# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

**REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** (with required and other supplementary information)

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022



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# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Board of Trustees of the Township of Bruce Macomb County, Michigan

# **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

# **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Township of Bruce, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Township of Bruce's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Township of Bruce, as of March 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Township of Bruce and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Township of Bruce's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- > Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Township of Bruce's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Township of Bruce's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

# **Required Supplementary Information**

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

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Township of Bruce's basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information, as identified in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, other supplementary information, as identified in the table of contents, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 16, 2022 on our consideration of Township of Bruce's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 effectiveness of Township of Bruce's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Township of Bruce's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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September 16, 2022

# **Financial Reporting**

This discussion and analysis of the Township's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements.

# Financial Highlights

As discussed in further detail in this analysis, the following represents the most significant financial issues for the year ended March 31, 2022:

- The Township's net position in the governmental activities increased by \$1,102,472 during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
- State shared revenue in the governmental activities increased by \$169,658 during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
- The Township's net position in the business-type activities decreased by \$10,528 during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

# **Using this Annual Report**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Township's basic financial statements. The Township's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information, in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements.** The statement of net position and the statement of activities provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances. This longer-term view uses the accrual basis of accounting so that it can measure the cost of providing services during the current year, and whether the taxpayers have funded the full cost of providing government services.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Township that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities).

**Fund Financial Statements.** The fund financial statements present a short-term view; they tell us how the taxpayers' resources were spent during the year, as well as how much is available for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the operations of the Township in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The fiduciary fund statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

*Governmental Funds.* Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Township maintains five individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General, Fire, and Advanced Life Support funds, all of which are considered to be major funds. The Improvement Revolving and Special Assessment District funds are nonmajor governmental funds and are detailed in the Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheet in the Other Supplementary Information section of the audit report.

The Township adopts an annual appropriated budget for its governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**Proprietary Funds.** The Township maintains two proprietary funds. *Enterprise Funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Township uses Enterprise Funds to account for its sewer system and water system activity.

*Fiduciary Funds.* Fiduciary Funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary Funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Township's own programs.

**Notes to the Financial Statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 24-47 of this report.

**Other Information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information, such as this Management's Discussion and Analysis and the budgetary comparison schedules. Combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented as other supplementary information.

# The Township as a Whole

The following table shows, in a condensed format, a comparative analysis of the net position as of March 31, 2022 and March 31, 2021.

	Governmental Activities		Busines Activ	ss-Type vities	Total Primary Government		
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	
ASSETS Current and other assets Capital assets	\$ 7,106,627 2,651,916	\$ 6,433,590 2,676,732	\$ (1,145,068) 6,187,498	\$ (1,054,304) 6,348,950	\$ 5,961,559 8,839,414	\$ 5,379,286 9,025,682	
TOTAL ASSETS	9,758,543	9,110,322	5,042,430	5,294,646	14,800,973	14,404,968	
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	134,682	273,328	177,142	191,904	311,824	465,232	
LIABILITIES Current liabilities Noncurrent liabilities	1,147,260 5,217,097	651,083 5,140,709	326,301 2,478,718	356,267 2,705,202	1,473,561 7,695,815	1,007,350 7,845,911	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,364,357	5,791,792	2,805,019	3,061,469	9,169,376	8,853,261	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	2,816,015	3,981,477			2,816,015	3,981,477	
NET POSITION Net investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	1,852,562 2,597,239 (3,736,948)	1,828,599 2,656,557 (4,874,775)	3,482,296 (1,067,743)	3,392,264 - (967,183)	5,334,858 2,597,239 (4,804,691)	5,220,863 2,656,557 (5,841,958)	
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 712,853	\$ (389,619)	\$ 2,414,553	\$ 2,425,081	\$ 3,127,406	\$ 2,035,462	

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The Township's governmental activities liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$712,853 as of March 31, 2022. The Township's business-type activities assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$2,414,553 as of March 31, 2022. A portion of the Township's net position reflects its balance of unrestricted net position. These funds, if available, may be used to meet the Township's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

An additional portion of the Township's net position reflects its net investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Township used these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Township's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the Township's net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

The Township's total change in net position was an increase of \$428,220 during the current year as indicated below.

		nmental vities	Busine: Activ	ss-type ⁄ities	Total Government			
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021		
REVENUES								
Program revenue								
Charges for services	\$ 1,567,708	\$ 1,577,444	\$ 944,636	\$ 788,125	\$ 2,512,344	\$ 2,365,569		
Operating grants and contributions	72,100	55,011	-	-	72,100	55,011		
Capital grants and contributions	16,589	21,809	-	-	16,589	21,809		
General revenue								
Property taxes	2,757,206	2,548,126	-	-	2,757,206	2,548,126		
State shared revenue	788,809	619,151	-	-	788,809	619,151		
Local community stabilization	111,938	95,779	-	-	111,938	95,779		
Investment earnings	2,007	3,768	11,278	13,563	13,285	17,331		
Change in equity interest								
in joint ventures	-	157,203	-	-	-	157,203		
Miscellaneous	46,600	35,826			46,600	35,826		
TOTAL REVENUE	5,362,957	5,114,117	955,914	801,688	6,318,871	5,915,805		
PROGRAM EXPENSES								
General government	680.493	498.300	-	-	680,493	498,300		
Public safety	1,502,102	1,477,248	-	-	1,502,102	1,477,248		
Public works	101.095	180.536	-	-	101.095	180.536		
Health and welfare	1,899,765	2,034,688	-	-	1,899,765	2,034,688		
Community and econ. development	52,368	45,659	-	-	52.368	45,659		
Sewer system	-	-	514,634	513,561	514,634	513,561		
Water system	-	-	451,808	473,608	451,808	473,608		
Interest on long-term debt	24,662	28,480			24,662	28,480		
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	4,260,485	4,264,911	966,442	987,169	5,226,927	5,252,080		
Change in Net Position	\$ 1,102,472	\$ 849,206	\$ (10,528)	\$ (185,481)	\$ 1,091,944	\$ 663,725		

#### **Governmental Activities**

The net position of the Township's governmental activities increased \$1,102,472 during fiscal year 2022. Although the Township's revenues increased approximately 5% and the expenses stayed the same from fiscal year 2021, the Township continues to analyze ways to obtain revenue or cut expenses without losing service. A key element related to the change in net position is the public safety and health and welfare expenses which are approximately 70% of the total expenses and includes fire and ambulance services. The primary factors resulting in the increase in net position were the increase in State shared revenue and Local community stabilization funding along with decrease expenses within the Health and Welfare programs primarily due to COVID-19.

