

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE

COUNTY OF SUSSEX

REPORT OF AUDIT

2009

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE

PART I

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009



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Independent Auditors' Report

The Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Township Committee
Township of Lafayette
Lafayette, New Jersey

We have audited the financial statements of the various funds of the Township of Lafayette, in the County of Sussex (the "Township") as of and for the years then ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, as listed in the foregoing table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits.

Except as discussed in the fourth paragraph, we conducted our audits 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 (the "Division"), 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles prescribed by the Division, which demonstrate compliance with the modified accrual basis, with certain exceptions, and the budget laws 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 statutory basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

We were unable to obtain sufficient evidence to support the cost of the fixed assets of the general fixed assets account group. As more fully described in Note 1, due to the length of time over which these fixed assets were acquired, it is not practical to determine their actual costs. We are, therefore, unable to express an opinion as to the general fixed assets account group as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, stated at \$4,020,591.15 and \$3,943,695.15, respectively.

In our opinion, because the Township prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting discussed in the third paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph, 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, 2009 and 2008, and the results of its operations for the years then ended.

The Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Township Committee
Township of Lafayette
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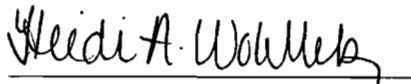
However, in our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the general fixed assets account group been audited, the financial statements referred to above, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the various funds of the Township of Lafayette at December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of operations and changes in fund balance, where applicable, of such funds, thereof for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the Division, as described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 2, 2010 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* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audits.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements taken as a whole. The information included in the supplementary data schedules listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards are also presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U. S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Nonprofit Organizations*; and New Jersey's OMB Circular NJOMB 04-04, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, and are not a required part of the financial statements. This information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements mentioned above and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements and Note B to the schedules of expenditures of federal and state awards.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey
March 2, 2010

NISIVOCCIA & COMPANY LLP



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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
CURRENT FUND

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

		December 31,	
	Ref.	2009	2008
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Regular Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			
Treasurer	A-4	\$ 929,112.86	\$ 988,217.94
Change Fund		25.00	25.00
		929,137.86	988,242.94
Due from State of New Jersey:			
Senior Citizens and Veterans Deductions		7,838.79	7,088.79
		936,976.65	995,331.73
Receivables and Other Assets With Full Reserves:			
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-7	206,821.34	305,175.83
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-8	162,752.19	147,870.11
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-9	1,655.00	
Due from:			
Federal and State Grant Fund	A	22,302.32	2,026.99
Other Trust Funds	B	396.67	1,038.50
Total Receivables and Other Assets with Full Reserves		393,927.52	456,111.43
Deferred Charges:			
Special Emergency Authorizations		71,000.00	129,000.00
Total Deferred Charges		71,000.00	129,000.00
Total Regular Fund		1,401,904.17	1,580,443.16
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Grants Receivable	A-10	61,640.75	43,431.30
Total Federal and State Grant Fund		61,640.75	43,431.30
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 1,463,544.92	\$ 1,623,874.46

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
(Continued)

		December 31,	
	Ref.	2009	2008
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Regular Fund:			
Appropriation Reserves:			
Encumbered	A-3;A-11	\$ 33,147.22	\$ 21,461.04
Unencumbered	A-3;A-11	75,818.14	76,760.63
		<u>108,965.36</u>	<u>98,221.67</u>
Due State of New Jersey:			
Marriage License Fees		25.00	375.00
Building Surcharge Fees		286.00	707.00
Due to:			
General Capital Fund	C		4.78
Open Space Trust Fund	B	409.85	3,038.03
County Added and Omitted Taxes Payable		9,608.67	9,795.18
Prepaid Taxes		47,460.11	48,887.55
Tax Overpayments		1,215.42	0.05
Building Fee Overpayments		31.00	31.00
Reserve for:			
Revaluation		2,642.50	2,642.50
Fair Share - COAH Certification		68.31	68.31
Revision of Tax Maps		21,999.37	23,001.87
Stormwater Plan		3,455.22	3,603.97
Environmental Contingencies		76,173.20	76,173.20
Master Plan		7,434.57	7,434.57
Garden State Preservation Trust		6,863.39	7,663.59
		<u>286,637.97</u>	<u>281,648.27</u>
Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets	A	393,927.52	456,111.43
Fund Balance	A-1	721,338.68	842,683.46
Total Regular Fund		<u>1,401,904.17</u>	<u>1,580,443.16</u>
Federal and State Grant Fund:			
Due to Current Fund	A	22,302.32	2,026.99
Appropriated Reserves	A-14	28,701.18	35,804.31
Unappropriated Reserves	A-15	10,637.25	5,600.00
Total Federal and State Grant Fund		<u>61,640.75</u>	<u>43,431.30</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		<u>\$ 1,463,544.92</u>	<u>\$ 1,623,874.46</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE

		Year Ended December 31,	
	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>Revenue and Other Income Realized</u>			
Fund Balance Utilized		\$ 610,000.00	\$ 600,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated		1,005,505.86	1,083,394.49
Receipts from:			
Delinquent Taxes		305,175.83	212,114.75
Current Taxes		8,427,153.91	8,162,192.08
Nonbudget Revenue		67,401.75	70,193.96
Other Credits to Income:			
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves		29,911.63	32,193.27
Interfunds Returned		3,065.49	140.59
Cancellation of Unappropriated Reserves			0.84
Cancellation of Overpayments		0.05	1.33
Total Income		<u>10,448,214.52</u>	<u>10,160,231.31</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Budget and Emergency Appropriations:			
Municipal Purposes		1,892,532.27	1,810,656.49
Municipal Open Space Taxes		83,431.60	82,743.53
County Taxes		1,877,215.54	1,831,406.21
Local School District Taxes		3,933,912.50	3,809,810.50
Regional High School Taxes		2,149,768.40	2,196,592.00
Cancellation of Prior Year Reconciling Items			4,396.35
Interfunds Advanced		22,698.99	3,065.49
Total Expenditures		<u>9,959,559.30</u>	<u>9,738,670.57</u>
Excess in Revenue		488,655.22	421,560.74
Balance January 1		842,683.46	1,021,122.72
		<u>1,331,338.68</u>	<u>1,442,683.46</u>
Decreased by:			
Utilized as Anticipated Revenue		610,000.00	600,000.00
Balance December 31	A	\$ 721,338.68	\$ 842,683.46

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Budget	Realized	Excess or Deficit*
Fund Balance Anticipated	\$ 610,000.00	\$ 610,000.00	
Miscellaneous Revenue:			
Licenses:			
Alcoholic Beverages	1,000.00	2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Fees and Permits	30,000.00	23,370.00	6,630.00 *
Interest and Costs on Taxes	30,000.00	57,383.37	27,383.37
Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Aid	50,967.00	50,967.00	
Energy Receipts Tax	189,226.00	189,226.00	
Reserve for Garden State Preservation Trust	7,663.59	7,663.59	
Uniform Construction Code Fees	45,000.00	31,274.00	13,726.00 *
Electrical Subcode Inspections	13,200.00	12,559.00	641.00 *
Reserve for Recycling Tonnage Grant	5,600.00	5,600.00	
Clean Communities Program	5,763.00	5,763.00	
NJ Department of Transportation - 2009			
Municipal Aid Program - Statesville/Quarry Road	180,000.00	180,000.00	
S.C.M.U.A. Host Community Benefit Fees	240,000.00	439,699.90	199,699.90
	798,419.59	1,005,505.86	207,086.27
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	265,000.00	305,175.83	40,175.83
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:			
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	609,112.68	772,825.87	163,713.19
Budget Totals	2,282,532.27	2,693,507.56	410,975.29
Nonbudget Revenue		67,401.75	67,401.75
	<u>\$ 2,282,532.27</u>	<u>\$ 2,760,909.31</u>	<u>\$ 478,377.04</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Allocation of Current Tax Collections:

Revenue from Collection of Current Taxes		\$ 8,427,153.91
Allocated to:		
County, Local School and Regional School Taxes	\$ 7,960,896.44	
Municipal Open Space Taxes	83,431.60	
		<u>8,044,328.04</u>
Balance for Support of Municipal Budget		382,825.87
Add: Appropriation "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes"		<u>390,000.00</u>
Realized for Support of Municipal Budget		<u>\$ 772,825.87</u>

Analysis of Nonbudget Revenue:

Treasurer:

Interest on Investments and Deposits:

Collected/Received by Treasurer	\$ 33,658.58	
Due from Other Trust Funds	396.67	
		<u>34,055.25</u>
Total Interest on Investments and Deposits		\$ 34,055.25
Fines and Costs - Municipal Court		<u>23,288.34</u>
		57,343.59

Cable TV Franchise Fees	7,720.00	
Municipal Clerk Fees	797.16	
Construction Office Fees	52.00	
Senior Citizens' and Veterans' Deductions		
Administrative Reimbursement	560.00	
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	498.00	
		<u>9,627.16</u>

Tax Collector:

