## TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY COUNTY OF WARREN STATE OF NEW JERSEY

REPORT OF AUDIT DECEMBER 31, 2015

## TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY

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## **PART I**

## REPORT ON EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**December 31, 2015** 

**AUDITORS' REPORTS** 





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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the Township Committee
Township of Harmony
3003 Belvidere Road
County of Warren, Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865

## Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements-regulatory basis, which comprise the comparative balance sheets-regulatory basis of the various funds of the Township of Harmony, County of Warren, State of New Jersey (the "Township"), as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related comparative statements of operations and changes in fund balance-regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related statement of revenues-regulatory basis, and statement of expenditures-regulatory basis of the various funds, and the related notes to the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2015, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Township's preparation and fair presentation of

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the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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

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

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

In our opinion, because of the Township's policy to prepare its financial statements on the basis of accounting discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, or the results of its operations and changes in its fund balances for the years then ended.

## Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements-regulatory basis referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position-regulatory basis of the various funds of the Township, as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the results of operations and changes in fund balance-regulatory basis of such funds for the years then ended and the statement of revenues-regulatory basis and statement of expenditures-regulatory basis of the various funds for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principals and practices as described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

#### Other Matters

Report on Supplementary Information

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

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

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In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements-regulatory basis taken as a whole, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 5, 2016, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Frenchtown, New Jersey

April 5, 2016

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April 5, 2016

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents:	REF.	BALANCE 12/31/15	BALANCE 12/31/14
Cash - Treasurer		\$ 2,827,805	\$ 4,379,993
Cash - State Cash Management Fund		152,466	152,310
Cash - Time Savings	۸ ،	2,924,725	1,200,095
Subtotal	A-4	<u>5,904,996</u>	5,732,398
Receivables And Other Assets With Full Reserves:			
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-6	446,146	286,772
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-7	257,461	207,752
Penalties - Deliquent Property Taxes	A-8	-	7,402
Property Acquired For Taxes-Assessed Valuation	A-9	403,080	403,080
Amount Due From Dog Fund	В	3	2
Amount Due From General Capital Fund	С	45	113
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-10	169	1,043
Subtotal		<u>1,106,904</u>	<u>906,164</u>
		7,011,900	6,638,562
		7,011,300	0,030,302
Federal And State Grant Fund:			
Federal and State Grants Receivable	A-21	168,780	131,200
Amount Due From Current Fund	Α	135,990	87,599
Amount Due From General Capital Fund	С	7,208	7,208
		311,978	226,007
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 7,323,878	\$ 6,864,569

## CURRENT FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

A Sheet 2

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	REF.	BALANCE _12/31/15	BALANCE _12/31/14
Liabilities:			
Appropriation Reserves	A-3:11	\$ 122,734	\$ 237,794
Encumbrances	A-12	-	16,326
Accounts Payable	A-13	26,778	34
Amount Due To Grants Fund	Α	135,990	87,599
Amount Due To Other Trust	В	238,024	104,632
Taxes Collected In Advance	A-14	46,903	284,951
Tax Overpayments	A-15	26,650	35,057
Amount Due To State Of New Jersey For			
Senior Citizens And Veterans Deductions	A-16	6,521	6,521
Local District School Tax Payable	A-18	2,911,803	2,854,359
Due Other Trust Fund - Municipal Open Space Tax Payable	A-19	723,391	484,210
Reserve for FEMA Acquisition Reimbursements	A-23	58,510	58,510
Subtotal		4,297,304	4,169,993
Reserve For Receivables And Other Assets	Α	1,106,904	906,164
Fund Balance	A-1	1,607,692	<u>1,562,405</u>
Subtotal		7,011,900	6,638,562
Federal And State Grant Fund:			
Amount Due To Other Trust	В	89,283	89,283
Reserve For State Grants	A-20	182,920	98,607
Reserve For State Grants - Unappropriated	A-22	39,775	38,117
Subtotal		311,978	226,007
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		\$ 7,323,878	\$ 6,864,569

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE

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Fund Balance Utilized Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated Receipts From Delinquent Taxes Receipts from Current Taxes Non-Budget Revenues Other Credits To Income: Unexpended Balance Of Appropriation Reserves Refund Prior Year Expenditures Interfunds Returned TOTAL INCOME	REF. A-2 A-2 A-2 A-2 A-11 A-4 A-4	YEAR 2015 \$ 740,000 644,232 282,067 11,228,446 30,633 127,586 148,084 69 13,201,117	YEAR 2014  \$ 740,000 594,348 164,083 11,302,497 49,635 159,845 22,420 13,032,828
EXPENDITURES			
Budget and Emergency Appropriations:  Appropriations Within "CAP":  Operations:  Salaries and Wages Other Expenses Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures Appropriations Excluded from "CAP": Operations: Other Expenses Capital Improvements Municipal Debt Service County Taxes Amount Due County For Added and Omitted Taxes Local District School Taxes Municipal Open Space Levy Refund Prior Year Revenues TOTAL EXPENDITURES	A-3 A-3 A-3 A-3 A-17 A-17 A-18 A-19 A-4	648	380,857 925,520 65,802 183,498 60,000 325,210 4,020,755 9,293 6,078,717 239,637
Excess in Revenues		785,287	743,539
Statutory Excess To Fund Balance		785,287	743,539
Fund Balance January 1	Α	1,562,405 2,347,692	1,558,866 2,302,405
Decreased by: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	A-2	740,000	740,000
Fund Balance December 31	Α	\$1,607,692	\$1,562,405

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	REF.	ANTICIPATED BUDGET	REALIZED	EXCESS OR <u>DEFICIT</u>
Anticipated Surplus - Cash Surplus	A-1	\$ 740,000	\$ 740,000	
Miscellaneous Revenues: LOCAL REVENUES:				
Liquor Licenses-Clerk	A-10	2,400	2,059	(341)
Other Licenses-Clerk	A-10	1.600	1.515	` ,
Other Fees and Permits	A-10	13.000	14.285	1.285
Fines and Costs-Municipal Court	A-10	7,300	9,867	2,567
Interest and Costs On Taxes	A-5	24,000	48,661	24,661
Interest on Investments	A-10	7,500	8,944	1,444
Total Local Revenues		55,800	85,331	29,531
STATE AID REVENUES:				
Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Aid	A-10	14,200	10,476	(3,724)
Energy Receipts Tax	A-10	230,090	233,814	3,724
Garden State Trust Fund	A-10	183,966	183,966	
Total State Aid		428,256	428,256	-

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	REF.	ANTICIPATED BUDGET	REALIZED	EXCESS OR <u>DEFICIT</u>
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT REVENUES:				
Clean Communities Program	A-21	10,129	10,129	
Recycling Tonnage Grant	A-22	516	516	
Warren County MCCTFC - Hoff-Vanetta	A-21	120,000	120,000	
Total Federal and State Grant Revenues		130,645	130,645	
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	A-1	614,701	644,232	29,531
Receipts From Delinquent Taxes	A-1	150,175	282,067	131,892
Amount To be Raised by Taxes For Support Of Municipal Budget:				
Local Tax For Municipal Purposes	A-2	1,294,429	1,622,069	327,640
Total General Revenues		2,799,305	3,288,368	489,063
Non-Budget Revenues:				
Other Non-Budget Revenues	A-1		30,633	30,633
		\$ 2,799,305	\$ 3,319,001	\$ 519,696

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A-2 Sheet 3

	REF.	
ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUES		
Allocation Of Current Tax Collections:		
Revenue from Collections		\$11,195,946
State of New Jersey, Senior Citizens and Veterans Deductions	A-6	32,500
	A-1	11,228,446
Allocated To:		
School and County Taxes	A-6	10,401,020
Deficiency Supported by Municipal Revenues		827,426
Add (Decreased) by Appropriation: "Reserve For Uncollected Taxes"	A-3	<u>794,643</u>
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations	A-2	\$ 1,622,069

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## **ANALYSIS OF NON-BUDGET REVENUES**

Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated: Treasurer:	REF.	
Copies		\$ 202
Farm Land Rent		26,100
Planning Board		1,500
Certified Lists		20
Miscellaneous		 2,811
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated - Total	A-4	\$ 30,633

A-3 Sheet 1

OPERATIONS within "CAPS"	APPROF BUDGET	BU	<u>TION</u> IDGET AFTER ODIFICATION	EXPENDED PAID OR CHARGED	RE	SERVED	CANCELLED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS:							
General Administration:							
Salaries and Wages	\$ 32,461	\$	32,461	\$ 21,589	\$	10,872	
Other Expenses	44,000		43,356	36,904		6,452	
Mayor and Council:							
Salaries and Wages	13,658		13,658	13,610		48	
Municipal Clerk:							
Salaries and Wages	71,400		71,400	68,919		2,481	
Financial Administration (Treasury):	29,574		29,574	29,574			
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	4,000		29,574 4,000	29,574 3,655		345	
Audit Services:	4,000		4,000	3,033		343	
Other Expenses	21,420		22,064	22,064			
Revenue Administration (Tax Collection):	,0		,00.	,00.			
Salaries and Wages	28,757		28,757	28,756		1	
Other Expenses	3,500		3,500	1,233		2,267	
Tax Assessment Administration:							
Salaries and Wages	18,779		18,779	18,778		1	
Other Expenses	3,500		3,500	2,936		564	
Legal Services (Legal Dept.):	00.000		4.40.000	440.070		7.000	
Other Expenses	80,000		148,000	140,078		7,922	
Engineering Services: Other Expenses:							
Other Expenses - Transmix	60,000		12,000	12,000			
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	30,000		30,000	15,928		14,072	
Historical Sites Office:	00,000		00,000	10,020		11,012	
Other Expenses	8,000		8,000	5,307		2,693	
LAND USE ADMINISTRATION:							
Planning Board:							
Salaries and Wages	7,504		7,504	7,504			
Other Expenses	15,000		15,000	993		14,007	
Zoning Board of Adjustment:	40.000		40.000	40.000			
Salaries and Wages	13,388		13,388	13,388		110	
Other Expenses	500		500	390		110	
INSURANCE:							
Liability Insurance	48,400		47,424	47,200		224	
Worker Compensation Insurance	27,000		27,976	27,976		•	
Employee Group Insurance	70,000		70,000	66,993		3,007	
Unemployment Insurance	1,200		1,200	240		960	