# **Business-Type Activities**

The net position of the Township's business-type activities decreased by \$10,528 during fiscal year 2022. Although the total expenses decreased approximately 2%, revenues also increased approximately 19%, which resulted in the business-type activities increasing overall as the revenues were more than expenses. The majority of the revenue is generated through charges for services, which makes up approximately 99% of the total business-type activities revenue. A review of billing accounts and meters were performed to ensure proper billing amounts that increased charges for services revenue. A rate study was completed following the fiscal year end providing guidance to the Township Board for future rate changes.

# The Township's Funds

**Governmental Funds.** The analysis of the Township's major funds begins on page 13, following the government-wide financial statements. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the governmental funds, not the Township as a whole. The Township's Board of Trustees creates funds to help manage money for specific purposes. The Township's major governmental funds for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022, were the General Fund, Fire Fund, and Advanced Life Support Fund. The General Fund pays for most of the Township's governmental operating services. The most significant service provided within the General Fund during the fiscal year was for general government, which incurred expenditures of \$706,385 for the fiscal year.

The Fire Fund and Advanced Life Support Fund are used to account for fire and ambulance services and are funded with special millages, insurance recoveries, and revenue from the Village of Romeo. The funds incurred total expenditures of \$1,085,713 and \$2,303,768 respectively, of which \$2,261,428 were for fire and ambulance services. The remaining expenditures were for capital outlay and debt service.

**Proprietary Funds.** The Township's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the Sewer System and the Water System at the end of the year amounted to deficits of \$243,509 and \$824,234, respectively. The increase in net position for the Sewer System was \$217,899; while the decrease in net position for the Water System was \$228,427 Other significant factors concerning the finances of these two funds have already been addressed in the discussion of the Township's business-type activities.

# **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Over the course of the fiscal year, the Township's Board of Trustees revised the General Fund's budget several times. The Township began the year expecting an addition of \$11,000 to fund balance. Even after all budget adjustments were made, the Township continued to anticipate no usage of fund balance although both the General Fund's budgeted revenues and expenditures were increased by \$67,209 and \$78,208, respectively, throughout the year. Actual expenditures came in \$40,171 under the final budgeted amount adopted by the Township's Board of Trustees. Actual revenues were \$97,847 more than the final anticipated amount with the actual net change in fund balance being an increase of \$138,019. This increase in fund balance was the result of higher than anticipated local community stabilization funds and state shared revenue along with reduced spending in many of the Township's departments.

# **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets.** At the end of the fiscal year, the Township had approximately \$8,839,414 invested in a broad range of governmental and business-type capital assets, including infrastructure, buildings, land, vehicles, equipment, and utilities, net of accumulated depreciation. During the fiscal year 2022, the net capital assets decreased \$186,268 due to annual depreciation and some new vehicles and equipment. Further details related to the Township's capital assets can be found in Note 5 to the financial statements.

**Long-Term Debt.** The Township's long-term obligations, of governmental and business-type, decreased by approximately \$289,188 during fiscal year 2022 due to required annual payments. The carrying amount of the Townships obligation for compensated absences, included in the long-term debt, was \$270,257 at fiscal yearend. Further details related to the Township's long-term obligations can be found in Note 6 to the financial statements.

#### **Current Economic Factors**

Property taxes represents the largest revenue source for the Township which increased approximately 8% during fiscal year 2022. As property values increase on existing parcels and new construction in both residential and industrial sectors rise, tax revenues are also expected to increase.

#### **Contacting the Township's Management**

This financial report is intended to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors with a general overview of the Township's finances and demonstrate the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, we welcome you to contact the Township at 223 East Gates Street, Romeo, Michigan 48065.

# **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION MARCH 31, 2022

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS	Activities	Activities	Total
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,329,982	\$ 196,584	\$ 3,526,566
Current portion of receivables	150,644	178,726	329,370
Due from other governmental units	245,963	-	245,963
Internal balances	1,519,438	(1,519,438)	-
Prepaids	97,332	2,758	100,090
Total current assets	5,343,359	(1,141,370)	4,201,989
Noncurrent assets			
Internal balances	77,869	(77,869)	-
Noncurrent portion of receivables	27,500	74,171	101,671
Investment in Romeo, Washington, Bruce Parks			
and Recreation Commission	1,156,933	-	1,156,933
Investment in Washington and Bruce Senior Transportation			
through Advanced Reservation Commission	500,966	-	500,966
Capital assets not being depreciated	679,110	11,760	690,870
Capital assets being depreciated, net	1,972,806	6,175,738	8,148,544
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Total noncurrent assets	4,415,184	6,183,800	10,598,984
TOTAL ASSETS	9,758,543	5,042,430	14,800,973
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred charges, net of amortization	-	177,142	177,142
Deferred outflows related to other post-employment benefits	134,682		134,682
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	134,682	177,142	311,824
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	95,511	99,817	195,328
Accrued liabilities	129,902	-	129,902
Unearned revenue	531,753	-	531,753
Current portion of compensated absences	212,140	-	212,140
Current portion of long-term debt	177,954	226,484	404,438
Total current liabilities	1,147,260	326,301	1,473,561
Noncurrent liabilities	F0 117		F0 117
Noncurrent portion of compensated absences	58,117	-	58,117
Noncurrent portion of long-term debt	621,400	2,478,718	3,100,118
Net other post-employment benefits liability	4,537,580		4,537,580
Total noncurrent liabilities	5,217,097	2,478,718	7,695,815
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,364,357	2,805,019	9,169,376
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred inflows related to other post-employment benefits	2,816,015	-	2,816,015
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	1,852,562	3,482,296	5,334,858
Restricted			
Public safety	1,160,296	-	1,160,296
Health and welfare	1,325,617	-	1,325,617
Capital projects	111,326	-	111,326
Unrestricted	(3,736,948)	(1,067,743)	(4,804,691)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 712,853	\$ 2,414,553	\$ 3,127,406

