

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Financial Statements and Supplementary Information
Year Ended December 31, 2014

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HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Roster of Officials

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Board of Fire Commissioners

Joseph Zalescik, Chairman

Patrick Gribbin, Vice-Chairman

David Brenner, Treasurer

Gilbert Lugossy, Secretary

James Gramigna, Commissioner

Other Officials

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Fire Commissioners
Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3
Hamilton, New Jersey

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as 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 generally accepted in the United States of America; 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from 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 entity's preparation and fair presentation of 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 entity'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.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as of December 31, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 9 and 25 through 26, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3's basic financial statements. The introductory section and other supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our reports dated August 10, 2015, on our consideration of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of this 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. These reports are an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

DePietto & DePietto, LLC

Holland, Pennsylvania

August 10, 2015

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

(Unaudited)

The discussion and analysis of the Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3's (the "District") financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2014. The intent of the discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2014 are as follows:

In total, net position increased \$168,265 from 2013.

General revenues accounted for \$3,789,254 or 100% of all revenues.

Per generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) basis, the District had \$3,620,989 in expenses including \$115,325 of depreciation for 2014. General revenues (primarily taxes) of \$3,789,254 were adequate to provide for these programs, resulting in a change in net position of \$168,265.

Per Non-GAAP budgetary basis, the District had \$3,612,550 in expenditures and capital outlay and \$3,789,254 of actual revenue which resulted in \$176,704 of excess revenues over expenditures. The District did not have to utilize any of the \$200,000 of designated surplus of unrestricted funds noted in the 2014 budget.

Using this Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those financial statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 as a financial whole, an entire operating entity. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

This annual report consists of the following three parts: management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information.

Required Financial Statements

Under GASB 34, any special purpose government entity that has only one major fund may show the government-wide and fund financial statements all as part of the basic financial statements. Since the District only has governmental funds the District-wide and fund financial statements are combined in the basic financial statements.

The financial statements of the District report information utilizing the full accrual basis of accounting. The financial statements conform to accounting principles which are generally accepted

in the United States of America. The Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet includes information on the District's assets and liabilities and provides information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to District creditors (liabilities). The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position and Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances identify the District's revenues and expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Financial Analysis of the District

The Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position and Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide an indication of the District's financial condition. The District's net position reflects the difference between assets and liabilities. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

Net Position

A summary of the District's Statement of Net Position is presented below.

Table 1
Condensed Statement of Net Position

	<u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u> <u>2013</u>
Current and Other Assets	\$1,868,315	\$1,760,878
Capital Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>386,904</u>	<u>484,661</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$2,255,219</u>	<u>\$2,245,539</u>
Liabilities and Net Position:		
Total Liabilities	\$ 124,711	\$ 283,296
Net Position:		
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt	341,395	349,834
Restricted for building, fire apparatus and fringe benefits	699,789	469,988
Unrestricted	<u>1,089,324</u>	<u>1,142,421</u>
Total Net Position	<u>2,130,508</u>	<u>1,962,243</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$2,255,219</u>	<u>\$2,245,539</u>

As Table 1 indicates, total assets increased by \$9,680 from \$2,245,539 to \$2,255,219 during the year ended December 31, 2014. This is comprised of an increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$118,381, a decrease in accounts receivable of \$10,944, no change in prepaid expenses, and an overall decrease of \$97,757 in capital assets due to recording depreciation expense of \$115,325 and purchasing a used Zodiac Pro 2 rescue boat for \$13,000 and replacing the fire hydrant in front of the building for \$4,568. Total liabilities reflect a decrease of \$158,585. This includes a decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$73,259, an increase in payroll and payroll taxes payable

of \$3,992, and repayment of \$89,318 in long-term debt as the District continued to make scheduled payments on the note payable.

Table 1 also indicates that total net position increased by \$168,265 from \$1,962,243 to \$2,130,508. That increase is due to \$168,265 of revenues exceeding expenses in 2014. In addition, net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt, decreased by \$8,439 due to an \$89,318 decrease in principal on the note payable, a \$115,325 increase in accumulated depreciation and an increase in capital assets of \$17,568. There was an increase of \$234,208 in the reserves for the building, fire apparatus and fringe benefits. Net assets restricted for post-retirement sick pay decreased \$4,407 from \$148,166 to \$143,759 to continue to be in compliance with GASB 45, *Other Post Employment Benefits*.