Duplicate Bills	387.00	
Other Miscellaneous	44.00	
		<u>431.00</u>
		<u>\$ 67,401.75</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Canceled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
Operations Within "CAPS":					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:					
General Administration:					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 60.08	\$ 299.92	
Other Expenses	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,592.06	7.94	
Mayor and Council:					
Salaries and Wages	13,426.00	13,426.00	13,426.00		
Other Expenses	2,600.00	2,100.00	1,680.67	419.33	
Municipal Clerk:					
Salaries and Wages	35,648.41	35,648.41	35,648.41		
Other Expenses	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,974.51	25.49	
Elections:					
Salaries and Wages	150.00	150.00	150.00		
Other Expenses	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,547.41	52.59	
Financial Administration (Treasury):					
Salaries and Wages	27,765.74	27,765.74	27,765.74		
Other Expenses	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,275.96	24.04	
Annual Audit	18,550.00	18,550.00	13,436.00	5,114.00	
Computerized Data Processing:					
Other Expenses	11,000.00	11,000.00	10,641.50	358.50	
Revenue Administration (Tax Collection):					
Salaries and Wages	39,452.61	39,452.61	39,452.61		
Other Expenses	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,548.73	151.27	
Tax Search Officer:					
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Tax Assessment Administration:					
Salaries and Wages	16,627.61	16,627.61	16,627.61		

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Canceled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
Operations Within "CAPS" (Continued):					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT (Continued):					
Tax Assessment Administration:					
Salaries and Wages - Assessment Search Officer	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00		
Other Expenses	5,500.00	4,500.00	3,512.00	\$ 988.00	
Legal Services & Costs:					
Other Expenses	34,000.00	34,000.00	31,436.06	2,563.94	
Engineering Services & Costs:					
Other Expenses	7,000.00	12,000.00	9,849.57	2,150.43	
LAND USE ADMINISTRATION:					
Municipal Land Use Law (NJSA 40:55D-1):					
Planning Board:					
Salaries and Wages	25,819.27	25,819.27	25,819.27		
Other Expenses	56,420.00	52,920.00	31,252.64	21,667.36	
Zoning Official:					
Salaries and Wages	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,988.75	1,011.25	
INSURANCE:					
General Liability	83,000.00	83,000.00	83,000.00		
Employee Group Health	106,000.00	92,000.00	92,000.00		
Unemployment Compensation Insurance (N.J.S.A. 43:21-3 et seq.)	1,650.00	1,900.00	1,814.41	85.59	
PUBLIC SAFETY:					
Police:					
Salaries and Wages	50.00	50.00		50.00	
Other Expenses	50.00	50.00		50.00	

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Canceled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
Operations Within "CAPS" (Continued):					
PUBLIC SAFETY (Continued):					
Emergency Management Services:					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	
Other Expenses	50.00	50.00		50.00	
Other Expenses - First Responders	10,500.00	10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00		
Aid to Volunteer Fire Company	27,400.00	27,400.00	27,400.00		
Fire:					
Other Expenses	500.00	500.00	50.00	450.00	
PUBLIC WORKS:					
Road Repairs and Maintenance:					
Salaries and Wages	209,000.00	209,000.00	208,809.24	190.76	
Other Expenses	57,200.00	57,200.00	57,007.63	192.37	
Snow Removal:					
Salaries and Wages	15,000.00	25,300.00	24,954.13	345.87	
Other Expenses	68,000.00	68,000.00	67,011.99	988.01	
Solid Waste Collection:					
Recycling Coordinator:					
Salaries and Wages	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00		
Other Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	377.19	1,122.81	
Public Buildings & Grounds:					
Other Expenses	10,100.00	10,100.00	9,731.41	368.59	
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:					
Board of Health:					
Salaries and Wages	360.00	360.00		360.00	
Other Expenses	100.00	2,800.00	2,755.05	44.95	
Salaries and Wages - Registrar	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Canceled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
Operations Within "CAPS" (Continued):					
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Continued):					
Board of Health:					
Other Expenses - Registrar	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 341.00	\$ 159.00	
Other Expenses - Municipal Alliance	862.00	862.00	862.00		
Animal Control:					
Salaries and Wages	6,418.25	6,418.25	6,418.24	0.01	
PARK AND RECREATION:					
Recreation:					
Salaries and Wages	10,800.00	10,800.00	9,973.17	826.83	
Other Expenses	24,200.00	24,700.00	24,588.88	111.12	
Open Space Committee:					
Other Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	408.61	591.39	
UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE:					
Sub-Code Official:					
Building Inspector:					
Salaries and Wages	32,136.75	32,136.75	31,124.24	1,012.51	
Other Expenses	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,181.88	18.12	
Electrical Inspector:					
Salaries and Wages	11,087.18	11,087.18	11,087.18		
Fire Protection Officials:					
Salaries and Wages	3,229.95	3,229.95	3,229.95		
Other Expenses	400.00	400.00	400.00		
Plumbing Inspector:					
Salaries and Wages	5,641.50	5,641.50	5,641.50		

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	Appropriations		Expended By		Unexpended Balance Canceled
	Budget	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Reserved	
Operations Within "CAPS" (Continued):					
UNCLASSIFIED:					
Celebration of Public Events:					
Other Expenses	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,262.19	\$ 337.81	
UTILITIES AND BULK PURCHASES:					
Electricity	22,000.00	22,000.00	20,614.57	1,385.43	
Street Lighting	3,200.00	3,200.00	2,949.07	250.93	
Telephone	8,900.00	8,900.00	8,043.36	856.64	
Gasoline (Natural or Propane)	11,000.00	9,750.00	4,470.40	5,279.60	
Fuel Oil	30,000.00	26,000.00	19,252.55	6,747.45	
Total Operations Within "CAPS"	<u>1,082,205.27</u>	<u>1,076,705.27</u>	<u>1,019,945.42</u>	<u>56,759.85</u>	
Detail:					
Salaries and Wages	464,023.27	474,323.27	470,176.12	4,147.15	
Other Expenses	<u>618,182.00</u>	<u>602,382.00</u>	<u>549,769.30</u>	<u>52,612.70</u>	
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal					
Within "CAPS":					
Statutory Expenditures:					
Contribution to :					
Public Employees' Retirement System	31,854.00	31,854.00	31,584.00	270.00	
Social Security (O.A.S.I)	<u>36,500.00</u>	<u>37,500.00</u>	<u>36,362.44</u>	<u>1,137.56</u>	
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory					
Expenditures - Municipal Within "CAPS"	<u>68,354.00</u>	<u>69,354.00</u>	<u>67,946.44</u>	<u>1,407.56</u>	

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	<u>Appropriations</u>		<u>Expended By</u>		<u>Unexpended Balance Canceled</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>	<u>Reserved</u>	
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Within "CAPS"	\$ 1,150,559.27	\$ 1,146,059.27	\$ 1,087,891.86	\$ 58,167.41	
Operations Excluded from "CAPS":					
Police:					
911 Dispatching - Contractual	33,410.00	33,410.00	33,410.00		
Affordable Housing Administration (N.J.S.A.40A:45.3T):					
Other Expenses	10,000.00	14,500.00	14,249.08	250.92	
Interlocal Municipal Services Agreements:					
Joint Municipal Court:					
Other Expenses - Contractual	60,000.00	60,000.00	43,241.19	16,758.81	
Electrical Subcode Official:					
Other Expenses - Contractual	13,200.00	13,200.00	12,559.00	641.00	
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue:					
Clean Communities Grant	5,763.00	5,763.00	5,763.00		
Recycling Tonnage Grant	5,600.00	5,600.00	5,600.00		
Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS":	1,278,532.27	1,278,532.27	1,202,714.13	75,818.14	
Detail:					
Other Expenses	1,278,532.27	1,278,532.27	1,202,714.13	75,818.14	
Capital Improvements:					
Capital Improvement Fund	296,000.00	296,000.00	296,000.00		
Public and Private Offset by Revenues:					
New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act:					
2009 Municipal Aid Program - Statesville/Quarry Road	180,000.00	180,000.00	180,000.00		

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
 (Continued)

	<u>Appropriations</u>		<u>Expended By</u>		<u>Unexpended Balance Canceled</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>	<u>Reserved</u>	
Total Capital Improvements	\$ 476,000.00	\$ 476,000.00	\$ 476,000.00		
Deferred Charges- Municipal:					
Special Emergency Authorizations - 5 Years (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53)	58,000.00	58,000.00	58,000.00		
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:					
Unfunded-Ordinance #2003-04	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00		
Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	138,000.00	138,000.00	138,000.00		
Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes	3,043,091.54	3,038,591.54	2,904,605.99	\$ 133,985.55	
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	390,000.00	390,000.00	390,000.00		
Total General Appropriations	<u>\$ 3,433,091.54</u>	<u>\$ 3,428,591.54</u>	<u>\$ 3,294,605.99</u>	<u>\$ 133,985.55</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Analysis of</u>	
		<u>Budget After Modification</u>	<u>Paid or Charged</u>
Adopted Budget		\$ 2,282,532.27	
		<u>\$ 2,282,532.27</u>	
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes			\$ 390,000.00
Reserve for Encumbrances	A		33,147.22
Transfer to Federal and State Grant Fund			191,363.00
Deferred Charges - Special Emergency Authorization			58,000.00
Cash Disbursed			<u>1,538,649.05</u>
			2,211,159.27
Less: Appropriation Refunds			<u>4,445.14</u>
			<u>\$ 2,206,714.13</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
TRUST FUNDS

