police and Fireman's Retirement System (PFRS), or the Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (DCRP) which have been established by state statute and are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits (Division). According to the State of New Jersey Administrative Code, all obligations of both Systems will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should the Systems terminate. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirement System. These reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pension and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625 or on the internet at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrprts.shtml.

<u>Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)</u> - The Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) was established as of January 1, 1955 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, school municipality, or public agency, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state or local jurisdiction.

<u>Vesting and Benefit Provisions</u> -The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

#### Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1,2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

## Note 8: PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

The PERS provides for specified medical benefits for members who retire after achieving 25 years of qualified service, as defined, or under the disability provisions of the System. Members are always fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested for 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, members' beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the members' accounts.

<u>Contribution Requirements</u> - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A, Chapter 62, P.L. of 1994, Chapter 115, P.L. of 1997 (PERS) requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. PERS provides for employee contributions of 6.5% of employees' annual compensation, as defined. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate in the PERS. The current PERS rate is 6.5% of covered payroll.

<u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> - New Jersey's municipalities and counties do not follow GAAP accounting principles and, as such, do not follow GASB requirements with respect to recording the net pension liability or related deferred outflows or inflows of resources on their balance sheets, or related plan pension expense. However, N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.1(c)(2) requires municipalities and counties to disclose GASB 68 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements. Accordingly, the municipality's portion of the net pension liability, related outflows and inflows of resources, and pension expense are for disclosure purposes only and do not effect the municipality's regulatory basis fund balance, statement of revenues and expenditures, or operations. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense as required by GASB No. 68, information about the fiduciary net position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS.

## <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

At June 30, 2021, the municipality disclosed a liability of \$1,855,639 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles, as the measurement date is to be no more than twelve months before the municipality's fiscal year end of December 31, 2021. The municipality's proportion of the net pension liability is based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019. At June 30, 2020, the municipality's proportion was 0.00114% which was a decrease of 0.00025% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2018.

## **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

For the State fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the municipality's portion of the plan's pension expense was (\$44,392). At June 30, 2020, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for PERS relating to the municipality's proportionate share are from the following sources:

	$\mathbf{D}$	eferred Outflows	$\overline{\mathbf{D}}$	Deferred Inflows
		of Resources		of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	33,788	\$	6,562
Changes of assumptions		60,199		776,974
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		63,427		-
Changes in proportion and differences between municipality contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions		-		243,055
Total	\$	157,414	\$	1,026,591

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense of the plan as follows:

	Year Ended June 30:
2021	\$323,238
2022	294,694
2023	168,412
2024	68,100
2025	14,733
Total	\$869,177

6/20/2010

6/20/2020

	0/30/2019	0/30/2020
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$3,149,522,616	\$2,347,583,337
Collective deferred inflows of resources	7,645,087,574	7,849,949,467
Collective net pension liability (Non State - Local Group)	\$18,018,482,972	\$16,307,379,052
municipality's proportionate share of net pension liability	\$2,094,908	\$1,855,639
municipality's proportion %	0.01162644%	0.01137914%

Actuarial assumptions - The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation: 2.75% Price, 3.25% Wage

Salary Increases:

Through 2026 2.00%-6.00% based on years of service 3.00%-7.00% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return: 7.00%

## **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term Expected Real Rate of
Asset Class	Target Allocation	<u>Return</u>
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. develop markets equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
Public High Yeild	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash equivalents	4.00%	50.00%
US Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%

<u>Discount rate</u> - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2057. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2057, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

## **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

<u>Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate</u> - The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1	% Decrease	Current Discount	1%	6 Increase
		<u>(6.00%)</u>	Rate (7.00%)		(8.00%)
municipality's proportionate share of the net					
pension liability	\$	2,335,878	\$1,855,639	\$	1,448,141

<u>Pension plan fiduciary net position</u> - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at <a href="http://www.ni.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml">http://www.ni.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml</a>.

**Police and Fireman's Retirement System (PFRS)** - The Police and Fireman's Retirement System (PFRS) was established as of January 1, 1944, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Police and Fireman's Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, school district, or public agency, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state or local jurisdiction.

<u>Vesting and Benefit Provisions</u> -The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. PFRS provides retirement as well as death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except disability benefits which vest after four years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

## Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

## **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

<u>Contribution Requirements</u> - The contribution policy for PFRS is set by N.J.S.A 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's contribution amount is based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. For fiscal year 2020 the State contributed an amount less than the actuarially determined amount.

The Local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PFRS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets.

<u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> - New Jersey's municipalities and counties do not follow GAAP accounting principles and, as such, do not follow GASB requirements with respect to recording the net pension liability or related deferred outflows or inflows of resources on their balance sheets, or related plan pension expense. However, N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.1(c)(2) requires municipalities and counties to disclose GASB 68 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements. Accordingly, the municipality's portion of the net pension liability, related outflows and inflows of resources, and pension expense are for disclosure purposes only and do not effect the municipality's regulatory basis fund balance, statement of revenues and expenditures, or operations. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense as required by GASB No. 68, information about the fiduciary net position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS.

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

At June 30, 2021, the municipality disclosed a liability of \$3,268,466 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles, as the measurement date is to be no more than twelve months before the municipality's fiscal year end of December 31, 2021. The municipality's proportion of the net pension liability is based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019. At June 30, 2020, the municipality's proportion was 0.025295% which was an increase of 0.00043% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2018.

## **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

For the State fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the municipality's portion of the plan's pension expense was \$160,183. At June 30, 2020, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for PFRS relating to the municipality's proportionate share are from the following sources:

	<u>D</u>	eferred Outflows	$\Gamma$	Deferred Inflows
		of Resources		of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	32,952	\$	11,730
Changes of assumptions		8,225		876,256
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		191,645		
Changes in proportion and differences between municipality contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions		353,712		231,659
Total	\$	586,534	\$	1,119,645

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense of the plan as follows:

Year Ended June 30:

2021	(\$93,	,049)
2022	(195,	,327)
2023	(138,	,332)
2024	(68,	190)
2025	(38,2	<u>219)</u>
Total	<u>(\$533</u>	<u>,117)</u>
	6/30/2020	6/30/2020
Collective deferred outflows of resources (Non-Special Funding Situations)	\$1,198,936,924	\$1,601,195,680
Collective deferred inflows of resources (Non-Special Funding Situations)	4,874,748,912	4,191,274,402
Collective net pension liability (Non-Special Funding Situations)	\$14,170,193,618	\$14,926,648,722
Municipality's proportionate share of net pension liability (Non-Special Funding		
Situations)	\$3,044,072	\$3,268,466
Municipality's proportion %	0.02487000%	0.02530000%

Actuarial assumptions - The total pension liability in the July 1, 2019 actuarial valuation, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020, was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation: 2.75% (Price); 3.25% (Wage)

Salary Increases:

Through all future years 3.25-15.25% based on years of service

Investment Rate of Return: 7.00%

#### **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 105.6% adjustment for males and 102.5% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 96.7% adjustment for males and 96.0% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 152.0% adjustment for males and 109.3% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PFRS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term Expected Real Rate of
Asset Class	Target Allocation	<u>Return</u>
U.S. Equity	27.00%	7.71%
Non-U.S. develop markets equity	13.50%	8.57%
Emerging markets equity	5.50%	10.23%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.42%
Real Assets	3.00%	9.73%
Real Estate	8.00%	9.56%
Public High Yeild	2.00%	5.95%
Private Credit	8.00%	7.59%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	2.67%
Cash equivalents	4.00%	50.00%
US Treasuries	5.00%	1.94%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	3.40%

#### **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

<u>Discount rate</u> - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 78% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2076. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2076, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

<u>Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate</u> - The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1	% Decrease	Current Discount	1	% Increase
		(6.00%)	Rate (7.00%)		(8.00%)
municipality's proportionate share of the net					
pension liability	\$	4,346,406	\$3,268,466	\$	2,373,233

<u>PFRS Special Funding Situation</u> - Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, the municipality is responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the municipality to the PFRS under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. The portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability and collective pension expense that is associated with the municipality is as follows:

	6/30/2019	6/30/2020
Collective net pension liability of the Nonemployer (State of New Jersey) - Special Funding Situation	\$1,932,374,825	\$2,005,329,818
State's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the municipality - Special Funding Situation	\$480,665	\$507,251
State's portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the municipality as a percentage of the collective net pension liability - Special Funding Situation	0.024874%	0.025295%
Collective pension expense of the Nonemployer-(State of New Jersey) - Special Funding Situation	\$224,526,138	\$227,263,993
State's portion of the pension expense that was associated with the municipality - Special Funding Situation	\$55,849	\$57,487

#### **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

<u>Pension plan fiduciary net position</u> - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued State of New Jersey Divisions of Pensions and Benefits financial report at <a href="http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml">http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/financial-rprts-home.shtml</a>.

<u>Defined Contribution</u> <u>Retirement Plan (DCRP)</u> - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) was established as of July 1, 2007 under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007 (N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et seq.). The DCRP is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund. The DCRP provides eligible members, and their beneficiaries with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting and benefit provisions are established by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-1 et. seq.

The contribution requirements of plan members are determined by state statute. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. The State Treasurer has the right under current law to make temporary reductions in member rates based on the existence of surplus plan assets in the retirement system; however statute also requires the return to the normal rate when such surplus pension assets no longer exist.

<u>Significant Legislation</u> - Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, effective June 28, 2011 made various changes to the manner in which the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) operate and to the benefit provisions of those systems.