Table 2
Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position

	<u>Governmental Activities 2014</u>	<u>Governmental Activities 2013</u>
REVENUES:		
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	\$3,607,661	\$3,649,983
Basic entitlement state grant	14,198	14,199
Federal grants	0	44,009
Other revenue	<u>167,395</u>	<u>124,772</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$3,789,254</u>	<u>\$3,832,963</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Administration	\$ 67,358	\$ 61,773
Cost of Operations and Maintenance	3,549,388	3,520,747
Interest Expense – Debt Service	<u>4,243</u>	<u>8,223</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>3,620,989</u>	<u>3,590,743</u>
Increase in Net Position	<u>\$ 168,265</u>	<u>\$ 242,220</u>

The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position identifies the various revenue and expense items which affect the change in net position. Table 2 indicates that the District's total revenues decreased by \$43,709 or 1.1%. The decrease in revenue was primarily due to a decrease in a grant from FEMA for assistance to the firefighters. The grant was received in 2012 and expended in 2013. Total expenses increased by \$30,246 or .8%. The change was due primarily to an increase in payroll and related benefits, building maintenance and insurance.

Governmental Activities

The unique nature of property taxes in New Jersey creates the legal requirements to annually seek voter approval for the District operations. Property taxes made up 95.2% of revenues for governmental activities for Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 for 2014. The District's total revenues were \$3,789,254 for the year ended December 31, 2014. The state grant accounted for

another .4% of revenue, shared service income 2.2% and other miscellaneous revenue accounted for the remaining 2.2%.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services.

Administration includes expenses associated with administrative and financial supervision of the District.

Cost of Operations and Maintenance involve keeping equipment in an effective working condition.

The District’s Funds

All governmental funds (i.e., general fund) are accounted for using the modified-accrual basis of accounting. Total revenues were \$3,789,254 and expenditures were \$3,620,989. The change in fund balance for the year in the general fund was an increase of \$168,265. There was an decrease of \$4,407 in fund balance committed for post-retirement sick pay to continue to be in compliance with GASB 45, *Other Post Employment Benefits*.

As demonstrated by the various statements and schedules included in the financial section of this report, the District continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management. The following schedule presents a summary of the revenues of the General Fund for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the amount of increases and decreases in relation to prior year revenues.

**Table 3
Summary of Revenues – General Fund**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease) from 2013</u>
Revenue:			
Local Sources:			
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$3,607,661	\$3,649,983	\$ (42,322)
Miscellaneous	167,395	124,772	42,623
Federal and State sources	<u>14,198</u>	<u>58,208</u>	<u>(44,010)</u>
Total	<u>\$3,789,254</u>	<u>\$3,832,963</u>	<u>\$(43,709)</u>

The following schedule presents a summary of the expenditures of the General Fund for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the amount of increases and decreases in relation to prior year amounts.

Table 4
Summary of Expenditures – General Fund

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease) from 2013</u>
Expenditures:			
Administration	\$ 67,358	\$ 61,773	\$ 5,585
Cost of Operations and Maintenance	3,549,388	3,520,747	28,641
Interest expense	<u>4,243</u>	<u>8,223</u>	<u>(3,980)</u>
Total	<u>\$3,620,989</u>	<u>\$3,590,743</u>	<u>\$30,246</u>

Capital Assets

At the end of the year 2014, the District had \$386,904 invested in buildings, fire equipment, telecommunications and security equipment, fire apparatus and office furniture and equipment. Table 5 shows 2014 balances compared to 2013. In 2014, the District purchased a used Zodiac Pro 2 rescue boat for \$13,000 and replaced the fire hydrant in front of the building for \$4,568.

Table 5
Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease) from 2013</u>
Building	\$ 3	\$ 38,947	\$ (38,944)
Building Improvements	53,069	56,039	(2,970)
Fire Apparatus	257,360	303,112	(45,752)
Firefighting Equipment	27,027	19,759	7,268
Office Furniture and Equipment	28,696	36,465	(7,769)
Other Vehicles	18,946	27,690	(8,744)
Telecommunications Equipment	<u>1,803</u>	<u>2,649</u>	<u>(846)</u>
Total	<u>\$386,904</u>	<u>\$484,661</u>	<u>\$(97,757)</u>

Economic Factors and Next Years Budget

For the 2014 year the Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 was able to sustain its budget through the district tax levy and other sources of revenue. Approximately 95.2% of total revenue is from the local tax levy, while the remaining 4.8% is from other sources including state grants and shared service revenue. The tax rate levy per \$100 of property valuation decreased from \$.00890 in 2013 to \$.00882 in 2014.