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET - TRUST FUNDS

		December 31,	
	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Animal Control Fund:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			
Treasurer	B-4	\$ 763.09	\$ 758.80
Other Trust Funds:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	B-4	618,168.08	807,865.42
Due From Current Fund - Open Space Trust Fund	A	409.85	3,038.03
		<u>618,577.93</u>	<u>810,903.45</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 619,341.02</u>	<u>\$ 811,662.25</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</u>			
Animal Control Fund:			
Reserve for Animal Control Expenditures	B-6	\$ 763.09	\$ 758.80
Other Trust Funds:			
Due to Current Fund	A	396.67	1,038.50
Reserve for:			
Escrow Bonds		64,905.01	121,742.43
Recreation		13,253.77	13,285.76
Fire Prevention Penalty Fees		10,515.21	17,496.99
Developers Escrow		141,904.45	210,914.49
Affordable Housing		107,318.76	228,805.77
Tax Sale Premiums		1,950.00	6,950.00
Open Space Trust		278,334.06	210,669.51
		<u>618,577.93</u>	<u>810,903.45</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		<u>\$ 619,341.02</u>	<u>\$ 811,662.25</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
ASSESSMENT TRUST FUND
STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
ASSESSMENT TRUST FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
ASSESSMENT TRUST FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

		December 31,	
	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	C-2	\$ 398,323.43	\$ 185,918.22
Due from:			
Current Fund	A		4.78
Due from Lafayette Township EMS			20,000.00
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:			
Unfunded	C-4	553,187.26	633,187.26
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 951,510.69</u>	<u>\$ 839,110.26</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Improvement Authorizations:			
Funded	C-5	\$ 38,635.93	19,159.50
Unfunded	C-5	269,800.00	269,800.00
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	384,089.10	163,089.10
Reserve for:			
Encumbrances			39,026.00
Purchase of Fire Truck and Fire Equipment		23,189.63	23,189.63
Improvements to Public/Recreational Property		44,421.95	56,371.95
Purchase of Road Equipment		92,399.03	169,499.03
Improvements to Various Roads		105.98	105.98
First Responder Equipment		5,085.87	5,085.87
Fund Balance	C-1	93,783.20	93,783.20
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		<u>\$ 951,510.69</u>	<u>\$ 839,110.26</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2008	C	<u>\$ 93,783.20</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	C	<u><u>\$ 93,783.20</u></u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
WATER UTILITY FUND

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
SEWER UTILITY FUND

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
BOND AND INTEREST FUND

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

(UNAUDITED)

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
 (UNAUDITED)

	December 31,	
	2009	2008
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Land	\$ 640,400.00	\$ 640,400.00
Buildings and Improvements	1,938,321.14	1,938,321.14
Equipment	1,441,870.01	1,364,974.01
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 4,020,591.15</u>	<u>\$ 3,943,695.15</u>
 <u>RESERVES</u>		
Reserve for Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 4,020,591.15</u>	<u>\$ 3,943,695.15</u>
TOTAL RESERVES	<u>\$ 4,020,591.15</u>	<u>\$ 3,943,695.15</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

Except as noted below, the financial statements of the Township of Lafayette include every board, body, officer or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the Township of Lafayette, as required by N.J.S. 40A:5-5. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Township of Lafayette do not include the operations of the volunteer fire company or first aid organization.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board publication, Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity" establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. The basic criterion for inclusion or exclusion from the financial reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over agencies, boards and commissions by the primary government. The exercise of oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, certain legally separate, tax-exempt entities that meet specific criteria (i.e., benefit of economic resources, access/entitlement to resources, and significance) should be included in the financial reporting entities. As the financial reporting entity was established in accordance with New Jersey statutes, the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board's Codification section 2100 were not followed and, accordingly, the reporting entity could be different from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. Description of Funds

The accounting policies of the Township of Lafayette 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 (the "Division"). 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 Lafayette accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds:

Current Fund - Resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds.

Trust Funds - Receipts, custodianship and disbursement of funds in accordance with the purpose for which each reserve was created.

General Capital Fund - Receipt and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired in the Current Fund.

General Fixed Assets Account Group (Unaudited) - Estimated values of land, buildings and certain fixed assets of the Township as discussed in Note 1E - "Basis of Accounting".

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The accounting policies of the Township of Lafayette conform to the accounting principles applicable to municipalities which have been prescribed by the Division which differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to local governmental units. The more significant policies in New Jersey follow.

Revenue is recorded when received in cash except for certain amounts which may be due from the State of New Jersey. Grant revenue is realized in the Current Fund when it is budgeted and in the Capital Funds when improvements are authorized. The amounts recorded as property taxes and consumer accounts receivable have not been included in revenue. Amounts that are due to the municipality, which are susceptible of accrual, are recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves in the Current Fund.

Expenditures are charged to operations based on budgeted amounts. Exceptions to this general rule include:

- 1) Accumulated unpaid vacation, sick pay and other employee amounts are not accrued.
- 2) Prepaid expenses, such as insurance premiums applicable to subsequent periods, are charged to current budget appropriations in total.
- 3) Principal and interest on long-term debt are recognized when due.

Expenditures, if any, in excess of appropriations, appropriation reserves or ordinances become deferred charges which must be raised by future taxes. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31 are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements and constitute part of the statutory appropriation reserve balance. Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at December 31 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.

Had the Township's financial statements been prepared under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, encumbrances would not be considered as expenditures; appropriation reserves would not be recorded; revenue susceptible to accrual would have been reflected without offsetting reserves; Federal and State grants and assistance would be recognized when earned, not when awarded and inventories would not be reflected as expenditures at the time of purchase.

The cash basis of accounting is followed in the Trust Funds.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

D. Deferred Charges to Future Taxation – The Capital Fund balance sheet includes both funded and unfunded deferred charges. Funded means that bonds have been issued and are being paid off on a serial basis. Unfunded means that debt has been authorized but not permanently financed. A municipality can eliminate an unfunded deferred charge by raising it in the budget, by collecting a grant, by selling bonds or by issuing loans or capital lease purchase agreements.

E. Other significant accounting policies include:

Management Estimates – The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – Amounts include petty cash, change funds, amounts on deposit, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments – Investments are stated at cost or amortized cost, which approximates market.

Grants Receivable – Grants receivable represent total grant awards less amounts collected to date. Because the amount of grants funds to be collected are dependent on the total costs eligible for reimbursement, the actual amount collected may be less than the total amount awarded.

Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts – No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as all amounts are considered collectible.

Compensated Absences – Expenditures relating to unused accumulated sick pay are not recorded until paid.

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

Interfunds - 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.

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

General Fixed Assets (Unaudited) - General fixed assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost based on estimation procedures performed by an independent appraisal company. Infrastructure assets are not included in general fixed assets, as per state directive. Major renewals and betterments are charged to the asset amounts; maintenance and minor repairs and replacements, which do not improve or extend the lives of the respective assets, are expensed currently. Donated fixed assets are valued at their fair market value on the date donated. No depreciation has been provided for on general fixed assets. The total value recorded for general fixed assets is offset by a "Reserve for General Fixed Assets." When properties are retired or otherwise disposed of, the asset and the reserve are adjusted accordingly.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

E. Other significant accounting policies: (Cont'd)

General fixed assets recorded in the general fixed assets account group may also be recorded in the General Capital Fund. The values recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group and the General Capital Fund may not always agree due to differences in valuation methods, timing of recognition of assets, and the recognition of infrastructures. Capital assets are reviewed for impairment.

- F. Budget/Budgetary Control** – Annual appropriated budgets are usually prepared in the first quarter for the Current Fund and the Open Space Trust Fund. The budget is submitted to the governing body and the Division of Local Government Services. The budget is prepared using the cash basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is established at the line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the flexible chart of accounts referenced in N.J.S.A. 40A. All budget amendments/transfers must be approved by the Township during the year.

Note 2: Long-Term Debt

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds to finance general Township capital expenditures. All bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. All bonds issued by the Township are general obligation bonds. The Township's full faith and credit taxing power has been pledged to the payment of the general obligation debt principal and interest.

	December 31,		
	2009	2008	2007
<u>Issued</u>			
General:			
Bonds and Notes	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 435,000.00
Net Debt Issued	-0-	-0-	435,000.00
<u>Authorized but not Issued:</u>			
Bonds and Notes	553,187.26	633,187.26	270,687.26
Net Bonds and Notes Issued and Authorized but not Issued	\$ 553,187.26	\$ 633,187.26	\$ 705,687.26

Summary of Municipal Debt Issued and Outstanding – Current and Prior Years

There was no current year debt issued and outstanding at December 31, 2009.