Chapter 78's provisions impacting employee pension and health benefits include:

□ New members of the PERS hired on or after June 28, 2011 (Tier 5 members) will need 30 years of creditable service

and age 65 for receipt of the early retirement benefit without a reduction of ¼ of 1% for each month that the member is under age 65. ☐ The eligibility age to qualify for a service retirement in the PERS is increased from age 63 to 65 for Tier 5 members. ☐ The annual benefit under special retirement for new PFRS members enrolled after June 28, 2011 (Tier 3 members), will be 60% instead of 65% of the member's final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. ☐ Increases in active member contribution rates. PERS active member rates increase from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years; PFRS active member rate increase from 8.5% to 10%. For fiscal year 2012, the member contribution rates increased in October 2011. The phase in of the additional incremental member contribution rates for PES members will take place in July of each subsequent fiscal year.
□ The payment of automatic cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) additional increases to current and future retirees and beneficiaries is suspended until reactivated as permitted by this law. □ New employee contribution requirements towards the cost of employer-provided health benefit coverage. Employees are required to contribute a certain percentage of the cost of coverage. The rate of contribution is determined based on the employee's annual salary and the selected level of coverage. The increased employee contributions will be phased in over a 4-year period for those employed prior to Chapter 78'sceffective date with a minimum contribution required to becat least 1.5% of salary. □ In addition, this new legislation changes the method for amortizing the pension systems' unfunded accrued liability (from a level percent of pay method to a level dollar of pay).

#### **Note 8: PENSION PLANS (Continued)**

## **Three-Year Trend Information for PERS/PFRS**

	Annual	Annual
Year	Pension	Pension
<u>Funding</u>	Contribution (PERS)	Contribution (PFRS)
2021	\$146,912	\$294,199
2020	\$120,352	\$262,855
2019	\$124,493	\$226,920

## **Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)**

<u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> - New Jersey's municipalities and counties do not follow GAAP accounting principles and, as such, do not follow GASB requirements with respect to recording the net OPEB liability or related deferred outflows or inflows of resources on their balance sheets, or related OPEB expense. However, N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.1(c)(2) requires municipalities and counties to disclose GASB 75 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements. Accordingly, the municipality's portion of the net OPEB liability, related outflows and inflows of resources, and OPEB expense are for disclosure purposes only and do not effect the municipality's regulatory basis fund balance, statement of revenues and expenditures, or operations. For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense as required by GASB No. 75, information about the fiduciary net position of the plan and additions to/deductions from plan fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plan.

General Information About the OPEB Plan - The State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. The plan meets the definition of an equivalent arrangement as defined in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (GASB Statement No. 75); therefore, assets are accumulated to pay associated benefits. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the State), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the Division) Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which can be found at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml.

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug to retirees and their covered dependents of the employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L, 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

Allocation Methodology - GASB Statement No. 75 requires participating employers in the Plan to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective OPEB expense. The special funding situation's and nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB expense are based on separately calculated total OPEB liabilities. For the special funding situation, the total OPEB liabilities for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$5,462,303,132 and \$6,338,578,586, respectively, while for the nonspecial funding situation, the total OPEB liabilities were \$12,484,309,814 and \$9,452,773,649, respectively. The nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB expense are further allocated to employers based on the ratio of the plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan's nonspecial funding situation during the measurement period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020.

## <u>OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB</u>

At June 30, 2021, the municipality disclosed a liability of \$344,396 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total OPEB liability to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. This is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles, as the measurement date is to be no more than twelve months before the municipality's fiscal year end of December 31, 2021. The municipality's proportion of the net OPEB liability is based on the ratio of the plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan's nonspecial funding situation during the measurement period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2020, the municipality's proportion was 0.00192% which was a increase of 0.00013% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the State fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the municipality's portion of the plan's OPEB expense was (\$9,290). At June 30, 2020, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for OPEB relating to the municipality's proportionate share are from the following sources:

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

	D	eferred Outflows	Ι	Deferred Inflows
		of Resources		of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	9,071	\$	64,133
Changes of assumptions		51,511		76,588
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments		219		-
Changes in proportion and differences between municipality contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions		2,103,213		2,529,789
Total	\$	2,164,014	\$	2,670,510

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense of the plan as follows:

	Year Ended June 30:
2021	(\$82,493)
2022	(82,493)
2023	(82,544)
2024	(82,625)
2025	(82,701)
Thereafter	<u>(93,646)</u>
Total	<u>(\$506,502)</u>

	6/30/2019	6/30/2020
Collective deferred outflows of resources - Non Special Funding	\$2,410,248,763	\$6,253,995,892
Collective deferred inflows of resources - Non Special Funding	7,456,321,741	7,022,252,533
Collective net OPEB liability - Non Special Funding	\$8,020,352,361	\$12,484,309,814
Municipality's proportionate share of net OPEB liability	\$242,204	\$344,396
Municipality's proportion %	0.001790%	0.001920%

## Employees covered by benefit terms. At June 30, 2020, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

	Non Special
	<b>Funding Situation</b>
Collective Plan Members June 30, 2020	72,485
Collective Plan Members June 30, 2019	66,213
Municipality's Plan Members June 30, 2020	2
Municipality's Plan Members June 30, 2019	2

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

Actuarial assumptions - The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation: 2.50%

Salary Increases:

Through 2026 2.0%-6.0% based on age and plan enrolled in Therafter 3.0%-7.0% based on age and plan enrolled in

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Headcount-Weighted Healthy Employee Male /Female mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2020 scale. Postretirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Headcount-Weighted Healthy Annuitant Male/Female mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2020 scale. Disability mortality was based on the RP-2006 Headcount-Weighted Disabled Male/Female mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2020 scale.

Certain actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation were based on the results of the pension plans' experience studies for which the members are eligible for coverage under this Plan - the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS). The PFRS and PERS experience studies were prepared for the periods July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018 and July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018, respectively.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

Health Care Trend Assumptions - For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend is initially 5.7% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rates for fiscal year 2020 are reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.5% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years.

Discount Rate - The discount rate for June 30, 2020 and 2019 was 2.21% and 3.50%, respectively. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

Sensitivity of the Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate - The following presents the Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability measured as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

		June 30, 2020	
	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate (2.21%)	1% Increase
Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$407,145	\$344,396	\$ 294,734
		June 30, 2019	
	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate (3.50%)	1% Increase
Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$280,060	\$242,204	\$ 211,444

Sensitivity of the Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care trend rate - The following presents the Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability measured as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the health care trend rate as disclosed above, as well as what the Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a health care trend rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

<u>-</u>	June 30, 2020		
Municipality's proportionate share of the net	1% Decrease	Current Health Care Cost Tend Rate	1% Increase
OPEB liability	\$284,988	\$344,396	\$ 422,195
-		June 30, 2019	
		Current Health Care	
	1% Decrease	Cost Tend Rate	1% Increase
Municipality's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$204,396	\$242,204	\$ 290,451

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

<u>Special Funding Situation</u> - Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L. 1989.

Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan, there is no net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is associated with the local participating employer.

## Employees covered by benefit terms. At June 30, 2020, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

	Special Funding Situation	
Collective Plan Members June 30, 2020	24,294	
Municipality's Plan Members June 30, 2020	10	
Total OPEB Liability  Collective net OPEB liability of the	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020
State of New Jersey - Special Funding Situation	\$5,525,718,739	\$5,462,303,132
Net OPEB liability of the State of New Jersey Associated with the Municipality	\$2,224,212	\$2,248,393

Actuarial assumptions - The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2020. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2018 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation: 2.50%

Salary Increases:

Through 2026 2.0%-6.0% based on age and plan enrolled in Therafter 3.0%-7.0% based on age and plan enrolled in

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

Preretirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Headcount-Weighted Healthy Employee Male /Female mortality table with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2020 scale. Postretirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2006 Headcount-Weighted Healthy Annuitant Male/Female mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2020 scale. Disability mortality was based on the RP-2006 Headcount-Weighted Disabled Male/Female mortality table with fully generational improvement projections from the central year using the MP-2020 scale.

Certain actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2018 valuation were based on the results of the pension plans' experience studies for which the members are eligible for coverage under this Plan - the Police and Firemen Retirement System (PFRS) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS). The PFRS and PERS experience studies were prepared for the periods July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2018 and July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2018, respectively.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

Health Care Trend Assumptions - For pre-Medicare medical benefits, the trend is initially 5.7% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years. For post-65 medical benefits, the actual fully-insured Medicare Advantage trend rates for fiscal year 2021 are reflected. The assumed post-65 medical trend is 4.5% for all future years. For prescription drug benefits, the initial trend rate is 7.5% and decreases to a 4.5% long-term trend rate after eight years.

Discount Rate - The discount rate for June 30, 2020 and 2019 was 2.21% and 3.50%, respectively. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

## Changes in the Total OPEB Liability reported by the State of New Jersey

The State's total OPEB liability associated with the Municipality	\$2,248,393
Special Funding Situation	
The State's Total OPEB Liability Balance at 6/30/2020 -	\$5,462,303,132
Net changes	<u>(\$63,415,607)</u>
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	( <u>1,169,090,410</u> )
Administrative Expense	9,913,267
Expected Investment Return	(7,632,336)
Interest	497,444,533
Service Cost	605,949,339
Changes for the year:	
The State's Total OPEB Liability Balance at 6/30/2019 - Special Funding Situation	<u>Liability</u> \$5,525,718,739
	Total OPEB

There were no changes of benefit terms.

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

Sensitivity of the State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate - The following presents the State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability measured as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

_		June 30, 2020	
The Color Charles and Control 1977	1% Decrease (1.21%)	Current Discount Rate (2.21%)	1% Increase (3.21%)
The State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability - Special Funding Situation	\$6,532,504,693	\$5,525,718,739	\$ 4,728,910,097
		June 30, 2019	
	1% Decrease (2.50%)	Current Discount Rate (3.50%)	1% Increase (4.50%)
The State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability - Special Funding Situation	\$7,185,068,386	\$6,213,844,492	\$ 5,424,686,242

Sensitivity of the State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care trend rate - The following presents the State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability measured as of June 30, 2021, calculated using the health care trend rate as disclosed above, as well as what the State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a health care trend rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

_	June 30, 2020						
	1% Decrease	Current Health Care Cost Tend Rate	1% Increase				
The State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability - Special Funding Situation	\$4,572,532,257	\$5,525,718,739					
		June 30, 2019					
		Current Health Care					
	1% Decrease	Cost Tend Rate	1% Increase				
The State of New Jersey's net OPEB liability -							

## Note 9: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)-Continued

## OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the State of New Jersey's OPEB expense was \$141,988,939 and the amount of OPEB Expense associated with the municipality was \$(9,290).

