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 Madison Township 3153 Beal Road SE Newark, Ohio 43056

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of Madison Township, Licking 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. Madison Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

July 15, 2009



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

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Madison Township Licking County 3153 Beal Road SE Newark, Ohio 43056

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major funds and aggregate remaining fund information of Madison Township, Licking 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 Madison Township, Licking 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 General Fire 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 June 1, 2009, on our consideration of Madison 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 June 1, 2009

This discussion and analysis of the Madison 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.

Highlights

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 2008, the Township purchased a bucket truck costing \$22,041 to assist in tree trimming. For the Fire Department, the Township increased the Volunteer Incentive program amount to \$25,000.

In 2007, The Township purchased a road patching machine for \$56,814 and a brush chipper for \$18,359. The Township also had guard rail installed on a township road for \$12,607. For the Fire Department, a secondary squad was purchased for \$32,000.

In 2007, the Township paid off all remaining debt in the amount of \$30,000.

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 nonmajor 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 and 2007 are the General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, and General Fire 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 and 2007 with no comparison to 2006 as this is the first period reported under this method.

Table 1 NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities									
		2008		2007						
Assets		_		_						
Cash	\$	605,146	\$	524,205						
Total Assets		605,146		524,205						
Net Assets										
Restricted for:										
Other Purposes		230,175		239,475						
Unrestricted		374,971		284,730						
Total Net Assets	\$	605,146	\$	524,205						

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets in 2008 and 2007 with no comparison to 2006 as this is the first period under this method.

Table 2 CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities							
	2008	2007						
Receipts:								
Program Receipts:								
Operating Grants	\$ 103,039	\$ 97,341						
Charges for Services	4,263	3,351						
Total Program Receipts	107,302	100,692						
General Receipts;								
Property and Other Tax	430,257	439,727						
Grants and Entitlements								
not Restricted	126,545	97,061						
Sale of Assets	9,980	-						
Interest	12,785	23,540						
Miscellaneous	7,955	17,667						
Total General Receipts	587,522	577,995						
Total Receipts	694,824	678,687						
Disbursements:								
General Government	101,134	98,633						
Public Safety	116,668	107,784						
Public Works	361,077	259,220						
Health	200	390						
Other	6,683	_						
Capital Outlay	28,121	113,703						
Debt Service-Principal	-	30,000						
Interest	-	782						
Total Disbursements	613,883	610,512						
Increase/(Decrease)								
In Net Assets	80,941	68,175						
Net Assets, January 1	524,205	456,030						
Net Assets, December 31	\$ 605,146	\$ 524,205						
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Program receipts represent 15% and 15% of total receipts for 2008 and 2007, respectively. They are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle license and gas tax money.

General receipts represent 85%, and 85% of the Township's total receipts for 2008 and 2007, respectively. Local taxes represent 73%, and 76% 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.

The Government's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$694,824 and \$678,687 for 2008 and 2007 and disbursements of \$613,883 and \$610,512 for 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Fund Budgeting Highlights

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 \$464,149 and \$441,154, respectively. Actual disbursements for 2008 and 2007 were \$102,413 and \$179,428, 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 no outstanding debt.

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 Nancy Robinson, Fiscal Officer, 3153 Beal Road SE, Newark, Ohio 43056.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS-CASH BASIS December 31, 2008

	 vernmental Activities
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 605,146
Total Assets	\$ 605,146
NET ASSETS: Restricted for:	
Other Purposes Unrestricted	 230,175 374,971
Total Net Assets	\$ 605,146

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

	Disb	Cash oursements	Se	arges for ervices d Sales	Gr	perating rants and atributions	aı	Grants nd butions	Re C	Net bursements) ceipts and hanges in let Assets
Governmental Activities:		101.101								(0.5.0=4)
General Government	\$	101,134	\$	4,263	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(96,871)
Public Safety		116,668		-		-		-		(116,668)
Public Works		361,077		-		103,039		-		(258,038)
Health		200		-		-		-		(200)
Other		6,683		-		-		-		(6,683)
Capital Outlay		28,121								(28,121)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	613,883	\$	4,263	\$	103,039	\$		\$	(506,581)
					General Receipts: Property Taxes Levied for: General Purposes					430,257
					Grar	nts and Entit	lements no	ot		
					Re	estricted to S	pecific Pro	ograms		126,545
					Sale	of Assets				9,980
					Inter					12,785
					Misc	cellaneous				7,955
					Tota	l General Re	eceipts			587,522
					Chai	nge in Net A	ssets			80,941
					Net	Assets Begi	nning of Y	Year		524,205
					Net	Assets End	of Year		\$	605,146