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

			Progr	am Revenue	S			Expense) Revenu anges in Net Posit	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	G	perating rants and ntributions	Gr	Capital ants and tributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Governmental activities									
General government	\$ 680,493	\$ 333,278	\$	-	\$	-	\$ (347,215)	\$ -	\$ (347,215)
Public safety	1,502,102	89,507		6,942		-	(1,405,653)	-	(1,405,653)
Public works	101,095	41,827		-		16,589	(42,679)	-	(42,679)
Health and welfare	1,899,765	951,324		65,158		-	(883,283)	-	(883,283)
Community and economic development	52,368	-		-		-	(52,368)	-	(52,368)
Recreation and culture	-	151,772		-		-	151,772	-	151,772
Interest on long-term debt	24,662						(24,662)		(24,662)
Total governmental activities	4,260,485	1,567,708		72,100		16,589	(2,604,088)		(2,604,088)
Business-type activities									
Sewer system	514,634	731,671		-		-	-	217,037	217,037
Water system	451,808	212,965		-		-		(238,843)	(238,843)
Total business-type activities	966,442	944,636				-		(21,806)	(21,806)
Total government	\$ 5,226,927	\$ 2,512,344	\$	72,100	\$	16,589	(2,604,088)	(21,806)	(2,625,894)
	General revenue Property taxes State shared r Local commur Investment ea Miscellaneous	s evenues hity stabilization rnings					2,757,206 788,809 111,938 2,007 46,600	11,278	2,757,206 788,809 111,938 13,285 46,600
	Total g	eneral revenues					3,706,560	11,278	3,717,838
	Change	e in net position					1,102,472	(10,528)	1,091,944
	Net position, be	ginning of the yea	r				(389,619)	2,425,081	2,035,462
	Net position, en	d of the year					\$ 712,853	\$ 2,414,553	\$ 3,127,406

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES MARCH 31, 2022

	General Fund	Fire Fund	Advanced Life Support Fund
ASSETS	+ (20.000	*	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 638,982	\$ 1,176,409	\$ 1,432,359
Receivables	20 ( 5 4	10 200	FO 100
Accounts	29,654	18,299	59,190
Taxes	1,994	-	-
Special assessments	-	-	-
Long-term receivable	27,500	-	-
Due from other governmental units	245,963	- 10 275	-
Due from other funds	1,210,943	19,375	-
Advances to other funds	77,869	-	-
Prepaids	27,446	25,742	44,144
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,260,351	\$ 1,239,825	\$ 1,535,693
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 39,749	\$ 28,249	\$ 24,814
Accrued liabilities	23,610	49,780	56,512
Due to other funds	124,451	1,500	-
Unearned revenue	403,003		128,750
TOTAL LIABILITIES	590,813	79,529	210,076
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenue	43,775		
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)			
Nonspendable	132,815	25,742	44,144
Restricted	-	1,134,554	1,281,473
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned	1,492,948	<u> </u>	
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,625,763	1,160,296	1,325,617
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	\$ 2,260,351	\$ 1,239,825	\$ 1,535,693

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

	onmajor vernmental Funds	Total
\$	82,232	\$ 3,329,982
	- - 41,507	107,143 1,994 41,507
	- - 434,451 -	27,500 245,963 1,664,769 77,869
		97,332
\$	558,190	\$ 5,594,059
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\$	2,699	\$
	19,380 -	145,331 531,753
	22,079	902,497
	41,507	85,282
	- 111,326 402,653 (19,375)	202,701 2,527,353 402,653 1,473,573
	494,604	4,606,280
\$	558,190	\$ 5,594,059

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION MARCH 31, 2022

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds		\$ 4,606,280
Amounts reported for the governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Investments in joint ventures are not financial resources and are not reported in the governmental funds.		
Romeo, Washington, and Bruce Parks and Recreation Commission Washington and Bruce Townships Senior Transportation through	\$ 1,156,933	
Advanced Reservation Commission (S.T.A.R.)		
		1,657,899
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.		
The cost of capital assets is	8,841,032	
Accumulated depreciation is	(6,189,116)	
Capital assets, net		2,651,916
Long-term receivables are not available to pay for current period expenditures and are therefore deferred in the funds. These consist of:		
Unavailable revenue		85,282
Governmental funds report actual OPEB expenditures for the fiscal year, whereas the governmental activities will recognize the OPEB liability as of the measurement date. In addition, resources related to changes of assumptions, differences between expected and actual experience, and differences between projected and actual OPEB plan investment earnings will be deferred over time in the government-wide financial statements. These amounts consist of:		
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	134,682	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	(2,816,015)	
		(2,681,333)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:		
Compensated absences	(270,257)	
Direct obligations Net other post-employment benefits liability	(799,354) (4,537,580)	
		(5,607,191)
Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 712,853