A-3 Sheet 2

	<u>APPROF</u>	PRIATION	<u>EXPENDED</u>		
OPERATIONS within "CAPS"	BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR <u>CHARGED</u>	RESERVED	CANCELLED
PUBLIC SAFETY FUNCTIONS:					
Office of Emergency Management					
Salaries and Wages	6,834	6,834	6,826	8	
Other Expenses	2,000	2,000	509	1,491	
Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies	60,000	60,000	60,000	1,431	
Contribution to First Aid Organizations	20,000	20,000	20,000		
Fire Department:	20,000	20,000	20,000		
Other Expenses:					
Fire Hydrant Services	200	200		200	
Municipal Prosecutor's Office:					
Other Expenses	100	100		100	
PUBLIC WORKS FUNCTIONS:					
Streets and Road Maintenance:					
Salaries and Wages	160,774	175,774	168,532	7,242	
Other Expenses	287,500	262,500	251,744	10,756	
Buildings and Grounds:	,	•	•	•	
Other Expenses	45,000	35,000	22,050	12,950	
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNCTIONS:					
Public Health Services (Board of Health):					
Other Expenses	100	100		100	
Environmental Health Services:					
Other Expenses	1,000	1,000	290	710	
Animal Control Services:					
Salaries and Wages	2,401	2,401	2,400	1	
Other Expenses	4,000	4,000	2,338	1,662	
PARK AND RECREATION FUNCTIONS:  Maintenance of Parks:					
Other Expenses:					
Community Day Events	11,000	11,000	10,010	990	
Miscellaneous Other Expenses	1,000	1,000	542	458	

A-3 Sheet 3

	<u>APPROF</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	PRIATION BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	EXPENDED PAID OR CHARGED	RESERVED	CANCELLED
UTILITY EXPENSES AND BULK PURCHASES: Electricity Street Lighting Telephone (excluding equipment acquisition) Fuel Oil Gasoline	10,000 1,000 11,000 12,000 17,500	10,000 1,000 11,000 12,000 17,500	5,892 649 4,712 9,006 16,366	4,108 351 6,288 2,994 1,134	
LANDFILL/SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL COSTS: Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	2,949 3,000	2,949 3,000	2,949 3,000		
Total Operations within "CAPS"	1,291,399	1,291,399	1,173,830	117,569	
Total Operations Including Contingent	1,291,399	1,291,399	1,173,830	117,569	
Detail: Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	388,479 902,920	403,479 887,920	382,825 791,005	20,654 96,915	
DEFERRED CHARGES AND STATUTORY EXPENDITURES within "CAPS" Statutory Expenditures: Contribution To:					
Social Security System ( O.A.S.I. ) Statutory Expenditures:	31,864	31,864	29,045	2,819	
Contribution to PERS  Total Deferred Charges and Statutory	33,938	33,938	33,938		
Expenditures within "CAPS"	65,802	65,802	62,983	2,819	
Total Appropriations within "CAPS"	1,357,201	1,357,201	1,236,813	120,388	
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"  Affordable Housing (COAH-Fair Share Housing):  Other Expenses	50,000	50,000	50,000		
<del>-</del>	50,000	50,000	50,000		

A-3 Sheet 4

	APPROF	<u>PRIATION</u> BUDGET AFTER	EXPENDED PAID OR		
	BUDGET	MODIFICATION	CHARGED	RESERVED	CANCELLED
Interlocal Municipal Service Agreements:	<u>BOBOLT</u>	MODII IO/TITOIT	OTHROLD	RECEIVED	ONIVOLLLED
Municipal Court (Lopatcong Township):	42.000	42,000	40,000	2,000	
Other Expenses	42,000	42,000	40,000		<u> </u>
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Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:					
Clean Communities Program:					
Other Expenses	10,129	10,129	10,129		
Recycling Tonnage Grant:					
Other Expenses	516	516	516		
Warren County MCCTFC Grant					
Other Expenses-County	120,000	120,000	120,000		
Other Expenses-Local Share	32,000	32,000	32,000		
Matching Share for Grants	10,500	10,500	10,154	346	
Total Public and Private Programs Offset					
by Revenues-Excluded from "CAPS"	173,145	173,145	172,799	346	
Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS":					
Capital Improvement Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000		
Total Capital Improvements Excluded from "CAPS"	50,000	50,000	50,000		
Municipal Dakt Camina Funkudad from IICABCII					
Municipal Debt Service Excluded from "CAPS":	077.040	077 040	077 040		
Payment of Notes	277,316	277,316	277,316		ф <u>гго</u>
Payment of Interest on Notes	55,000 332,316	55,000 332,316	54,450 331,766		\$ 550 550
Total Municipl Debt Service	332,310	332,310	331,700		550
Total Appropriations Excluded from "CAPS"	647,461	647,461	644,565	2,346	550
Total Appropriations Excluded Ironi CAPS	047,401	047,401	044,303	2,340	330
Subtotal General Appropriations	2,004,662	2,004,662	1,881,378	122,734	550
Reserve For Uncollected Taxes	794,643	794,643	794,643		000
Reserve For Officoncelled Taxes	754,045	704,040	754,045		
TOTALS	\$ 2,799,305	\$ 2,799,305	\$ 2,676,021	\$ 122,734	\$ 550
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Adopted Budget	A-2	\$ 2,799,305			
		\$ 2,799,305			
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Reserve for State Grants		A-20	162,645		
Reserve for Encumbrances		A-12	1,718,733		
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		A-2	794,643		
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## TRUST FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS <u>F</u>	REF.	BALANCE <u>12/31/15</u>	BALANCE 12/31/14
Dog License Fund: Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash - Treasurer Total Dog License Fund	B-2	\$ 104 \$ 104	45 45
Amount Due From Grants Fund	B-2 3-18 B-6	\$ 1,246,156 89,283 961,415	\$ 1,408,207 89,283 588,842
Total Other Trust Funds		\$ 2,296,854	\$ 2,086,332
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 2,296,958	\$ 2,086,377
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE			
Reserve for Dog Fund Expenditures	B-5 B-3 B-4	\$ 3 97 4 \$ 104	2 43 ———————————————————————————————————
Other Trust Fund:		<u>Φ 104</u>	φ 45
Reserve for Monitoring Escrow Deposits Reserve for Municipal Open Space Trust Deposits Reserve for COAH Trust Deposits Reserve for Driveway Bond Deposits Reserve for Tax Sale Premiums Reserve for Off Track Improvements Reserve for Emergency Snow Removal Reserve for Property Escrow Deposit Reserve for Playground Donations	B-7 B-8 B-9 3-10 3-11 3-12 3-13 3-14 3-15 3-16 3-17	\$ 78,809 6,650 1,698,741 235,438 1 180,900 11,000 13,261 38,022 340 33,692	\$ 83,640 6,650 1,654,088 198,187 1 81,200 11,000 13,261 37,965 340
Total Other Trust Fund		\$ 2,296,854	\$ 2,086,332
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		<u>\$ 2,296,958</u>	\$ 2,086,377

## GENERAL CAPITAL FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS	REF.	BALANCE <u>12/31/15</u>	BALANCE 12/31/14
Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash - Treasurer Grants Receivable	C-2 C-8	\$ 381,140 67,300	\$ 453,984 67,300
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation: Unfunded	C-3	5,182,887	5,460,203
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 5,631,327	\$ 5,981,487
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE			
Due Current Fund	C-4	\$ 45	T
Capital Improvement Fund	C-5	192,396	200,396
Bond Anticipation Note Payable Due Grants Fund	C-7 C-9	5,182,887 7,208	5,460,203 7,208
Encumbrances	C-10	7,200	79,445
Fund Balance	C-1	24,545	9,876
Improvement Authorizations:			
Unfunded	C-6	12,571	12,571
Funded	C-6	<u>211,675</u>	<u>211,675</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		\$ 5,631,327	\$ 5,981,487

## GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF FUND BALANCE

C-1

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	С	\$ 9,876
Increased By: Bond Anticipation Note Premium	C-4	14,669 24,545
Balance December 31, 2015	С	\$ 24,545

## STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2015

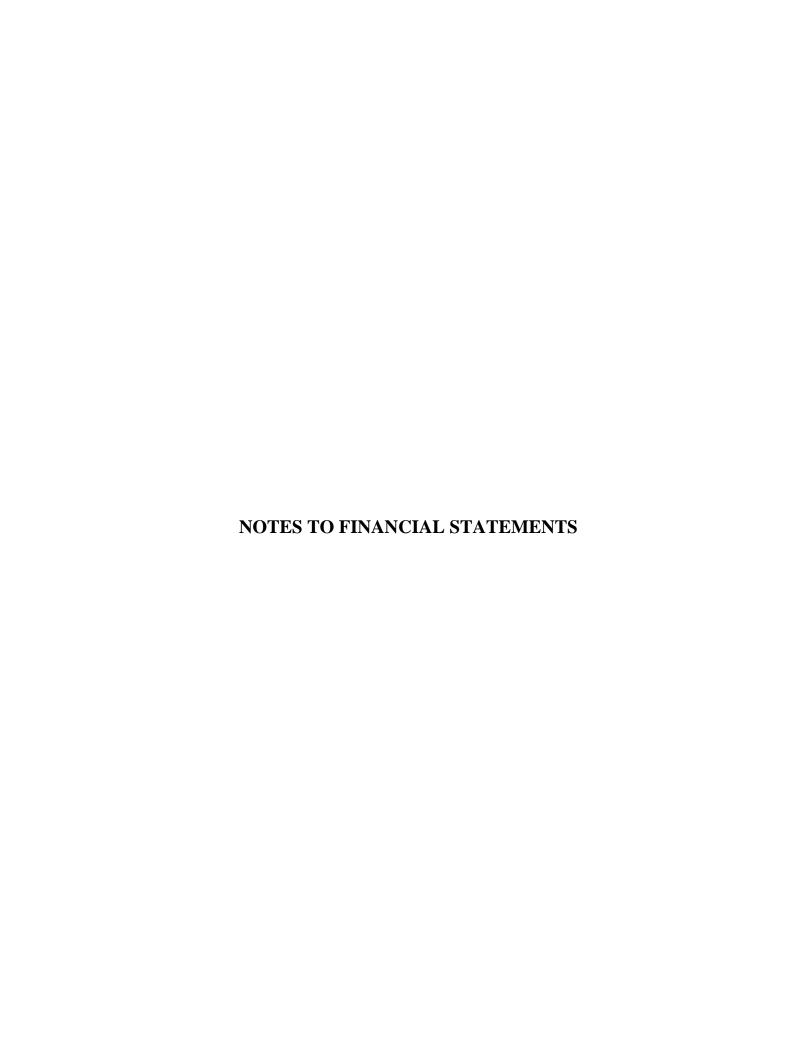
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General Fixed Assets:	BALANCE _12/31/15	BALANCE _12/31/14
Land Buildings Machinery and Equipment	\$ 7,272,450 1,100,123 1,683,343	\$ 7,272,450 1,100,123 1,683,343
Total General Fixed Assets	\$ 10,055,916	\$ 10,055,916
Investment In General Fixed Assets	\$ 10,055,916	\$ 10,055,916

## PAYROLL AGENCY FUND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS	_	BALANCE 12/31/14
Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash - Treasurer	\$ 34,992	\$ 27,168
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 34,992	\$ 27,168
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		
Payroll Deductions	\$ 34,992	\$ 27,168
Due Current Fund		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	\$ 34,992	\$ 27,168



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

#### A. Reporting Entity

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

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

## **B.** Description of Funds

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

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

#### **Current Fund**

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

#### **Trust Funds**

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

## **General Capital Fund**

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

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

## B. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

#### **Public Assistance Fund**

Receipt and disbursements of funds that provide assistance to certain residents of the Township pursuant to the provisions of Title 44 of New Jersey statutes.

## **General Fixed Assets Account Group**

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

#### C. Basis of Accounting

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

General Capital Fund Public Assistance Fund Trust Fund

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

## C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

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

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

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

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

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

#### Note 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

#### **Deposits:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures" ("GASB 40"), the municipality's accounts are profiled in order to determine exposure, if any, to Custodial Credit Risk (risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty the municipality would not be able to recover the value of its deposits or investment). Deposits are considered to be exposed to Custodial Credit Risk if they are: uncollateralized or collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the government's name. At December 31, 2015, all of the municipality's deposits were collateralized by securities held in its name and, accordingly, not exposed to custodial credit risk. The municipality does not have a policy for custodial credit risk.

As of December 31, 2015, cash and cash equivalents of the municipality consisted of the following:

	Cash and Cash <u>Equivalents</u>	<u>Total</u>
Checking	\$ 7,414,923 \$ 7,414,923	\$ 7,414,923 \$ 7,414,923

The carrying amount of the municipality's cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2015, was \$7,414,923 and the bank balance was \$7,408,739. All bank balances were covered by federal depository insurance and/or covered by a collateral pool maintained by the banks as required by New Jersey statutes. Of these bank balances, \$228,809 was covered by federal depository insurances and \$7,179,930 was covered by collateral pool.

#### **Investments**

Pursuant to the Enabling Act, the funds of the municipality may be invested in any direct obligations of, or obligations as to which the principal and interest thereof is guaranteed by, the United States of America or other obligations as the municipality may approve.

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

In order to maximize liquidity, the municipality utilizes the New Jersey Cash Management Fund ("NJCMF") and investments in direct obligations of the United States of America as its sole investments. The NJCMF is administered by the New Jersey Department of Treasury. It invests pooled monies from various State and non-State agencies in primarily short-term investments. These investments include: U.S. Treasuries, short-term Commercial Paper, U.S. Agency Bonds, Corporate Bonds, and Certificates of Deposit. Agencies that participate in the NJCMF typically earn returns that mirror short-term investment rates. Monies can be freely added or withdrawn from the NJCMF on a daily basis without penalty. At December 31, 2015, the municipality's investment balance was as follows:

Custodial Credit Risk: Pursuant to GASB 40, the NJCMF, which is a pooled investment, is exempt from custodial credit risk disclosure. The municipality does not have a policy for custodial credit risk.

Credit Risk: The municipality does not have an investment policy regarding the management of credit risk. GASB 40 requires that disclosure be made as to the credit rating of all debt security investments except for obligations of the U.S. government or investments guaranteed by the U.S. government. The NJCMF is not rated by a rating agency.

Interest Rate Risk: The municipality does not have a policy to limit interest rate risk. The average maturity of the municipality's investments is less than one year.

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

	Degining				Liming
	Balance	Issued		Paid	Balance
Long Term Debt:					_
Bond Anticipation Notes	\$ 5,460,203		\$	277,316	\$ 5,182,887
Compensated absences payable	None				None
Total Long-Term Debt	\$ 5,460,203		- \$	277,316	\$ 5,182,887

Ending

Reginning

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

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

The Township debt is summarized as follows:

## **Summary of Municipal Debt**

and Authorized But Not Issued	\$ 5,182,887	\$ 5,406,203	\$ 5,737,519
Net Bonds and Notes Issued			
Total Authorized But Not Issued	 		
<b><u>Authorized But Not Issued</u></b>			
Net Debt Issued	\$ 5,182,887	\$ 5,406,203	\$ 5,737,519
Summer, or remerper 2000	YEAR 2015	YEAR <u>2014</u>	YEAR 2013

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

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a statutory net debt of 0.995%.

	Gross Debt	<u>Deductions</u>	Net Debt
Local School District Debt	None	None	
General Debt	5,182,887	<u>-</u>	\$ 5,182,887
	\$ 5,182,887	\$ -	\$ 5,182,887

Net Debt \$5,182,887 Divided by Equalized Valuation Basis per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-2 as amended, \$520,907,328 equals 0.995%

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

3 1/2% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$ 18,231,756
Net Debt	5,182,887
Remaining Borrowing Power	\$ 13,048,869

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

#### **Bond Anticipation Notes - (Continued)**

The Township has outstanding at December 31, 2015, a bond anticipation note in the amount of \$5,460,203 payable to TD Securities (USA) LLC. This note matures on April 28, 2016. The interest rate on the note was 1.0%. Principal and interest on this note is paid from the current fund budget of the Township.

**Outstanding** 

Total General Capital Loans Above

\$ 5,182,887

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

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

	Balance		Adjustments/	Balance
	<u>1/1/15</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>12/31/15</u>
Land	\$ 7,272,450	-	-	\$ 7,272,450
Buildings	1,100,123	-	_	1,100,123
Equipment	1,683,343	\$ -	<u> </u>	1,683,343
	\$10,055,916	\$ -		\$10,055,916

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

Fund Balances at December 31, 2015, which were appropriated and included as anticipated revenue in their own respective funds for the year ending December 31, 2015, were as follows:

Current Fund (Introduced) - \$779,000

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

Certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding years. At December 31, 2015, the Township had no deferred charges which are required to be included in subsequent budgets.

#### **Note 7: SCHOOL TAXES**

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

	TOTAL	LOCAL DISTRICT				
	DEFERRED SCHOOL			L TAX		
	TAX	В	ALANCE	В	ALANCE	
	12/31/15		12/31/15		12/31/14	
Balance of Tax		\$	2,911,803	\$	2,854,359	
Deferred			185,000		185,000	
Tax Payable		\$	3,096,803	\$	3,039,359	
Tax Deferred	\$ 185,000					

#### **Note 8: PENSION PLANS**

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

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

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

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

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

#### Tier Definition

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

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

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

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

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

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

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2015, the municipality disclosed a liability of \$770,771 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2013, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2014. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2013 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2013. The municipality's proportion of the net pension liability is based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013. At June 30, 2014, the municipality's proportion was 0.00412% which was an increase of 0.00003% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the municipality's portion of the plan's pension expense was \$40,474. At June 30, 2015, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for PERS relating to the municipality's proportionate share are from the following sources:

		<u>Deferred</u>	-	<u>Deferred</u>
		esources	·	aflows of tesources
Differences between expected and actual experience	<u>IX</u>	-	<u>1N</u>	-
Changes of assumptions	\$	24,237		
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments			\$	45,934
Changes in proportion and differences between municipality contributions and proportionate share of contributions		4,606		
municipality contributions subsequent to the measurement date		33,938		
Total	\$	62,781	\$	45,934

\$33,938 disclosed as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from municipality contributions subsequent to the measurement date (i.e. Contributions for calendar year 2015 were made after the the plan measurement date of June 30, 2014) will be shown as a reduction of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2015. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense of the plan as follows:

	Year Ended June 30:
2015	(\$5,536)
2016	(\$5,536)
2017	(\$5,536)
2018	(\$5,536)
2019	\$3,510
Thereafter	\$1,544
Total	<u>(\$17,091)</u>

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

<u>6/30/2013</u>	<u>6/30/2014</u>
Collective deferred outflows of resources -	\$952,194,675
Collective deferred inflows of resources -	1,479,224,662
Collective net pension liability (Non State - Local Group) \$19,111,986,911	\$18,722,735,003
municipality's proportionate share of net pension liability \$781,343	\$770,771
municipality's proportion % 0.00408824%	0.00411676%

*Actuarial assumptions*. The total pension liability in the July 1, 2013 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation: 3.01%

Salary Increases:

2012-2021 2.15%-4.40% based on age Therafter 3.15%-5.40% based on age

Investment Rate of Return: 7.90%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables (setback 1 year for females) with adjustments for mortality improvements from the base year of 2012 Based on Projection Scale AA.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2013 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2014 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term Expected Real
Asset Class	<b>Target Allocation</b>	Rate of Return
Cash	6.00%	0.80%
Core Bonds	1.00%	2.49%
Intermediate-Term Bonds	11.20%	2.26%
Mortgages	2.50%	2.17%
High Yield Bonds	5.50%	4.82%
Inflation-Indexed Bonds	2.50%	3.51%
Broad US Equities	25.90%	8.22%
Developed Foreign Equities	12.70%	8.12%
Emerging Market Equities	6.50%	9.91%
Private Equity	8.25%	13.02%
Return	12.25%	4.92%
Real Estate (Property)	3.20%	5.80%
Commodities	2.50%	5.35%

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

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.39% and 5.55% as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.9%, and a municipal bond rate of 4.29% and 4.63% as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively, based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the average of the last five years of contributions made in relation to the last five years of recommended contributions.

Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2033. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2033, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the municipality's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the municipality's proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2014, calculated using the discount rate of 5.39%, as well as what the municipality's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (4.39%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.39%) than the current rate:

		<u>Current</u>			
	<u>1%</u>	1% Decrease Discount Rate 1%			Increase
		(4.39%)	<u>(5.39%)</u>	(	6.39%)
Municipality's proportionate share of the net					
pension liability	\$	969,656	\$770,771	\$	603,758

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

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

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

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

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

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

New members of the PERS hired on or after June 28, 2011 (Tier 5 members) will need 30 years of creditable service and age 65 for receipt of the early retirement benefit without a reduction of ¼ of 1% for each month that the member is under age 65. The eligibility age to qualify for a service retirement in the PERS is increased from age 63 to 65 for Tier 5 members. The annual benefit under special retirement for new PFRS members enrolled after June 28, 2011 (Tier 3 members), will be 60% instead of 65% of the member's final compensation plus 1% for each year of creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Increases in active member contribution rates. PERS active member rates increase from 5.5% of annual compensation to 6.5% plus an additional 1% phased-in over 7 years; PFRS active member rate increase from 8.5% to 10%. For fiscal year 2012, the member contribution rates increased in October 2011. The phase-in of the additional incremental member contribution rates for PES members will take place in July of each subsequent fiscal year.

The payment of automatic cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) additional increases to current and future retirees and beneficiaries is suspended until reactivated as permitted by this law. New employee contribution requirements towards the cost of employer-provided health benefit coverage. Employees are required to contribute a certain percentage of the cost of coverage. The rate of contribution is determined based on the employee's annual salary and the selected level of coverage. The increased employee contributions will be phased in over a 4-year period for those employed prior to Chapter 78'sceffective date with a minimum contribution required to becat least 1.5% of salary. In addition, this new legislation changes the method for amortizing the pension systems' unfunded accrued liability (from a level percent of pay method to a level dollar of pay).

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

	Annual	Percentage
Year	Pension	of APC
<u>Funding</u>	Cost (APC)	Contributed
2015	\$33,938	100%
2014	\$33,862	100%
2013	\$39,522	100%

#### **Note 9: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

P.L. 1987, c. 384 and P.L. 1990, c.6 required Teachers' Pensions and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), respectively, to fund post-retirement medical benefits for those state employees who retire after accumulating 25 years of credited service or on a disability retirement. P.L. 2007, c.103 amended the law to eliminate the funding of post-retirement medical benefits through the TPAF and PERS. It created separate funds outside of the pension plans for the funding and payment of post-retirement medical benefits for retired state employees and retired educational employees. As of June 30, 2014, there were 100,134 retirees receiving post-retirement medical benefits, and the State contributed \$1.07 billion on their behalf. The cost of these benefits is funded through contributions by the State in accordance with P.L. 1994, c.62. Funding of post-retirement medical benefits changed from a pre-funding basis to a pay-as-you-go basis beginning in Fiscal Year 1994.

The State is also responsible for the cost attributable to P.L. 1992, c.126, which provides employer paid health benefits to members of PERS and the Alternate Benefit Program who retired from a board of education or county college with 25 years of service. The State paid \$173.8 million toward Chapter 126 benefits for 17,356 eligible retired members in Fiscal Year 2014.

GASB Statement #45 requires certain disclosures relating to governmental entities obligations for other post-employment benefits (OPEB), which are post-employment benefits other than pensions. The Municipality does not provide post-employment benefits other than pension. Healthcare provided to eligible PERS retirees through the NJ State Health Benefits Program are paid by the the State of New Jersey and as such, no municipal OPEB liability exists.

#### **Note 10: LEASES**

The Township has not entered into any long-term lease agreements except for equipment which can be capitalized as installment purchases of fixed assets in accordance with Technical Accounting Directive No. 85-2.

#### **Note 11: ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION BENEFITS**

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

The Township permits full-time employees to annually accrue unused vacation and sick pay, which can be taken as time off at a later date. No payment provision is included in this policy.

In accordance with New Jersey principles, the amount is not reported as an expenditure or liability in the financial statements.

#### **Note 12: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

#### **GRANT PROGRAMS**

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

#### LITIGATION

There are pending lawsuits in which the Township is involved. The pending claim is a tax appeal involving the largest taxpayer in the township including claims for past and future tax assessments. The township estimates that the potential claims against the township not covered by insurance resulting from such litigation will be settled in 2016 and that such settlement would not materially affect the financial statements of the township.

#### **Note 13: OTHER REQUIRED DISCLOSURES**

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances. All interfund receivable and payable balances outstanding at the beginning of the fiscal period were fully liquidated during the fiscal period, with the following exceptions outstanding at December 31, 2015:

<u>FUND</u>	DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS	DUE TO OTHER FUNDS
Current Fund	\$ 45	\$ 1,097,405
Federal/State Grants Fund	143,198	89,283
Other Trust Funds	1,050,698	
General Capital Fund		7,253
	\$ 1,193,941	\$ 1,193,941

#### **Note 14: RISK FINANCING**

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

#### **Note 15: OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

Plan Description. The Harmony Township contributes to the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. SHBP was established in 1961 under N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq., to provide health benefits to State employees, retirees, and their dependents. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. SHBP provides medical, prescription drugs, mental health/substance abuse, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents.

The SHBP was extended to employees, retirees, and dependents of participating local public employers in 1964. Local employers must adopt a resolution to participate in the SHBP. In 1991, Harmony Township authorized participation in the SHPB's post-retirement benefit program through resolution.

The State Health Benefits Commission is the executive body established by statute to be responsible for the operation of the SHBP. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the SHBP. That report may be obtained by writing to: State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, NJ 08625-0295 or by visiting their website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/gasb-43-sept2015.pdf

Funding Policy: Participating employers are contractually required to contribute based on the amount of premiums attributable to their retirees. Post-retirement medical benefits under the plan have been funded on a pay-as-you-go basis since 1994. Prior to 1994, medical benefits were funded on an actuarial basis.

Contributions to pay for the health premiums of participating retirees in the SHBP are billed to the Harmony Township on a monthly basis.

# PART I I SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**CURRENT FUND SCHEDULES** 

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

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2014	Α		\$ 5,732,398
Increased by Receipts:			
Collector	A-5	\$ 11,288,586	
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	A-2	30,633	
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-10	464,926	
Receipts Due POAA	A-13	26,744	
Amount Due State of New Jersey for			
Senior Citizens/Veterans Deductions	A-16	32,500	
Interfunds Returned/Refunds	A-1	148,153	
Other Trust Receipts Received in Current Fund	В	133,392	
State Grant Funds	A-21:22	94,724	12,219,658
			17,952,056
Decreased by Disbursements:			
2014 Appropriation Reserves	A-11	110,208	
Reserve for Encumbrances	A-12	1,745,758	
Tax Overpaid	A-15	8,367	
County Taxes	A-17	3,968,234	
Local District School Tax	A-18	6,136,161	
State Grant Funds	A-20	78,332	12,047,060
Balance December 31, 2015	Α		\$ 5,904,996

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

	REF.		
Received:			
Interest and Costs on Taxes	A-2	\$ 48,661	
Taxes Receivable	A-6	10,933,784	
Tax Title Liens	A-7	469	
2015 Prepaid Taxes	A-14	46,903	
Tax Overpayments	A-15	258,769	\$ 11,288,586
Decreased by Disbursements:			
Payments to Treasurer	A-4		\$ 11,288,586