In November 2014, voters approved the purchase of two new fire trucks for the purpose of replacing one 1996 fire truck and one 2005 fire truck in an amount not to exceed the sum of \$1,500,000. In 2015, this purchase will be funded through a combination of reserves and surplus funds, budget appropriations and financing by loan or lease purchase for no more than 10 years. Included in the 2015 budget, is the utilization of a total of \$950,000 of fund balance, both unrestricted and restricted. The budget shows \$829,000 of the unrestricted fund balance being utilized - \$50,000 for designated surplus and \$779,000 for the purchase of the two new fire trucks and \$121,000 of the restricted fund balance being utilized.

The Board of Fire Commissioners adopted the 2015 budget on January 12, 2015. On February 21, 2015 the budget was approved by the voters. The final budget was approved by the State of New Jersey, Local Finance Board, in March 2015.

For the Future

Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 is presently in good financial condition. The District is proud of its community support.

In conclusion, Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. In addition, the District's system for financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls are well regarded. The District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges of the future.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, creditors and other interested parties with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. Should the reader have questions regarding the information included in this report or wish to request additional financial information, please contact Gilbert Lugossy, Secretary of the Board of Fire Commissioners at Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, 13 Rennie Street, Hamilton, New Jersey, 08610.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet

December 31, 2014

Governmental Funds

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Adjustments (Note 12)</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,866,822	\$ 1,866,822	\$ 0	\$ 1,866,822
Accounts receivable	0	0	0	0
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	0	0	386,904	386,904
Prepaid expenses	1,493	1,493	0	1,493
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Total assets	<u>\$ 1,868,315</u>	<u>\$ 1,868,315</u>	<u>\$ 386,904</u>	<u>\$ 2,255,219</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 5,063	\$ 5,063	\$ 0	\$ 5,063
Payroll and payroll taxes payable	74,139	74,139	0	74,139
Long-term liabilities:				
Due within one year	0	0	45,509	45,509
Due after one year	0	0	0	0
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Total liabilities	<u>79,202</u>	<u>79,202</u>	<u>45,509</u>	<u>124,711</u>
FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION				
Fund balances:				
Unassigned	1,089,324	1,089,324	(1,089,324)	0
Assigned:				
For building reserves	315,002	315,002	(315,002)	0
For fire apparatus reserves	230,834	230,834	(230,834)	0
For other fringe benefits reserves	10,194	10,194	(10,194)	0
Committed				
For post retirement sick pay benefits	143,759	143,759	(143,759)	0
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Total fund balances	<u>1,789,113</u>	<u>1,789,113</u>	<u>(1,789,113)</u>	<u>0</u>
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Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 1,868,315</u>	<u>\$ 1,868,315</u>	<u>(1,743,604)</u>	<u>124,711</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet

December 31, 2014

Governmental Funds

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Adjustments (Note 12)</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
Net position:				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt			341,395	341,395
Restricted for building			315,002	315,002
Restricted for fire apparatus			230,834	230,834
Restricted for post retirement sick pay benefits			143,759	143,759
Restricted for other fringe benefits			10,194	10,194
Unrestricted			1,089,324	1,089,324
Total net position			<u>2,130,508</u>	<u>2,130,508</u>
Total liabilities and net position			<u>\$ 386,904</u>	<u>\$ 2,255,219</u>

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position
and Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	<u>Governmental Funds</u>			<u>Statement of</u>
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Adjustments</u> <u>(Note 12)</u>	<u>Revenues,</u> <u>Expenditures</u> <u>and Changes in</u> <u>Net Position</u>
Expenditures/expenses:				
Fire protection - administration	\$ 67,358	\$ 67,358	\$ 0	\$ 67,358
Fire protection - operations	3,549,388	3,549,388	0	3,549,388
Interest expense - debt service	4,243	4,243	0	4,243
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Total expenditures/expenses	3,620,989	3,620,989	0	3,620,989
General revenues:				
Taxes	3,607,661	3,607,661	0	3,607,661
Basic entitlement grant	14,198	14,198	0	14,198
Interest income	1,400	1,400	0	1,400
Miscellaneous income	83,667	83,667	0	83,667
Shared services income	82,328	82,328	0	82,328
Transfers - internal activities	0	0	0	0
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Total general revenues and transfers	3,789,254	3,789,254	0	3,789,254
Excess of revenues and transfers in over expenditures and transfers out	168,265	168,265	(168,265)	0
Changes in net position/fund balance	0	0	168,265	168,265
Fund balance/net position:				
Beginning of the year	1,962,243	1,962,243	0	1,962,243
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End of the year	\$ 2,130,508	\$ 2,130,508	\$ 0	\$ 2,130,508
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THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2014