	Balance 12/31/07	Additions	Retirements	Balance 12/31/08
Bond Anticipation Notes:				
General Capital Fund	\$ 435,000.00	\$ -0-	\$ 435,000.00	\$ -0-

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 2: Long-Term Debt (Cont'd)

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 0.12%.

	<u>Gross Debt</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Net Debt</u>
General Debt	\$ 553,187.26		\$ 553,187.26
Local School District Debt	3,827,000.00	\$ 3,827,000.00	
Regional High School Debt	247,630.83	247,630.83	
	<u>4,627,818.09</u>	<u>\$ 4,074,630.83</u>	<u>\$ 553,187.26</u>

Net Debt \$553,187.26 divided by Equalized Valuation Basis per N.J.S. 40A:2-2, \$468,991,517 = 0.12%.

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

3-1/2% Average Equalized Valuation of Real Property	\$ 16,414,703.08
Net Debt	<u>553,187.26</u>
Remaining Borrowing Power	<u>\$ 15,861,515.82</u>

The foregoing debt information is in agreement with the Annual Debt Statement filed by the Chief Financial Officer.

Note 3: Fund Balances Appropriated

As of the date of this report, the budget for 2010 has not been introduced. Thus, the amount of fund balance at December 31, 2009, which will be included in the Current Fund budget for the year ending December 31, 2010, is not known at this date.

Note 4: Pension Plans

Township employees are enrolled in a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system: the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) of New Jersey. The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers this plan which covers substantially all Township employees. As a general rule, all full-time employees are eligible to join this public employees' retirement system.

Employees who are members of PERS and retire at or after age 55 are entitled to a retirement benefit based upon a formula which takes 1/55th of the average annual compensation for the highest three fiscal year's compensation for each year of membership during year of creditable service. Vesting occurs after 8 to 10 year of service.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 4: Pension Plans (Cont'd)

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of each of the above systems. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295.

The contribution policy is set by New Jersey State Statutes and, in most retirement systems, contributions are required by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. Employee contributions are based on percentages of 5.50% for PERS of employees' annual compensation, as defined. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The actuarially determined employer contribution includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments and noncontributory death benefits.

Effective July 1, 2003, Chapter 108, P.L. 2003 provides for a reduction or "phase-in" of the required pension contribution to PERS for local employers for State fiscal years 2005-2008. The local employer PERS normal and accrued liability contributions required for State fiscal years 2007-2009 are as follows:

Three-Year Trend of PERS			
Year Funding December 31,	Annual Pension Cost (APC)	Percentage of APC Contributed	Net Pension Obligation
2009	\$ 31,584.00	100.00%	\$ 31,584.00
2008	28,773.00	80.00%	23,018.40
2007	18,524.00	60.00%	11,114.40

20% for payments due in State fiscal year 2005

Not more than 40% for payments due in State fiscal year 2006

Not more than 60% for payments due in State fiscal year 2007

Not more than 80% for payments due in State fiscal year 2008

Note 5: Local School District Taxes

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

The Township of Lafayette has elected not to defer school taxes.

Note 6: Accrued Sick and Vacation Benefits

Vacation time must be used before the end of the year and is not allowed to be accrued.

Employees are allowed to accrue up to 24 days of sick leave; however, they are not paid for any sick time upon leaving the Township. Such compensation paid for sick time used during the year would be included in the Township's budget.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 7: Selected Tax Information

Property taxes are levied as of January 1 on property values assessed as of the previous calendar year. The tax levy is divided into two billings. The first billing is an estimate of the current year's levy based on the prior year's taxes. The second billing reflects adjustments to the current year's actual levy. The final tax bill is usually mailed on or before June 14th along with the first half estimated tax bills for the subsequent year. The first half estimated taxes are divided into two due dates, February 1 and May 1. The final tax bills are also divided into two due dates, August 1 and November 1. A ten-day grace period is usually granted before the taxes are considered delinquent and the imposition of interest charges. A penalty may be assessed for any unpaid taxes in excess of \$10,000 at December 31 of the current year. Unpaid taxes of the prior year may be placed in lien at a tax sale held after April 1 and through December 31. Unpaid taxes of the current year may be placed in lien at a tax sale held after December 10.

Comparative Schedule of Tax Rate Information

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<u>Tax Rate</u>	\$ 1.822	\$ 1.801	\$ 1.720
<u>Apportionment of</u>			
<u>Tax Rate</u>			
Municipal	0.145	0.135	0.117
County	0.395	0.389	0.401
Local School	0.829	0.810	0.768
Regional High School	0.453	0.467	0.434
<u>Assessed Valuations</u>			
2009	\$ 474,417,983.00		
2008		\$ 470,468,740.00	
2007			\$ 472,307,991.00

Comparison of Tax Levies and Collection Currently

A study of the following 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.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Currently</u>	
		<u>Cash Collections</u>	<u>Percentage of Collection</u>
2009	\$ 8,687,978.24	\$ 8,427,153.91	97.00%
2008	8,518,064.49	8,162,192.08	95.82%
2007	8,221,964.54	7,984,014.59	97.10%

Also, increases in future tax levies can also be warranted if revenue sources outside of those directly generated by the municipality, such as federal or state aid, should decline without corresponding decreases in budgeted expenditures.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 8: Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, amounts in deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Investments are stated at cost, which approximates market. The Township classifies certificates of deposit which have original maturity dates of more than three months but less than twelve months from the date of purchase, as investments.

GASB Statement No. 40, *Governmental Accounting Standards Board Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*, requires disclosure of the level of custodial credit risk assumed by the Township in its cash, cash equivalents and investments, if those items are uninsured or unregistered. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned.

Interest Rate Risk - In accordance with its cash management plan, the Township ensures that any deposit or investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds, deposited or invested, so that there is not a risk to the market value of such deposits or investments.

Credit Risk - The Township limits its investments to those authorized in its cash management plan which are those permitted under state statute as detailed below and on the following page.

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, or by any other agency of the United States that insures deposits made in public depositories. Municipalities are also permitted to deposit public funds in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

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

The market value of the collateral must equal 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, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.

Investments:

New Jersey statutes permit the Township to purchase the following types of securities:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 8: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cont'd)

Investments: (Cont'd)

- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor;
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located;
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by local units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund; or
- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) above;
 - (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in statute; and
 - (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

As of December 31, 2009, cash and cash equivalents of the Township of Lafayette consisted of the following:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Cash on Hand</u>	<u>Checking Accounts</u>	<u>Savings Accounts</u>	<u>NJ Cash Management Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Current	\$ 25.00	\$ 929,108.33		\$ 4.53	\$ 929,137.86
Animal Control		763.09			763.09
Other Trust		89,070.66	\$ 529,097.42		618,168.08
General Capital		398,321.34		2.09	398,323.43
	<u>\$ 25.00</u>	<u>\$1,417,263.42</u>	<u>\$ 529,097.42</u>	<u>\$ 6.62</u>	<u>\$1,946,392.46</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 8: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Cont'd)

During the period ended December 31, 2009, the Township did not hold any investments. The carrying amount of the Township of Lafayette's cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2009, was \$1,946,392.46 and the bank balance was \$1,935,221.68. The \$6.62 in the NJ Cash Management Fund accounts are uninsured and unregistered.

Note 9: Deferred Charges to be Raised in Succeeding Years

Certain expenditures are required to be deferred to budgets of succeeding year. At December 31, 2009, the following deferred charge is shown on the balance sheet of the Current Fund:

	Balance Dec. 31, 2009	Required 2010 Budget Appropriation	Balance Deferred to Succeeding Years' Budgets
Current Fund:			
Special Emergency Authorizations	\$ 71,000.00	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 13,000.00

The appropriation in the 2009 budget will not be less than that required by statute.

Note 10: Risk Management

The Township 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. Health benefits are provided through the State of New Jersey health benefits plan.

Property, Liability and Workers' Compensation

The Township is currently a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund (the "Fund"). The Fund provides its members with Liability, Property and Workers' Compensation Insurance. The Fund is a risk-sharing public entity risk pool that is both an insured and self administered group of governmental entities established for the purpose of providing low-cost insurance coverage for its members in order to keep local property taxes at a minimum. Each member appoints an official to represent their respective entity for the purpose of creating a governing body from which officers for the Fund are elected.

As a member of the Fund, the Township could be subject to supplemental assessments in the event of deficiencies. If the assets of the Fund were to be exhausted, members would become responsible for their respective shares of the Fund's liabilities.

The Fund can declare and distribute dividends to members upon approval of the State of New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. These distributions are divided amongst the members in the same ratio as their individual assessment relates to the total assessment of the membership body. The members may either receive payment or offset their subsequent year assessments with their respective share of the distribution.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 10: Risk Management (Cont'd)

Property, Liability and Workers' Compensation (Cont'd)

Selected, summarized financial information for the Fund is as follows:

	<u>Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund Dec. 31, 2008</u>
Total Assets	\$ 12,992,335
Net Assets	\$ 5,748,301
Total Revenue	\$ 8,986,409
Total Expenditures	\$ 8,610,066
Change in Net Assets	\$ 376,343
Net Assets Distribution to Participating Members	\$ 401,971

Financial statements for the Fund are available at the offices of the Fund's Executive Director:

Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund
Public Entity Group Administrative Services
51 Everett Drive
Suite B-40
West Windsor, NJ 08550
(609) 275-1155

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance – The Township has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Contributory Method". Under this plan, the Township is required to remit employee withholdings to the State on a quarterly basis. All of the Township's claims are paid by the State.