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	General Fund			Fire Fund	Advanced Life Support Fund
REVENUES	ተ		¢	014 426	¢ 1000010
Taxes Special assessments	\$	505,854	\$	914,436	\$ 1,336,916
Licenses and permits		145,505		-	-
Intergovernmental		900,747		6,942	65,158
Charges for services		276,229		126,177	887,160
Interest		1,475		1,505	256
Other				527	515
TOTAL REVENUES		1,829,810		1,049,587	2,290,005
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government		706,385		-	-
Public safety		223,800		1,028,400	-
Public works		185,981		-	-
Health and welfare		- 47,968		-	2,261,428
Community and economic development Other		47,908		-	-
Capital outlay		29,383		-	42,340
Debt service		83,160		57,313	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,691,791		1,085,713	2,303,768
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER					
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		138,019		(36,126)	(13,763)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
Capital lease		-		67,032	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		138,019		30,906	(13,763)
Fund balances, beginning of year		1,487,744		1,129,390	1,339,380
Fund balances, end of year	\$	1,625,763	\$	1,160,296	\$ 1,325,617

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
\$ - 13,738 - - - 2,851 -	\$ 2,757,206 13,738 145,505 972,847 1,289,566 6,087 1,042
16,589	5,185,991
- - 76,461 - - - - -	$706,385 \\ 1,252,200 \\ 262,442 \\ 2,261,428 \\ 47,968 \\ 415,114 \\ 71,723 \\ 140,473$
76,461	5,157,733
(59,872)	28,258
	67,032
(59,872)	95,290
554,476	4,510,990
\$ 494,604	\$ 4,606,280

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds			\$ 95,290
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different beca	use:		
Changes in equity interest in joint ventures are not reported in the governmental funds:			
Romeo, Washington, and Bruce Parks and Recreation Commission Washington and Bruce Townships Senior Transportation through Advanced Reservation Commission (S.T.A.R.)	\$	151,772 64,164	
			215,936
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:			
Capital outlay Depreciation		179,268 (204,084)	
Excess of depreciation expense over capital outlay			(24,816)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds. In the current period these amounts consist of:			
Change in unavailable revenue			(38,970)
Certain transactions related to long-term debt are reported as expenditures or other financing sources/uses in governmental funds, but are reflected as increases or decreases of the applicable liability in the statement of net position. In the current year, these amounts consist of:			
Capital lease Debt principal retirement		(67,032) 115,811	
			48,779
Some items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. These activities consist of:			
(Increase) in compensated absences (Increase) in net other post-employment benefits liability (Decrease) in deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB Decrease in deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB		(11,075) (209,488) (138,646) 1,165,462	
			 806,253
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities			\$ 1,102,472

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION MARCH 31, 2022

ASSETS	Sewer System Fund	Water System Fund	Total
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 109,752	\$ 86,832	\$ 196,584
Receivables	120 774	17 476	156 250
Customers	138,774	17,476	156,250
Current portion of special assessments	441	22,035	22,476
Due from other funds	47,511	1,500	49,011
Prepaids	2,008	750	2,758
Total current assets	298,486	128,593	427,079
Noncurrent assets			
Noncurrent portion of special assessments receivable	-	74,171	74,171
Capital assets, not being depreciated	-	11,760	11,760
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	5,398,466	777,272	6,175,738
Total noncurrent assets	5,398,466	863,203	6,261,669
TOTAL ASSETS	5,696,952	991,796	6,688,748
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred charges, net of amortization	177,142		177,142
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	54,229	45,588	99,817
Due to other funds	587,039	981,410	1,568,449
Current portion of long-term debt	192,284	34,200	226,484
Current portion of long-term debt	192,204	34,200	220,404
Total current liabilities	833,552	1,061,198	1,894,750
Noncurrent liabilities			
Advances from other funds	77,869	-	77,869
Noncurrent portion of long-term debt	2,240,118	238,600	2,478,718
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,317,987	238,600	2,556,587
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,151,539	1,299,798	4,451,337
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	2,966,064	516,232	3,482,296
Unrestricted	(243,509)	(824,234)	(1,067,743)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 2,722,555	\$ (308,002)	\$ 2,414,553

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Sewer System Fund		Water System Fund		Total		
OPERATING REVENUES		bybtein runa		<u> </u>			
Charges for services	\$	731,671	\$	212,965	\$	944,636	
OPERATING EXPENSES							
Cost of sewage disposal		251,359		-		251,359	
Operation and maintenance		31,136		418,487		449,623	
Depreciation and amortization		158,539	_	16,191		174,730	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		441,034		434,678		875,712	
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		290,637		(221,713)		68,924	
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)							
Interest revenue		862		10,416		11,278	
Interest and fees expense		(73,600)		(17,130)		(90,730)	
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		(72,738)		(6,714)		(79,452)	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		217,899		(228,427)		(10,528)	
Net position, beginning of year		2,504,656		(79,575)		2,425,081	
Net position, end of year	\$ 2	2,722,555	\$	(308,002)	\$	2,414,553	

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Sewer System Fund	Water System Fund	Total
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Cash receipts from customers Cash paid to suppliers	\$    688,759 (283,098)	\$    174,101 (424,227)	\$ 862,860 (707,325)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	405,661	(250,126)	155,535
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(240 210)	127 700	(110,610)
Receipt (payment) of interfund balances	(248,318)	137,700	(110,618)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Payments on borrowings	(215,000)	(35,000)	(250,000)
Special assessments received	16,833	127,207	144,040
Interest and fees paid	(73,600)	(17,130)	(90,730)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(271,767)	75,077	(196,690)
	(271,707)	/ 5,0//	(190,090)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received	862	10,416	11,278
NET (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(113,562)	(26,933)	(140,495)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	223,314	113,765	337,079
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 109,752	\$ 86,832	\$ 196,584
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to	\$ 290,637	\$ (221,713)	\$ 68,924
net cash provided (used) by operating activities Depreciation and amortization (Increase) in:	158,539	16,191	174,730
Receivables Prepaids	(42,912) (627)	(38,864) (750)	(81,776) (1,377)
Increase (decrease) in: Accounts payable	24	(4,990)	(4,966)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 405,661	\$ (250,126)	\$ 155,535

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE FIDUCIARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION MARCH 31, 2022