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

	General	Gas Tax	Road and Bridge	General Fire Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and cash Equivalents	\$ 374,971	\$ 45,429	\$ 107,305	\$ 66,735	\$ 10,706	\$ 605,146
Total Assets	\$ 374,971	\$ 45,429	\$ 107,305	\$ 66,735	\$ 10,706	\$ 605,146
Fund Balances: Unreserved: General Fund Special Revenue Fund	374,971	45,429	107,305	66,735	10,706	374,971 230,175
Total Fund Balances	\$ 374,971	\$ 45,429	\$ 107,305	\$ 66,735	\$ 10,706	\$ 605,146

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

	Gei	neral	Gasoline Tax			Road and Bridge		General Fire Fund		Other Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds	
CASH RECEIPTS													
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	118,465	\$	-	\$	199,816	\$	111,976	\$	-	\$	430,257	
Licenses, Permits, and Fees		4,263		-		-		-		-		4,263	
Intergovernmental		57,559		89,806		34,619		27,684		19,916		229,584	
Interest		11,684		910		-		-		191		12,785	
Other		581		2,955		3,672		747				7,955	
Total Receipts		192,552		93,671		238,107		140,407		20,107		684,844	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:													
Current:													
General Government		101,134		-		-		-		-		101,134	
Public Safety		-		-		-		116,668		-		116,668	
Public Works		-		78,105		271,585		-		11,387		361,077	
Health		200		-		-		-		-		200	
Other		-		-		-		-		6,683		6,683	
Capital Outlay		1,079				22,042		5,000				28,121	
Total Disbursements		102,413		78,105	-	293,627		121,668		18,070		613,883	
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbusrements		90,139		15,566		(55,520)		18,739		2,037		70,961	
Other Financing Sources:													
Sale of Assets		102		_		5,400		4,478		-		9,980	
Total Other Financing Sources		102		-		5,400		4,478		-		9,980	
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		90,241		15,566		(50,120)		23,217		2,037		80,941	
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		284,730		29,863		157,425		43,518		8,669		524,205	
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 3	374,971	\$	45,429	\$	107,305	\$	66,735	\$	10,706	\$	605,146	

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 Amounts						Variance with Final Budget Positive		
	(Original	Final		Actual		(Negative)		
CASH RECEIPTS									
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	118,246	\$	118,246	\$	118,465	\$	219	
Licenses, Permits and Fines		3,000		3,000		4,263		1,263	
Intergovernmental		53,173		53,173		57,559		4,386	
Interest		5,000		5,000		11,684		6,684	
Other						581		581	
Total Receipts		179,419		179,419		192,552		13,133	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:									
Current:									
General Government		413,240		412,149		101,134		311,015	
Health		2,000		2,000		200		1,800	
Capital Outlay		50,000		50,000		1,079		48,921	
Total Disbursements		465,240		464,149		102,413		361,736	
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		(285,821)		(284,730)		90,139		374,869	
Other Financing (Uses):									
Sale of Assets		-		-		102		(102)	
Total Other Financing (Uses)		-		-		102		(102)	
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance		(285,821)		(284,730)		90,241		374,971	
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		283,640		283,640		283,640		-	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated		1,090		1,090		1,090			
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	(1,091)	\$		\$	374,971	\$	374,971	

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						Fina	ance with Il Budget ositive
	Original		Final		Actual		(Negative)	
CASH RECEIPTS		<u></u>						
Intergovernmental	\$ 80	,000	\$	80,000	\$	89,806	\$	9,806
Interest		-		-		910		910
Other						2,955		2,955
Total Receipts	80	,000		80,000		93,671		13,671
CASH DISBURSEMENTS: Current:								
Public Works	109	,863		109,863		78,105		31,758
Total Disbursements	109	,863		109,863		78,105		31,758
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	(29	,863)		(29,863)		15,566		45,429
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	29	,863		29,863		29,863		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$		\$	_	\$	45,429	\$	45,429