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 (the “District”) have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District’s accounting policies are described below.

Reporting Entity

Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 is a political subdivision of the Township of Hamilton, County of Mercer, New Jersey. The District was formed to provide fire prevention and suppression services to the residents of Hamilton Township. The District functions independently through a Board of Fire Commissioners. The board is comprised of five members elected to three-year terms. The annual Fire District election is held the third Saturday of February.

The fire district is governed by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70 et al. and is organized as a taxing authority charged with the responsibility of providing the resources necessary to provide firefighting services to the residents within its territory.

In accordance with the requirements of Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity, of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB)*, the financial statements must present the District (the primary government) and its component units. Component units are legally separate entities for which the District (the primary entity) is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as the ability to appoint a voting majority of the organization’s governing body and either (1) the District’s ability to impose its will over the organization or (2) the potential that the organization will provide a financial benefit to, or impose a financial burden on, the District. Pursuant to this criterion, no component units were identified for inclusion in the accompanying financial statements.

Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The District’s basic financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in net position) combine both government-wide (reporting the District as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the District’s major funds) and report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government.

The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in net position demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to residents or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function.

Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the basic financial statements.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2014

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental funds financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified-accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District in general considers revenues available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements have been met. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

For the governmental funds financial statements, the District considers all revenues susceptible to accrual and recognizes revenue if the accrual criteria are met. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met and are recorded at the time of receipt or earlier, if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all the financial resources and the legally authorized activities of the District except those required to be accounted for in other specialized funds.

Encumbrances

Under encumbrance accounting purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Open encumbrances in governmental funds are reported as reservations of fund balances at fiscal year end as they do not constitute expenditures of liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2014

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Encumbrances (continued)

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next fiscal year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next fiscal year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current fiscal year end.

Revenues and Expenditures

Revenues are recorded when they are determined to be both available and measurable. Generally, fees and other non-tax revenues are recognized when received. Grants from other governments are recognized when qualifying expenditures are incurred. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on general long-term debt, which is recognized when due.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include buildings, fire apparatus, telecommunications and firefighting equipment and office furniture and equipment, generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported on the government –wide statement of net position.

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of \$2,500. The District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the asset's life are not.

Depreciation has been provided over estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Building	30 years
Building improvements	7.5 to 39 years
Fire apparatus	15 years
Firefighting equipment	5 – 10 years
Office furniture and equipment	5 years
Other vehicles	5 years
Telecommunications equipment	5 -10 years

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses recorded on the district-wide financial statements represent payments to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2014.

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Employee Benefits

Vacation, sick pay and other employee benefits are recorded as expenditures when paid except for other post employment benefits noted in Note 11.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Income Taxes

As a public body, the District is exempt from both federal and state taxes existing under statute.

Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The District must adopt an annual budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.1 et. al. The fire commissioners must introduce and approve the annual budget no later than sixty days prior to the annual election. Upon introduction, the commissioners fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and must advertise the time and place at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper having substantial circulation in the District. The public hearing must not be held less than twenty-eight days after the date the budget was introduced. After the hearing has been held, the fire commissioners may, by majority vote, adopt the budget.

Amendments may be made to the District budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.3.

Subsequent to the adoption of the District budget, the amount of money to be raised by taxation in support of the District budget must appear on the ballot for the annual election for approval of the legal voters.

Fire districts have a prescribed budgetary basis to demonstrate legal compliance. However, budgets are adopted on principally the same basis of accounting utilized for the preparation of the District's financial statements.

Fire District Taxes

Upon the proper certification to the assessor of the municipality in which the District is located, the assessor shall assess the amount of taxes to be raised in support of the District's budget in the same manner as all other municipal taxes. The collector or treasurer of the municipality then pays the assessed taxes in four equal installments to the treasurer or custodian of funds of the District.

