AUDIT REPORT

JANUARY 1, 2007 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc. 37 South Seventh Street Zanesville, Ohio 43701



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Center Township 419 Fourth Street SE Carrollton, Ohio 44615

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of Center Township, Carroll County, prepared by Wolfe, Wilson & Phillips, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. Center Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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July 17, 2009

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WOLFE, WILSON, & PHILLIPS, INC. 37 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET ZANESVILLE, OHIO 43701

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Center Township Carroll County 419 Fourth Street, SE Carrollton, Ohio 44615

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major funds and aggregate remaining fund information of Center Township, Carroll County as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, which collectively comprised the Township's basic financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 2, the Township has prepared these financial statements and notes using the cash basis of accounting. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position-cash basis of the governmental activities, major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information of Center Township, Carroll County, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the respective changes in financial position-cash basis and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund and Cemetery Fund thereof for the years then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 2 describes.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated May 11, 2009, on our consideration of Center Township's internal control structure over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and 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 and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information the Government Accounting Standards Board requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc. Zanesville, Ohio May 11, 2009

This discussion and analysis of the Center Township's financial performance provides an overall review of the Township's financial activities for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, within the limitations of the Township's cash basis accounting. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Township's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Township's financial performance.

<u>Highlights</u>

Key highlights for 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

The Township's general receipts are primarily Real Estate and property taxes for governmental activities for the year. Tax receipts for 2008 and 2007 changed very little compared to 2006 as development within the Township has stayed about the same.

In 2007, The Township entered into a loan agreement with Consumers National Bank to purchase a bed for the new dump truck.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, as applicable to the Township's cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

The statement of net assets and statement of activities provide information about the cash activities of the Township as a whole. The statement of cash basis assets and fund balances, and the statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in fund cash balances, present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The Township has elected to present on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the Township's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of using the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their expenses (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

Reporting the Government as a Whole

The statements of net assets and statements of activities for 2008 and 2007 reflect how the Township did financially within the limitations of the cash basis of accounting. The statement of net assets present the cash balances of the governmental activities of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each governmental program. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the programs services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General cash receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each governmental function draws form the Township's general receipts.

These statements report the Township's cash position and the changes in cash position. Keeping in mind the limitations of the cash basis of accounting, you can think of these changes as one way to measure the Township's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's cash position is one indicator of whether the Township's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the Township's financial condition, you should also consider other nonfinancial factors as well such as the Township's tax base, the extent of the Township's debt obligations, the reliance on non-local financial resources for operations and the need for continued growth in the major local revenue sources such as property and real estate taxes.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, we divide the government into governmental activities. All of the Township's basic services are reported here, including road maintenance. Real estate and property taxes finance most of these activities. Benefits provided through governmental activities are not necessarily paid for by the people receiving them.

Reporting the Government's Most Significant Funds

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the Township's major funds – not the Township as a whole. The Township establishes separate funds to better manage its many activities and to help demonstrate that money that is restricted as to how it may be used is being spent for the intended purpose.

Governmental Funds - All of the Township's activities are reported in governmental funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the Township's governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent to finance the Township's programs. The Township's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for non-major funds (funds whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting) is combined and presented in total in a single column. The Township's major governmental funds for 2008 are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Cemetery Fund, Grandview Bequest Fund and Mausoleum Bequest Fund. The Township's major governmental funds for 2007 are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Cemetery Fund, Grandview Bequest Fund and Mausoleum Bequest Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements. There are no reconciliations between the two reports as the township reports on the cash basis.

The Government as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the Township's net assets for 2008 compared to 2007 and 2006 on the cash basis:

Table 1 NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities 2008 2007 2006											
	2008				2006							
Assets												
Cash	\$	189,947	\$	206,876	\$	178,159						
Investments		49,000		49,000		74,000						
Total Assets	\$	238,947	\$	255,876	\$	252,159						
Net Assets												
Restricted for:												
Permanent:												
Expendable	\$	6,049	\$	12,407	\$	9,932						
Nonexpendable		49,000		49,000		49,000						
Other Purposes		112,175		133,798		135,439						
Unrestricted		71,723		60,671		57,788						
Total Net Assets	\$	238,947	\$	255,876	\$	252,159						

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets in 2008 and 2007 and 2006