	Other Post- Employment		
	Benefits Trust Fund	Custodial Funds	
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$-	\$ 222,076	
Investments	432,371	-	
Due from others		140,321	
TOTAL ASSETS	432,371	362,397	
LIABILITIES			
Due to others	-	10,915	
Due to other governmental units	-	145,894	
Deposits		205,588	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		362,397	
NET POSITION			
Restricted for			
Other post-employment benefits (health insurance)	432,371		
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 432,371	\$ -	

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE FIDUCIARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	En	ther Post- ployment pefits Trust Fund	Custodial Funds	
ADDITIONS				
Contributions Employer	\$	240,161	\$	-
Investment earnings		15,443		-
Property tax collections for other governmental units		-		26,736
Collections for others		-	3,2	71,819
TOTAL ADDITIONS		255,604	30,5	98,555
DEDUCTIONS				
Benefit payments		170,161		-
Administrative expenses		708		-
Property tax distributions to other governmental units		-		26,736
Distributions to others		-	3,2	71,819
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		170,869	30,5	98,555
NET INCREASE IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION		84,735		-
Net position, beginning of year		347,636		
Net position, end of year	\$	432,371	\$	_

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Township of Bruce (the Township) was organized as a township under provisions of the constitution and general law of the State of Michigan. The Township is one of twelve townships in Macomb County. The Township operates under an elected Township Board which consists of a Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, and two Trustees and provides services to its residents in many areas including general government, highways and streets, fire protection, and sewer utility services.

The financial statements of the Township have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to township governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Township's more significant accounting policies are described below.

#### Reporting Entity

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements present the financial activities of the Township. The Township has no activities that would be classified as component units.

The inclusion of the activities of various agencies is based on the manifestation of oversight criteria, relying on such guidelines as the selection of the governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to exert significant influence on operations, and the accountability for fiscal matters. The accountability for fiscal matters considers the possession of the budgetary authority, the responsibility for surplus or deficit, the controlling of fiscal management, and the revenue characteristics, whether a levy or a charge. Consideration is also given to the scope of public service. The scope of public service considers whether the activity is for the benefit of the reporting entity and/or its residents and is within the geographic boundaries of the reporting entity and generally available to its citizens.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the financial statements of the Township contain all the funds controlled by the Township Board.

#### **Joint Ventures**

The Township is a member of the Romeo, Washington, Bruce Parks and Recreation Commission, and the Washington and Bruce Townships Senior Transportation thru Advanced Reservation Commission (S.T.A.R.). The Township appoints one member to each joint venture's governing board, which then approves the annual budget. The Romeo, Washington, Bruce Parks and Recreation Commission is funded primarily from property taxes and program fees. S.T.A.R. is funded primarily from property taxes and operating grants. The Township is unaware of any circumstances that would cause an additional benefit or burden to the participating governments in the near future. The Township's equity interest of \$1,156,933 and \$500,966 in the Romeo, Washington, Bruce Parks and Recreation Commission, and the Washington and Bruce Townships Senior Transportation thru Advanced Reservation Commission, respectively, was calculated as of March 31, 2021, the most recent financial statements available, and recorded within the governmental activities of the statement of net position. Complete financial statements for the joint ventures can be obtained from the respective administrative offices.

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### Jointly Governed Organization

The Township is a member of Romeo District Library, which provides library services to the residents of the Village of Romeo, Washington Township, and Bruce Township. The Library is funded primarily from property taxes and user fees. The Township is unaware of any circumstances that would cause an additional benefit or burden to the participating governments in the near future. The Township appoints two members to the Romeo District Library board, which approves the library's annual budget. During the current year, no contribution was made to the Library by the Township. Complete financial statements for the Romeo District Library can be obtained from the Library's administrative office.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The statement of net position and the statement of activities (the government-wide financial statements) present information for the Township as a whole. All nonfiduciary activities of the Township are included (i.e., fiduciary fund activities are not included in the government-wide financial statements). For the most part, interfund activity has been eliminated in the preparation of these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The statement of activities presents the direct functional expenses of the Township and the program revenues that support them. Direct expenses are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues are associated with specific functions and include charges to recipients of goods or services and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of that function. Revenues that are not required to be presented as program revenues are general revenues. This includes all property taxes, interest, unrestricted State revenue sharing payments, and other general revenues and shows how governmental functions are either self-financing or supported by general revenues.

#### FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The fund financial statements present the Township's individual major funds and aggregated nonmajor funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and the major individual enterprise funds are reported as support columns in the fund financial statements.

The Township reports the following *Major Governmental Funds*:

- a. The *General Fund* is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government except for those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.
- b. The *Fire Fund* is used to account for fire safety and protection services/activities within the Township. Funding is provided primarily through a local property tax levy.

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

## Basis of Presentation (continued)

# FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

c. The *Advanced Life Support Fund* is used to account for emergency medical response service/activities within the Township. Funding is provided primarily through a local property tax levy and a user charge for ambulance services.

# The Township reports the following *Major Enterprise Funds*:

- a. The *Sewer System Fund* is used to account for the activities of the sewage and storm water collection system. Funding is primarily raised through user charges.
- b. The *Water System Fund* is used to account for the activities of the construction and establishment of a water utility system. Funding is primarily raised through user charges.

# Additionally, the Township reports the following *Fund Types*:

- a. *Custodial Funds* account for assets held by the County as a custodian for other governments, private organizations, or individuals. The Township's custodial funds are the General Custodial Fund and current Tax Collection Fund.
- b. *Component Unit Fiduciary Funds* are used to account for the assets held in a trustee capacity. The Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust fund accounts for assets held by MERS to fund future medical, dental, vision, and life insurance for eligible retirees and their beneficiaries.

#### Measurement Focus

The government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus, similar to that used by business enterprises or not-for-profit organizations. Because another measurement focus is used in the governmental fund financial statements, reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements are provided that explain the differences in detail.

All governmental funds are presented using the current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets, deferred outflows of resources, current liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources are generally included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in fund balance.

#### Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures 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.