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF TAX LEVY

													,	A-6
							TR	ANSFERRED						
	BALANCE	2015				LECTIONS		TO TAX	(	OVERPAID				ANCE
<u>YEAR</u>	12/31/14	<u>LEVY</u>	<u>/</u>	<u>ADDED</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	]	TITLE LIENS		<u>APPLIED</u>	<u>CA</u>	NCELLED	12	<u>/31/15</u>
2001	\$ 92												\$	92
2002	107												•	107
2004	25													25
2011	1,431		\$	479										1,910
2013	2,108					\$ 1,000	)				\$	24		1,084
2014	283,009			6,037		280,598	\$	5,466						2,982
	286,772			6,516		281,598		5,466				24		6,200
2015		\$ 11,698,373			\$ 284,951	10,684,686	;	41,452	\$	258,809	\$	(11,471)	43	39,946
TOTALS	\$ 286,772	\$ 11,698,373	\$	6,516	\$ 284,951	\$ 10,966,284	\$	46,918	\$	258,809	\$	(11,447)	\$ 44	46,146
REF.	Α				A-14			A-7		A-15				Α
		REF.												
State of New JerseySenior Citize	ens													
and Veterans Deductions		A-2				\$ 32,500								
Received by Collector		A-5				10,933,784	-							
						<u>\$ 10,966,284</u>	=							
ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX	LEVY:													
Tax Yield:														
General Purpose Tax						\$ 11,457,332								
Levy Special District Taxes						239,142								
Added/OmittedTaxes (54:4-63	.1 et.seq.)					1,899	<u>\$</u>	11,698,373						
Tax Levy:														
Local District School Tax		A-18				\$ 6,193,605	;							
Municipal Open Space		A-19				239,181								
County Taxes:														
County Tax (Abstract)					\$ 3,498,207									
County Library Tax (Abstract	t)				273,191									
County Open Space Tax					196,188									
Due County for Added and C	mitted													
Taxes (54.4-63.1,et.seq.)		A-17			 648	3,968,234								
Local Tax for Municipal		A-2				1,294,429								
Add: Additional Tax Levied						2,924	<u>\$</u>	11,698,373						

#### CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS

A-7

REF. Balance December 31, 2014 Α \$ 207,752 Increased by: Interest and Costs \$ 3,260 Transfers from Taxes Receivable A-6 46,918 50,178 257,930 Decreased by: Paid A-5 469 Balance December 31, 2015 \$ 257,461 Α

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF PENALTIES ON DELINQUENT TAXES

A-8

 Balance December 31, 2014
 A \$7,402

 Decreased by:
 Collection of Penalties on 2014 Taxes
 A-2 \$7,402

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

A-9

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	А	\$403,080
Balance December 31, 2015	А	\$403,080

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# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Clerk:	REF.		LANCE 2/31/14		CRUED N 2015	DLLECTED BY EASURER	.ANCE /31/15
Licenses: Alcoholic Beverages	A-2			\$	2,059	\$ 2,059	
Other Licenses Fees and Permits	A-2 A-2				1,515 14,285	1,515 14,285	
Fines and Costs-Municipal Court Interest on Investments and Deposits	A-2 A-2	\$	1,043		8,993 8,944	9,867 8,944	\$ 169
State Aid	A-2			4	428,256	428,256	
Totals		<u>\$</u>	1,043	\$ 4	464,052	\$ 464,926	\$ 169
			Α			A-2:4	Α

# <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES - 2014</u>

	BALANCE <u>12/31/14</u>	BALANCE AFTER TRANSFERS	PAID OR <u>CHARGED</u>	BALANCE <u>LAPSED</u>
General Administration:				
Other Expenses:	\$ 4,116	\$ 4,116	\$ 1,338	\$ 2.778
Miscellaneous Other Expenses Tax Collection:	Ф 4,110	<b>ф</b> 4,110	Ф 1,336	\$ 2,778
Other Expenses	576	576	8	568
Legal Services (Legal Dept.):	0.0	0.0	· ·	000
Other Expenses	431	14,431	13,925	506
Engineering Services:		,	,	
Other Expenses	64,667	42,654	127	42,527
Historical Sites:				
Other Expenses	1,161	1,161	625	536
Planning Board:				
Other Expenses	13,703	13,703	3,542	10,161
Aid to Volunteer Fire Co.:		= 4 0 4 0	<b>5</b> 4.040	
Other Expenses	-	54,013	54,013	-
Contrib. to First Aid Org.:	00.000	00.000	00 000	
Other Expenses	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Streets and Road Maintenance:	78,955	20.055	11 600	17,346
Other Expenses Buildings and Grounds:	70,900	28,955	11,609	17,340
Other Expenses		4,000	2,163	1,837
Animal Control:	-	4,000	2,103	1,037
Other Expenses	2,052	2,052	_	2,052
Electricity	2,793		1,617	1,176
Telephone	8,272		254	8,018
Fuel Oil	1,423		987	436
Gasoline	190		-	190
Other Accounts - No Change	39,455	39,455		39,455
TOTALS	\$ 237,794	\$ 237,794	\$ 110,208	\$ 127,586
REF.	Α		A-4	A-1

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES

	REF.			
Balance December 31, 2014	Α		\$	16,326
Increased by: Transfer from Current Year Appropriations Additional/Canceled Encumbrance Appropriations	A-3	\$ 1,718,733 	_	1,729,432 1,745,758
Decreased by: Encumbrances Paid	A-4	<u>1,745,758</u>	<u>\$</u>	1,745,758
Balance December 31, 2015	Α			

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	Α	<u>\$ 34</u>
Increased by: Receipts COAH	A-4	26,744
Balance December 31, 2015	Α	\$ 26,778
	<u>Detail:</u> COAH - Congdon POAA - Court Other	\$ 26,744 8 <u>26</u> \$ 26,778

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAXES COLLECTED IN ADVANCE

A-14

331,854

 REF.

 Balance December 31, 2014
 A \$ 284,951

 Increased by:
 2016 Taxes Collected in Advance
 A-5 46,903

Decreased by:

Applied to 2015 Taxes Receivable A-6 <u>284,951</u>

Balance December 31, 2015 A \$ 46,903

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	Α	\$ 35,057
Increased by: 2015 Tax Overpayments	A-5	<u>258,769</u> 293,826
Decreased by: Refunded Applied to Outstanding Taxes	A-4 \$ A-6 <u>2</u> 5	8,367 58,809 <u>267,176</u>
Balance December 31, 2015	А	\$ 26,650

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

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2014	Α		\$ 6,521
Increased by: Received In Cash From State	A-4		32,500 39,021
Decreased by: Senior Citizens Deductions per Tax Billings Veterans Deductions per Tax Billings		\$ 6,500 26,000	32,500
Balance December 31, 2015	Α		\$6,521
ANALYSIS OF BALANCE			
Amount Due to State of New Jersey Pre 1/1/78 Amount Due to State of New Jersey Post 1/1/78		\$ 7,072 (551)	\$6,521

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TAXES PAYABLE

A-17

REF.

Increased by:

2015 Levy:

 County Taxes
 A-1:6
 \$ 3,498,207

 County Library Taxes
 A-1:6
 273,191

 County Open Space Tax
 A-1:6
 196,188

Prior Year Added and Omitted Taxes A-1:6 <u>648</u> \$3,968,234

3,968,234

Decreased by:

Payments A-4 \$3,968,234

# <u>CURRENT FUND</u> <u>SCHEDULE OF LOCAL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX PAYABLE</u>

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2014: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	Α	\$ 2,854,359 185,000	\$ 3,039,359
Increased by: Levy - School Year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016	A-6		6,193,605 9,232,964
Decreased by: Payments	A-4		6,136,161
Balance December 31, 2015: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	Α	2,911,803 185,000	\$ 3,096,803
2015 Liability for Local District School Tax: Tax Paid Tax Payable 12/31/15			\$ 6,136,161 <u>3,096,803</u> 9,232,964
Less Tax Payable 12/31/14			3,039,359
Amount Charged to 2015 Operations	A-1		\$ 6,193,605

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

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	Α	\$ 484,210
Increased by: Levy 2015 Added Levy 2015	A-6 A-6	\$ 239,142 <u>39</u> 239,181 723,391
Balance December 31, 2014	А	\$ 723,391

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR STATE GRANTS

	TRANSFER FROM BALANCE 2015 BUDGET 12/31/14 APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDED					<u>PENDED</u>	BALANCE 0 <u>12/31/15</u>			
Clean Communities Grant CY 2015 CY 2014	\$	6,804	\$	10,129	\$	6,605	\$	10,129 199		
State Police Exercise Pass Thru		201						201		
Stormwater Grant FY 06		5,000						5,000		
Stormwater Grant FY 05		346						346		
Stormwater Grant FY 07		4,672						4,672		
PCAF Clean Environment Grant		99						99		
ANJEC Smart Growth Grant		4,000						4,000		
State of NJ EMA		5,000						5,000		
Hoff-Vannetta Farm - Phase II		975						975		
Highlands - Plan Conformance		53,170						53,170		
Highlands - Initial Assessment		14,000						14,000		
Recycling Tonnage Grant		4,340		516		399		4,457		
Warren County MCCTFC - Hoff-Vanetta Warren County MCCTFC - Local Share				120,000 32,000		71,328		48,672 32,000		
Totals	\$	98,607	\$	162,645	\$	78,332	\$	182,920		
REF.		Α	A	-3		A-4		Α		

# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF STATE GRANTS RECEIVABLE

<u>PURPOSE</u>	ALANCE 12/31/14	<u>RE(</u>	CEIVABLE	RE	ECEIVED		LANCE 2/31/15
Clean Communities		\$	10,129	\$	10,129		
Stormwater Grant FY 07	\$ 5,000					\$	5,000
State of NJ EMA	5,000						5,000
Harmony Township Athletic Association	4,000						4,000
Highlands - Plan Conformance	56,200						56,200
Highlands - Initial Assessment	14,000						14,000
Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Grant	47,000						47,000
Warren County MCCTFC - Hoff-Vanetta	 		120,000		82,420		37,580
	\$ 131,200	\$	130,129	\$	92,549	<u>\$ 1</u>	68,780
	Α		A-2		A-4		Α

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

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	BALANCE _12/31/14	TRANSFER TO 015 BUDGET PROPRIATIONS	<u> </u>	RECEIVED	<u>C</u>	ANCELED	ALANCE 2/31/15
Recycling Tonnage Grant	\$ 517	\$ 516			\$	1	-
Clean Communities			\$	2,175			\$ 2,175
Smart Growth Grant	37,600						37,600
Totals	\$ 38,117	\$ 516	\$	2,175	\$	1	\$ 39,775