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

	Budg	geted Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
CASH RECEIPTS					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 199,99		\$ 199,816	\$ (174)	
Intergovernmental	28,00	00 28,000	34,619	6,619	
Other		<u>-</u>	3,672	3,672	
Total Receipts	227,99	227,990	238,107	10,117	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
Current:	222.40		271 707	c4 5 00	
Public Works Capital Outlay	323,49 65,00	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	271,585 22,042	61,790 29,998	
Capital Outlay	05,00	32,040	22,042	29,998	
Total Disbursements	388,49	385,415	293,627	91,788	
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	(160,50	(157,425)	(55,520)	101,905	
Other Financing Sources:					
Sale of Assets		<u>-</u>	5,400	5,400	
Total Other Financing Sources		-	5,400	5,400	
Net Change in Cash Fund Balances	(160,50	(157,425)	(50,120)	107,305	
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	154,34	154,346	154,346	-	
Prior Years Encumbrances Appropriated	3,07	3,079	3,079		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ (3,07	<u>'9)</u> \$ -	\$ 107,305	\$ 107,305	

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

	ınts			Fina	ance with al Budget ositive			
	(Original		Final	Actual		(Negative)	
CASH RECEIPTS								- g
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$	111,734	\$	111,734	\$	111,976	\$	242
Intergovernmental		16,000		21,000		27,684		6,684
Other						747		747
Total Receipts		127,734		132,734		140,407		7,673
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:								
Current:								
Public Safety		167,824		171,252		116,668		54,584
Capital Outlay		5,000		5,000		5,000		
Total Disbursements		172,824		176,252		121,668		54,584
Excess of Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		(45,090)		(43,518)		18,739		62,257
Other Financing Sources:								
Sale of Assets		-		-		4,478		4,478
Total Other Financing Sources		-		-		4,478		4,478
Net Change in Cash Fund Balances		(45,090)		(43,518)		23,217		66,735
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year		41,946		41,946		41,946		_
Prior Years Encumbrances Appropriated		1,572		1,572		1,572		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$	(1,572)	\$		\$	66,735	\$	66,735

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS-CASH BASIS December 31, 2007

	Governm Activit		
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	524,205	
Total Assets	\$	524,205	
NET ASSETS: Restricted for:			
Other Purposes Unrestricted		239,475 284,730	
Total Net Assets	\$	524,205	

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

	_Dish	Cash oursements	Se	arges for ervices d Sales	Gr	perating ants and tributions	a	Grants	Re C	Net oursements) ceipts and hanges in et Assets
Governmental Activities:										_
General Government	\$	98,633	\$	3,351	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(95,282)
Public Safety		107,784		-		-		-		(107,784)
Public Works		259,220		-		97,341		-		(161,879)
Health		390		-		-		-		(390)
Debt Service:										
Principal		30,000		-		-		-		(30,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges		782		-		-		-		(782)
Capital Outlay		113,703								(113,703)
Total Governmental Activities	\$	610,512	\$	3,351	\$	97,341	\$		\$	(509,820)
					Prop	eral Receipt	evied for	:		420 727
						neral Purposts and Entitle		a t		439,727
						stricted to S				97,061
					Inter		pecific 11	ogranis		23,540
						ellaneous				17,667
					TVIISC	Citaneous				17,007
					Total	General Re	eceipts			577,995
					Chan	ige in Net A	ssets			68,175
					Net A	Assets Begin	nning of Y	Year		456,030
					Net A	Assets End	of Year		\$	524,205

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

	General	Gas Tax	Road and Bridge	General Fire Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS: Equity in Pooled Cash and cash Equivalents	\$ 284,73	\$ 29,863	\$ 157,425	\$ 43,518	\$ 8,669	\$ 524,205
Total Assets	\$ 284,73	\$ 29,863	\$ 157,425	\$ 43,518	\$ 8,669	\$ 524,205
Fund Balances: Reserved:						
Reserved for Encumbrances	1,09	-	3,079	1,572	-	5,741
Unreserved: General Fund Special Revenue Fund	283,64	29,863	154,346	41,946	8,669	283,640 234,824
Total Fund Balances	\$ 284,73	\$ 29,863	\$ 157,425	\$ 43,518	\$ 8,669	\$ 524,205

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

	General	Gasoline Tax	Road and Bridge	General Fire Fund	Fire Governmental	
CASH RECEIPTS						
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 120,888	\$ -	\$ 204,281	\$ 114,558	\$ -	\$ 439,727
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	3,351	-	-	-	-	3,351
Intergovernmental	52,748	83,787	28,311	16,002	13,554	194,402
Interest	21,674	1,547	-	-	319	23,540
Other	6,451		141	11,075		17,667
Total Receipts	205,112	85,334	232,733	141,635	13,873	678,687
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:						
Current:						
General Government	98,633	-	-	-	-	98,633
Public Safety	-	-	-	107,784	-	107,784
Public Works	-	95,602	149,011	-	14,607	259,220
Health	390	-	-	-	-	390
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service:						
Principal	-	-	-	30,000	-	30,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	782	-	782
Capital Outlay	79,315		18,266	16,122		113,703
Total Disbursements	178,338	95,602	167,277	154,688	14,607	610,512
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	26,774	(10,268)	65,456	(13,053)	(734)	68,175
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	257,956	40,131	91,969	56,571	9,403	456,030
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 284,730	\$ 29,863	\$ 157,425	\$ 43,518	\$ 8,669	\$ 524,205