#### **Note 10: DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN**

The Township has a deferred compensation plan available to employees which has been established pursuant to Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and in accordance with applicable New Jersey Statutes and the New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 5:37). The Plan is fully contributory and the Township has no liabilities in conjunction with this plan.

#### **Note 11: LEASES**

The Township has not entered into any long-term lease agreements.

## **Note 12: ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION BENEFITS**

As discussed in Note 1 and in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the State of New Jersey, the cash basis of accounting is followed for recording the liability related to unused sick pay.

The Township has permitted employees to carryover vacation, compensatory time, and sick pay, which may be taken off or paid at a later date. At December 31, 2021, the contingent liability associated with this benefit is estimated by management to be approximately \$300,000.

#### **Note 13: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

#### **GRANT PROGRAMS**

The Township participated in a number of state assisted grant programs administered at the state level. These programs, exclusive of the single audit concept, can be subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. Accordingly, the Township's compliance with certain applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time although the Township expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

### LITIGATION

There are pending lawsuits in which the Township is involved. The municipal attorney estimates that the potential claims against the Township not covered by insurance resulting from such litigation would not materially affect the financial statements of the Township.

## **Note 14: OTHER REQUIRED DISCLOSURES**

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances. All interfund receivable and payable balances outstanding at the beginning of the fiscal period were fully liquidated during the fiscal period, with the following exceptions outstanding at December 31, 2021:

<u>FUND</u>	DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS	DUE TO OTHER FUNDS
Current Fund	\$ 1,067	\$ 462,831
Federal/State Grants Fund	228,051	-
Dog Fund		- 64
Trust Fund	234,780	)
General Capital Fund		1,003
	\$ 463,898	\$ 463,898

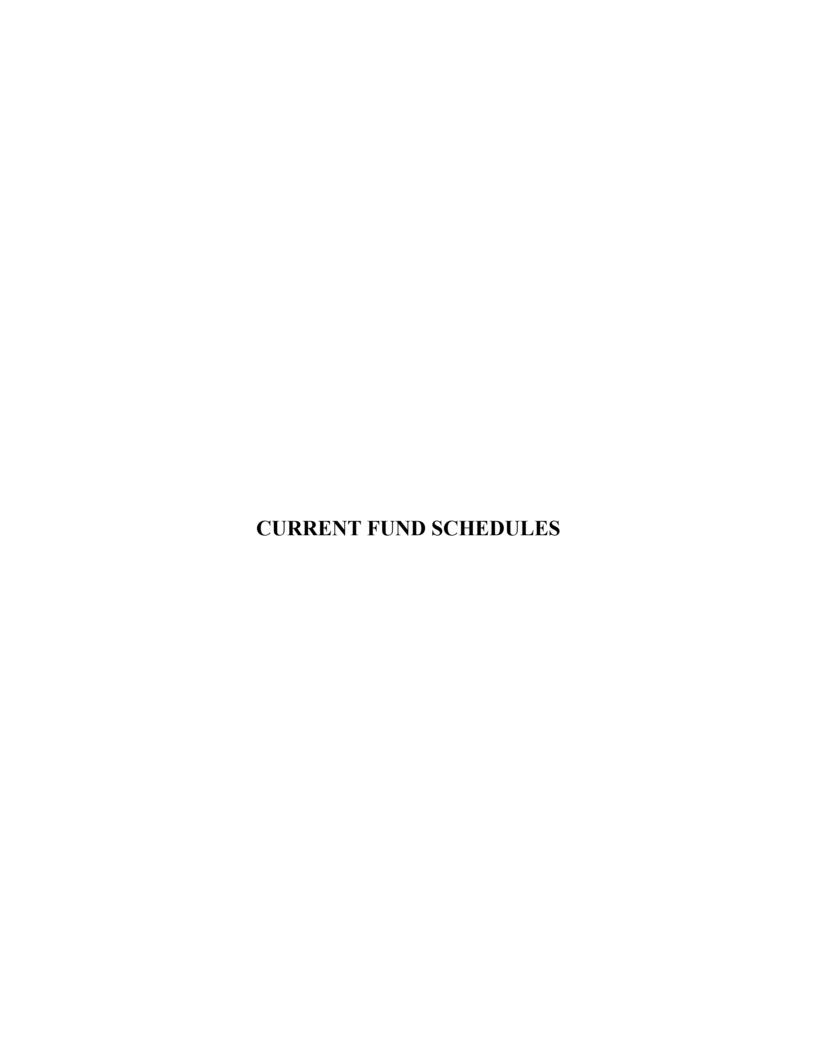
#### **Note 15: RISK FINANCING**

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year.

## **Note 14: TAX ABATEMENTS**

As defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), a tax abatement is an agreement between a government and an individual or entity in which the government promises to forgo tax revenues and the individual or entity promises to subsequently take a specific action that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the government or its citizens. The municipality has not entered into any tax abatement agreements.

# PART I I SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



## <u>CURRENT FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF CASH -TREASURER

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	REF.	CURRENT FUND			FEDERAL A		
Balance December 31, 2020	A		\$	2,952,368		\$	3,810
Increased by Receipts:							
Collector	A-5	\$ 23,073,896					
Interfund Returns	A:C	174,376					
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	A-2	195,440					
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-8	3,153,683					
Amount Due State of New Jersey for							
Senior Citizens/Veterans Deductions	A-18	35,902					
State Grant Funds	A-19	4,099					
State Grant Funds - Unappropriated	A-21	27,902		26,665,298	3,303		3,303
				29,617,666			7,113
Decreased by Disbursements:							
2020 Appropriation Reserves	A-11	101,122					
Refund of Prior Year Revenues	A-1	- -					
Reserves for Encumbrances	A-10	5,680,061					
Interfund Advances/(Returns)	В	(93,168)					
Refund of Tax Overpayments	A-22	13,703					
County Taxes	A-14	3,536,171					
Local District School Tax	A-15	10,638,875					
Regional School Tax	A-16	5,640,963					
Municipal Open Space Tax	A-17	(4,830)					
State Grant Funds	A-20	175,870		25,688,767		_	
Balance December 31, 2021	A		\$	3,928,899		\$	7,113

## $\frac{\text{CURRENT FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF CASH-COLLECTOR}}$

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	REF.			
Received:				
Miscellaneous Not Anticapted	A-2	\$ 9,885		
Interest and Costs on Taxes	A-2	60,832		
Taxes Receivable	A-6	22,618,667		
Tax Title Liens	A-7	8,561		
2022 Prepaid Taxes	A-12	252,648		
Tax Sale Premium	В	109,600		
Tax Overpayments & Outside Liens	A-22	13,703	\$	23,073,896
Decreased by Disbursements: Payments To Treasurer	A-4		\$	23,073,896
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## <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF TAX LEVY</u>

2019   \$ 4 \$ 200   1,926   23,011,587   238,769   - \$ 7,525   28   244,400   1,926   - \$ 23,011,587   212,191   22,415,800   \$ 12,847   27,801   342,948   2021   24,4400   \$ 1,926   \$ 23,011,587   \$ 212,191   22,415,800   \$ 12,847   \$ 35,326   \$ 343,180   2   2   2   2   2   2   2   2   2	<u>YEAR</u>	BALANCE 12/31/20		<u>ADDED</u>	2021 <u>LEVY</u>	<u>CASH COI</u> <u>2020</u>	<u>LE</u>	CTIONS 2021	<u>(</u>	<u>CANCELED</u>	TRANSFER TO TAX TITLE <u>LIENS</u>	ALANCE 2/31/21
2021   S   23,011,587   S   212,191   22,415,800   S   12,847   27,801   342,948												\$
\$\ 23,011,587 \ \ \ 212,191 \ \ 22,415,800 \ \ \ \ 12,847 \ \ \ 27,801 \ \ 342,948 \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	2020						\$			=	\$	
TOTALS    \$ 244,400   \$ 1,926   \$ 23,011,587   \$ 212,191   \$ 22,654,569   \$ 12,847   \$ 35,326   \$ 343,180		244,400		1,926	-	-		238,769		-	7,525	232
REF. A A-12 A-7 A  State of New Jersey-Senior Citizens/ Veterans Deductions Received by Collector  A-5 22,618,667  5 22,654,569   ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY:  Tax Yield: General Purpose Tax Special District Taxes Added/Omitted Taxes (54:4-63.1 et.seq.)  Tax Levy: Local District School Tax Regional High School Tax Regional High School Tax County Taxes:  County Tax (Abstract) County Taxes:  County Tax (Abstract) County Den Space (Abstract) Due County for Added and Omitted Taxes(54.4-63.1, et.seq.)  A-14 282,889 Due County of Added and Omitted Taxes(54.4-63.1, et.seq.)  A-14 6.481 3,542,278 Municipal Open Space A-17 93,380 Local Tax for Municipal Purposes A-2 2,741,213	2021				\$ 23,011,587	\$ 212,191		22,415,800	\$	12,847	27,801	342,948
State of New Jersey-Senior Citizens/   Veterans Deductions	TOTALS	\$ 244,400	\$	1,926	\$ 23,011,587	\$ 212,191	\$	22,654,569	\$	12,847	\$ 35,326	\$ 343,180
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						Α-2				35,373	\$ 23,011,587	

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS

A-7

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	A		\$ 208,628
Increased by:			
Interest and Costs		\$ 11,715	
Transfers from Taxes Receivable	A-6	35,326	 47,041
			255,669
Decreased by:			
Canceled		29,286	
Paid	A-5	8,561	 37,847
Balance December 31, 2021	A		\$ 217,822