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# CURRENT FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR FEMA ACQUISITION REIMBURSEMENTS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	Α	\$ 58,510
Balance December 31, 2015	Α	\$ 58,510

**TRUST FUND SCHEDULES** 

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	REF.	DOG <u>LICENSES</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
Balance December 31, 2014	В	45	\$ 1,408,207
Increased by Receipts:			
Dog License Fees	B-3	\$ 1,918	
State Dog License Fees	B-4	282	
Amount Due Current Fund	B-5:6	1	-
Escrow Trust Deposits	B-7		18,988
Municipal Open Space Trust Deposits	B-9		1,524
COAH Deposits-Interest	B-10		50,242
Property Escrows	B-15		57
Total Receipts		2,201	70,811
		2,246	1,479,018
Decreased by Disbursements:			
Expenditures Under R. S. 4:19-15.11	B-3	1,864	
State Dog License Fees	B-4	278	
Due Current Fund	B-6		-
Escrow Trust Deposits Refunded	B-7		23,819
Municipal Open Space Trust Disbursements	B-9		196,052
COAH Disbursements	B-10		12,991
Total Disbursements		2,142	232,862
Balance December 31, 2015	В	<b>\$ 104</b>	<u>\$ 1,246,156</u>

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

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 43
Increased by: Dog License Fees Collected	B-2	<u>\$ 1,918</u> 1,961
<b>Decreased by:</b> Expenditures Under R.S. 4:29-15.11	B-2	1,864
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 97

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

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#### DOG LICENSE FUND SCHEDULE OF DUE TO CURRENT FUND

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 Balance December 31, 2014
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### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE FROM CURRENT FUND

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2014	В		\$ 588,842
Increased by: Tax Sale Premiums Received in Current Fund	B-12	\$ 132.300	
Third Party Tax Lien Redemptions Received in Current Fund	B-12 B-17	64.934	
2015 Municipal Open Space Tax Levy, Including Added Taxes	B-9	239,181	436,415
			1,025,257
Decreased by:			
Tax Sale Premiums Paid from Current Fund	B-12	32,600	
Third Party Tax Lien Redemptions Paid from Current Fund	B-17	31,242	63,842
Balance December 31, 2015	В		\$ 961,415
Detail:			
Municipal Open Space Levy - 2015			\$ 239,181
Municipal Open Space Levy - 2014			552
Municipal Open Space Levy - 2013			241,595
Municipal Open Space Levy - 2012			242,063
Hoff-Vanetta Elevation			13,032
Off-Track Improvements			11,000
Third Party Tax Lien Redemptions			33,692
Tax Sale Premiums			180,300
			<u>\$ 961,415</u>

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ESCROW TRUST FUND DEPOSITS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 83,640
Increased by: Escrow Deposits	B-2	<u>18,988</u> 102,628
Decreased by: Escrow Deposits Refunded	B-2	23,819
Balance December 31, 2015	В	<u>\$ 78,809</u>

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR MONITORING ESCROW DEPOSITS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$6,650
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 6,650

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

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2014	В		\$ 1,654,088
Increased by:			
Municipal Open Space Tax Levy	B-6	\$ 239,181	
Interest Earned	B-2	1,524	240,705
			1,894,793
Decreased by:			
Municipal Open Space Property Acquisitions	B-2	172,068	
Municipal Open Space Operating Expenditures	B-2	23,984	196,052
Balance December 31, 2015	В		\$ 1,698,741

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR COAH DEPOSITS TRUST DEPOSITS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 198,187
Increased by: COAH Deposits - Interest	B-2	<u>50,242</u> 248,429
Decreased by: COAH Disbursements	B-2	12,991
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 235,438

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

B-11

REF.

Balance December 31, 2014

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Balance December 31, 2015

B \$ 1

## $\frac{\text{TRUST FUND}}{\text{SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR TAX SALE PREMIUM}} \\ \frac{\text{TRUST DEPOSITS}}{\text{TRUST DEPOSITS}}$

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 81,200
Increased by: Premiums Received	B-6	132,300 213,500
Decreased by: Premiums Refunded	B-6	32,600
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 180,900

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

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 11,000
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 11,000

## TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR EMERGENCY SNOW REMOVAL TRUST DEPOSITS

B-1	4
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	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 13,261
Balance December 31, 2015	В	<u>\$ 13,261</u>

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR PROPERTY ESCROW DEPOSITS

	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 37,965
Increased by: Interest Earned	B-2	<u>57</u> 38,022
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 38,022

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR PLAYGROUND DONATIONS

		B-16
	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	<u>\$ 340</u>
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 340

## TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR THIRD PARY TAX LIENS TRUST DEPOSITS

	REF.	
Increased by: Liens Received	B-6	\$ 64,934 64,934
Decreased by: Liens Redeemed	B-6	31,242
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 33,692

### TRUST FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE GRANTS FUND

		B-18
	REF.	
Balance December 31, 2014	В	\$ 89,283
Balance December 31, 2015	В	\$ 89,283

**GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULES** 

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2014	С		\$ 453,984
Increased by:			
Interfund Returned	C-4	\$ 64,040	
Interest Due Current Fund	C-4	<u>561</u>	 64,601
Decreased by:			518,585
Liquidation of Prior Year Purchase Orders	C-10	79,445	
Improvement Authorizations	C-6	58,000	 137,445
Balance December 31, 2015	С		\$ 381,140

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

			DE	CREASED			ANALYSIS ( BONDS/NOTES	OF B	ALANCE BOND
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION		BALANCE <u>12/31/14</u>	F	PAID BY BUDGET		BALANCE 12/31/15	AUTHORIZED NOT ISSUED	AN	TICIPATION NOTES
General Improvements: Acquisition of Property - COAH		\$ 86,875	\$	35,625	\$	51,250		\$	51,250
Acquisition of Property - COAH (McKinney)		19,330		13,110		6,220			6,220
Acquisition of Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck and Access)		162,868		54,291		108,577			108,577
Acquisition of Property - Dowel		5,191,130		174,290		5,016,840			5,016,840
		\$ 5,460,203	\$	277,316	<u>\$</u>	5,182,887		\$	5,182,887
	REF.	С		C-7		С			C-7

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE CURRENT FUND

	REF.		
Balance December 31, 2014	С		\$ 113
Increased by: Interfund Returned from Current fund Interest Credits	C-2 C-2	\$ 64,040 561	 64,601 64,714
Decreased by: 2015 Budget Appropriation - Capital Improvement Fund Bond Anticipation Note Premium Received in Current Fund	C-5 C-1	50,000 14,669	64,669
Balance December 31, 2015	С		\$ 45

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

C-5

\$ 192,396

С

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 Balance December 31, 2014
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 \$ 200,396

 Increased by:
 2015 Budget Appropriation
 C-4
 50,000 / 250,396

 Decreased by:
 Improvement Authorizations Funded
 C-6
 58,000

Balance December 31, 2015

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

		ORDINAN	ICE		LANCE 2/31/14		CAPITAL	PAI	O OR		BALA 12/3		
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	DATE	AMOUNT	FUNDED	UNFUND	<u>ED</u>	IMP. FUND	CHA	RGED	<u>F</u>	UNDED	UNF	UNDED
Acquisition of Farmland for Preservation B/L 33/17	06-19	12/5/06	\$ 104,000	\$ 68,050						\$	68,050		
Acquisition of Fire Apparatus (Fire Truck and Access)	06-17	9/5/06	570,953		\$ 12,	571						\$	12,571
Pavement Roller and Trailer - DPW	07-06	4/3/07	57,000	500							500		
Goat Farm Road Reconstruction	07-07	5/1/07	45,000	12,900							12,900		
Playground Equipment	09-04	4/7/09	12,405	95							95		
Township Paving Projects	09-14	11/5/09	50,000	28,926							28,926		
Playground Equipment	09-15	12/1/09	7,500	11							11		
Recreation Site Upgrades	10-04	7/6/10	15,000	3,450							3,450		
Harmony Station Road Construction Project	10-05	9/7/10	220,000	14,045							14,045		
Goat Farm Road Construction Costs	11-7	9/6/11	10,000	28							28		
Garrison Road Culvert Upgrade	12-3	4/3/12	6,000	789							789		
Fire Dept Turnout Gear, Munic Bldg Entrance Renovation, DPW Road Sweeper and Debris Blower, and Garrison Road Resurfacing	12-4	9/4/12	145,000	78,281							78,281		
New Server	14-5	9/2/14	4,600	4,600							4,600		
Township Paving	15-3	11/23/15	58,000			\$	58,000	\$	58,000				
				\$ 211,675	\$ 12	571 \$	58,000	\$	58,000	\$	211,675	\$	12,571
REF	·.			С	С		C-5	С	;-2		С		С

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES

	ORIGINAL	DATE	DATE OF	INTEREST	ВА	LANCE			BA	LANCE
<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>	OF ISSUE	MATURITY	<u>RATE</u>	<u> 12</u>	<u>2/31/14</u>	<u>DE</u>	<u>CREASED</u>	<u>1</u> 2	<u>2/31/15</u>
Acquisition of Property - COAH	12/09/05	4/27/15	4/26/16	1.25%	\$	86,875	\$	35,625	\$	51,250
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Acquisition of Property - McKinney COAH	9/20/06	4/27/15	4/26/16	1.25%		19,330		13,110		6,220
Acquisition of New Fire Truck & Access.	9/20/06	4/27/15	4/26/16	1.25%		162,868		54,291		108,577
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Acquisition of Property - Dowel	5/06/10	4/27/15	4/26/16	1.25%	5.	191,130		174,290	5	,016,840
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					<b>\$</b> 5,	460,203	\$	277,316	\$ 5	,182,887
REF.						С		C-3		С