	Governmental Activities											
		2008		2007		2006						
Receipts:												
Program Receipts:												
Charges for Services	\$	20,339	\$	21,622	\$	12,687						
Operating Grants		123,132		113,174		115,736						
Total Program Receipts		143,471		134,796		128,423						
General Receipts;												
Property and Other Tax		102,527		113,923		107,068						
Grants and Entitlements												
not Restricted		19,259		14,488		16,144						
Sale of Fixed Assets		3,850		-		-						
Debt Proceeds		-		17,160		-						
Interest		1,483		3,296		4,495						
Miscellaneous		2,426		4,536		42,367						
Total General Receipts		129,545		153,403		170,074						
Total Receipts		273,016		288,199		298,497						
Disbursements:												
General Government		35,036		35,884		45,689						
Public Safety		5,202		4,678		6,360						
Public Works		162,120		153,923		127,871						
Health		51,292		44,770		45,144						
Capital Outlay		31,495		44,833		8,986						
DS - Principal		4,095		295		5,199						
DS - Interest		705		99		70						
Total Disbursements		289,945		284,482		239,319						
Increase/(Decrease)												
In Net Assets		(16,929)		3,717		59,178						
Net Assets, January 1		255,876		252,159		192,981						
Net Assets, December 31	\$	238,947	\$	255,876	\$	252,159						

Table 2CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Program receipts represent 53%, 47% and 43% of total receipts for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. They are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle license and gas tax money.

General receipts represent 47%, 53% and 57% of the Township's total receipts for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Local taxes represent 79%, 74% and 63% of the general receipts. Grants and entitlements make up the balance of general receipts. Other receipts are insignificant and somewhat unpredictable receipt sources.

Disbursements for general government represent the overhead costs of running the Township and the support services provided for the other Township activities.

Governmental Activities

If you look at the Statement of Activities, you will see that the first column lists the major services provided by Center Township. The next column identifies the costs of providing these services. The major program disbursements for governmental activities are General Government, Public Works, and Health, which account for 12%, 56% and 18% in 2008 and 13%, 55% and 16% in 2007 of all governmental disbursements. The next three columns of the Statement entitled Program Receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants received by the Township that must be used to provide a specific service. This "net cost" amount represents the cost of the service, which ends up being paid from money provided by local taxpayers. These net costs are paid from the general receipts, which are presented at the bottom of the Statement. A comparison between the total cost of service and the net cost for 2008 and 2007 is presented in Table 3.

	 Total Cost of ServicesNet Cost of Services20082008				otal Cost of Services 2007	-	let Cost of Services 2007
General Government	\$ 35,036	\$	35,036	\$	35,884	\$	35,884
Public Safety	5,202		3,672		4,678		4,446
Public Works	162,120		45,350		153,923		41,867
Health	51,292		26,121		44,770		22,262
Other	-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay	31,495		31,495		44,833		44,833
DS – Principal	4,095		4,095		295		295
DS - Interest	705		705		99		99
Total Expenses	\$ 289,945	\$	146,474	\$	284,482	\$	149,686

TABLE 3

The dependence upon property tax is apparent as over 35% and 40% for 2008 and 2007 of governmental activities are supported through these general receipts.

The Government's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$273,015 and \$288,199 for 2008 and 2007 and disbursements of \$289,944 and \$284,482 for 2008 and 2007, respectively.

The Township's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During 2008 and 2007, the Township made amendments to its appropriation budget and receipts budget to reflect changing circumstances. For 2008 and 2007 actual receipts were greater than budgeted receipts.

Final budgeted disbursements for 2008 and 2007 were \$87,051 and \$87,142, respectively. Actual disbursements for 2008 and 2007 were \$43,458 and \$47,938, respectively. The Township kept spending close to budgeted amounts.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Township does not currently keep track of its capital assets and infrastructure in the accompanying financial statements, but records payments for capital assets as disbursements.

Debt

As of December 31, 2008, the Township had debt outstanding in the amount of \$12,770, with \$3,995 due within one year.

Contacting the Government's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to reflect the Township's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Pamela Berardinelli, Fiscal Officer, 419 Fourth Street, SE, Carrollton, Ohio 44615.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS-CASH BASIS December 31, 2008

	 ernmental ctivities
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 189,947
Investments	 49,000
Total Assets	\$ 238,947
NET ASSETS:	
Restricted for:	
Permanent Fund: Grandview Bequest Fund	
Expendable	\$ 2,753
Nonexpendable	23,500
Permanent Fund: Mausoleum Bequest Fund	
Expendable	3,296
Nonexpendable	25,500
Other Purposes	112,175
Unrestricted	 71,723
Total Net Assets	\$ 238,947

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES-CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Cash <u>Disbursements</u>			arges for ervices 1d Sales	Gi	perating rants and atributions	a	Grants nd butions	Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Assets		
Governmental Activities:											
General Government	\$	35,036	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(35,036)	
Public Safety		5,202		-		1,530		-		(3,672)	
Public Works		162,120		-		116,770		-		(45,350)	
Health		51,292		20,339		4,832		-		(26,121)	
Capital Outlay		31,495		-		-		-		(31,495)	
Debt Service:											
Principal		4,095		-		-		-		(4,095)	
Interest and Fiscal Charges		705		-		-				(705)	
Total Governmental Activities	\$	289,945	\$	20,339	\$	123,132	\$		\$	(146,474)	