## **CURRENT FUND** SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

A-8

Clerk:	<u>REF.</u>	BALANCE 12/31/20		CCRUED N 2021	DLLECTED BY EASURER	BALANCE 12/31/21
Licenses:						
Alcoholic Beverages	A-2		\$	15,000	\$ 15,000	
Municipal Court:						
Fines and Costs	A-2			43,131	43,131	
Interest on Investments and Deposits	A-2			5,306	5,306	
Energy Receipts Tax	A-2		2	2,627,013	2,627,013	
Garden State Trust Fund	A-2			23,729	23,729	
Shared Services Agreements	A-2			439,504	439,504	<u>-</u>
Totals		_	\$ 3	3,153,683	\$ 3,153,683	-
REF.					A-4	A

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED FOR TAXES (AT ASSESSED VALUATION)

A-9

	<u>REF.</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	A <u>\$ 94,200</u>
Balance December 31, 2021	A \$ 94,200

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## <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES</u>

A-10

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	A		\$ 86,224
Increased by:			
Transfer from Current Year Appropriations	A-3	\$ 5,805,723	
Additional/(Canceled) Encumbrance Appropriations		<u>-</u>	 5,805,723
			5,891,947
Decreased by:			
Transfer to Appropriation Reserve	A-11	88,124	
Encumbrances Paid	A-4	5,680,061	 5,768,185
Balance December 31, 2021	A		\$ 123,762

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES - 2020

A-11

		BALANCE 12/31/21	BALANCE AFTER TRANSFERS		<u>PAID</u>		BALANCE <u>LAPSED</u>
Mayor & Council:	ø	2.570	e 2.570			ø	2.570
Other Expenses Municipal Clerk:	\$	2,570	\$ 2,570			\$	2,570
Other Expenses		9,395	7,916	\$	1,060		6,856
Financial/Tax Administration:		. ,		•	,		-,
Other Expenses		10	1,610		1,610		-
Tax Collection:							
Other Expenses Assessment of Taxes:		17	535		535		-
Other Expenses		12,359	12,722		1,459		11,263
Legal Services:		12,559	12,722		1,137		11,203
Other Expenses		16,528	19,144		7,156		11,988
Engineering:							
Other Expenses		575	575				575
Historical Sites: Other Expenses		2,083	2,083				2,083
Aid to New Hampton		2,063	2,083				2,063
Salaries & Wages		576	576				576
Other Expenses		3,852	4,299		447		3,852
Planning Board							
Other Expenses		705	1,327		931		396
Zoning: Salaries & Wages		9	9				9
Other Expenses		1,700	1,700				1,700
Board of Adjustment:		1,700	1,700				1,700
Salaries & Wages		4	4				4
Other Expenses		3,172	3,209		1,066		2,143
UCC Enforcement		100	100				100
Surety Bond Premiums		56 290	427		427		- 55 927
Employee Group Insurance Police:		56,380	56,585		748		55,837
Salaries & Wages		18,326	18,326				18,326
Other Expenses		2,645	13,370		11,518		1,852
Emergency Management							
Other Expenses		1,239	1,628		472		1,156
Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies Fire Department:			1,610		161		1,449
Salaries & Wages		3,022	3,022				3,022
Other Expenses		3,340	1,730				1,730
Street and Road Maintenance:							
DPW-Roads-Snow		39,332	62,073		29,221		32,852
Other Expenses		39,685	58,798		20,373		38,425
Recycling Program Salaries & Wages		1,828	2,127		299		1,828
Buildings and Grounds:		1,020	2,127		2,,		1,020
Other Expenses		16	9,452		9,436		16
Board of Health:							
Other Expenses			1,000		1,000		-
Environmental Health		002	082				082
Other Expenses Animal Control:		982	982				982
Salaries & Wages		44	44				44
Other Expenses		1,760	1,760				1,760
Social Services:							
Other Expenses		500	500				500
Recreation: Other Expenses		0 116	4 207		501		2.616
Aid to Library		8,116 1,788	4,207 3,579		591 1,791		3,616 1,788
Underground Storage Tank		823	823		1,771		823
Senior Citizens			4,500				4,500
Utility Expenses:							
Electricity		3,534	7,592		4,059		3,533
Street Lighting Telephone		1,270	1,578 659		308 659		1,270
Gasoline		317	5,795		5,795		-
LOSAP		10,800	10,800		-,,,,		10,800
Other Accounts - No Change		-	6,180		-		6,180
n	\$	249,402	\$ 337,526	\$	101,122	\$	236,404
REF.		A	A		A-4		A-1

Anaylsis of Balance: Appropriation Reserves Reserve for Encumbrances A A-10 249,402 88,124 337,526

## <u>CURRENT FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF TAXES COLLECTED IN ADVANCE

		A-12
	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 212,191
Increased by: 2022 Taxes Collected in Advance	A-5	 252,648 464,839
Decreased by: Applied to 2021 Taxes Receivable	A-6	 212,191
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 252,648

## <u>CURRENT FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR CODIFICATION OF ORDINANCES

A-13

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 5,625
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 5,625

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TAXES PAYABLE

A-14

	REF.			
Balance December 31, 2020	A		\$	374
Increased by:				
2021 Levy:				
County Taxes	A-6	\$ 2,962,046		
County Library Taxes	A-6	290,862		
County Open Space Tax	A-6	282,889		
Prior Year Added and Omitted Taxes	A-6	 6,481	3,	542,278
			3,	542,652
Decreased by:				
Payments	A-4		<u>3,:</u>	536,171
Balance December 31, 2021	A		\$	6,481

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF LOCAL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX PAYABLE

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	A	\$ 650,507 <u>4,616,263</u>	\$ 5,266,770
Increased by:			
Levy - School Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022	A-6		 10,744,210
Decreased by:			16,010,980
Payments	A-4		 10,638,875
Balance December 31, 2021: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	A	755,842 4,616,263	\$ 5,372,105
2021 Liability for Local District School Tax:			
Tax Paid			\$ 10,638,875
Tax Payable 12/31/21			 5,372,105 16,010,980
			-
Less Tax Payable 12/31/20			 5,266,770
Amount Charged to 2021 Operations	A-1		\$ 10,744,210

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TAX PAYABLE</u>

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	A	\$ 875,945 	\$ 2,713,397
Increased by:			
Levy - School Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022	A-6		5,855,133 8,568,530
Decreased by:			
Payments	A-4		5,640,963
Balance December 31, 2021: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	A	1,090,115 1,837,452	<u>\$ 2,927,567</u>
2021 Linkilitar for Dominand High Cohool Torre			
2021 Liability for Regional High School Tax: Tax Paid Tax Payable 12/31/21			\$ 5,640,963 2,927,567 8,568,530
Less Tax Payable 12/31/20			2,713,397
Amount Charged to 2021 Operations	A-1		\$ 5,855,133

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TAX PAYABLE</u>

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	A		\$ (48,906)
Increased by:			
2021 Municipal Open Space Tax	A-6	\$ 93,209	
Added/Omitted Taxes - 2021	A-6	171	
Interfund Return	A-4	 98,039	 191,419
			142,513
Decreased by:			)
Transfer to Open Space Trust Fund	A-4		 93,209
Balance December 31, 2021	A		\$ 49,304

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE FROM STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND VETERANS DEDUCTIONS

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ (4,590)
Increased by:	A 6 P 2 152	
Senior Citizens Deductions Per Tax Billings Veterans Deductions per Tax Billings	A-6 \$ 2,152 A-6 33,750	35,902
Decreased by:		31,312
Received in Cash from State	A-4	35,902
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ (4,590)

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF STATE GRANTS RECEIVABLE</u>

<u>PURPOSE</u>	BALANCE 12/31/20	RECEIVABLE	RECEIVED	BALANCE 12/31/21
NJ Transit-Penwell Road	\$ 22,500			\$ 22,500
Neighborhood Preservation Balanced Housing	5,000			5,000
Recycling Tonnage	-	\$ 4,099	\$ 4,099	-
NJDOT Grant Hickory Run Guard Rails	50,298			50,298
NJDOT Grant Sliker Road	46,250			46,250
NJDOT Grant Anthony Road	210,000			210,000
NJDOT Grant Hollow Hills	50,505			50,505
NJDOT East Hill Road	-	183,500		183,500
FEMA Generator Grant	81,041			81,041
Stormwater Grant	2,500			2,500
Highlands Water Protection	139,144			139,144
Totals	\$ 607,238	\$ 187,599	\$ 4,099	\$ 790,738
REF.	A	A-2	A-4	A

### $\frac{\text{CURRENT FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR STATE GRANTS-APPROPRIATED}}$

		BALANCE 12/31/20	202	RANSFER FROM 1 BUDGET OPRIATIONS	APP	RANSFER FROM ROPRIATION Y 40A:4-87	EXI	PENDED	BALANCE 12/31/21
Clean Communities - Current Clean Communities - Prior Years		\$ 28,287	\$	1,131			\$	22,306	\$ 1,131 5,981
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund		-		277					277
Recycling Tonnage Grant CY 21 Recycling Tonnage Grant CY 19		4,886		4,099					4,099 4,886
Recycling Tonnage Grant CY 17		4,304							4,304
Recycling Tonnage Grant CY 16 Recycling Tonnage Grant CY 15		4,686 3,807						1,460	4,686 2,347
Recycling Tonnage Grant CY 14		2,639						2,639	2,547
NJDOT-Penwell Road		27,593							27,593
Body Armor CY13		1,527						1,527	_
Body Armor CY12		1,215						1,215	-
Body Armor CY15		3,659						2,338	1,321
Body Armor CY17 Body Armor CY19		129 1,423							129 1,423
Body Armor CY21		1,423		78					78
Stormwater Grant CY 05		5,000							5,000
Stormwater Grant CY 06		5,000							5,000
Stormwater Grant CY 07		5,000							5,000
Stormwater Grant CY 08		5,000							5,000
Tree Grant		1,887							1,887
Click it or Ticket Grant		4,000							4,000
Highlands Initial Assessment Grant	t	5,104							5,104
Highlands Water Protection		117,371							117,371
NJDOT Grant Sliker Road		185,000						4,353	180,647
NJDOT Grant Hollow Hills		140,032						140,032	-
NJDEP Backhoe Grant		31,190							31,190
NJDOT East Hill Road		-		183,500					183,500
Neighborhood Preservation - Balanced Housing		355							355
Law and Public Safety Grant		66,911							66,911
Environmental Protection Grant		7,232							7,232
American Rescue Plan (ARP)					\$	318,245			318,245
Totals		\$ 663,237	\$	189,085	\$	318,245	\$	175,870	\$ 994,697
	REF .	A		A-3		A-3			 A
		Cash Encumbrances		A-4 A-10			\$	175,870	
		22222760		-			\$	175,870	