Note 11: Interfund Receivables and Payables

The following interfund balances remained on the balance sheet at December 31, 2009:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
Current Fund	\$ 22,698.99	\$ 409.85
Federal and State Grant Fund		22,302.32
Other Trust Funds		396.67
Open Space Trust Fund	409.85	
	<u>\$ 23,108.84</u>	<u>\$ 23,108.84</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

Note 11: Interfund Receivables and Payables (Cont'd)

The interfund payable in the Federal and State Grant Fund and the interfund receivable in the Current Fund are due to the net of grant funds received and grant fund expenditures expended from the Current Fund on behalf of the Federal and State Grant Fund. The interfund receivable in the Open Space Trust Fund and the interfund payable in the Current Fund represent the amount of 2009 open space taxes collected in the Current Fund not turned over to the Open Space Trust Fund as of December 31, 2009. The interfund receivable in the Current Fund and the interfund payable in the Other Trust Funds represent interest earned in the Other Trust Funds in 2009 not turned over as of December 31, 2009.

Note 12: Reserve for Environmental Contingencies

The Township set aside part of the annual Host Community Fees received from the Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority for potential costs associated with environmental issues, including the cost of potential litigation, which may develop with respect to the landfill. As of December 31, 2009, the reserve balance was \$76,173.20.

Note 13: Contingent Liabilities

The Township is periodically involved in various lawsuits arising in the normal course of business, including claims for property damage, personal injury, and various contract disputes. The Township vigorously contests these lawsuits and believes the ultimate resolution would not have a material adverse effect on its financial position.

Amounts received or receivable from grantors, principally the federal and state governments are subject to regulatory requirements and adjustments by the agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts previously recognized by the Township as revenue would constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantors cannot be determined at this time, although Township officials expect such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Note 14: Economic Dependency

The Township receives a substantial amount of its support from federal and state governments. A significant reduction in the level of support, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the Township's programs and activities.

Note 15: Open Space Trust Fund

The Township adopted an ordinance in 2006 to establish a "Municipal Open Space, Recreation, and Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund," permitting the Township to collect a tax of one and one half cent (1.5 cents) per \$100.00 assessed valuation for the Open Space Trust Fund. The 2009 Open Space tax levy was \$83,431.60. The balance in the Reserve for Open Space at December 31, 2009 is \$278,334.06.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
OFFICIALS IN OFFICE AND SURETY BONDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount of Bond</u>	<u>Name of Corporate or Personal Surety</u>
John D' Angeli	Mayor		
Richard Bruning	Deputy Mayor		
Gregory Corcoran	Committeeman		
Richard Hughes	Committeeman		
George Sweeney	Committeeman		
Gail Magura	Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer	\$ 1,000,000.00	Municipal Excess Liability JIF
Linda L. Pettenger	Tax Collector, Tax Search Officer	1,000,000.00	Municipal Excess Liability JIF
Anna Rose Fedish	Clerk, Assessment Search Official, Registrar and Deputy Collector	1,000,000.00	Municipal Excess Liability JIF
Maureen Kaman	Tax Assessor		
James Devine	Magistrate		
Roy E. Kurnos	Attorney		
Stephanie Pizzulo	Secretary Board of Health, Land Use Board, Construction & Fire Prevention Offices		
William Kaufman	Animal Control Officer		
Charles O'Connor (until 5/31/09)	Construction Official, Building Inspector, Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer		
Jeff Fette (from 6/1/09)	Construction Official, Building Inspector, Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer		
Edith McGrath	Recycling Coordinator		

There is a Public Employees Blanket Bond for \$1,000,000 covering all municipal employees.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
CURRENT FUND

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF CASH

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2008	A	\$ 988,217.94
Increased by Receipts:		
Tax Collector	\$ 8,761,182.09	
Revenue Accounts Receivable	772,384.24	
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	9,627.16	
Interest on Investments and Deposits	33,658.58	
Due from Other Trust Funds:		
Interfund Returned	1,038.50	
Due to Federal and State Grant Fund:		
Interfund Advanced - Grant Funds Receivable	161,790.55	
Interfund Advanced - Unappropriated Reserves	16,400.25	
Interfund Advanced - Appropriation Refund	38.00	
Due to State of New Jersey:		
Senior Citizens' and Veterans' Deductions	28,000.00	
Marriage License Fees	275.00	
Building Surcharge Fees	2,474.00	
Reserve for Garden State Preservation Trust	6,863.39	
Appropriation Refunds	4,445.14	
		<u>9,798,176.90</u>
		10,786,394.84
Decreased by Disbursements:		
2009 Appropriation Expenditures	1,538,649.05	
2008 Appropriation Reserve Expenditures	68,310.04	
Local School District Taxes	3,933,912.50	
Regional High School Taxes Payable	2,149,768.40	
County Taxes	1,877,402.05	
Due to/from Other Trust Funds - Open Space:		
Interfund Returned	3,038.03	
Open Space Tax Levy	83,021.75	
Due from Federal and State Grant Fund:		
Interfund Advanced - Appropriated Grant Fund Reserves	198,504.13	
Due to General Capital Fund:		
Interfund Returned	4.78	
Due to State of New Jersey:		
Marriage License Fees	625.00	
Building Surcharge Fees	2,895.00	
Reserve for:		
Stormwater Plan	148.75	
Tax Maps	1,002.50	
		<u>9,857,281.98</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	A	<u>\$ 929,112.86</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF CASH - COLLECTOR
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Increased by Receipts:

Taxes Receivable	\$ 8,654,692.19	
Interest and Costs on Taxes	57,383.37	
2010 Prepaid Taxes	47,460.11	
Tax Overpayments	1,215.42	
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	431.00	
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		\$ 8,761,182.09

Decreased by:

Payments to Municipal Treasurer		<u>\$ 8,761,182.09</u>
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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND
SCHEDULE OF CASH
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Year	Balance	2009 Levy	Collections		State of NJ	Canceled	Transferred to	Balance
	Dec. 31, 2008		2008	2009	Veterans' and Senior Citizens' Deductions		Tax Title Liens	Dec. 31, 2009
2008	\$ 305,175.83			\$ 305,175.83				
2009		\$ 8,687,978.24	\$ 48,887.55	8,349,516.36	\$ 28,750.00	\$ 39,120.91	\$ 14,882.08	\$ 206,821.34
	<u>\$ 305,175.83</u>	<u>\$ 8,687,978.24</u>	<u>\$ 48,887.55</u>	<u>\$ 8,654,692.19</u>	<u>\$ 28,750.00</u>	<u>\$ 39,120.91</u>	<u>\$ 14,882.08</u>	<u>\$ 206,821.34</u>
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Analysis of 2009 Property Tax Levy

Tax Yield:

General Purpose Taxes	\$ 8,643,895.46	
Added and Omitted Taxes (54-5-63.1 et. seq.)	44,082.78	
	<u>\$ 8,687,978.24</u>	

Tax Levy:

Local School District Taxes		3,933,912.50	
Regional High School Taxes		2,149,768.40	
County Taxes:			
General Tax	1,867,606.87		
County Added and Omitted Taxes	9,608.67		
		<u>1,877,215.54</u>	
		7,960,896.44	
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	609,112.68		
Municipal Open Space Tax	83,021.75		
Additional Open Space - Municipal	409.85		
Add: Additional Tax Levied	34,537.52		
		<u>727,081.80</u>	
		<u>\$ 8,687,978.24</u>	

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2008	A	\$ 147,870.11
Increased by:		
Transfer from Taxes Receivable		<u>14,882.08</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	A	<u>\$ 162,752.19</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Accrued In 2009	Collected by Treasurer	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
Licenses:			
Alcoholic Beverages	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
Fees and Permits	23,390.00	23,370.00	\$ 20.00
Fines and Costs:			
Municipal Court	23,288.34	23,288.34	
Energy Receipts Tax	189,226.00	189,226.00	
Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Aid	50,967.00	50,967.00	
S.C.M.U.A. Host Community Benefit Fees	439,699.90	439,699.90	
Uniform Construction Code Fees	32,909.00	31,274.00	1,635.00
Electrical Subcode Inspections	12,559.00	12,559.00	
	<u>\$ 774,039.24</u>	<u>\$ 772,384.24</u>	<u>\$ 1,655.00</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND
SCHEDULE OF GRANTS RECEIVABLE