General Receipts:

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	\$ 102,527
Grants and Entitlements not	
Restricted to Specific Programs	19,259
Sale of Fixed Assets	3,850
Interest	1,483
Miscellaneous	2,426
Total General Receipts	 129,545
Change in Net Assets	(16,929)
Net Assets Beginning of Year	 255,876
Net Assets End of Year	\$ 238,947

STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2008

	(General	Gas Tax	oad and Bridge	с	emetery Fund	randview Bequest Fund	ausoleum Bequest Fund	Gove	Other ernmental Funds	Total /ernmental Funds
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and cash Equivalents Inestments	\$	71,723	\$ 55,776	\$ 24,598	\$	23,225	\$ 2,753 23,500	\$ 3,296 25,500	\$	8,576	\$ 189,947 49,000
Total Assets	\$	71,723	\$ 55,776	\$ 24,598	\$	23,225	\$ 26,253	\$ 28,796	\$	8,576	\$ 238,947
Fund Balances: Reserved: Reserved for Encumbrances Unreserved:	\$	118	\$ 1,059	\$ 1,250	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 2,427
General Fund Special Revenue Fund Permanent Fund		71,605	 54,717	 23,348		23,225	 26,253	 28,796		8,576	 71,605 109,866 55,049
Total Fund Balances	\$	71,723	\$ 55,776	\$ 24,598	\$	23,225	\$ 26,253	\$ 28,796	\$	8,576	\$ 238,947

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2008

	General		Gasoline Tax		oad and Bridge	С	emetery Fund	F	andview Bequest Fund	E	usoleum Bequest Fund	Gove	Other ernmental Funds	Total ernmental Funds
CASH RECEIPTS Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 28,99	5	s -	s	46,525	s	22,490	s	_	s	_	s	4,517	\$ 102,527
Charges for Services	\$ 20,77	-		φ	-0,525	φ	- 22,490	φ	-	φ	-	φ		 - 102,527
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		-	-		-		11,539		-		-		-	11,539
Intergovernmental	19,25	9	89,722		22,164		4,832		-		-		6,311	142,288
Interest	19		95		-		-		628		664		8	1,585
Other	2,09	8			315		8,813				-			 11,226
Total Receipts	50,54	2	89,817		69,004		47,674		628		664		10,836	 269,165
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:														
Current:														
General Government	35,00	1	-		-		-		-		-		35	35,036
Public Safety		-					-		-		-		5,202	5,202
Public Works		-	84,511		71,967		-		-		-		5,642	162,120
Health	7,43 90		-		1 000		43,860		2 025		2.925		2 000	51,292
Capital Outlay Debt Service:	90	/	4,615		1,800		14,522		3,825		3,825		2,000	31,494
Principal		-	1,675		1,365		1,055		_		_		-	4,095
Interest and Fiscal Charges		-	300		245		1,055		-				-	705
interest and thour charges			500		210		100							 ,00
Total Disbursements	43,34	0	91,101		75,377		59,597		3,825		3,825		12,879	 289,944
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbusrements	7,20	2	(1,284)		(6,373)		(11,923)		(3,197)		(3,161)		(2,043)	(20,779)
Other Financing Sources:														
Sale of Fixed Assets	3,85		-		-		-		-		-		-	3,850
Advances In	11,00		-		11,000		-		-		-		-	22,000
Advances Out	(11,00	0)	-		(11,000)		-		-		-		-	 (22,000)
Total Other Financing Sources	3,85	0			-		-		-				-	 3,850
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	11,05	2	(1,284)		(6,373)		(11,923)		(3,197)		(3,161)		(2,043)	(16,929)
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	60,67	1	57,060		30,971		35,148		29,450		31,957		10,619	 255,876
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 71,72	3	\$ 55,776	\$	24,598	\$	23,225	\$	26,253	\$	28,796	\$	8,576	\$ 238,947

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Budg	eted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
CASH RECEIPTS Property and Other Local Taxes Charges for Services	\$ 31,19	5 \$ 31,900	\$ 28,995	\$ (2,905)
Licenses, Permits and Fines	20.47		-	-
Intergovernmental Interest	20,47 18	,	19,259 190	4,913 (249)
Other	5		2,098	2,098
Total Receipts	51,90	2 46,685	50,542	3,857
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current: General Government	104,65	1 73,551	35,119	38,432
Health	8,50		7,432	1,068
Capital Outlay	5,00		907	4,093
Total Disbursements	118,15	1 87,051	43,458	43,593
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(66,24	9) (40,366)	7,084	(39,736)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	-	3,850	3,850
Advances In Advances Out		12,000 (11,000)	11,000 (11,000)	(1,000)
Total ther Financing Sources (Uses)		1,000	3,850	2,850
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	(66,24	9) (39,366)	10,934	50,300
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	60,12	0 60,120	60,120	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	55	1 551	551	
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ (5,57	8) \$ 21,305	\$ 71,605	\$ 50,300