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR STATE GRANTS-UNAPPROPRIATED</u>

				TF	RANSFER				
					TO				
		BA	LANCE	202	1 BUDGET			BA	LANCE
		<u>12</u>	/31/20	<u>APPR</u>	<u>OPRIATIONS</u>	RE	CEIVED	12	2/31/21
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund		\$	277	\$	277	\$	3,303	\$	3,303
Clean Communities			1,131		1,131		26,727		26,727
Body Armor			78		78		1,175		1,175
Totals		\$	1,486	\$	1,486	\$	31,205	\$	31,205
	REF .		A		A-20		A-4		A

## CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

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A-22

Increased by:
2021 Tax Overpayments

A-5
\$ 13,703

Decreased by:
Refunds
A-4 \$ 13,703

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR FEMA

		A-23
	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 131,171
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 131,171

#### <u>CURRENT FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF DUE STATE OF NEW JERSEY - MARRIAGE FEES

A-	24

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 2	33
Increased by: Receipts	A-4		72 05
Decreased by: Remittances	A-4	5	<u>75</u>
Balance December 31, 2021	A	<u>\$ 3</u>	30

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES SPECIAL EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATIONS

				NET				
		DATE	$\mathbf{A}$	MOUNT	BALANCE	AMC	OUNT RAISED	BALANCE
<u>PURPOSE</u>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<u>AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>AUT</u>	<b>HORIZED</b>	12/31/20	<u>IN 2</u>	021 BUDGET	12/31/21
Special Emergency (40A:4-53)	Tax Reassessment	6/15/19	\$	100,000	\$ 80,000	\$	20,000	\$ 60,000
Totals					\$ 80,000	\$	20,000	\$ 60,000
REF.					A		A-3	A



## $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER}}$

	REF.		DOG CENSES	<u>OTHER</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$	56,143	\$ 2,421,622
Increased by Receipts:				
Dog License Fees	B-3		13,038	
State Dog License Fees	B-4		1,696	
Due Current Fund	B-5:6		64	
Museum Deposits	B-7			2,294
Developers Deposits	B-8			16,361
Driveway Bond Deposits	B-9			1,504
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	B-10			10,297
Library Fund Deposits	B-11			861
Recreation Commission Deposits	B-12			15
Fair Share Housing(COAH) Deposits	B-13			26,181
Off-Track Improvements Deposits	B-14			61
Open Space Deposits	B-15			94,270
Emergency Snow Removal	B-16			46
Accumulated Absences Deposits	B-17			1,307
Developers Escrow	B-18			11,331
Tax Sale Premiums	B-19			65
Environmental Trust Deposits	B-20			3
Off-Duty Police Fees	B-21			69,260
Memorial Park Deposits	B-22			9,835
Total Receipts			14,798	243,691
		-	70,941	2,665,313
Decreased by Disbursements:				
Expenditures Under R. S. 4:19-15.11	B-3		5,974	
State Dog License Fees	B-4		1,696	
Due Current Fund	B-5:6		598	98,039
Museum Expenses	B-7			138
Developers Expenses	B-8			24,456
Driveway Refunds	B-9			1,500
Unemployment Compensation Insurance Transfers	B-10			9,107
Library Expenditures	B-11			978
Fair Share Housing	B-13			475
Off-Track Improvements	B-14			-
Open Space Payments	B-15			42,498
Storm Payments	B-16			-
Developers Escrow	B-18			11,047
Tax Sale Premiums	B-19			115,390
Environmental Trust Disbursements	B-20			<u>-</u>
Off-Duty Police Expenditures	B-21			76,311
Memorial Park Expenditures	B-22			7,960
Total Disbursements			8,268	387,899
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$	62,673	\$ 2,277,414

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR DOG FUND EXPENDITURES

B-3

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ 55,545
Increased by: Dog License Fees Collected	B-2	13,038 68,583
Decreased by: Expenditures Under R.S. 4:29-15.11	B-2	5,974
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ 62,609

Animal Control Fees Collected:

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

	<u>REF.</u>
Increased by: Collected in 2021: State Board of Health Fees	B-2 \$ 1,696
Decreased By: Payments	1,696 B-2 \$ 1,696

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE CURRENT FUND DOG LICENSE FUND

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ 598
Increased by: Interest Credits	B-2	 64 662
Decreased by: Transfer to Current Fund	B-2	 598
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ 64

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE CURRENT FUND OTHER TRUST FUND

	REF.	DUE <u>TO/(FROM)</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ (38,006)
Increased by:		
Outside Liens Refunded by Current Fund	B-19 \$ 259,155	
Accumulated Absences Paid by Current Fund	B-17 1,000	
Unemployment Claims Paid by Current Fund	B-10 10,201	270,356
		232,350
Decreased by:		
Added/Omitted Taxes - Municipal Open Space	B-15 \$ 171	
Interfund Transfer to Current Fund-Municipal Open Space	B-2 98,039	
Outside Liens Collected by Current Fund	B-19 259,320	
Tax Sale Premiums Collected by Current Fund	B-19 109,600	467,130
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ (234,780)
Detail:		
Debt Service Adjustment Prior Years		\$ (8,832)
Municipal Open Space		(49,304)
Off Track Improvements		1,920
Unemployment		10,201
Accumulated Absences		1,000
Outside Liens		(165)
Tax Sale Premiums		(189,600)
		\$ (234,780)

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR MUSEUM DONATIONS

			B-7
	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$	78,768
Increased by: Museum Deposits	B-2		2,294 81,062
Decreased by: Museum Disbursements	B-2	_	138
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$	80,924

# TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR DEVELOPERS' DEPOSITS

		B-8
	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 80,295
Increased by: Developers Deposits	B-2	 16,361 96,656
Developers Payments	B-2	 24,456
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 72,200

#### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR DRIVEWAY BONDS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 2,661
Increased by: Driveway Deposits	B-2	 1,504 4,165
Decreased by: Driveway Refunds	B-2	 1,500
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 2,665

# $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INSURANCE}} \\ \frac{\text{TRUST DEPOSITS}}{\text{TRUST DEPOSITS}}$

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	В		\$ 100,407
Increased by: Budget Appropriation Received Interest Credits	B-2 B-2	\$ 10,201 96	10,297 110,704
Decreased by: Unemployment Claims Paid by Current Fund Unemployment Claims	B-6 B-2	\$ 10,201 9,107	19,308
Balance December 31, 2021	В		\$ 91,396

## TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR LIBRARY FUND

Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 5,941
Increased by: Deposits and Interest Credits	B-2	 861 6,802
Decreased by: Expenditures	B-2	 978
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 5,824

# $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR RECREATION COMMISSION}}$

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 15,106
Increased by: Recreation Deposits	B-2	 15 15,121
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 15,121

#### <u>TRUST FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR FAIR SHARE HOUSING (COAH) DEPOSITS

	REF.			
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$	151,	,719
Increased by: COAH Deposits Received	B-2			, <u>181</u> ,900
Decreased by: COAH Payments	B-2	_		475
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$	177.	,425

# $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR OFF-TRACK IMPROVEMENTS}}$

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$	59,119
Increased by: Off-Track Improvement Deposits	B-2	_	61 59,180
Decreased by: Off-Track Improvement Disbursements	B-2		
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$	59,180

#### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR OPEN SPACE TRUST DEPOSITS

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	В		\$ 1,256,582
Increased by:			
Open Space Levy-2021	B-2	\$ 93,209	
Added/Omitted Taxes - Municipal Open Space	B-6	171	
Interest Credits	B-2	 1,061	 94,441
			1,351,023
Decreased by:			
NJ Environment Infrastructure Trust Debt Service	B-2		 42,498
Balance December 31, 2021	В		\$ 1,308,525

### $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR EMERGENCY SNOW REMOVAL}}$

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ 46,530
Increased by: Deposits	B-2	46 46,576
Decreased by: Storm Expenditures	B-2	<u> </u>
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ 46,576

#### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ACCUMULATED ABSENCES

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	A	\$ 307,695
Increased by: Interest	B-2	 1,307 309,002
Decreased by: Payments Made From Current Fund	B-6	1,000
Balance December 31, 2021	A	\$ 308,002

# $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR DEVELOPERS ESCROW}}$

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ 114,805
Increased by: Escrow Deposits	B-2	 11,331 126,136
Decreased by: Deposits Returned	B-2	 11,047
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ 115,089

# $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR TAX SALE PREMIUMS AND OUTSIDE LIENS}}$

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2020	В		\$ 225,016
Increased by:			
Premiums Received	B-6	\$ 109,600	
Outside Liens Received	B-6	259,320	
Interest Credits	B-2	65	 368,985
			594,001
Decreased by:			•
Outside Liens Refunded	B-6	259,155	
Tax Sale Premiums Refunded	B-2	115,390	 374,545
Balance December 31, 2021	В		\$ 219,456
Tax Sale Premiums			\$ 219,291
Outside Liens			 165
			\$ 219,456

# $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND}}$

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ 3,491
Increased by: Deposits	B-2	 3 3,494
Disbursements	B-2	 
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ 3,494

## TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR OFF-DUTY POLICE

B-21

REF. Balance December 31, 2020 В \$ 9,596 **Increased by:** B-2 Fees 69,260 78,856 Decreased by: Payroll Expenditures and Costs B-2 76,311 Balance December 31, 2021 2,545 В

## TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR MEMORIAL PARK

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	В	\$ 1,897
Increased by: Escrow Deposits	B-2	 9,835 11,732
Decreased by: Expenditures	B-2	7,960
Balance December 31, 2021	В	\$ 3,772