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### Basis of Accounting (continued)

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when they become susceptible to accrual (when they become both "measurable" and "available to finance expenditures of the current period"). The length of time used for "available" for purposes of revenue recognition in the governmental fund financial statements is 60 days. Revenues that are considered measurable but not available are recorded as a receivable and unavailable revenue. Significant revenues susceptible to accrual are special assessments, certain intergovernmental revenues, and certain charges for services. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest on long-term debt which is recorded when due.

The proprietary and fiduciary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. The revenues are recognized when they are earned, and the expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the costs of sales and services, administrative expenses, and other costs of running the activity. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

If/when both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with the modified accrual basis used to reflect results in the required supplementary information. The Township employs the following budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

- a. Prior to March 1, the Township Supervisor submits a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1 to the Township Board. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. Public hearings are conducted at the Township Hall to obtain taxpayer comments.
- c. Prior to March 31, the budget is adopted through passage of a Board resolution. After the budget is adopted all transfers of budgeted amounts between activities or any revisions that alter the total expenditures of the fund or activity, as applicable, must be approved by the Township Board.
- d. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control devise during the year.
- e. The Township does not employ encumbrance accounting as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental funds. Appropriations unused by March 31 are not carried forward to the following fiscal year.

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (continued)**

f. Budgeted amounts are reported as originally adopted or amended by the Township Board during the year.

#### Cash and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents consist of checking and savings accounts. Investments consist of the MERS Total Market Portfolio. Only the participants in a MERS Plan can invest in MERS Funds, which are managed in a separate account in a collective trust, specifically for MERS Plans. Investments are recorded at fair value.

In accordance with Michigan Compiled Laws, the Township is authorized to invest in the following investment vehicles:

- a. Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- b. Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a State or nationally chartered bank or a State or Federally chartered savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union whose deposits are insured by an agency of the United States government and which maintains a principal office or branch office located in this State under the laws of this State or the United States, but only if the bank, savings and loan association, savings bank or credit union is eligible to be a depository of surplus funds belonging to the State under Section 5 or 6 of Act No. 105 of the Public Acts of 1855, as amended, being section 21.145 and 21.146 of Michigan Compiled Laws.
- c. Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the three highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and which matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- d. The United States government or federal agency obligations repurchase agreements.
- e. Bankers acceptances of United States banks.
- f. Mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

Michigan Compiled Laws allow for collateralization of government deposits, if the assets for pledging are acceptable to the State Treasurer under Section 3 of 1855 PA 105, MCL 21.143, to secure deposits of State surplus funds, securities issued by the Federal Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal National Mortgage Association, or Government National Mortgage Association.

## **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables consist of amounts due from various individuals and businesses related to charges for services, amounts owed to the Township from special assessments, and taxes levied that have not been collected.

#### Due from Other Governmental Units

Due from other governmental units consist of amounts due from the State of Michigan and other governments for various payments and grants.

# <u>Prepaids</u>

Prepaid expenditures in the governmental funds and prepaid expenses in the government-wide financial statements, such as insurance premiums, which are expected to be written off within the next fiscal year, are included in net current assets. Reported prepaid expenditures are equally offset by nonspendable fund balance which indicates they do not constitute "available spendable resources" even though they are a component of net current assets.

# Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded (net of accumulated depreciation, if applicable) in the government-wide financial statements under the governmental and business-type activities columns. Capital assets are those with an initial cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life of more than one year. Capital assets are not recorded in the governmental funds. Instead, capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the government-wide financial statements. All purchased capital assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated acquisition cost on the date received.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings and improvements	15 - 60 years
Machinery and equipment	4 - 30 years
Vehicles	5 - 25 years
Sewer system	60 years
Water system	60 years

# **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets and liabilities, the statement of financial position or balance sheet will, when applicable, report separate sections for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. *Deferred outflows of resources*, a separate financial statement element, represents a consumption of net position or fund balance, respectively, that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until that time. *Deferred inflows of resources*, a separate financial statement element, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance, respectively, that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until that time. *Deferred inflows of resources*, a separate financial statement element, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance, respectively, that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Township has several items that qualify for reporting in these categories and are reported in the government-wide financial statement of net position, proprietary funds statement of net position, or in the governmental funds balance sheet.

The Township reports deferred amounts which correspond to the Township's OPEB benefits and are related to differences between expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions, and differences between projected and actual OPEB plan investment earnings made subsequent to the measurement date. These amounts are deferred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements and are recognized as an outflow or inflow of resources in the period in which they apply.

The Township reports deferred outflows of resources for the deferred charge on refunding which results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.

The Township also reports deferred inflows of resources which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting and qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from revenues collected subsequent to 60 days after year end and from long-term special assessment receivables. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

#### **Compensated Absences**

In accordance with the Township personnel policies and/or contracts negotiated with the various employee groups of the Township, individual employees have vested rights upon termination of employment to receive payment for unused vacation and sick leave under formulas and conditions specified in the respective personnel policies and/or contracts.

Vested vacation and sick leave earned as of March 31, 2022, including related payroll taxes, is recorded entirely in the government-wide financial statements.

#### Long-Term Obligations

Long-term debt and other long-term obligations are recognized as a liability in the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types when incurred. The portion of those liabilities expected to be paid within the next year is a current liability with the remaining amounts shown as noncurrent.

## **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### Long-Term Obligations (continued)

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due or when resources have been accumulated for payment early in the following year. For other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund.

#### Net Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability

The net other post-employment benefits liability is deemed to be a noncurrent liability and is recognized in the government-wide financial statements.

#### Property Tax

The Township bills and collects its own property taxes and the tax levy for other governmental units. The Township's property tax revenue recognition policy and related tax calendar disclosures are as follows:

Property taxes are levied on December 1. The tax levy is due February 28. All taxes not paid by their due date are deemed delinquent. Delinquent real and personal property taxes are turned over to the Macomb County Treasurer on March 1 of the year following the levy. The Macomb County Treasurer remits payment to all taxing units on all delinquent real property taxes. Personal property payments are remitted to the Township when the County collects the delinquent property taxes still outstanding after March 1.