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF GRANTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Balance December 31, 2014	REF. C	<u>\$ 67,300</u>
Balance December 31, 2015	С	\$ 67,300
DETAIL: Warren County Open Space State Agricultural Development Committee		\$ 15,300 52,000 \$ 67,300

### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF AMOUNT DUE GRANTS FUND

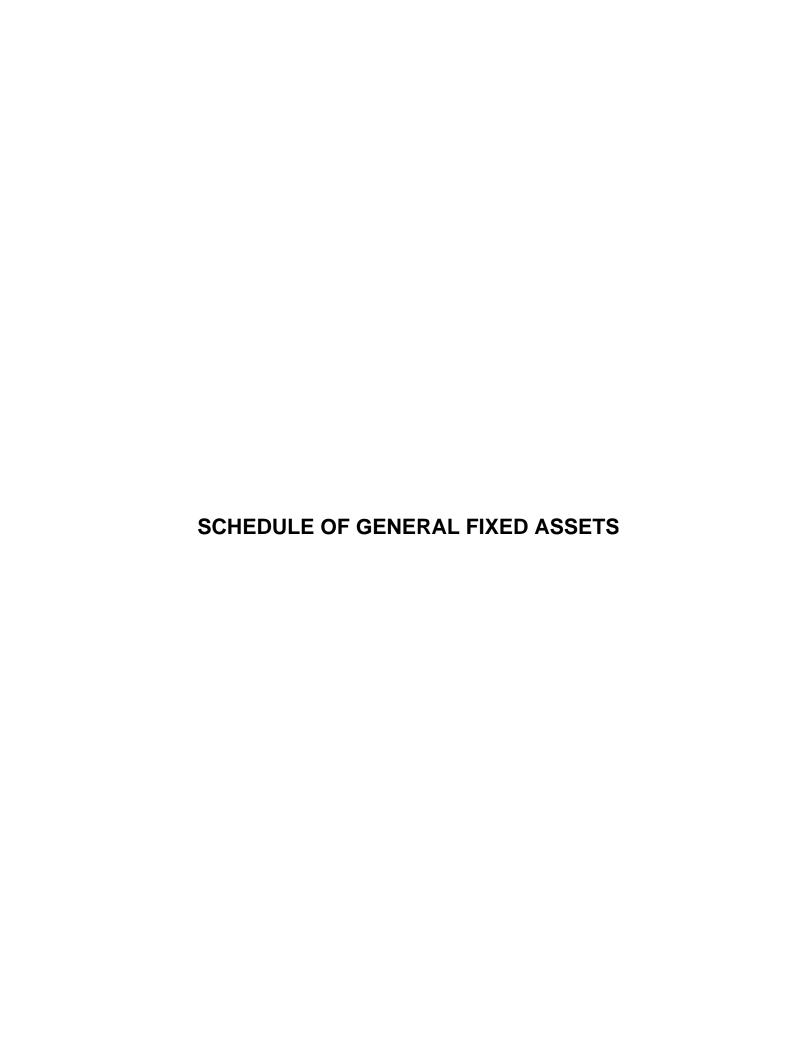
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 Balance December 31, 2014
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 \$ 7,208

 Balance December 31, 2015
 C
 \$ 7,208

#### GENERAL CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF OPEN ENCUMBRANCES

Balance December 31, 2014	REF. C	<u>\$ 79,445</u>
Decreased by: Liquidation of Purchase Orders	C-2	\$ 79,445



# GENERAL FIXED ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2015 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

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	BALANCE _12/31/14	ADDITIONS DELETIONS	BALANCE 12/31/15
General Fixed Assets:			
Land	\$ 7,272,450		\$ 7,272,450
Buildings	1,100,123		1,100,123
Machinery and Equipment	1,683,343	<u> </u>	1,683,343
Total General Fixed Assets	\$ 10,055,916		\$ 10,055,916
Investment In General Fixed Assets	\$ 10,055,916	-	\$ 10,055,916

### PART I I I SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### **General Comments**

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

Schedule of Federal/State Awads
Status of Prior Audit Findings
Schedule of Findings and Responses

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

#### **Scope of Audit**

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

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

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

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

- When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the purchasing agent in the aggregate, does not exceed in the contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by resolution of the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except that the governing body may adopt a resolution to set a lower threshold for the receipt of public bids or the solicitation of competitive quotations. If the purchasing agent is qualified pursuant to subsection b. (pending before the Legislature as section 15 of this bill) of section 9 of P.L.1971,c.198(C.40A:11-9) the governing body may establish that the bid threshold may be up to \$25,000. Such authorization may be granted for each contract or by a general delegation of the power to negotiate and award such contracts pursuant to this section.
- **b.** Any contract made pursuant to this section may be awarded for a period of 24 consecutive months, except that contracts for professional services pursuant to paragraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of Section 5 of P.L.1971, C.198(C.40A:11-5) may be awarded for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months. The Division of Local Government Services shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the methods of accounting for all contracts that do not coincide with the contracting unit's fiscal year.
- Commencing in the fifth year after the year in which P.L.1999,c.440 takes effect, and every five years thereafter, the Governor, in consultation with the Department of Treasury, shall adjust the threshold amount and the higher threshold amount which the governing body is permitted to establish as set forth in subsection **a.** of this section or the threshold amount resulting from any adjustment under this subsection, in direct proportion to the rise or fall of the index rate as that term is defined in N.J.S.40A:11-3(c), and shall round the adjustment to the nearest \$1,000. The Governor shall notify all municipal units of the adjustment no later than June 1 of every fifth year. The adjustment shall become effective on July 1 of the year in which it is made.

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

Effective July 1, 2015, the bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-3(c) (as amended) is increased to \$40,000 for Qualified Purchasing Agents (QPA), and \$17,500 for units without QPA's.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The governing body, on January 5, 2015, adopted the following resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes:

Resolved, that commencing with the installment payments due on February 1, 2015, for real and/or personal property taxes and thereafter during each and every succeeding quarterly period, interest shall be charged at the rate of eight (8) per cent per annum on the first \$1,500 and eighteen (18) per cent per annum any amount in excess of \$1,500 upon all unpaid installments when the same became delinquent, provided, however, that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within ten (10) days after the date upon which the same became payable.

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

The governing body, on January 5, 2015, adopted a resolution enabling the \$10,000 delinquency penalty provisions.

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

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

The delinquent taxes at December 31, 2015, include only real property items on the 2001, 2002, 2004, 2011 and 2015 tax levies. Delinquent amounts for prior years' levies are bankrupt properties.

The last tax sale was held October 16, 2015 and was complete.

Inspection of tax sale certificates on file revealed that all tax sale certificates from tax sales were available for audit.

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

<u>Year</u>	Number of Liens
2015	20
2014	19
2013	19

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

Verification notices were mailed to confirm balances as of November 15, 2015. The items that were returned were compared to and are in agreement with the Township's records. For items not returned, alternative procedures were performed.

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

Type of Receivable - Real Property Tax Date of Circulars - November 15, 2015

Verification <u>Type</u>	Request <u>Form</u>	Total No. of Items	Total No. of <u>Circular</u>	Total No. Returned
2015 Property Tax	Positive	1,792	60	24
2016 Property Tax	Positive	1,792	60	24
2015 Delinquent Tax	Negative	325	25	3
2013 Denniquent Tax	negative	323	23	

#### **Technical Accounting Directives**

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

		FY 2015 Rec	uired
		<u>Implementa</u>	tion
	<u>Requirement</u>	<u>Yes</u>	No
A.	General Ledger Accounting System	X	
B.	Encumbrance Accounting	X	
C.	Purchase Order System	X	
D.	Fixed Asset Accounting and Reporting System	X	

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

#### REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED

	YEAR 2015	<u>%</u>	YEAR 2014	<u>%</u>
Fund Balance Utilized Miscellaneous - From Other Than	\$ 740,000	5.61%	\$ 740,000	5.68%
Local Property Tax Levies	950,604	7.20%	826,248	6.34%
Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens	282,067	2.14%	164,083	1.26%
Collection of Current Tax Levy	11,228,446	85.06%	11,302,497	86.72%
<b>Total Income</b>	13,201,117	100.00%	13,032,828	100.00%
EXPENDITURES				
Budget Expenditures:				
Municipal Purposes	2,004,112	16.14%	1,940,887	15.79%
County Taxes	3,968,234	31.96%	4,030,048	32.79%
Local and Regional Taxes	6,193,605	49.88%	6,078,717	49.46%
Municipal Open Space Tax	239,181	1.93%	239,637	1.95%
Other Expenditures	10,698	0.09%		0.00%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 12,415,830</u>	100.00%	\$ 12,289,289	<u>100.00</u> %
Excess in Revenue	785,287		743,539	
Statutory Excess To Fund Balance	785,287		743,539	
Fund Balance January 1	1,562,405		1,558,866	
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	740,000		740,000	
Fund Balance December 31	\$ 1,607,692		\$ 1,562,405	

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	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<u>Tax Rate</u>	<u>\$2.446</u>	<u>\$2.426</u>	<u>\$2.346</u>
Apportionment of Tax Rate:			
Municipal	\$0.270	\$0.263	\$0.252
County	\$0.832	\$0.843	\$0.793
Local School	\$1.294	\$1.271	\$1.251
Municipal Open Space Tax	\$0.050	\$0.049	\$0.050

#### Assessed Valuation:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015	\$478,283,861
2014	\$478,164,287
2013	\$481,122,416

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

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

			Percentage of
<u>Year</u>	Tax Levy	Collections	Collections
2015	\$11,698,373	\$11,228,446	95.98%
2014	\$11,627,006	\$11,288,862	97.09%
2013	\$11,289,443	\$11,096,454	98.29%

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

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

	Amount of	Amount of		
Dec.31	Tax Title	Delinquent	Total	Percentage of
<u>Year</u>	<u>Liens</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Delinquent</u>	Tax Levy
2015	\$257,461	\$446,146	\$703,607	6.01%
2014	\$207,752	\$286,772	\$494,524	4.25%
2013	\$176,786	\$164,759	\$341,545	3.03%

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

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

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015	\$403,080
2014	\$403,080
2013	\$403,080

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

			Utilized
	Balance		In Budget of Succeeding Year
Year	December 31	Regular	<u>Defer School Tax</u>
2015	\$ 1,607,692	\$ 779,000	NONE
2014	\$ 1,562,405	\$ 740,000	NONE
2013	\$ 1,558,866	\$ 740,000	NONE
2012	\$ 1,391,257	\$ 724,000	NONE
2011	\$ 1,102,980	\$ 774,875	NONE
2010	\$ 851,791	\$ 774,875	NONE

#### Officials in Office and Surety Bonds

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

		Amount of	Name
<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<b>Bond</b>	Of Corporate Surety
Brian Tipton	Mayor		
Richard Cornely	Committeeperson		
Diane Yamrock	Committeeperson		
Kelley D. Smith	Clerk; Registrar or Vital Statistics; Assessment Search Officer		
Rachellyn Edinger	Tax Collector	\$125,000	Selective Insurance Co.