#### <u>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF CASH -TREASURER</u>

C-2

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2020	C		\$ 1,091,798
Increased by Receipts: Interest Credits Prior Year Interfund Balance Received Capital Improvement Fund - Current Fund Appropriation Interfund Balances Advanced-Current Fund	C-5 C-5 C-6 C-5	\$ 1,003 39,292 708,000 480,735	
Bond Anticipation Note Proceeds-Renewal	C-5	972,292	2,201,322 3,293,120
Decreased by Disbursements: Improvements Authorizations Paid Prior Year Encumbrances Liquidated Bond Anticipation Note Payment	C-10 C-11 C-5	345,448 120,643 1,453,027	1,919,118
Balance December 31, 2021	C		\$ 1,374,002

#### <u>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - FUNDED

		C-3
	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	C	\$ 125,038
Decreased by: Serial Bonds Paid by Open Space Trust Fund	C-7	 33,975 33,975
Balance December 31, 2021	C	\$ 91,063

#### <u>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED</u>

ORDINANCE		BALANCE	BY	TES PAID BUDGET	BALANCE	AUT	ANALYSIS O DEBT THORIZED, T ISSUED		DEBT TED (BAN'S)
<u>NUMBER</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	12/31/20	Arric	<u>OPRIATION</u>	12/31/21	NO	1 133UED	1330	ED (DANS)
05-14	Acquisition of Development and Easement Rights	\$ 122,909			\$ 122,909	\$	122,909		-
10-14	Road Resurfacing, Fueling Station, Tractor, Mower, Backhoe	92,350	\$	92,350	-				-
11-02	Fire and Rescue Squad Ambulance	22,888		22,888	-				-
11-07	DPW Vehicle and Apparatus, Road Resurfacing of Various Township Roads, Supplemental Funding of DPW Garage	119,840		59,920	59,920			\$	59,920
11-07	Amendment of Ordinance #2007-10 for Inclusion of Fire Department ATV and Ambulance Equipment.	32,825		-	32,825		32,825		-
11-10	Supplemental Funding of DPW Garage, Amendment of Ordinance #2012-07 and 2009-07	213,750		71,250	142,500				142,500
12-01	Road Resurfacing Program ; DPW Dump Truck; DPW Road Maintainer Machine.	163,875		54,625	109,250				109,250
13-09	DPW Dump Trucks/apparatus, Road Resurfacing, Muni Bldg Septic System	195,935		65,313	130,622				130,622
14-08	Amendment of Ordinance #2008-07 for addition of Improvements to Municipal Building Basement, Fire Department Radios.	68,000		-	68,000		68,000		-
15-09	Road resurfacing, new automotive vehicles including orig. apparatus and equipment consisting of DPW dump trucks.	294,000		49,000	245,000				245,000
16-02	New Automotive Vehicles	332,500		47,500	285,000				285,000
		\$ 1,658,872	\$	462,846	\$ 1,196,026	\$	223,734	\$	972,292
	REF.	C		C-8	С				C-8

## GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE CURRENT FUND

	REF.			
Balance December 31, 2020			\$	(39,292)
Increased by: Interest Credits Prior Year Interfund Balance Received	C-2 C-2	\$ 1,003 39,292		
Interfund Balances Advanced-Current Fund	C-2 C-2	 480,735	<u>\$</u>	521,030 481,738
Decreased by: Bond Anticipation Notes Principle and Interest Paid from General Capital Fund	C-2	 480,735		480,735
Balance December 31, 2021	C		\$	1,003

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2020	C	\$ 245,165
Increased by: 2021 Budget Appropriations	C-2	 708,000 953,165
Decreased by: Appropriation to Finance Improvement Authorizations	C-10	 622,000
Balance December 31, 2021	C	\$ 331,165

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF NEW JERSEY TRUST LOAN PROGRAM

IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	DATE OF <u>ISSUE</u>	ORD#	ORIGINAL <u>ISSUE</u>	<u>MATU</u> <u>DATE</u>	URITIES AMOUNT	INTEREST <u>RATE</u>	BALANCE 12/31/20	DECREASED	LANCE 2/31/21
New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust-Loan Program	1/1/04	03-10	\$470,135	2022-2023	\$22,208 to \$26,904	None	\$ 61,667	\$ 20,333	\$ 41,334
New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust-Loan Program	1/1/04	03-10	\$175,000	2022-2023	\$5,000 to \$15,000.	3.0% to 5.0%	36,749	9,257	27,492
New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust-Loan Program	10/13/04	04-08	\$120,000	2022-2024	\$5,000 to \$10,000	3.0% to 5.0%	26,622	4,385	22,237
							\$ 125,038	\$ 33,975	\$ 91,063
REF.				-			C	C-3	C

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES

ORDINANCE <u>NUMBER</u>	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	DATE OF ORIGINAL <u>NOTE</u>	DATE OF ISSUE	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST <u>RATE</u>	LANCE 2/31/20	<u>DECREASED</u>		BALANCE 12/31/21
11-02	Fire and Rescue Squad Ambulance	9/9/11	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	\$ 22,888	\$ 22,888	<del>,</del>	-
11-07	DPW Vehicle and Apparatus, Road Resurfacing of Various Township Roads, Supplemental Funding of DPW Garage	9/7/12	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	119,840	59,920	\$	59,920
11-10	Supplemental Funding of DPW Garage, Amendment of Ordinance #2012-07 and 2009-07	9/6/13	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	213,750	71,250	)	142,500
12-01	Road Resurfacing Program; DPW Dump Truck; DPW Road Maintainer Machine.	9/6/13	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	163,875	54,625	i	109,250
13-09	DPW Dump Trucks/apparatus, Road Resurfacing, Muni Bldg Septic System	9/6/13	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	195,935	65,313	į	130,622
17-4	Resurface Red Mill Road; Sealing program; Calcium Storage Tank; Electronic Message Sign; Museum Improvements	8/24/17	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	332,500	47,500	)	285,000
10-14	Road Resurfacing, Fueling Station, Tractor, Mower, Backhoe	2/4/11	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	92,350	92,350	)	-
15-09	Road resurfacing, new automotive vehicles including orig. apparatus and equipment consisting of DPW dump trucks.	1/29/16	7/26/2021	7/23/22	1.25%	294,000	49,000	)	245,000
					- -	\$ 1,435,138	\$ 462,840	5 \$	972,292
	REF.					C	C-4		С
					As Follows: Fund Budget Total	A-3	Principal \$ 462,846 \$ 462,846		Actual <u>Interest</u> 17,889 17,889

## GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF VARIOUS RESERVES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	BALANCE <u>12/31/20</u>	E BALANCE 12/31/21
Fire Truck and Ambulance	<u>\$ 17,233</u>	\$ 17,233
	\$ 17,233	\$ 17,233
REF.	C	C

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#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

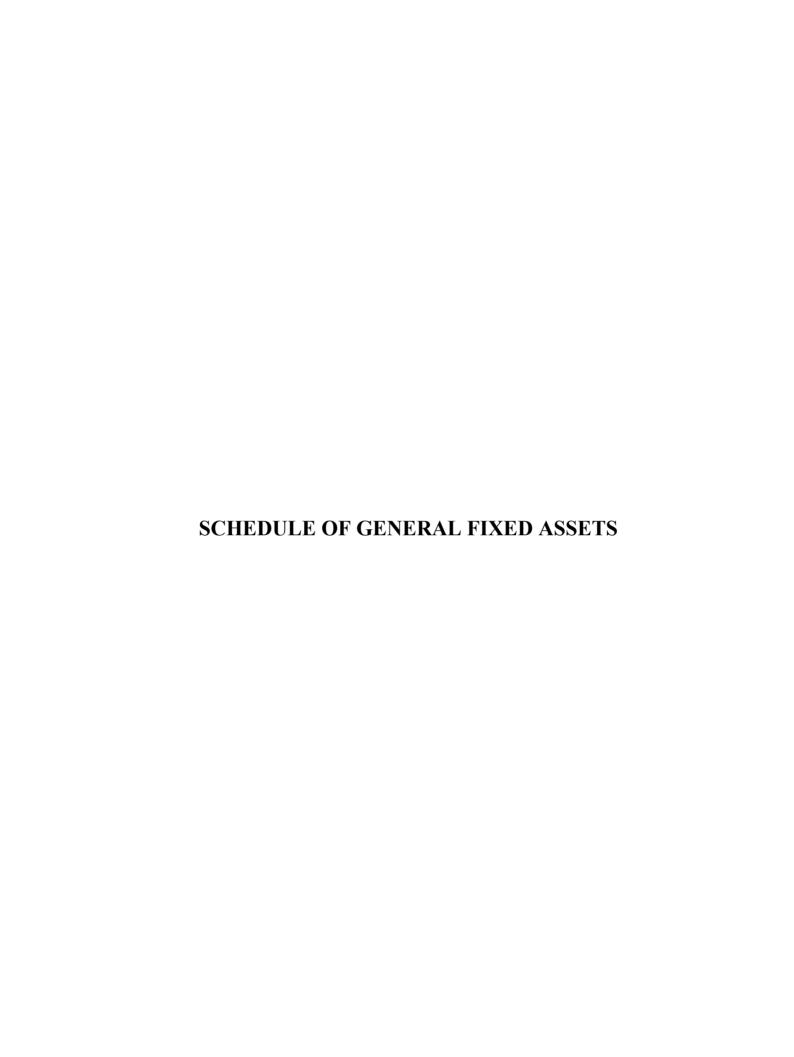
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	ORDINANCE DATE	AMOUNT	BALANCE 12/31 FUNDED UN	<u>1/20</u> FUNDED	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	PAID OR CHARGED	BALANO FUNDED	CE 12/31/21 UNFUNDED
INTROVENIENT DESCRIPTION	NOMBER	DATE	AWOUNT	ronded on	PUNDED	FUND	CHARGED	PUNDED	ONFONDED
New Municipal Garage	08-12	12/17/08	\$ 38,058 \$	1,536				\$ 1,536	
DPW Garage Feasibility	09-03	4/15/09	200,000	\$	31,208				\$ 31,208
Road Resurfacing, Fueling Station, Tractor, Mower, Backhoe	10-14	10/20/10	665,000		11,871				11,871
Amendment of Ordinance #2007-10 for Inclusion of Fire Department ATV and Ambulance Equipment.	11-07	8/3/11	35,000		3,451				3,451
DPW Dump Trucks/apparatus, Road Resurfacing, Muni Bldg Septic System	13-09	6/19/13	550,000		48,126				48,126
Amendment of Ordinance #2008-07 for addition of Improvements to Municipal Building Basement, Fire Department Radios.	14-08	11/5/14	71,500		42,299				42,299
New Automotive Vehicles	16-02	2/17/16	400,000		42,510		\$ 32,107		10,403
Various road resurfacing	17-04	8/2/17	382,000	47,076				47,076	
Various road resurfacing; pick-up truck; trailer; salt spreader; SCUBA equipment for FD	18-05	9/5/18	382,000	10,351			4,770	5,581	
Road Resurfacing, Chip Seal, Mason Dump Truck, SUV's for Police Dept., SCUBA for Fire Dept.	19-02	5/22/19	490,000	121,688			7,078	114,610	
Road Improvements, Police Vehicles, Road Dept. Equip, Fire Dept.	20-05	6/3/20	675,000	554,357			267,949	286,408	
Road Improvements, Police Veh. & Equip, DPW Equip, Fire Equip.	21-06	5/19/21	622,000			\$ 622,000	313,585	308,415	
				735,008 \$	179,465	\$ 622,000	\$ 625,489	\$ 763,626	\$ 147,358
REF.				С	C	C-6		C	C
						C-2	\$ 345,448		