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS GASOLINE TAX FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
CASH RECEIPTS				
Intergovernmental	\$ 81,100	\$ 82,543	\$ 89,722	\$ 7,179
Interest	70	250	94	(156)
Total Receipts	81,170	82,793	89,816	7,023
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
Public Works	104,400	109,500	85,569	23,931
Capital Outlay	12,115	4,615	4,615	-
Debt Service:				
Principal	2,400	1,675	1,675	-
Interest	200	325	300	25
Total Disbursements	119,115	116,115	92,159	23,956
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	(37,945)	(33,322)	(2,343)	30,979
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	54,945	54,945	54,945	-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	2,115	2,115	2,115	
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 19,115	\$ 23,738	\$ 54,717	\$ 30,979

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS ROAD AND BRIDGE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

		Budgeted	Amou				Fina P	ance with al Budget ositive
	0	riginal		Final		Actual	(N	egative)
CASH RECEIPTS								
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	57,480	\$	51,100	\$	46,525	\$	(4,575)
Intergovernmental		24,474		13,348		22,164		8,816
Miscellaneous		300		-		315		315
Total Receipts		82,254		64,448		69,004		4,556
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:								
Current:								
Public Works		95,359		86,259		73,217		13,042
Capital Outlay		3,000		2,240		1,800		440
Debt Service:								
Principal		1,200		1,365		1,365		-
Interest		150		245		245		-
Total Disbursements		99,709		90,109		76,627		13,482
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(17,455)		(25,661)		(7,623)		18,038
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Advances In Advances Out		-		12,000		11,000 (11,000)		(1,000) 11,000
Total ther Financing Sources (Uses)		-		12,000		_		10,000
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(17,455)		(13,661)		(7,623)		6,038
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		30,862		30,862		30,862		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		109		109		109		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	13,516	\$	17,310	\$	23,348	\$	6,038

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS CEMETERY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

		Budgeted	Amou	nts		Fina	ance with Il Budget ositive
	Ori	ginal		Final	Actual		egative)
CASH RECEIPTS		0				· · · ·	
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	23,525	\$	23,230	\$ 22,490	\$	(740)
Licenses, Permits and Fees		11,200		15,500	11,539		(3,961)
Intergovernmental		5,481		750	4,832		4,082
Miscellaneous		10,020		10,318	 8,813		(1,505)
Total Receipts		50,226		49,798	 47,674		(2,124)
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:							
Current:							
Health		50,040		60,140	43,860		16,280
Capital Outlay		16,000		15,475	14,522		953
Debt Service:							
Principal		1,200		1,065	1,055		10
Interest		200		160	 160		-
Total Disbursements		67,440		76,840	 59,597		17,243
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(17,214)		(27,042)	(11,923)		15,119
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		34,808		34,808	34,808		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		340		340	 340		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	17,934	\$	8,106	\$ 23,225	\$	15,119

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS-CASH BASIS December 31, 2007

	 vernmental activities
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments	\$ 206,876 49,000
Total Assets	\$ 255,876
NET ASSETS:	
Restricted for:	
Permanent Fund: Grandview Bequest Fund	
Expendable	\$ 5,950
Nonexpendable	23,500
Permanent Fund: Mausoleum Bequest Fund	
Expendable	6,457
Nonexpendable	25,500
Other Purposes	133,798
Unrestricted	 60,671
Total Net Assets	\$ 255,876

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES-CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Dist	Cash pursements	S	arges for ervices 1d Sales	G	perating rants and htributions	a	l Grants nd butions	Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Assets		
Governmental Activities:											
General Government	\$	35,884	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(35,884)	
Public Safety		4,678		-		232		-		(4,446)	
Public Works		153,923		-		112,056		-		(41,867)	
Health		44,770		21,622		886		-		(22,262)	
Capital Outlay		44,833		-		-		-		(44,833)	
Debt Service:											
Principal		295		-		-		-		(295)	
Interest and Fiscal Charges		99		-		-		-		(99)	
Total Governmental Activities	\$	284,482	\$	21,622	\$	113,174	\$	-	\$	(149,686)	

General Receipts:

Property Taxes Levied for:	
General Purposes	\$ 113,923
Grants and Entitlements not	
Restricted to Specific Programs	14,488
Other Debt Proceeds	17,160
Interest	3,296
Miscellaneous	 4,536
Total General Receipts	 153,403
Change in Net Assets	3,717
Net Assets Beginning of Year	 252,159
Net Assets End of Year	\$ 255,876

STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2007

	(General	Gas Tax	oad and Bridge	с	emetery Fund	andview Sequest Fund	usoleum Bequest Fund	Gov	Other ernmental Funds	Total /ernmental Funds
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and cash Equivalents Inestments	\$	60,671	\$ 57,060	\$ 30,971	\$	35,148	\$ 5,950 23,500	\$ 6,457 25,500	\$	10,619	\$ 206,876 49,000
Total Assets	\$	60,671	\$ 57,060	\$ 30,971	\$	35,148	\$ 29,450	\$ 31,957	\$	10,619	\$ 255,876
Fund Balances: Reserved: Reserved for Encumbrances Unreserved:	\$	551	\$ 2,115	\$ 109	\$	340	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 3,115
General Fund Special Revenue Fund Permanent Fund		60,120	 54,945	 30,862		34,808	 29,450	 31,957		10,619	 60,120 131,234 61,407
Total Fund Balances	\$	60,671	\$ 57,060	\$ 30,971	\$	35,148	\$ 29,450	\$ 31,957	\$	10,619	\$ 255,876

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2007

	G	eneral	G	asoline Tax	oad and Bridge	emetery Fund	В	andview equest Fund	E	usoleum equest Fund	Gove	Other ernmental Funds	Total ernmental Funds
CASH RECEIPTS													
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	33,252	\$	-	\$ 51,282	\$ 23,718	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,671	\$ 113,923
Charges for Services		-		-	-	15 (22		-		-		-	-
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		- 14,488		93,639	13,214	15,622 886		-		-		5,132	15,622
Intergovernmental Interest		14,488		93,639 291	13,214	880		1,190		1,285		5,132	127,359 3,599
Other		820 1,709		- 291	975	7,852		1,190		1,285		- 15	3,599 10,536
Other		1,709			 975	 7,832				-		-	 10,330
Total Receipts		50,269		93,930	 65,471	 48,078		1,190		1,285		10,816	 271,039
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:													
Current:													
General Government		35,884		-	-	-		-		-		-	35,884
Public Safety		-		-	-	-		-		-		4,678	4,678
Public Works		-		82,093	71,060	-		-		-		770	153,923
Health		7,502		-	-	37,268		-		-		-	44,770
Capital Outlay		4,000		14,914	12,464	10,955		-		-		2,500	44,833
Debt Service:													
Principal		-		295	-	-		-		-		-	295
Interest and Fiscal Charges		-		99	 -	 -		-		-		-	 99
Total Disbursements		47,386		97,401	 83,524	 48,223						7,948	 284,482
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbusrements		2,883		(3,471)	(18,053)	(145)		1,190		1,285		2,868	(13,443)
Other Financing Sources:													
Other Debt Proceeds		-		7,500	5,500	4,160		-		-		-	17,160
Total Other Financing Sources		-		7,500	5,500	 4,160		-		-		-	17,160
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		2,883		4,029	(12,553)	4,015		1,190		1,285		2,868	3,717
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		57,788		53,031	 43,524	 31,133		28,260		30,672		7,751	 252,159
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	60,671	\$	57,060	\$ 30,971	\$ 35,148	\$	29,450	\$	31,957	\$	10,619	\$ 255,876

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

		Budgeted	Amou	nts		Fina	ance with Il Budget ositive
	0	riginal		Final	 Actual	(N	egative)
CASH RECEIPTS							
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	31,900	\$	25,150	\$ 33,252	\$	8,102
Charges for Services		-		-	-		-
Licenses, Permits and Fines		-		-	-		-
Intergovernmental		14,346		16,314	14,488		(1,826)
Interest		439		501	820		319
Other		-			 1,709		1,709
Total Receipts		46,685		41,965	 50,269		8,304
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:							
Current:							
General Government		79,443		71,442	36,436		35,006
Health		8,500		7,700	7,502		198
Capital Outlay		10,000		8,000	 4,000		4,000
Total Disbursements		97,943		87,142	 47,938		39,204
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(51,258)		(45,177)	2,331		47,508
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		57,247		57,247	57,247		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		541		541	 541		-
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	6,530	\$	12,611	\$ 60,119	\$	47,508

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS GASOLINE TAX FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

		Budgeted	Amou	nts			Fina	ance with al Budget ositive
	0	riginal		Final	1	Actual		egative)
CASH RECEIPTS		0					`	<u> </u>
Intergovernmental	\$	82,543	\$	82,300	\$	93,639	\$	11,339
Interest		250		358		291		(67)
Total Receipts		82,793		82,658		93,930		11,272
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:								
Current: Public Works		108,863		108,663		82,093		26,570
Capital Outlay		4,000		17,200		82,093 17,029		20,370
Debt Service:		1,000		17,200		17,025		1/1
Principal		1,675		295		295		-
Interest		325		99		99		-
Total Disbursements		114,863		126,257		99,516		26,741
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(32,070)		(43,599)		(5,586)		(15,469)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Other Debt Proceeds		-		7,500		7,500		-
Total ther Financing Sources (Uses)		-		7,500		7,500		-
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(32,070)		(36,099)		1,914		38,013
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		52,168		52,168		52,168		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		863		863		863		-
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	20,961	\$	16,932	\$	54,945	\$	38,013