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	l Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 120,232	\$ 120,232	\$ 120,888	\$ 656
Licenses, Permits and Fines	3,000	3,000	3,351	351
Intergovernmental	54,966	54,966	52,748	(2,218)
Interest	5,000	5,000	21,674	16,674
Other			6,451	6,451
Total Receipts	183,198	183,198	205,112	21,914
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
General Government	435,154	355,840	99,723	256,117
Health	1,000	1,000	390	610
Capital Outlay	5,000	84,314	79,315	4,999
Total Disbursements	441,154	441,154	179,428	261,726
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	(257,956)	(257,956)	25,684	283,640
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	257,956	257,956	257,956	
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 283,640	\$ 283,640

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

		d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive	
CACH DECEMBE	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
CASH RECEIPTS Intergovernmental Interest	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 83,787 1,547	\$ (6,213) 1,547	
Total Receipts	90,000	90,000	85,334	(4,666)	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS: Current:					
Public Works	130,131	130,131	95,602	34,529	
Total Disbursements	130,131	130,131	95,602	34,529	
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	(40,131)	(40,131)	(10,268)	29,863	
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	40,131	40,131	40,131		
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,863	\$ 29,863	

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

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 202,398	\$ 202,398	\$ 204,281	\$ 1,883
Intergovernmental	22,906	22,906	28,311	5,405
Other			141	141
Total Receipts	225,304	225,304	232,733	7,429
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
Public Works	297,273	272,273	152,090	120,183
Capital Outlay	20,000	45,000	18,266	26,734
Total Disbursements	317,273	317,273	170,356	146,917
Net Change in Cash Fund Balances	(91,969)	(91,969)	62,377	154,346
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	91,969	91,969	91,969	
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 154,346	\$ 154,346

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

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
CASH RECEIPTS				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$ 113,273	\$ 113,273	\$ 114,558	\$ 1,285
Intergovernmental	13,011	13,011	16,002	2,991
Other		5,000	11,075	6,075
Total Receipts	126,284	131,284	141,635	10,351
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:				
Current:				
Public Safety	144,066	137,365	109,356	28,009
Debt Service:				
Principal	30,000	30,000	30,000	-
Interest	789	789	782	7
Capital Outlay	8,000	17,500	16,122	1,378
Total Disbursements	182,855	185,654	156,260	29,394
Net Change in Cash Fund Balance	(56,571)	(54,370)	(14,625)	39,745
Cash Fund Balances Beginning of Year	56,571	56,571	56,571	
Cash Fund Balances End of Year	\$ -	\$ 2,201	\$ 41,946	\$ 39,745

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

Reporting Entity

The Township of Madison, Licking County, is a body politic and corporate established in 1812 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, maintenance of Township road and bridges, zoning services, volunteer fire protection, volunteer emergency medical services, and cemetery maintenance. Police protection is provided by the Licking County Sheriff.

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.

Madison 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 6 to the financial statements provide additional information for this entity. This organization is: Public Entity Risk Pool: Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan 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 nonexchange 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. Nonmajor 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 nonexchange 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, and General Fire 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 Road and Bridge Fund is used for the maintenance and up keep of roads. The General Fire Fund collects monies used for fire protection. 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 on the amended certificate 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 deposited into a checking and savings account which earns 0.50 percent interest. In 2008 and 2007, interest credited to the General Fund was \$11,684 and \$21,674, respectively.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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 7, 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 reserve for encumbrances as of December 31, 2007 and none for 2008. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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/usese 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. CHANGE IN BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY

Last audit period the Township reported fund financial statements by fund type using the regulatory basis of accounting as prescribed by the State Auditor's Office. This audit period the Township has implemented the cash basis of accounting. The fund financial statements now present each major fund in a separate column with nonmajor funds aggregated and presented in a single column, rather than a column for each fund type. There was no restatement of fund equity due to this change.

4. 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 differences 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 2007 in the amount of \$5,741 and none as of 2008, respectively.

5. 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 withdrawl (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.

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:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5. DEPOSITS (Continued)

- 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;
- 6. 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. Peoples Bancorp is the financial institution for Madison Township.