The Township is permitted to levy up to \$1 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation for general governmental service and additional amounts for special and debt services. For the year ended March 31, 2022, the Township levied 0.7524 mills for general governmental services, 2.2400 mills for fire services, and 3.2900 mills for advanced life support services. The total taxable value for the 2021 levy for the property within the Township was \$540,329,405.

#### Tax Abatements

The Township's tax revenues have been reduced by tax abatements throughout the Township. Management has determined these amounts to be immaterial to the financial statements.

#### Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the Township has numerous transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and construct assets. The accompanying financial statements generally reflect such transactions as operating transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

#### **Restricted Net Position**

Restrictions of net position shown in the government-wide financial statements indicate restrictions that have been imposed by outside sources which preclude a portion of net position from their use for unrestricted purposes.

#### **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

#### **Fund Balance Classifications**

Fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. The following are the five classifications of fund balance:

*Nonspendable* - assets that are not available in a spendable form such as inventory, prepaid expenditures, and long-term receivables not expected to be converted to cash in the near term. It also includes funds that are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact such as the corpus of a permanent fund or foundation.

*Restricted* - amounts that are required by external parties to be used for a specific purpose. Constraints are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws, regulations or enabling legislation.

*Committed* - amounts constrained on use imposed by formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board, Council, etc.).

*Assigned* - amounts intended to be used for specific purposes. This is determined by the governing body, the budget or finance committee or a delegated municipality official.

*Unassigned* - all other resources; the remaining fund balance after nonspendable, restrictions, commitments, and assignments. This class only occurs in the General Fund, except for cases of negative fund balances. Negative fund balances are always reported as unassigned, no matter which fund the deficit occurs in.

#### Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures

For committed fund balance, the Township's highest level of decision-making authority is the Township Board. The formal action that is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment is a resolution by the Township Board.

For assigned fund balance, the Township has not adopted a policy indicating who is to assign amounts to a specific purpose. As a result, this authority is retained by the Township Board.

The Township has not formally adopted a policy that defines the order of usage for fund balance amounts classified as restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned. In the absence of such a policy, the Township considers restricted amounts to have been spent first when an expenditure is incurred for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available. Also, for the classification of fund balances, the Township considers committed, then assigned, and finally unassigned amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

#### Comparative Data

Comparative data for the prior year has not been presented in the accompanying financial statements since their inclusion would make the financial statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

# **NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS**

As of March 31, 2022, the Township had deposits subject to the following risk:

## Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned to it. As of March 31, 2022, \$3,189,848 of the Township's bank balance of \$3,806,523 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized. The balance of \$3,747,792 is reported on the financial statements as of March 31, 2022. The financial statements report \$850 of imprest cash on hand.

#### Custodial Credit Risk - Investments

For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Township will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

The Township will minimize custodial credit risk, which is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security issue or backer, by; limiting investments to the types of securities allowed by law; and investing through pre-approved third-party custodians.

#### Interest Rate Risk

In accordance with its investment policy, the Township will minimize interest rate risk, which is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates, by designating its investment portfolio with the objective of obtaining a rate of return through the economic cycles considering risk constraints and cash flow characteristics.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Township will minimize concentration of credit risk, which is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Township's investment in a single issuer, by diversifying the investment portfolio by security type to ensure that potential losses on individual securities do not exceed the income generated from the remainder of the portfolio.

#### Foreign Currency Risk

The Township is not authorized to invest in investments which have this type of risk.

#### Investments in Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value Per Share

The Township holds shares or interest in the MERS total market fund where the fair value of the investments is measured on a recurring basis using net asset value per share (or its equivalent) of the investment companies as a practical expedient. MERS invests assets in a manner which will seek the highest investment return consistent with the preservation of principal and meet the daily liquidity needs of participants.

#### **NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS (continued)**

#### Investments in Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (continued)

At the year ended March 31, 2022, the fair value, unfunded commitments, and redemption rules of those investments are as follows:

				Redemption	
	Fair	Unfun	ded	Frequency,	Redemption
Investment Type	 Value	Commitr	nents	if Eligible	Notice Period
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT MERS Total Market Portfolio	\$ 432,371	\$	-	No restrictions	None

The cash and cash equivalents and investments referred to above have been reported in either the cash and cash equivalents or investments captions on the financial statements, based upon criteria disclosed in Note 1. The following summarizes the categorization of these amounts as of March 31, 2022:

	Primary	Fiduciary	Reporting
	Government	Funds	Entity
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,526,566	\$ 222,076	\$ 3,748,642
Investments	-	432,371	432,371
	\$ 3,526,566	\$ 654,447	\$ 4,181,013

Due to significantly higher cash flow at certain periods during the year, the amount the Township held as cash and cash equivalents increased significantly. As a result, the amount of the uninsured and uncollateralized cash and cash equivalents were substantially higher at these peak periods than at year-end.

# **NOTE 3 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES**

The amount of interfund receivables and payables at March 31, 2022, are as follows:

Due to General Fund from: Sewer System Fund Water System Fund Nonmajor governmental funds	\$    277,039 933,899 5
	\$ 1,210,943
Due to Fire Fund from: Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 19,375

## **NOTE 3 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES (continued)**

Due to nonmajor governmental funds from: General Fund Sewer System Fund	\$ 124,451 310,000
	\$ 434,451
Due to Sewer System Fund from: Water System Fund	\$ 47,511
Due to Water System Fund from: Fire System Fund	\$ 1,500

Amounts appearing as interfund payables and receivables arise from two types of transactions. One type of transaction is where a fund will pay for a good or service that at least a portion of the benefit belongs to another fund. The second type of transaction is where one fund provides a good or service to another fund. Balances at the end of the year are for transfers that have not yet cleared as of the balance sheet date.