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS ROAD AND BRIDGE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

		Budgeted	Amou	ints		Fina	ance with al Budget ositive
	0	riginal		Final	 Actual	(N	egative)
CASH RECEIPTS							
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	51,100	\$	48,000	\$ 51,282	\$	3,282
Intergovernmental		13,348		13,364	13,214		(150)
Miscellaneous		-		-	 975		975
Total Receipts		64,448		61,364	 65,471		4,107
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:							
Current:							
Public Works		90,750		77,050	71,169		5,881
Capital Outlay		1,690		12,500	12,464		36
Debt Service:							
Principal		1,380		-	-		-
Interest		230		-	 -		
Total Disbursements		94,050		89,550	 83,633		5,917
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(29,602)		(28,186)	(18,162)		(1,810)
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Other Debt Proceeds		-		5,500	5,500		-
Total ther Financing Sources (Uses)		-		5,500	 5,500		-
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(29,602)		(22,686)	(12,662)		10,024
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		38,624		38,624	38,624		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		4,900		4,900	 4,900		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	13,922	\$	20,838	\$ 30,862	\$	10,024

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGET BASIS CEMETERY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

		Budgeted	Amou				Fin P	ance with al Budget ositive
	0	riginal		Final	/	Actual	(N	egative)
CASH RECEIPTS								
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	23,230	\$	20,000	\$	23,718	\$	3,718
Licenses, Permits and Fees		15,500		11,727		15,622		3,895
Intergovernmental		750		1,750		886		(864)
Miscellaneous		10,318		10,015		7,852		(2,163)
Total Receipts		49,798		43,492		48,078		4,586
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:								
Current:								
Health		61,100		54,550		37,608		16,942
Capital Outlay		19,275		14,650		10,955		3,695
Debt Service:								
Principal		1,065		-		-		-
Interest		160		-				
Total Disbursements		81,600		69,200		48,563		20,637
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(31,802)		(25,708)		(485)		(16,051)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								(1.60)
Other Debt Proceeds		-		4,000		4,160		(160)
Total ther Financing Sources (Uses)		-		4,000		4,160		(160)
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(31,802)		(21,708)		3,675		25,383
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		26,033		26,033		26,033		-
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		5,100		5,100		5,100		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	(669)	\$	9,425	\$	34,808	\$	25,383

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

Reporting Entity

The Township of Center, Carroll County, is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly-elected three member Board of Trustees and a publicly elected Fiscal Officer.

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that were included to ensure that the financial statements are not misleading.

Primary Government

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Township. The Township provides general government services, road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance and contracts with the Village of Carrollton to provide fire protection services. Police protection is provided by the Carroll County Sheriff's Department.

Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Township is financially accountable. The Township is financially accountable for an organization if the Township appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Township is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Township is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Township is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide support to, the organization; or the Township is obligated for the debt of the organization. The Township is also financially accountable for any organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Township in that the Township approves their budget, the issuance of their debt or the levying of their taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the Township, are accessible to the Township and are significant in amount to the Township.

Center Township has no component units.

Joint Ventures, Jointly Governed Organizations and Public Entity Risk Pools

A joint venture is a legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual arrangement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate and specific activity subject to joint control, in which the participants retain (a) an ongoing financial interest or (b) an ongoing financial responsibility. Under the cash basis of accounting, the Township does not report assets for equity interest in joint ventures.

The Township participates in a public entity risk pool. Note 5 to the financial statements provide additional information for this entity. This organization is: Public Entity Risk Pool: Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA). OTARMA provides property, casualty and liability coverage.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Following are more of the Township's accounting policies.

Basis of Presentation

The Township's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Township as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. The statements distinguish between those activities or the Township that are governmental and those that are considered business-type. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or service. The Township has no business-type activities.

The statement of net assets present the cash balance of the governmental activities of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each of the Township's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the Township is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the programs goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and receipts of interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the Township's general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Township segregates transactions related to certain Township functions or activities in separate funds to aid management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Township at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Funds are used to segregate resources that are restricted as to use. The funds of the Township are divided into one category: governmental.

Governmental Funds

The Township classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The Township's major governmental funds for 2008 and 2007 are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Cemetery Fund, Grandview Bequest Fund and Mausoleum Bequest Fund. The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the Township for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio. The Gasoline Tax Fund is used for the maintenance and upkeep of roads. The Cemetery Fund collects monies to be used for the maintenance and up keep of the cemetery grounds. The Grandview Bequest Fund is a permanent fund that uses interest earned from a trust for the upkeep of a mausoleum. The other governmental funds of the Township account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

Basis of Accounting

The Township's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in the Township's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Any such modifications made by the Township are described in the appropriate section in this note. There were no modifications having substantial support.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgetary Process

All funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated (except certain agency funds). The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the township may appropriate.