		Amount of	Name
<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<b>Bond</b>	Of Corporate Surety
Dawn Stanchina	Certified Municipal Finance Officer	\$100,000	Selective Insurance Co.
Richard I. Motyka	Assessor		
Katrina L. Campbell	Attorney		
John S. Fritts	Zoning Officer		
Theresa Cowan Rogers	Dog Control Officer; Planning Board Secretary		

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

<u>Amount</u>
\$108,568

Blanket bond coverage was provided for other officials handling monies, i.e., the Clerk, Dog Warden and Secretary of Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, in the amount of \$2,500 by the Selective Insurance Company.

All the bonds were examined and were properly executed.



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

Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Harmony 3003 Belvidere Road County of Warren, New Jersey Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Governments Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the regulatory-basis financial statements of the Township of Harmony in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township of Harmony's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 5, 2016, which indicated that the financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

#### Purpose of this Report

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

ARDITO & CO., LLP

Frenchtown, New Jersey

April 5, 2016

Certified Public Accountant

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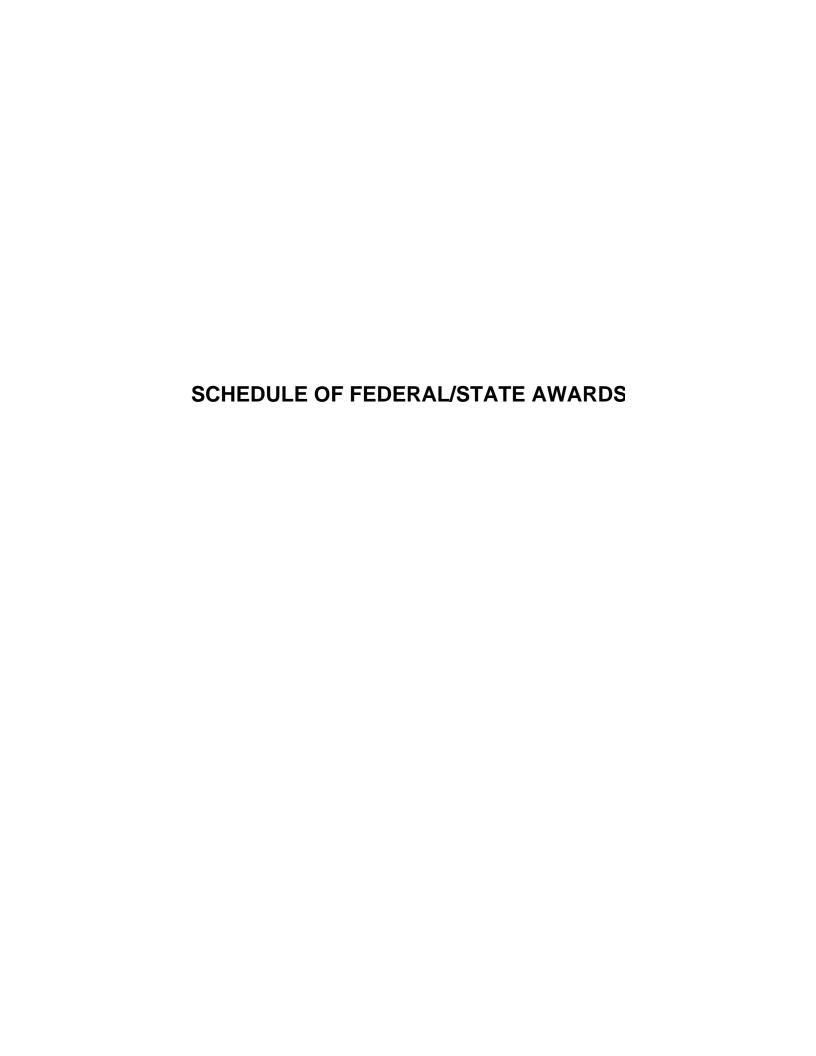
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Frenchtown, New Jersey

April 5, 2016



SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

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						ACCF DEF	ASH RUED OR ERRED				ACC DE	CASH RUED OR FERRED		
		STATE	PROGRAM				VENUE					EVENUE		
		ACCOUNT	OR AWARD	GRANT	FUND	BAL	LANCE	RECEIPTS	OTHER		BA	ALANCE		TOTAL
FEDERAL GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE	<u>CFDA</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	REF.	<u>AT</u>	<u>1/1/15</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>AT</u>	12/31/15	DISB	<u>URSEMENTS</u>
Flood Mitigation Assistance Program	97.029	066 1200 100 656 09	\$ 2,831,394	2008-2013	Α	\$	58,510				\$	58,510	\$	2,787,082
						\$	58,510	-	-	-	\$	58,510	\$	2,787,082

The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule. Note: This Schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance.

#### SCHEDULE OF STATE AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

CASH CASH ACCRUED OR ACCRUED OR **DEFERRED DEFERRED PROGRAM** REVENUE REVENUE STATE OR AWARD **GRANT FUND** BALANCE **BALANCE** TOTAL RECEIPTS STATE GRANTOR/PROGRAM TITLE ACCOUNT NUMBER **AMOUNT PERIOD** REF. AT 1/1/15 **PROGRAM OTHER** DISBURSEMENTS AT 12/31/15 DISBURSEMENTS **DEPT. OF ENVIR. PROTECTION** Solid Waste Admin.-Clean 042490076500410 \$ 12,304 2015 \$ 12,304 Α 12,304 Communities Program 10,129 2014 Α 6,804 6,605 199 \$ 9,930 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT NJ State Police Emergency Management Exercise pass-through Grant N/A 8,219 2004 Α 201 201 8,018 OTHER STATE AIDS Storm Water Management Grant 5.000 N/A 2008 Α (328)(328)328 Storm Water Management Grant N/A 5.000 2006 Α 5,000 5,000 Storm Water Management Grant N/A 5 000 2005 Α 346 346 4.654 PCAF Clean Envoironment Grant Local Grant 5.000 99 99 2006 Α 4,901 ANJEC Smart Growth Local Grant 4,000 2008 4,000 4,000 Α ANJEC Smart Growth 37,600 Local Grant 37,600 2011 Α 37,600 Recycling Tonnage Grant 2.689 2011 Α 2.689 399 2.290 399 Recycling Tonnage Grant 2012 Α 1.651 1.651 1.651 Recycling Tonnage Grant 517 2014 Α 517 517 Warren County MCCTFC Local Grant 120.000 2015 Α 82.420 71,328 11.092 71,328 Highlands-Plan Conformance Local Grant 56.200 2014 Α (3,030)(3,030)3,030 Highlands-Initial Assessment Local Grant 14.000 2014 Α Historic Grant Local Grant 47,000 2011 Α (47,000)(47,000)47,000 **TOTAL STATE ASSISTANCE** 8,549 94,724 \$ - \$ 78,332 \$ 24,941 \$ 149,588

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The accompanying Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule. Note: This Schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with NJOMB Circular 04-04.

#### TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY

## NOTES TO THE SCHEDULES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS DECEMBER 31, 2015

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

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

#### **NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the requirements of federal OMB Uniform Guidance, Audits of States, Local Governments and Nonprofit Organizations, but was not audited in accordance with the circulars.

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

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

### STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

#### **STATUS OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS**

None

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## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES GENERAL FINDINGS

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

#### <u>GENERAL FINDINGS</u> YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

#### Summary of Auditor's Results

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

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

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

The Township was not subject to the single audit provisions of Federal OMB Uniform Guidance or New Jersey OMB Circular NJOMB 04-04/15-08, Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid for 2015 as grant expenditures were less than the single audit thresholds of \$750,000, identified in the Circulars.

## Findings Relating to the Financial Statements which are required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards:

#### **Finding**

2015-1 The township exceeded the \$90,000 statutory limit for aid to volunteer fire companies by expending \$114,013 in contributions in calendar year 2015. \$60,000 was expended in the current year budget and an additional \$54,013 was expended through an appropriation reserve transfer.

I recommend that the township limit aid to volunteer fire companies to the statutory maximum as defined by NJS 40A:14-34.

The township expended grants matching share funds of \$10,154 without obtaining Director of the Division of Local Government Services approval for Change of Title or Text of appropriation per NJS 40A:4-85.

I recommend that when the township appropriates general grant match funds in its appropriation budget, that a resolution be adopted to request approval per NJS 40A:4-85 from the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to change the title of the appropriation necessary to make said item available for a specific purpose.

2015-3 Various interfund balances in excess of \$1,193,941 existed as of December 31, 2015.

I recommend that all interfund loans be transferred back to their respective funds before the end of the calendar year.

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