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 2 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash used for the day-to-day operations of the Fire District is in interest bearing checking accounts and interest bearing money market accounts. The balances in these accounts at December 31, 2014 were \$1,277,703 and \$589,119, respectively. The interest rate on the money market account was an average of .5% for 2014.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The District has adopted a cash management plan that requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Government Unit Deposit Protection Act (“GUDPA”). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et. Seq. establishes the requirements for security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Act. Public depositories include Savings and Loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and savings banks the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of Governmental Units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the full amount of their deposits to the Governmental Units.

Bank deposits

All bank deposits are classified as to credit risk by the three categories. **Category 1** consists of bank deposits insured or collateralized with securities held by the District of in the District’s name by its agent. **Category 2** consists of bank deposits collateralized with securities held by pledging public depository’s trust department or agent in the District’s name. **Category 3** includes uncollateralized deposits including any deposits that are collateralized with securities held by the pledging public depository or by its trust department or agent but not in the District’s name. At December 31, 2014, the District’s deposits of \$1,866,822 are classified as Category 1 deposits.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
December 31, 2014

NOTE 3 – CAPITAL ASSETS

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated:				
Building	\$1,168,326	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$1,168,326
Building improvements	169,512	4,568	0	174,080
Fire apparatus	940,207	0	0	940,207
Firefighting equipment	189,220	13,000	0	202,220
Office furniture and equipment	24,882	0	0	24,882
Other vehicles	159,775	0	0	159,775
Telecommunications equipment	<u>24,961</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>24,961</u>
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	2,676,883	17,568	0	2,694,451
Less: Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>2,192,222</u>	<u>115,325</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,307,547</u>
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	<u>484,661</u>	<u>(97,757)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>386,904</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 484,661</u>	<u>\$(97,757)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 386,904</u>

Depreciation expense of \$115,325 was charged to governmental activities as part of its cost of operations. In 2014, the District purchased a used Zodiac Pro 2 rescue boat for \$13,000 and replaced the fire hydrant in front of the building for \$4,568.

NOTE 4 – ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accrued expenses include professional fees that were incurred for the year ended December 31, 2014 but were not paid by that date.

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Note Payable

At a special election on July 31, 2004, voters approved a capital improvement program which included financing. Contracts were awarded on October 12, 2004. PNC Bank (formerly Yardville National Bank) was awarded the financing of the program. A commercial loan for \$750,000 was signed on June 9, 2005 to finance the acquisition of a new fire truck and rescue and support equipment. The term of the loan is for ten years at an interest rate of 4.5%. Payments are \$7,797 per month (\$93,561 annually) with the final payment due on June 8, 2015.

The loan balance outstanding on December 31, 2014 was \$45,509. Interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$4,243.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

Note Payable (continued)

Minimum future payments under the loan as of December 31 of each year for the next few years until maturity are estimated as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 45,509	\$5,271	\$ 93,561
Total	\$45,509	\$9,514	\$144,341

NOTE 6 – UNRESTRICTED NET POSITION

Unrestricted net position at December 31, 2014 was \$1,089,324. Of that amount, \$829,000 is anticipated to be utilized in the 2015 budget - \$50,000 for designated surplus and \$779,000 for the purchase of two new fire trucks that was approved by the voters on November 22, 2014.

NOTE 7 – NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PROPERTY, APPARATUS AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The fire commissioners have determined that reserves are necessary for the eventual replacement of fire apparatus, improvements to the property and operations. In 2014, the District had a total of \$699,789 in designated reserves. There was \$230,834 in reserves for fire apparatus, \$315,002 in reserves for building and building improvements, \$10,194 in reserves for state of emergency overtime and \$143,759 for post-retirement sick pay benefits. Of the \$230,834 of net position restricted for fire apparatus, \$121,000 is anticipated to be utilized in the 2015 budget for the purchase of two new fire trucks that was approved by the voters on November 22, 2014.

For additional information about post retirement sick pay calculations and health benefits see Note 11.

NOTE 8 – GRANTS

Basic Entitlement Grant

Annually, the Supplemental Fire Services Program (SFSP) from the State of New Jersey, awards a grant to the District for volunteer fire services. By acceptance of the grant, the Fire District agrees to all obligations and responsibilities pursuant to the SFSP as provided in Ch. 295, P.L., 1985.