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280,041 \$ 625,489

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF ENCUMBRANCES

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2020	C	\$	120,643
Increased by: Improvement Authorizations	C-10	_	280,041 400,684
Decreased by: Prior Year Encumbrances Liquidated	C-2		120,643
Balance December 31, 2021	С	\$	280,041



# GENERAL FIXED ASSETS SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS DECEMBER 31, 2021

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	]	BALANCE 12/31/20	<u>AD</u>	<u>DITIONS</u>	]	BALANCE 12/31/21
General Fixed Assets:						
Land	\$	3,510,219			\$	3,510,219
Buildings		4,787,073				4,787,073
Machinery and Equipment		9,811,847	\$	32,107		9,843,954
Total General Fixed Assets	\$	18,109,139	\$	32,107	\$	18,141,246

## PART I I I SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### **General Comments**

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters based on an Audit of Financial Statements Perfromed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

**Schedule of Federal/State Awards** 

**Status of Prior Audit Findings** 

**Schedule of Findings and Responses** 

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

#### **Scope of Audit**

The audit of the financial statements of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, as required by the Division of Local Government Services, covered the financial transactions of the Treasurer, Tax Collector, the activities of the Township and the records of the various outside departments.

#### **Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids**

Effective April 17, 2000, N.J.S.A.40A:11-l et.seq (Local Public Contracts Law) was revised by P.L.1999,c.440 (originally known as Assembly Bill No. 3519). Rules and regulations pertaining to the amended law are to be promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services.

#### N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 is amended to read as follows:

- a. When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the purchasing agent in the aggregate, does not exceed in the contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by resolution of the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except that the governing body may adopt a resolution to set a lower threshold for the receipt of public bids or the solicitation of competitive quotations. If the purchasing agent is qualified pursuant to subsection b. (pending before the Legislature as section 15 of this bill) of section 9 of P.L.1971,c.198(C.40A:11-9) the governing body may establish that the bid threshold may be up to \$25,000. Such authorization may be granted for each contract or by a general delegation of the power to negotiate and award such contracts pursuant to this section.
- **b.** Any contract made pursuant to this section may be awarded for a period of 24 consecutive months, except that contracts for professional services pursuant to paragraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of Section 5 of P.L.1971, C.198(C.40A:11-5) may be awarded for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months. The Division of Local Government Services shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the methods of accounting for all contracts that do not coincide with the contracting unit's fiscal year.
- c. Commencing in the fifth year after the year in which P.L.1999,c.440 takes effect, and every five years thereafter, the Governor, in consultation with the Department of Treasury, shall adjust the threshold amount and the higher threshold amount which the governing body is permitted to establish as set forth in subsection a. of this section or the threshold amount resulting from any adjustment under this subsection, in direct proportion to the rise or fall of the index rate as that term is defined in N.J.S.18A:18A-2(pending before the Legislature as section 50 of this bill), and shall round the adjustment to the nearest \$1,000. The Governor shall notify all municipal units of the adjustment no later than June 1 of every fifth year. The adjustment shall become effective on July 1 of the year in which it is made.

N.J.S.A.40A:11-4 (as amended) states, "Every contract or agreement for the provision or performance of any goods or services, the cost of which in the aggregate exceeds the bid threshold, shall be awarded only by resolution of the governing body to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this chapter or specifically by any other law."

Effective July 1, 2020, the bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-3(c) (as amended) is increased to \$44,000 for Qualified Purchasing Agents (QPA), and \$17,500 for units without QPA's.

The governing body of the municipality has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory thresholds within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Township Counsel's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The Minutes indicate that resolutions were adopted and advertised authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.40A:11-5.

The system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

My examination of expenditures did not reveal any individual payments, contracts or agreements in excess of the statutory thresholds "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies" other than those where bids had been previously sought by public advertisement or where a resolution had been previously adopted under the provisions of N.J.S.40A:11-6.

#### **Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Assessments**

The statute provides the method of authorizing interest and the maximum rates to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The governing body, on January 6, 2021, adopted the following resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes:

"Be It Resolved that pursuant to R.S.54:4-67, the Township Committee of the Township of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey, hereby fixes the rate of interest to be charged on all delinquent taxes for the year 2004 at the rate of eight (8) per cent per annum for the first \$1,500 and eighteen (18) per cent for amounts over \$1,500.

Be It Further Resolved, that notwithstanding the above provision, no interest shall be charged if payment of any quarterly installment is made within ten (10) days after the date upon which the same become payable according to the laws in such cases made and provided. If such payment is not made within the ten (10) days grace period, the above rate of interest shall run and accrue from the original due date of such taxes."

Under provisions of C.75, P.L. 1991 (amending N.J.S. 54:4-67), enacted March 28, 1991, the definition of tax delinquency was defined as the sum of all taxes and municipal charges due on a given parcel or property covering any number of quarters or years. In addition, the governing body may also fix a penalty to be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000 who fails to pay that delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year. The penalty so fixed shall not exceed six (6%) per cent of the amount of the delinquency.

The governing body, on January 6, 2021, adopted a resolution enabling the \$10,000 delinquency penalty provisions.

The audit of the Collector's records on a test basis indicated no differences between the amount of interest payable on delinquent tax payments, based on our calculations, and the amount of interest charged.

#### **Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens**

The delinquent taxes at December 31, 2021, include property taxes outstanding from the 2019, 2020 and 2021 tax levies.

A tax sale was held on December 2, 2021 and was complete.

The following comparison is made of the number of tax title liens receivable on December 31 of the last three years:

<u>Year</u>		Number of Liens
2021		30
2020		23
2019		25
	121	

#### **Verification of Delinquent Taxes and Other Charges**

Verification notices were mailed to confirm balances as of November 15, 2021. The items that were returned were compared to and are in agreement with the Township's records. For items not returned, alternative procedures were performed.

A test verification of delinquent charges and current payments was made in accordance with verification procedures approved by the Division of Local Government Services. A summary of such verification is as follows:

Type of Receivable - Real Property Tax Date of Circulars - November 15, 2021

			Total	
Verification	Request	Total No.	No. of	Total No.
<u>Type</u>	<u>Form</u>	<u>of Items</u>	<u>Circular</u>	Returned
2021 Property Tax	Positive	2,954	25	14
2022 Property Tax	Positive	2,954	25	14

#### **Technical Accounting Directives**

During the calendar year 1984, the Division of Local Government Services initiated as part of the Single Audit Law, a planned revision of the Requirements of Audit to provide new accounting requirements mandated for most local government units. The revision to the Requirements of Audit and Accounting would be in order to improve fiscal accountability for all local governments, satisfy federal-state audit requirements and enhance the credibility for New Jersey municipal accounting practices with federal-state funding sources and bond rating agencies. The new requirements for most local units started January 1, 1986, unless exemption, based upon amount of federal aid received and population size, was formally secured. The Division in 1988 notified those exempted municipal units of a transition requirement for fully implementation of all accounting directives beginning in the 1989 fiscal periods. The identity and compliance status of the Township of Lebanon to these new directives are as follows:

		FY 2021 Required
		<u>Implementation</u>
	Requirement	Yes No
A.	General Ledger Accounting System	X
B.	Encumbrance Accounting	X
C.	Purchase Order System	X
D.	Fixed Asset Accounting and Reporting System	X

#### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE-CURRENT FUND

#### REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED

REVERUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED	<b>YEAR 2021</b>	<u>%</u>	<u>YEAR 2020</u>	<u>%</u>
Fund Balance Utilized Miscellaneous - From Other Than	\$ 550,000	1.99%	\$ 750,000	2.82%
Local Property Tax Levies	4,212,479	15.24%	3,616,562	13.60%
Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens	247,330	0.89%	269,723	1.01%
Collection of Current Tax Levy	22,627,991		21,959,814	82.57%
Concession of Current Tax Bevy	22,027,551	01.0770	21,737,011	02.5770
Total Income	27,637,800	<u>100.00</u> %	26,596,099	100.00%
EXPENDITURES				
Budget Expenditures:				
Municipal Purposes	6,502,000	24.23%	6,408,407	24.55%
Open Space Trust	93,380	0.35%	93,455	0.36%
County Taxes	3,542,278	13.20%	3,498,504	13.40%
Local and Regional Taxes	16,599,343	61.87%	15,960,334	61.13%
Other Expenditures	93,850	0.35%	147,002	0.56%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	26,830,851	<u>100.00</u> %	26,107,702	100.00%
Excess in Revenue	806,949		488,397	
Adjustments to Income Before Fund Balance:				
Expenditures Included Above Which are by Statute				
Deferred Charges to Budget of Succeeding Year				
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance	806,949		488,397	
Fund Balance January 1	636,227		897,830	
Less:				
Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	550,000		750,000	
Fund Balance December 31	\$ 893,176		\$ 636,227	

<b>Comparative</b>	Schedule of	Tax Rate	Information
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	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Tax Rate	<u>\$2.465</u>	<u>\$2.381</u>	<u>\$2.945</u>
Apportionment of Tax Rate:			
Municipal Open Space	0.010	0.010	0.010
Municipal	0.294	0.288	0.353
County	0.349	0.344	0.424
County Open Space	0.031	0.030	0.037
Local School	1.153	1.128	1.381
Regional High School	0.628	0.581	0.740

#### Assessed Valuation:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	\$932,098,842
2020	\$934,544,282
2019	\$748,330,659

#### **Comparison of Tax Levies and Collection Currently**

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future tax levies.