	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	2009 Budget Revenue Realized	Cash Received	Transferred from Unappropriated Reserves	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2008		\$ 5,600.00		\$ 5,600.00	
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program	\$ 1,250.00				\$ 1,250.00
Clean Communities Grant - 2009		5,763.00		5,763.00	
NJ Department of Transportation - 2008 Municipal Aid Program - Meadows Road Reconstruction	42,181.30		\$ 42,181.30		
NJ Department of Transportation - 2009 Municipal Aid Program - Statesville/Quarry Road		180,000.00	119,609.25		60,390.75
	<u>\$ 43,431.30</u>	<u>\$ 191,363.00</u>	<u>\$ 161,790.55</u>	<u>\$ 11,363.00</u>	<u>\$ 61,640.75</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF 2008 APPROPRIATION RESERVES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed
General Administration:				
Salaries and Wages	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00		\$ 360.00
Other Expenses	356.88	356.88	\$ 220.94	135.94
Mayor and Committee:				
Other Expenses	631.72	631.72		631.72
Municipal Clerk:				
Other Expenses	155.20	155.20		155.20
Elections:				
Other Expenses	159.73	159.73		159.73
Financial Administration:				
Other Expenses	206.07	206.07	115.53	90.54
Annual Audit Services	8,996.00	8,996.00	8,996.00	
Computerized Data Processing:				
Other Expenses	257.49	257.49		257.49
Revenue Administration (Tax Collection):				
Other Expenses	901.37	901.37	185.63	715.74
Tax Assessment Administration:				
Other Expenses	155.53	155.53	13.45	142.08
Legal Services & Costs:				
Other Expenses	12,639.18	8,293.18	3,213.52	5,079.66
Engineering Services & Costs:				
Other Expenses	3,477.81	3,477.81	2,836.88	640.93
Municipal Land Use Law (NJSA 40:55D-1):				
Planning Board:				
Other Expenses	7,397.72	9,568.72	9,100.06	468.66
Insurance:				
General Liability	1,156.65	1,156.65		1,156.65
Unemployment Compensation Insurance (N.J.S.A. 43:21-3 et seq.)	187.77	187.77		187.77
Police:				
Salaries and Wages	50.00	50.00		50.00
Other Expenses	50.00	50.00		50.00
Emergency Management Services:				
Salaries and Wages	50.00	50.00		50.00
Other Expenses	50.00	50.00		50.00
Fire:				
Other Expenses	320.00	320.00		320.00

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF 2008 APPROPRIATION RESERVES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Budget After Modification	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed
Road Repairs and Maintenance:				
Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,120.38	\$ 1,120.38		\$ 1,120.38
Other Expenses	7,364.62	7,364.62	\$ 4,183.76	3,180.86
Snow Removal:				
Salaries and Wages	0.72	0.72		0.72
Other Expenses	3,863.02	3,863.02	3,790.15	72.87
Solid Waste Collection:				
Recycling Coordinator:				
Other Expenses	35.94	35.94		35.94
Public Buildings & Grounds:				
Other Expenses	313.63	313.63	274.66	38.97
Board of Health:				
Salaries and Wages	300.00	300.00		300.00
Other Expenses	100.00	100.00		100.00
Other Expenses - Registrar	197.01	197.01		197.01
Other Expenses - Municipal Alliance	862.00	862.00	862.00	
Recreation:				
Salaries and Wages	1,304.73	1,304.73		1,304.73
Other Expenses	2,824.90	2,824.90	2,805.54	19.36
Other Space Committee:				
Other Expenses	824.22	824.22		824.22
UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE:				
Sub-Code Official:				
Building Inspector:				
Other Expenses	1,239.56	1,239.56	705.86	533.70
Celebration of Public Events:				
Other Expenses	701.66	701.66	587.11	114.55
Utility and Bulk Purchases:				
Electricity	3,041.12	3,041.12	1,812.33	1,228.79
Street Lighting	504.02	504.02	247.78	256.24
Telephone	1,183.97	1,183.97	647.00	536.97
Gasoline (Natural or Propane)	1,440.87	1,440.87	1,323.26	117.61
Fuel Oil	7,029.66	7,029.66	3,108.48	3,921.18
Statutory Expenditures:				
Contribution to:				
Social Security System (OASI)	633.69	633.69		633.69
Insurance:				
Employee Group Health	1,685.58	1,685.58		1,685.58

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF 2008 APPROPRIATION RESERVES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
(Continued)

	<u>Balance</u> <u>Dec. 31, 2008</u>	<u>Budget After</u> <u>Modification</u>	<u>Paid or</u> <u>Charged</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>Lapsed</u>
Affordable Housing Administration:				
Other Expenses	\$ 6,025.00	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 8,200.00	
Interlocal Municipal Service Agreements:				
Joint Municipal Court:				
Other Expenses - Contractual	18,066.25	18,066.25	15,080.10	\$ 2,986.15
	<u>\$ 98,221.67</u>	<u>\$ 98,221.67</u>	<u>\$ 68,310.04</u>	<u>\$ 29,911.63</u>

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Analysis of Balance December 31, 2008:

Unencumbered	A	\$ 76,760.63
Encumbered	A	<u>21,461.04</u>
		<u>\$ 98,221.67</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES PAYABLE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Increased by:

Levy - Calendar Year 2009

\$ 3,933,912.50

Decreased by:

Payments to Local School District

\$ 3,933,912.50

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TAXES PAYABLE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Increased by:

Levy - Calendar Year 2009

\$ 2,149,768.40

Decreased by:

Payments to Regional High School

\$ 2,149,768.40

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATED RESERVES

	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Transferred from 2009 Budget Appropriations	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2006	\$ 1,483.78			\$ 1,483.78
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2007	650.47			650.47
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2008		\$ 5,600.00	\$ 2,147.16	3,452.84
Clean Communities Program - 2005	1,620.19		1,333.54	286.65
Clean Communities Program - 2006	5,662.93		5,662.93	
Clean Communities Program - 2007	1,285.89		1,285.89	
Clean Communities Program - 2009		5,763.00	5,763.00	
NJ Management Hazardous Material				
Emergency Preparation	8,000.00			8,000.00
Emergency Management Grant - 2004	2,118.54			2,118.54
Emergency Management Grant - 2005	4,000.00		90.88	3,909.12
Emergency Management Grant - 2006	2,007.10		2,007.10	
Federal Municipal SLAHEOP	2,405.72			2,405.72
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program:				
2007	2,397.58		175.63	2,221.95
Open Space Grant	2,475.50			2,475.50
NJ Department of Transportation:				
Municipal Aid Program:				
2008 - Meadows Road Reconstruction	1,696.61			1,696.61
2009 - Statesville/Quarry Road		180,000.00	180,000.00	
	<u>\$ 35,804.31</u>	<u>\$ 191,363.00</u>	<u>\$ 198,466.13</u>	<u>\$ 28,701.18</u>

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Cash Disbursed	\$ 198,504.13
Less: Refund	<u>38.00</u>
	<u>\$ 198,542.13</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUND
SCHEDULE OF UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES

	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Cash Received	Transferred to 2009 Budget Revenue	Balance Dec. 31, 2009
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2008	\$ 5,600.00		\$ 5,600.00	
Recycling Tonnage Grant - 2009		\$ 9,047.48		\$ 9,047.48
Clean Communities - 2009		7,352.77	5,763.00	1,589.77
	<u>\$ 5,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 16,400.25</u>	<u>\$ 11,363.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,637.25</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
TRUST FUNDS

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
TRUST FUNDS
SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	<u>Ref.</u>	<u>Animal Control Fund</u>	<u>Other Trust Funds</u>
Balance December 31, 2008	B	\$ 758.80	\$ 807,865.42
Increased by Receipts:			
License Fees Collected		\$ 3,576.80	
Late Fees		304.00	
Kennel Licenses		50.00	
State Registration Fees		1,003.20	
Escrow Bond Deposits			\$ 34,990.85
Recreation			535.00
Fire Prevention Deposits			7,638.72
Affordable Housing Deposits			2,525.00
Open Space Tax			83,021.75
Interest Due to Current Fund			396.67
Interest Earned on Investments:			
Open Space Trust			982.95
Affordable Housing			987.99
Developers Escrows			636.67
Due From Current Fund:			
Interfund Returned - Open Space Tax Levy			3,038.03
		<u>4,934.00</u>	<u>134,753.63</u>
		5,692.80	942,619.05
Decreased by Disbursements:			
Due to Current Fund - Interfund Returned			1,038.50
State Registration Fees		1,003.20	
Administrative Expenses		3,926.51	
Escrow Bond Deposits Expenditures			91,828.27
Recreation Expenditures			566.99
Open Space Trust Expenditures			16,750.00
Fire Prevention Expenditures			14,620.50
Developers Escrows Deposits			69,646.71
Affordable Housing Expenditures			125,000.00
Tax Sale Premiums			5,000.00
		<u>4,929.71</u>	<u>324,450.97</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	B	<u>\$ 763.09</u>	<u>\$ 618,168.08</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
ASSESSMENT TRUST FUND
ANALYSIS OF CASH
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND
SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL FUND EXPENDITURES

	<u>Ref.</u>		
Balance December 31, 2008	B	\$	758.80
Increased by:			
Animal Control License Fees Collected		\$	3,576.80
Late Fees			304.00
Kennel Licenses			50.00
			<u>3,930.80</u>
			4,689.60
Decreased by:			
Expenditures Under R.S. 4:19-15.11			<u>3,926.51</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	B	\$	<u><u>763.09</u></u>