The funds are utilized for the purchase of items as defined in compliance with state statutes. The grant was budgeted for \$14,198 for the year ended December 31, 2014. The District received and expended \$14,198 for the year ended December 31, 2014.

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 9 – PENSION RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Employees of the District, who are eligible for pension coverage, are covered by the Public Employees' Retirement System or the Police and Firemen's Retirement System of New Jersey, which have been established by state statute and 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 System's terminate. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System. These reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pension and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, NJ, 08625 or contacting the Division through the internet at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

Full-time employees contribute to the Police and Fire Retirement System Fund administered by the State of New Jersey. The employee contribution rate was 8.5% of the employee's base salary until October 1, 2011 when state statute changed it to 10%. The organization contributes to the pension fund and receives a statement of liability from the State of New Jersey on an annual basis. The pension contribution for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$321,072.

NOTE 10 - EMPLOYEE POLICIES

The district has entered into a collective bargaining agreement with Thomas T. Gribbin, Fire Chief, and Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association, Locals #84 and #284, for all paid fire prevention and suppression employees and supervisors. The term of the current agreement began on January 1, 2014 and ends on December 31, 2017. It establishes both compensation and benefits for covered employees.

Selected highlights of the agreements include:

Sick Leave

Each employee receives fifteen (15) days of sick time per year. Unused sick time may be accumulated. Payment of accumulated time is based on an equation. An hourly rate is determined and applied toward the unused sick time. The result is divided in half to determine the amount of the final payment. The final payment cannot exceed \$16,000. Based on accumulated sick days as of December 31, 2014, the accrued sick pay due employees under the terms of the contract at death or retirement was \$143,759. See Note 11.

Uniforms

All employees are provided with the necessary uniforms. New uniforms were purchased in 2014 at a cost of \$6,731.

Health Benefits

Employees and their families are covered by hospitalization, sickness and major medical insurance and prescription coverage under the NJ State Health Benefits Plan. The cost of these benefits was \$354,294 for the year ended December 31, 2014. Also see Note 11.

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 10 - EMPLOYEE POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Dental coverage is also provided for the employee and his family. The cost of this benefit was \$18,560.

In addition, the district adopted a voluntary supplemental insurance program for eligible employees. This is an employee paid plan.

Vacations

Vacation days are based on length of service and shift assignment. They range from 8 days to 25 days per year. In addition, each employee is entitled to two personal days. Vacation days must be used before December 31.

Holidays

Employees were entitled to 13 holidays in December 31, 2014. In addition, rotating shift fire fighters receive an additional compensation: 13 days pay (for 12 hours per day) at base pay rates paid on December 31. The Fire Chief does not get compensated for the holiday but gets each holiday off.

NOTE 11 – OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

HEALTHCARE

Plan Description

The Commissioners of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, County of Mercer and State of New Jersey 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 1965, the Commissioners of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 authorized participation in the SHBP's post-retirement benefit program through a 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-sept2008.pdf.

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 11 – OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

HEALTHCARE

Plan Description

The following explains the eligibility of retirees to participate in the post-retirement benefit program and describes the benefits received by the eligible employees:

- The Commissioners shall provide to the employee and his/her spouse, hospitalization, sickness insurance, prescription coverage, and major medical benefits under the New Jersey State Health Benefits Plan, upon retirement. In the event the retiree should predecease his or her spouse, the surviving spouse shall continue coverage provided that the Commissioners covered the surviving spouse at the time of the retiree's death. Surviving spouses that remarry will not be entitled to the medical benefits. Retiree's who are eligible for Medicare must enroll in both Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance) of Medicare. Medicare will be the primary payer of claims and the Commissioners coverage will become secondary after the retiree and his or her spouse turns sixty-five (65) years of age and enrolled in Medicare.
- The Commissioners shall provide to the employee and his/her spouse, dental benefits under the New Jersey State Health Benefits Plan, upon retirement. In the event the retiree should predecease his or her spouse, the surviving spouse shall continue coverage provided that the Commissioners covered the surviving spouse at the time of the retiree's death. Surviving spouses that remarry will not be entitled to the dental benefits.
- The Commissioners shall provide to the employee and his/her spouse, hospitalization, sickness insurance, prescription coverage, and major medical benefits under the New Jersey State Health Benefits Plan, for any full time employee who retires due to a line of duty injury. In the event the retiree should predecease his or her spouse, the surviving spouse shall continue coverage provided that the Commissioners covered the surviving spouse at the time of the retiree's death. Surviving spouses that remarry will not be entitled to the medical benefits. Retiree's who are eligible for Medicare must enroll in both Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance) of Medicare. Medicare will be the primary payer of claims and the Commissioners coverage will become secondary after the retiree and his or her spouse turns sixty-five (65) years of age and enrolled in Medicare.
- The Commissioners shall provide to the employee and his/her spouse, dental benefits under the New Jersey State Health Benefits Plan, for any full time employee who retires due to a line of duty injury. In the event the retiree should predecease his or her spouse, the surviving spouse shall continue coverage provided that the Commissioners covered the surviving spouse at the time of the retiree's death. Surviving spouses that remarry will not be entitled to the dental benefits.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2014