Year	<u>Tax Levy</u>	Collections	Percentage of Collections
2021	\$23,011,587	\$22,627,991	98.33%
2020	\$22,250,651	\$21,959,814	98.69%
2019	\$22,105,796	\$21,811,181	98.66%

#### **Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens**

This tabulation includes a comparison, expressed in percentage, of the total of delinquent taxes and tax title liens, in relation to the tax levies of the last three years.

	Amount of	Amount of		
Dec.31	Tax Title	Delinquent	Total	Percentage of
Year	<u>Liens</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Delinquent</u>	Tax Levy
2021	\$217,822	\$343,180	\$561,002	2.44%
2020	\$208,628	\$244,400	\$453,028	2.04%
2019	\$176,390	\$275,178	\$451,568	2.04%

#### **Property Acquired by Tax Title Lien Liquidation**

The value of property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens on December 31, on the basis of the last assessed valuation of such properties, was as follows:

Year	Amount
2021	\$94,200
2020	\$94,200
2019	\$94,200

#### **Comparitive Schedule of Fund Balances**

					Utilized
	Balance			In Budget	of Succeeding Year
<u>Year</u>	December 31		]	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Defer School Tax</u>
2021	\$ 893,176	*	\$	550,000	None
2020	\$ 636,227		\$	550,000	None
2019	\$ 897,830		\$	750,000	None
2018	\$ 878,070		\$	650,000	None
2017	\$ 752,461		\$	550,000	None
2016	\$ 700,158		\$	325,000	\$175,000
2015	\$ 694,080		\$	465,398	\$225,000
2014	\$ 989,411		\$	460,729	\$525,000
2013	\$ 1,034,279		\$	630,000	\$500,000
2012	\$ 1,251,212		\$	864,000	\$300,000

<sup>\*</sup>Approved (Introduced) Budget

#### Officials in Office and Surety Bonds

The following officials were in office during the period under audit:

		Amount of	Name
<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<b>Bond</b>	Of Corporate Surety
Mike Schmidt	Mayor		
Tom McKee	Committee		
Marc Laul	Committee		
Guy Wilson	Committee		
Beverly Koehler	Committee		
Karen Sandorse	Township Clerk		
Gregory J. Della Pia	Chief Financial Officer	\$1,000,000	Statewide Insurance Fund

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	Amount of <u>Bond</u>	Name Of Corporate Surety
Ann Marie Silvia	Tax Collector	\$1,000,000	Statewide Insurance Fund
Matthew Lyons	Attorney		
Erica Brandmaier	Assessor		

The minimum bond coverage for the Tax Collector based on prior years' tax levies is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	\$135.127

All other officials handling monies, except the Collector, CMFO and Treasurer, were covered by a **faithful performance blanket position** bond in the amount of \$10,000 by the Selective Insurance Company.

All the bonds were examined and were properly executed.



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# REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Lebanon 530 West Hill Road Glen Gardner, New Jersey 08826

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Governments Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the regulatory-basis financial statements of the Township of Lebanon in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township of Lebanon's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 15, 2022, which indicated that the financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Report of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Frenchtown, New Jersey April 15, 2022

#### **Anthony Ardito**

Anthony Ardito
Certified Public Accountant
Registered Municipal Accountant No.524
ARDITO & COMPANY LLC
Frenchtown, New Jersey
April 15, 2022



#### SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

					CASH ACCRUED OR			CASH ACCRUED OR	
					DEFERRED			DEFERRED	
		PROGRAM			REVENUE			REVENUE	
		OR AWARD	GRANT	FUND	BALANCE	RECEIPTS		BALANCE	TOTAL
FEDERAL GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE	<u>CFDA</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	PERIOD	REF.	AT 1/1/21	PROGRAM OTHER	DISBURSEMENTS	AT 12/31/21	DISBURSEMENTS
US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY									
Hazzard Mitigation Grant (HMGP)	97.039	\$ 307,256	2015	A	\$ 131,171			\$ 131,171	\$ 196,456
Hazzard Mitigation Grant (HMGP)	97.039	81,041	2017	A	(81,041)			(81,041)	81,041
US DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION (Passed Through NJ									
Department of Transportation)									
NJ Transportation Fund Authority Act									
East Hill Road	20.600	183,500	2021	A	5,093			5,093	
Hickory Run Guard Rails	20.600	120,000	2017	A	(50,298)			(50,298)	120,000
Anthony Road	20.600	210,000	2019	A	(210,000)			(210,000)	210,000
Sliker Road	20.600	185,000	2019	A	138,750		\$ 4,353		4,353
Hollow Hills	20.600	150,000	2020	A	89,527		140,032	(50,505)	150,000
<u>US DEPT. OF TREASURY</u> (Passed Through NJ Department of Treasury)									
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF); American Rescue Plan	21.027	318,245	2021	A		\$ 318,245		318,245	
					\$ 23,202	\$ 318,245	\$ 144,385	\$ 197,062	\$ 761,850

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Note: This Schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance Circular.

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

#### SCHEDULE OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

STATE GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE	ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROGRAM OR AWARD <u>AMOUNT</u>	GRANT <u>PERIOD</u>	FUND <u>REF.</u>	CASH ACCRUED OR DEFERRED REVENUE BALANCE AT 1/1/21	RECEIPTS PROGRAM OTHER	DISBURSEMENTS	CASH ACCRUED OR DEFERRED REVENUE BALANCE AT 12/31/21
DEPT. OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS  Neighborhood Perservation  Balanced Housing	N/A		Prior Years	A	\$ (4,645	)		\$ (4,645)
DEPT OF ENVIRON PROTECTION								
DEPT.OF ENVIRON.PROTECTION Solid Waste AdmClean	4900-765-178900	\$26,727	2021	A		\$ 26,727		26,727
Communities Program	4700-703-170700	Ψ20,727	Prior Years	A	29,418		\$ 22,306	7,112
Environmental Protection Equipment (Backhoe)		31,190	2021	A	31,190			31,190
DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY								
Criminal Justice - Body Armor	N/A	1,175	2021	A		1,175		1,175
Criminal Justice - Body Armor	N/A	1,142	2016	A	2,643			2,643
Criminal Justice - Body Armor	N/A	1,258	2015	A	1,258		1,079	179
Criminal Justice - Body Armor	N/A	1,259	2014	A	1,259		1,259	-
Criminal Justice - Body Armor	N/A	1,527	2013	A	1,527		1,527	-
Criminal Justice - Body Armor	N/A	1,288	2012	A	1,215		1,215	-
Drunk Driving Enforcement	4250-760-050000-63	277	2020	A	277			277
Drunk Driving Enforcement	4250-760-050000-63	3,303	2021	A	-	3,303		3,303
Law and Public Safety Grant	N/A	42,553	2014	A	42,553			42,553
Law and Public Safety Grant	N/A	24,358	2013	A	24,358			24,358
OTHER STATE AIDS								
Recycling Tonnage Program	N/A	Varies	2009-2021	A	20,322	4,099	4,099	20,322
Alcohol Education Grant	N/A	129	2017	A	130			130
Environmental Protection Grant	N/A	7,232	2015	A	7,232			7,232
Storm Water Grant	02-1736-00	5,000	2004-2009	A	17,500			17,500
Tree Grant	N/A	N/A	2005	A	1,887			1,887
Click it or Ticket	N/A	N/A	2007	A	4,000			4,000
Highlands Initial Assessment Grant	N/A	20,000	2008	A	5,104			5,104
Highlands Water Protection Grant	N/A	147,800	2013	A	(21,773)	)		(21,773)
TOTAL OTATION ASSESSMENT				•				460.45
TOTAL STATE ASSISTANCE				;	\$ 165,455	\$ 35,304 \$	\$ 31,485	\$ 169,274

Note: This Schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with NJOMB Circular 15-08.

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

#### TOWNSHIP OF LEBANON

## NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **NOTE 1. GENERAL**

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards present the activity of all federal and state award programs of the Township of Lebanon. The Township of Lebanon is defined in Note 1 to the Township's financial statements. All federal and state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal and state awards passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards.

#### NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the requirements of federal OMB Uniform Guidance, Audits of States, Local Governments and Nonprofit Organizations. However, these schedules were not subject to an audit in accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance or NJOMB Circular 15-08.

#### NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Therefore, some amounts presented in these schedules may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the financial statements.

STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

#### STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

CY Occurrence

None

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES GENERAL FINDINGS

#### **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES**

#### **GENERAL FINDINGS** YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### Summary of Auditor's Results

The Township prepares its financial statements in conformity with accounting practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

The audit did not disclose any material weaknesses in the internal controls of the Township.

The audit did not disclose any noncompliance that is material to the financial statements of the Township.

The Township was not subject to the single audit provisions of Federal OMB Uniform Guidance and New Jersey OMB Circular NJOMB 15-08, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid for 2021 as grant expenditures were less than the single audit thresholds of \$750,000, identified in the Circulars.

Findings Relating to the Financial Statements which are required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted

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Government Auditing Standards:									
<u>Finding</u>									

None