License Fees Collected

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2007	\$ 3,604.00
2008	<u>3,570.00</u>
Maximum Allowable Reserve	<u><u>\$ 7,174.00</u></u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COUNTY OF SUSSEX
2009
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2008	C	\$ 185,918.22
Increased by Receipts:		
2009 Budget Appropriation:		
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - Unfunded:		
Ord 2003-04 Construction of a New Municipal Building	\$ 80,000.00	
Capital Improvement Fund	296,000.00	
Due to Current Fund:		
Interfund Returned	4.78	
Due from Lafayette Township EMS	<u>20,000.00</u>	
		<u>396,004.78</u>
		581,923.00
Decreased by:		
Improvement Authorizations	144,573.57	
Prior Year Encumbrances Liquidated	<u>39,026.00</u>	
		<u>183,599.57</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	C	<u>\$ 398,323.43</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
ANALYSIS OF CASH

	Balance/ (Deficit) Dec. 31, 2008	Receipts		Disbursements		Transfers		Balance/ (Deficit) Dec. 31, 2009
		Budget Appropriation	Miscellaneous	Improvement Authorizations	Miscellaneous	From	To	
Capital Fund Balance	\$ 93,783.20							\$ 93,783.20
Capital Improvement Fund	163,089.10	\$ 296,000.00				\$ 75,000.00		384,089.10
Due to/(from) Current Fund	(4.78)		\$ 4.78					
Encumbrances Payable	39,026.00				\$ 39,026.00			
Reserve for:								
Purchase of Fire Truck and Fire Equipment	23,189.63							23,189.63
Improvements to Public/Recreational Property	56,371.95					11,950.00		44,421.95
Purchase of Road Equipment	169,499.03					77,100.00		92,399.03
Improvements to Various Roads	105.98							105.98
First Responder Equipment	5,085.87							5,085.87
Due from Lafayette Township EMS	(20,000.00)		20,000.00					
<u>Ord. Date</u>	<u>Improvement Description</u>							
09/02/03;								
10/07/03	Construction of a New Municipal Building	(363,387.26)	80,000.00					(283,387.26)
02/07/06	Funding of Eight Affordable Housing Units	14,200.00						14,200.00
09/04/07	Repair of Various Township Roads	816.76		\$ 360.00				456.76
05/06/08	Preliminary Engineering Expenses for Meadows Road	557.35						557.35
05/06/08	Purchase of Extrication Equipment (Jaws of Life)	974.00		487.00				487.00
07/15/08; 09/02/08;								
10/07/08	Repair of Various Township Roads	2,611.39		1,638.16				973.23
04/22/09	Purchase of 4WD Loader			69,600.00		\$ 69,600.00		
07/07/09; 12/01/09	Preliminary Expenses for Footbridge Replacement			10,308.61		10,950.00		641.39
10/06/09	Purchase of Two Park Benches at Lafayette Park			992.32		1,000.00		7.68
10/06/09	Repair of Various Township Roads			53,727.06		75,000.00		21,272.94
12/01/09	Purchase of Scag Lawn Mower			7,460.42		7,500.00		39.58
		<u>\$ 185,918.22</u>	<u>\$ 376,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 144,573.57</u>	<u>\$ 39,026.00</u>	<u>\$ 164,050.00</u>	<u>\$ 164,050.00</u>	<u>\$ 398,323.43</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED

Ord. Date	Improvement Description	Balance Dec. 31, 2008	Funded by Budget Appropriation	Balance Dec. 31, 2009	Analysis of Balance Dec. 31, 2009	
					Expenditures	Unexpended Improvement Authorizations
9/2/03; 10/7/03	Construction of a New Municipal Building	\$ 363,387.26	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 283,387.26	\$ 283,387.26	
2/7/06	Funding of Eight Affordable Housing Units	269,800.00		269,800.00		\$ 269,800.00
		<u>\$ 633,187.26</u>	<u>\$ 80,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 553,187.26</u>	<u>\$ 283,387.26</u>	<u>\$ 269,800.00</u>

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TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

Improvement Description	Ordinance		Balance Dec. 31, 2008		2009 Authorizations Various Funding Sources	Paid or Charged	Balance Dec. 31, 2009	
	Date	Amount	Funded	Unfunded			Funded	Unfunded
Funding of Eight Affordable Housing Units	02/07/06	\$ 284,000.00	\$ 14,200.00	\$ 269,800.00			\$ 14,200.00	\$ 269,800.00
Repair of Various Township Roads	09/04/07	50,000.00	816.76			\$ 360.00	456.76	
Preliminary Engineering Expenses for Meadows Road	05/06/08	11,000.00	557.35				557.35	
Purchase of Extrication Equipment (Jaws of Life)	05/06/08	20,000.00	974.00			487.00	487.00	
Repair of Various Township Roads	07/15/08; 09/02/08; 10/07/08	154,000.00	2,611.39			1,638.16	973.23	
Purchase of 4WD Loader	04/22/09	69,600.00			\$ 69,600.00	69,600.00		
Preliminary Expenses for Footbridge Replacement	07/07/09; 12/01/09	10,950.00			10,950.00	10,308.61	641.39	
Purchase of Two Park Benches at Lafayette Park	10/06/09	1,000.00			1,000.00	992.32	7.68	
Repair of Various Township Roads	10/06/09	75,000.00			75,000.00	53,727.06	21,272.94	
Purchase of Scag Lawn Mower	12/01/09	7,500.00			7,500.00	7,460.42	39.58	
			<u>\$ 19,159.50</u>	<u>\$ 269,800.00</u>	<u>\$ 164,050.00</u>	<u>\$ 144,573.57</u>	<u>\$ 38,635.93</u>	<u>\$ 269,800.00</u>
	<u>Ref.</u>		C	C			C	C
Reserve for Purchase of Road Equipment					\$ 77,100.00			
Reserve for Improvements to Public/Recreational Property					11,950.00			
Capital Improvement Fund					75,000.00			
					<u>\$ 164,050.00</u>			

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	<u>Ref.</u>	
Balance December 31, 2008	C	\$ 163,089.10
Increased by:		
2009 Budget Appropriation		<u>296,000.00</u>
		459,089.10
Decreased by:		
Appropriated to Finance		
Improvement Authorizations		<u>75,000.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2009	C	<u><u>\$ 384,089.10</u></u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES PAYABLE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF SERIAL BONDS PAYABLE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

NOT APPLICABLE

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED BUT NOT ISSUED

<u>Ordinance Date</u>	<u>Improvement Description</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2008</u>	<u>Funded by Budget Appropriation</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2009</u>
9/2/2003; 10/7/2003	Construction of a New Municipal Building	\$ 363,387.26	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 283,387.26
2/7/2006	Funding of Eight Affordable Housing Units	<u>269,800.00</u>		<u>269,800.00</u>
		<u>\$ 633,187.26</u>	<u>\$ 80,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 553,187.26</u>

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE

PART II

SINGLE AUDIT

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Name of Federal Agency or Department	Name of Program	Pass-Through Entity ID#	C.F.D.A. Number	Grant Award	Amount Received	Grant Period		Amount of Expenditures	
						From	To	Year to Date	Cumulative
U.S. Department of Transportation (Passed through New Jersey Department of Transportation)	Municipal Aid Program - Meadows Road Reconstruction	6320-480-078-6320 AJ3-TCAP-6010	20.205	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 42,181.30	1/1/2008	12/31/2009		\$ 148,303.39
	Municipal Aid Program - Statesville Quarry Road	6320-480-078-6320 AKE-TCAP-6010	20.205	180,000.00	119,609.25	1/1/2009	12/31/2009	\$ 180,000.00	180,000.00
	Total US Department of Transportation				161,790.55			180,000.00	328,303.39
Environmental Protection Agency (Pass Through New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection)	Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program	4801-100-042-4801- 444-VB78-6110	66.454	2,500.00		1/1/2007	12/31/2009	175.63	278.05
								175.63	278.05
					Total Environmental Protection Agency				
Total Federal Awards					\$ 161,790.55			\$ 180,175.63	\$ 328,581.44

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE AWARDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Name of State Agency or Department	State Program	State Account No.	Grant Award	Amount Received	Grant Period		Amount of Expenditures	
					From	To	Year to Date	Cumulative
Department of Law and Public Safety	Office of Emergency Management: Emergency Management Grants	100-066-1200- 726-6120	\$ 4,000.00		1/1/2005	12/31/2006	\$ 90.88	\$ 90.88
			4,000.00		1/1/2006	12/31/2008	2,007.10	4,000.00
							2,097.98	4,090.88
Total Department of Law and Public Safety								
Department of Environmental Protection	Clean Communities Program	765-042-4900- 004-6020	6,285.82		1/1/2005	12/31/2009	1,333.54	5,999.17
			7,005.41		1/1/2006	12/31/2009	5,662.93	7,005.41
			5,764.00		1/1/2007	12/31/2009	1,285.89	5,764.00
			7,352.77	\$ 7,352.77	1/1/2009	12/31/2010	5,763.00	5,763.00
		7,352.77			14,045.36	11,527.00		
	Recycling Tonnage Grants	752-042-4900- 001-6020	5,600.00		1/1/2008	12/31/2009	2,147.16	2,147.16
			9,047.48	9,047.48	1/1/2009	12/31/2010		
			9,047.48				2,147.16	2,147.16
Total Department of Environmental Protection				16,400.25			16,192.52	13,674.16
Total State Awards				\$ 16,400.25			\$ 18,290.50	\$ 17,765.04

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
NOTES TO SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

A. General

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

B. Basis of Accounting

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards are presented using the cash basis of accounting. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the requirements of federal OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Nonprofit Organizations*.