NOTE 11 – OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

HEALTHCARE (CONTINUED)

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 Commissioners of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey on a monthly basis. The Fire District funds the cost of these benefits through taxes. The cost of health benefits per retiree is determined by the SHBP. There are currently two individuals receiving retirement benefits.

As of July 2011, under Chapter 78, P.L. 2001, employee contributions for health benefits are required at a specified percentage of the health benefits/prescription drug premiums for a salary range, but not less than 1.5% of salary (as previously required under Chapter 2, P.L. 2010). For local government employees the first year phase in began upon the expiration of the collective negotiations agreement in effect as of June 28, 2011. For new employees hired on or after June 28, 2011, or after the expiration of a collective negotiations agreement that was in force on June 28, 2011, the employees contribute (without any phase-in) at the full amount of the required contribution rate (4.5% to 35%). The amount the employees contributed for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$25,603.

The Commissioners of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey contributions to SHBP for the year ending December 31, 2014 was \$399,720 of which \$45,781 was for retirees, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

SICK PAY

Each employee receives fifteen (15) days of sick time per year. Unused sick time may be accumulated. The calculation of accumulated time is based on an equation determined by the Commissioners of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey. It is based upon number of years already worked and approximate number of years to retirement for each employee who has accumulated sick time. The employee's hourly rate is determined and applied toward the unused sick time. The result is divided in half to determine the amount of the final payment. The final payment cannot exceed \$16,000. Based on accumulated sick days as of December 31, 2014, the accrued sick pay due employees under the terms of the contract at death or retirement was \$143,759.

NOTE 12 – STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – ADJUSTMENTS

In order to present the statement of net position in accordance with GASB 34, the District needed to make certain adjustments to the general fund balance sheet. The capital assets previously reported in the fixed asset group of accounts and long-term debt previously reported in the long-term debt group of accounts had to be posted to the general fund. Also, the ending fund balances had to be converted to the net asset classifications required under GASB 34. The adjustments shown on the statement of net position accomplish that task.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

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December 31, 2014

NOTE 13– SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT UNDER THE UNIFORM SHARED SERVICES AND CONSOLIDATION ACT

In 2014, Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 entered into shared services agreements for a Fire Chief with Hamilton Township Fire District No. 2, 4 and 7 on December 1, 2014, January 1, 2014 and June 1, 2014, respectively, in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 and all regulations promulgated thereto.

In consideration for Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 providing these services, Hamilton Township Fire District No. 2, 4 and 7 shall reimburse the District for a portion of the Fire Chief's actual payroll, benefits and expenses. Shared service revenue for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$82,328.

NOTE 14 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters.

Property and Liability Insurance

The District maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, workmen's compensation and surety bonds.

The fire District also covers its employees under the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund by the "contributions" method. Under this method, a contribution rate is established annually for the Fire District's share of unemployment tax. This rate is based on cost experience for all government employers.

NOTE 15 – LITIGATION

As of the date of this report there is no litigation pending which, if decided adversely to the District, would have a material impact on the District.