The appropriations ordinance is the Township's authorization to spend resources and set limits on disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Township. The legal level of control has been established at the fund, department, and object level for all funds.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Township Fiscal Officer. The amounts reported in the original budget on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Township.

The appropriations ordinance is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation ordinance for that fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Township during the year.

Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the Township is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through Township records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments. Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During 2008 and 2007, the Township invested in certificates of deposits. The certificates of deposits are reported at cost.

Interest earnings are allocated to Township funds according to State statutes, grant requirements, or debt related restrictions. In 2008 and 2007, interest credited to the General Fund was \$190 and \$820, respectively.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Restricted Assets

Cash and cash equivalents are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of their use. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Amounts restricted for other purposes represents special revenue funds restricted to a specific use.

Inventory and Prepaid Items

The Township reports disbursements for inventories and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Township recognizes the disbursement for their employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Note 6, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

Long-Term Obligations

The Township's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds or other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when the cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither a other financing source nor a capital outlay expenditure are reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

Net Assets

Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes include gasoline tax receipts used for the upkeep of Township roads and bridges, real estate tax used for fire protection and cemetery operations, permissive tax used for upkeep of roads.

Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

Fund Balance Reserve

The Township may reserve any portion of fund balances which is not available for appropriation or which is legally segregated for a specific future use. The Township has no reserves as of December 31, 2008 and 2007. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Township's cash basis of accounting.

Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as cash receipts in the seller funds and as cash disbursements in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements. In the government-wide statements, transfers within governmental activities are eliminated.

3. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance-Budget and Actual-Budgetary Basis presented for the General Fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparisons of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (cash basis). There were outstanding encumbrances at year-end for 2008 and 2007, in the amount of \$2,427 and \$3,115, respectively.

4. **DEPOSITS**

Monies held by the Township are classified by State into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Township treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Township treasury, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Township has identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4. **DEPOSITS (Continued)**

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts, including passbook accounts.

Interim monies held by the Township can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuance of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- 3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligation of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
- No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligation described in division (1) or
 (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Township, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions.

Protection of the Township's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by collateral pledged to the Township by the financial institution, or by a collateral pool established by the financial institution, to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution. Huntington National Bank is the financial institution for Center Township.

The Township did not have any undeposited cash on hand for 2008 and 2007.

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4. **DEPOSITS (Continued)**

Deposits:

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Township will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are the possession of an outside party. At year ended December 31, 2008, \$446 of the Township's bank balance of \$250,446 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Township's name. At year ended December 31, 2007, \$161,798 of the Township's bank balance of \$261,798 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Township's bank balance of \$261,798 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Township's name.

The Township has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Township or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one hundred five percent of the deposits being secured.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The Township insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

The Township belongs to the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA), a risksharing pool available to Ohio Townships. OTARMA provides property and casualty coverage for its members. OTARMA is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member governments pay annual contributions to fund OTARMA. OTARMA pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty Coverage

For an occurrence prior to January 1, 2006, OTARMA retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per occurrence, including claim adjustment expenses. OTARMA pays a percentage of its contributions to APEEP. APEEP reinsures claims exceeding \$250,000, up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. For an occurrence on or subsequent to January 1, 2006, the Pool retains casualty risk up to \$350,000 per occurrence, including loss adjustment expenses. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured with APEEP in an amount not to exceed \$2,650,000 for each claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect up to \$10,000,000 in additional coverage with the General Reinsurance Corporation, through contracts with OTARMA.

Property Coverage

Through 2004, OTARMA retained property risks, including automobile physical damage, up to \$100,000 on any specific loss in any one occurrence. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsured losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$500 million per occurrence.

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5. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

Beginning in 2005, The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures specific losses exceeding \$250,000 up to \$600 million per occurrence. APEEP reinsures members for specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$250,000 per occurrence, subject to an annual aggregate loss payment. Travelers provides aggregate stop-loss coverage based upon the combined members total insurable value. If the stop-loss is reached by payment of losses between \$100,000 and \$250,000, Travelers will reinsure specific losses exceeding \$100,000 up to their \$600 million per occurrence limit. The aggregate stop-loss limit for 2006 was \$1,901,127.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge OTARMA's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective township.

Property and casualty settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

Financial Position

OTARMA's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2007 and 2006, the latest information available.