C. Relationship to Federal and State Financial Reports

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state reports.



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Independent Auditors' 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*

The Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Township Committee
Township of Lafayette
Lafayette, New Jersey

We have audited the financial statements of the Township of Lafayette, in the County of Sussex (the "Township") as of, and for the years ended, December 31, 2009 and 2008 and have issued our report thereon dated March 2, 2010, which indicated that the financial statements have been prepared on an other comprehensive basis of accounting. That report also indicated that the scope of our audit did not include the general fixed asset group. We conducted our audits 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting.

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 Township'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 the internal control over financial reporting 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 deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Finding 2009-01 that we consider to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting. 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.

The Honorable Mayor and Members
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Township of Lafayette
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Compliance and Other Matters

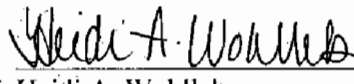
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material 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*. However, we noted certain matters that we reported to management in the comments and recommendations section of this report.

The Township's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the Township's response and we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Mayor and Members of the Township Committee, and to meet the requirements for filing with the Division of Local Government Services, and federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Mount Arlington, New Jersey
March 2, 2010

NISIVOCCIA & COMPANY LLP



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Registered Municipal Accountant No. 481

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Summary of Auditors' Results:

- A qualified report was issued on the Township's financial statements prepared on an other comprehensive basis of accounting as the scope of our audit did not include the general fixed asset account group.
- 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 Circular A-133 and New Jersey's OMB Circular NJOMB 04-04, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid* for 2009 as grant expenditures were less than the single audit thresholds of \$500,000 identified in the Circulars.

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

- The audit did not disclose any findings required to be reported under Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards, except as follows:

Finding 2009-1

Segregation of Duties

The Township does not maintain an adequate segregation of duties with respect to the recording and treasury functions. Segregation of duties refers to separating those functions that place too much control over a transaction or class of transactions that would enable a person to perpetuate errors and prevent detection within a reasonable period of time. The various departments/offices of the Township are responsible for the issuance of permits and licenses; collections of taxes and permit and license fees; and recording of collections. Also, the reconciliation of bank accounts, the preparation of the general ledger for the various funds as well as the preparation of payroll are performed by one person, the Chief Financial Officer. This is due, in part, to the limited number of personnel of the Township and the decentralized nature of governmental collection procedures. Accordingly, management and the Township Committee should be aware of this situation and realize that the concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desirable from a control point of view.

Management's Response

The finding was evaluated, however, due to budgetary constraints, no resolution can be made at this time.

Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards:

- Not applicable since federal expenditures were below the Single Audit threshold.

Findings and Questioned Costs for State Awards:

- Not applicable since state expenditures were below the Single Audit threshold.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

The Township's prior year finding was not resolved in 2009 and is included in the audit for the year ended December 31, 2009.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE

PART III

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Contracts and Agreements Required to be Advertised for N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4

a. " When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the contracting agent in the aggregate does not exceed in a contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate to the contracting unit, of the governing body of the contracting unit without public advertising for bids, except that the governing body of any contracting unit may adopt an ordinance or 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. of Section 9 of P.L. 1971, C.198 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9), the governing body of the contracting unit 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 subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 5 of P.L. 1971, C.198 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5) may be awarded for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months. The Division of Local Government Services shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations concerning the methods of accounting for all contracts that do not coincide with the contracting unit's fiscal year.

c. The Governor, in consultation with the Department of the Treasury, shall, no later than March 1 of every fifth year beginning in the fifth year after the year in which P.L. 1999, C.440 takes effect, 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 section 2 of P.L. 1971, C.198 (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2), and shall round the adjustment to the nearest \$1,000. The Governor shall, no later than June 1 of every fifth year, notify each governing body of the adjustment. The adjustment shall become effective on July 1 of the year in which it is made."

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 states: "Every contract awarded by the contracting agent 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 of the contracting unit to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other law. The governing body of a contracting unit may, by resolution approved by a majority of the governing body and subject to subsections b. and c. of this section, disqualify a bidder who would otherwise be determined to be the lowest responsible bidder, if the governing body finds that it has had prior negative experience with the bidder."

Effective July 1, 2005, the bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 and 40A:11-4 (as amended) is \$21,000, and with a qualified purchasing agent the threshold may be up to \$29,000.

The governing body of the Township of Lafayette has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the bid threshold 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 indicated that bids were requested by public advertising per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4. The minutes also indicated that resolutions were adopted and advertised authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" and "Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services" per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.

Inasmuch as 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 reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed. None were noted.

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
(Continued)

Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Utility Charges

On January 6, 2009, the governing body adopted the following resolutions authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, Sussex County, New Jersey, that, in accordance with R.S. 54:4-67 as amended, the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent be and the same is hereby fixed as follows:

1. No interest shall be charged if payment of tax or assessment installment, as the case may be, is made within ten (10) days after the date upon which the same became payable.
2. The rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessment installments on or before the date when they become delinquent shall be eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500 of the delinquency and eighteen percent (18%) on any delinquency over \$1,500, to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment. The interest to be charged a delinquent taxpayer for nonpayment of real property taxes shall be an additional penalty of 6% if the amount of delinquency is in excess of \$10,000 at the end of the calendar year.

It appears from an examination of the Tax Collector's records that interest was generally collected in accordance with the foregoing resolution.

Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens

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

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Liens</u>
2009	14
2008	14
2007	14

It is essential to good management that all means provided by statute be utilized to liquidate tax title liens in order to get such properties back on a taxpaying basis.

Verification of Delinquent Taxes and Other Charges

A test of verification of delinquent charges and current payments was made in accordance with the regulations of the Division of Local Government Services, consisting of verification notices as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Number Mailed</u>
Payments of 2010 Taxes	20
Payments of 2009 Taxes	20
Delinquent Taxes Receivable	20
Tax Title Liens Receivable	4

TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
(Continued)

Technical Accounting Directives

The Division of Local Government Services has established three (3) technical accounting directives which are prescribed by the revision of 1987 draft "Requirements of Audit and Accounting". They are as follows:

1. Maintenance of an encumbrance accounting system.
2. Fixed asset accounting and reporting system.
3. General ledger accounting and record system.

The Township currently complies with these technical directives.

Segregation of Duties

The Township does not maintain an adequate segregation of duties with respect to the recording and treasury functions. Segregation of duties refers to separating those functions that place too much control over a transaction or class of transactions that would enable a person to perpetuate errors and prevent detection within a reasonable period of time. The various departments/offices of the Township are responsible for the issuance of permits and licenses; collections of taxes and permit and license fees; and recording of collections. Also, the reconciliation of bank accounts, the preparation of the general ledger for the various funds as well as the preparation of payroll are performed by one person, the Chief Financial Officer. This is due, in part, to the limited number of personnel of the Township and the decentralized nature of governmental collection procedures. Accordingly, management and the Township Committee should be aware of this situation and realize that the concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desirable from a control point of view. It is recommended that consideration be given to providing for a more adequate segregation of duties with respect to the recording and treasury functions.

Management's Response

The finding was evaluated, however, due to budgetary constraints; no resolution can be made at this time.

Internal Controls - Vouchers

During our review of disbursements, we noted that not all purchase orders contain a receipt of goods signature. It is recommended that a receipt of goods signature be obtained on all purchase orders prior to the release of the related payments.

Management's Response

Every effort will be made to ensure that all vouchers contain a receipt of goods signature before being released for payment.

Payroll Service Provider

The Township utilized one payroll service provider for part of 2009 and then changed to a new different provider for the remainder of the year. Both payroll service providers were responsible for remitting the federal and state withholdings. Although the Township started to verify that the payroll service providers remitted the withholdings to the state and federal governments when the Township changed to a new payroll provider in May 2009, the Township did not maintain documentation on file to support the verification procedures. As the Township changed to a new

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payroll service provider for 2010 and is now responsible for remitting the federal and state withholdings, no formal recommendation is judged to be warranted.

Corrective Action Plan

The Township has initiated a corrective action plan to resolve the comments and recommendations from the 2008 Audit Report. The prior year recommendations with respect to obtaining Political Contribution Disclosure forms and the Township Clerk's Office were resolved during the current year. The remaining prior year recommendations were not resolved and are included as current year recommendations.

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SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. Consideration is given to providing for a more adequate segregation of duties with respect to the recording and treasury functions.
2. A receipt of goods signature be obtained on all purchase orders prior to the release of the related payments.

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