NOTE 16 – DATE OF MANAGEMENT'S REVIEW

Subsequent events have been evaluated through August 10, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No subsequent events were identified that required adjustment to or disclosure within the financial statements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) - General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			Variance with
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Final Budget</u> Positive (Negative)
<u>Revenues:</u>				
Taxes	\$ 3,607,661	\$ 3,607,661	\$ 3,607,661	\$ 0
Basic entitlement grant	14,198	14,198	14,198	0
Interest income	2,000	2,000	1,400	(600)
Miscellaneous income	57,500	57,500	83,667	26,167
Shared services income	50,826	50,826	82,328	31,502
Designated surplus	200,000	200,000	0	(200,000)
Total Revenues	3,932,185	3,932,185	3,789,254	(142,931)
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
General Government:				
Administration:				
Election expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 941	\$ 59
Office expenses	5,930	5,930	8,798	(2,868)
Professional fees	30,500	30,500	21,899	8,601
Salaries - commissioners	38,720	38,720	38,720	0
Total Administration	76,150	76,150	70,358	5,792
Operations:				
Salaries and wages	\$ 2,191,777	\$ 2,191,777	\$ 1,986,925	\$ 204,852
Fringe benefits	1,079,922	1,079,922	970,385	109,537
Advertising	750	750	373	377
Apparatus and equipment maintenance	43,500	43,500	60,231	(16,731)
Building maintenance	45,540	45,540	66,005	(20,465)
Communications	35,850	35,850	15,464	20,386
Computers and repairs	13,630	13,630	12,221	1,409
EMS supplies	3,000	3,000	6,070	(3,070)
Equipment testing	7,000	7,000	5,135	1,865
Fire prevention	2,000	2,000	0	2,000
Firefighting equipment	5,000	5,000	7,908	(2,908)
Insurance	42,080	42,080	43,197	(1,117)
Rent - hydrant	203,090	203,090	203,202	(112)
Training	12,800	12,800	4,444	8,356
Uniforms and gear	28,885	28,885	25,976	2,909
Utilities	47,650	47,650	41,095	6,555
Total Operations	3,762,474	3,762,474	3,448,631	313,843
Total General Government	3,838,624	3,838,624	3,518,989	319,635

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) - General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive (Negative)</u>
Capital Outlay				
Payment of loan principal	\$ 87,416	\$ 87,416	\$ 89,318	\$ (1,902)
Interest on loan	6,145	6,145	4,243	1,902
Total Capital Outlay	<u>93,561</u>	<u>93,561</u>	<u>93,561</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>3,932,185</u>	<u>3,932,185</u>	<u>3,612,550</u>	<u>319,635</u>
Excess of Revenues				
Over Expenditures	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 176,704</u>	<u>\$ 176,704</u>

Reconciliation of Budget Basis to GAAP Basis:

Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures - Budget Basis	\$ 176,704
Depreciation is not an outflow of a budgetary resource but is an expenditure for financial reporting purposes	(115,325)
Payments for equipment and building improvements are an outflow of a budgetary resource but are reported as capital assets for financial reporting purposes	17,568
Payment of principal on capital leases and notes payable is an outflow of a budgetary resource but is not an expenditure for financial reporting purposes	<u>89,318</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures - GAAP Basis	<u><u>\$ 168,265</u></u>

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

NOTE 1 – BUDGETS/BUDGETARY CONTROL

Annual budgets are prepared each year for the operations of the fire district. The budgets are approved by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. The budgets are then voted upon by the public, at the annual fire district election held on the third Saturday in February. Budgetary transfers may be made during the last two months of the year.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and generally accepted accounting principles. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3
Schedule of Supplemental Fire Services Grant Expenditure Report
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

REVENUE

State of New Jersey Supplemental Fire Services Grant \$ 14,198

Total revenue \$ 14,198

EXPENDITURES

Firefighting equipment and gear \$ 14,198

Total expenditures \$ 14,198

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Independent Auditor's 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*

To the Board of Fire Commissioners
Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3
Hamilton, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 10, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3'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 Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hamilton Township District No. 3's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or 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 over financial reporting 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 Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3'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*.



We noted certain matters that we reported to management of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3 in a separate letter dated August 10, 2015.

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 entity'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.

DePietto & DePietto, LLC

Holland, Pennsylvania
August 10, 2015

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT No. 3

General Comments and Recommendations

For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

This section identifies any material weaknesses, significant deficiencies and instances of non-compliance related to the December 31, 2014 financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and with audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of Hamilton Township Fire District No. 3.
2. There were no material weaknesses identified and there were no significant deficiencies reported relating to the audit of the financial statements as reported in the 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*.
3. There were no instances of noncompliance or other matters reported relating to the audit of the financial statements as reported in the 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*.

Section II – Financial Statement Findings – Current Year

None

Section III – Financial Statement Findings - Current Year Status of Prior Year Findings

None