	2007	2006
Assets	\$ 43,210,703	\$ 42,042,275
Liabilities	(13,357,837)	(12,120,661)
Retained Earnings	\$ 29,852,866	\$ 29,921,614

At December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, liabilities noted above include approximately \$12.5 million and \$11.3 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets and retained earnings above also include approximately \$11.6 million and \$10.8 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 950 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. The Township's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$8,404. This payable includes the subsequent year's contribution due if the Township terminates participation, as described in the last paragraph.

Based on discussion with OTARMA, the expected rates OTARMA charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to OTARMA for each year of membership. The Townships contributions to OTARMA for the past year are as follows:

Contributions to OTARMA	
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2008 \$ 4,202

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5. **RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**

After completing one year of membership, members may withdraw on each anniversary of the date they joined OTARMA provided they give written notice to OTARMA 60 days in advance of the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's budgetary contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to the pool. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim occurred or was reported prior to the withdrawal.

The Township pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The System administers and pays all claims.

6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Township participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the member directed plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings.

The combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the combined plan, employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar to the traditional plan benefit. Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the member directed plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. Members of the member directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705 or (800) 222-7377.

For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, the members in the traditional plan, were required to contribute 10.0 and 9.5, percent, respectively, of their annual covered salaries. The Township's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2008 and 2007 was 14.00 percent and 13.85 percent, respectively. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Township's required contributions for pension obligations to the traditional and combined plans for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were \$15,976, \$15,148, and \$14,496, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2008, 2007 and 2006. Contributions to the member-directed plan for 2008 were \$15,976 made by the Township and \$11,412 made by the plan members.

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6. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Post Employment Benefits

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with either the traditional or combined plans. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for postretirement health care coverage. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit. A portion of each employer's contribution to the traditional or combined plans is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care based on authority granted by State Statute. The portion of employer contributions in 2008, for all employers, allocated to health care was 7.0%.

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions, based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as December 31, 2007, include a rate of return on investments of 6.5 percent, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4 percent compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .5 percent and 6.3 percent based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase between .50 percent and 4 percent annually for the next seven years and 4 percent annually after eight years.

All investments are carried at market value. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Assets are adjusted to reflect 25 percent of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets annually, not to exceed a 12 percent corridor.

The number of active contributing participants in the traditional and combined plans was 363,503. Actual employer contributions for 2008 and 2007 which were used to fund postemployment benefits were \$7,988 and \$6,015, respectively. The actual contribution and the actuarially required contribution amounts are the same. OPERS's net assets available for payment of benefits at December 31, 2007, (the latest information available) were \$12.8 billion. The actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability were \$29.8 billion and \$17.0 billion, respectively.

On September 9, 2004, the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) with an effective date of January 1, 2007. Member and employer contribution rates increased as of January 1, 2006, January 1, 2007 and January 1, 2008, which allowed additional funds to be allocated to the health care plan.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property, public utility property, and tangible personal property located in the Township. Real property tax receipts received in 2008 represent the collection of 2007 taxes. Real property taxes received in 2008 were levied after October 1, 2007, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2007, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstance, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located in the Township.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must be file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

The full tax rate for all Township operations for the year ended December 31, 2008, was \$3.18 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real property, public utility property, and tangible personal property upon which 2008 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

Real Property	
Residential	\$ 12,506,190
Agriculture	3,237,330
Commercial/Industrial/Mineral	3,372,020
Public Utility Property	
Real	-
Personal	2,406,410
Tangible Personal Property	1,660,930
Total Assessed Value	\$ 23,182,880

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

8. DEBT

Long term debt of the Township, as of December 31, 2008 is as follows:

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	2007		A	Additions		Deductions		2008		One Year	
Note-Dump Truck	\$	-	\$	17,160	\$	4,390	\$	12,770	\$	3,995	
Total	\$	-	\$	17,160	\$	4,390	\$	12,770	\$	3,995	

In 2007, a promissory note in the amount of \$17,160 from Consumers National Bank was used to purchase a Ford F550 dump truck to be used for maintaining township roads, bridges and cemeteries. This note is collateralized by the dump truck. Payments are made annually.

Amortization of the above debt is as follows:

	Truck					
	Principal			Interest		
2009	\$	3,995		\$	461	
2010		4,490			310	
2011		4,285			99	
Total	\$	12,770	_	\$	870	

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Center Township Carroll County 419 Fourth Street, SE Carrollton, Ohio 44615

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Center Township, Carroll County, Ohio, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated May 11, 2009, wherein we noted the Township followed the cash basis of accounting, a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Center Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Township's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Township's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Township's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Township's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purposes described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by Government Auditing Standards Page Two

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Center 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 we must report under *Government Auditing Standard*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of Center Township in a separate letter dated May 11, 2009.

This report is intended for the information of the Township's management, fiscal officer, and Auditor of State, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Wolfe, Wilson, & Phillips, Inc. Zanesville, Ohio May 11, 2009





CENTER TOWNSHIP

CARROLL COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JULY 30, 2009

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