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

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, \$517,373 of the Township's bank balance of \$617,373 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, \$451,981 of the Township's bank balance of \$551,981 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5. DEPOSITS (Continued)

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.

6. 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 Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"), a non-assessable, unincorporated non-profit association providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services to over 550 Ohio Governments ("Members").

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions. law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages, modified for each Member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the Member's deductible.

The Plan issues its own policies and reinsures the Plan with A-VII or better rated carriers, except the Plan retains the lesser of 15% or \$37,500 of casualty losses and the lesser of 10% or \$100,000 of property losses. Individual Members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts, which vary from member to member.

Plan members are responsible to notify the Plan of their intent to renew coverage by their renewal date. If a member chooses not to renew with the Plan, they have no other financial obligation to the Plan, but still need to promptly notify the Plan of any potential claims occurring during their membership period. The former member's covered claims, which occurred during their membership period, remain the responsibility of the Plan.

Settlement amounts did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three years.

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

The Plans audited financial statements conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, the latest information available.

	2007	2006
Assets	\$ 11,136,455	\$ 9,620,148
Liabilities	(4,273,553)	(3,329,620)
Retained Earnings	\$ 6,862,902	\$ 6,290,528

You can read the complete audited financial statements for the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan at the Plan's website, www.ohioplan.org.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7. 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 \$27,395, \$22,818, and \$20,276, respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2008, 2007 and 2006. Contributions to the member-directed plan for 2008 were \$27,395 made by the Township and \$16,179 made by the plan members.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7. 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 was \$13,697 and \$9,061, 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

8. 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 \$7.10 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	\$ 49,646,470
Agriculture	5,922,960
Commercial/Industrial/Mineral	3,024,000
Public Utility Property	
Real	56,200
Personal	1,968,340
Tangible Personal Property	338,100
Total Assessed Value	\$ 60,956,070

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

9. DEBT

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

	I	Balance					Bal	ance	Amo	unt Due
	Ja	nuary 1					Decer	nber 31	W	ithin
		2007	Add	Additions		ductions	2008		One Year	
Fire Truck Loan	\$	30,000	\$	-	\$	30,000	\$	-	\$	-
Total	\$	30,000	\$	-	\$	30,000	\$	-	\$	-

The fire truck loan was paid off in 2007.

10. COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Contrary to ORC 5705.36, the Township's Gasoline Tax Fund in 2007 had appropriations greater than actual resources.

Contrary to ORC 5705.41(D), the Township had expenditures made prior to certification.

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

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

Madison Township Licking County 3153 Beal Road SE Newark, Ohio 43056

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Madison Township, Licking County, Ohio, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated June 1, 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 Madison 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 Madison 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 one instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standard* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2008-01. We also noted other certain immaterial items of noncompliance that we have reported to management in a letter dated June 1, 2009.

Madison Township's response to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. We did not audit Madison Township's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 June 1, 2009

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2008

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2008-01

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) states in part that no subdivision shall make any contract or give any order involving the expenditure of money unless there is attached thereto a certificate of Fiscal Officer of the subdivision. The Fiscal Officer must certify that the amount required to meet such a commitment has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrance.

Prior certification was not obtained for 20.0% in 2008 and 29.0% in 2007 of the expenditures tested.

The Fiscal Officer should certify funds before each payment is made through the issuance of a regular, blanket, or super blanket purchase order. Blanket certificates should be issued for a certain sum of money not in excess of an amount established by resolution or ordinance adopted by a majority of the members of Trustees against any specific line item account over a period not running beyond the end of the current fiscal year. A super blanket purchase order can be completed for any amount for expenditures and contracts from a specific line item appropriation account in a specified fund for most recurring or reasonable predictable operating expenditures. This is not to extend beyond the current year. More than one super blanket may be outstanding at one particular time for a particular line item appropriation account.

Also, as an alternative, the Township can issue then and now certificates for expenses up to \$3,000. Then and now certificates allow the Fiscal Officer to certify that both at the time the expenditure was made and at the time that the certification is completed, sufficient funds are available. These certificates can be certified by the Fiscal Officer without subsequent authorization from the Trustees. However, then and now certificates issued by the Fiscal Officer over \$3,000, must be authorized by the Trustees within thirty days after payment.

Client Response: We agree with finding and will try to improve in the future.

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

December 31, 2008

Finding	Finding	Fully	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; Explain:
Number	Summary	Corrected	
2006-MTLC-001	Incorrect posting of receipts	Yes	Finding No Longer Valid.



Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

MADISON TOWNSHIP

LICKING 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.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 28, 2009