#### **NOTE 4 - ADVANCES RECEIVABLE AND PAYABLE**

The following schedule details advances receivable and payable between funds of the primary government at March 31, 2022:

Advances from General Fund to: Sewer System Fund

\$ 77,869

Advances from the General Fund to the Sewer System Fund were to cover debt payments related to the 2007 Special Assessment Bonds.

# **NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2022, was as follows:

# **Governmental Activities**

	Balance Apr. 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Balance Mar. 31, 2022
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 636,770	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 636,770
Construction in progress		42,340		42,340
Subtotal	636,770	42,340		679,110
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and improvements	3,789,633	-	-	3,789,633
Machinery and equipment	1,318,484	47,330	-	1,365,814
Vehicles	2,916,877	89,598		3,006,475
Subtotal	8,024,994	136,928		8,161,922
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(2,775,514)	(55,488)	-	(2,831,002)
Machinery and equipment	(1,046,823)	(61,112)	-	(1,107,935)
Vehicles	(2,162,695)	(87,484)		(2,250,179)
Subtotal	(5,985,032)	(204,084)		(6,189,116)
Net capital assets being depreciated	2,039,962	(67,156)		1,972,806
Capital assets, net	\$ 2,676,732	\$ (24,816)	\$	\$ 2,651,916

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental activities:

General government	\$	45,914	
Public safety		89,197	
Public works		3,464	
Health and welfare	65,509		
	\$	204,084	

# **NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS (continued)**

# **Business-type Activities**

	Balance Apr. 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Balance Mar. 31, 2022
Capital assets not being depreciated Construction in progress - water system	\$ 11,760	\$	\$-	\$ 11,760
Capital assets being depreciated				
Sewer system	8,763,619	-	-	8,763,619
Water system	923,491			923,491
Subtotal	9,687,110			9,687,110
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Sewer system	(3,219,092)	(146,061)	-	(3,365,153)
Water system	(130,828)	(15,391)		(146,219)
Subtotal	(3,349,920)	(161,452)		(3,511,372)
Net capital assets being depreciated	6,337,190	(161,452)		6,175,738
Capital assets, net	\$ 6,348,950	\$ (161,452)	\$-	\$ 6,187,498

Depreciation expense was charged to the following business-type activities:

Sewer system Water system	\$ 146,061 15,391
	\$ 161,452

## **NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations (including current portion) of the Township for the year ended March 31, 2022:

	Balance Apr. 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Balance Mar. 31, 2022	Amounts Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities Notes from direct borrowings and direct placements					
2014 State Infrastructure Bank Loan	\$ 203,491	\$ -	\$ (31,369)	\$ 172,122	\$ 32,310
2017 State Infrastructure Bank Loan	290,149	-	(38,449)	251,700	39,410
Capital lease - Fire Truck	354,493	-	(45,993)	308,500	47,462
Capital lease - Vehicles	-	67,032	-	67,032	58,772
Compensated absences	259,182	214,522	(203,447)	270,257	212,140
Total governmental activities	1,107,315	281,554	(319,258)	1,069,611	390,094
Business-type Activities General Obligation Bonds					
2007 Special Assessment Bonds	50,000	-	(50,000)	-	-
2010 Special Assessment Bonds	315,000	-	(35,000)	280,000	35,000
Discount	(8,000)	-	800	(7,200)	(800)
2012 Refunding Bonds	2,305,000	-	(150,000)	2,155,000	175,000
Premium	29,687	-	(2,284)	27,403	2,284
Notes from direct borrowings and direct placements					
2015 State Clean Water					
Revolving Fund Loan	264,999		(15,000)	249,999	15,000
Total business-type activities	2,956,686		(251,484)	2,705,202	226,484
TOTAL	\$ 4,064,001	\$ 281,554	\$ (570,742)	\$ 3,774,813	\$ 616,578

Significant details regarding outstanding long-term obligations (including current portion) are presented below:

## **Governmental Activities**

## **Governmental Activities Obligations**

\$472,500 2014 State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) Loan, dated June 23, 2014, due in annual payments of \$37,456 through July 1, 2026, including interest of 3.00%, payable annually.	\$ 172,122
\$400,000 2017 State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) Loan, dated November 9, 2017, due in annual payments of \$45,704 through November 9, 2027, including interest of 2.50%, payable annually.	 251,700
	\$ 423,822

## **NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (continued)**

#### **Governmental Activities (continued)**

#### Capital Lease

\$484,108 Lease purchase agreement dated November 1, 2017, consisted of an obligation for a fire truck tanker. Annual payments of \$57,314 are due through November 1, 2027, including interest of 3.19%. The cost of the tanker under the lease purchase agreement amounted to \$484,108. The lease purchase agreement qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of future minimum payments as of the date of inception.

\$448,844 Lease purchase agreement dated August 20, 2021, consisted of an obligation for three vehicles. Annual payments of \$71,744 are due through August 20, 2028, including interest of 2.89%. Because the loan has not been fully drawn down, only the amount drawn is shown as of March 31, 2022. The lease purchase agreement qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore has been recorded at the present value of future minimum payments as of the date of inception.

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## **Compensated Absences**

In accordance with the Township personnel policies and/or contracts negotiated with the various employee groups of the Township, individual employees have vested rights upon termination of employment to receive payment for unused vacation and sick leave under formulas and conditions specified in the respective personnel policies and/or contracts. The dollar amount of these vested rights, including related payroll taxes, amounted to \$270,257 for vacation and sick at March 31, 2022. The amounts of \$212,140 and \$58,117 have been reported as current and noncurrent liabilities, respectively. These liabilities are expected to be liquidated by the General, Fire, and Advance Life Support funds, as applicable.

#### **Business-Type Activities**

## **Business-Type Activities Obligations**

\$3,185,000 2012 Refunding Bonds, dated November 30, 2012, due in annual installments ranging from \$150,000 to \$195,000 through October 1, 2033, with interest ranging from 2.25% to 3.00%, payable semi-annually.

\$ 2,155,000

## **NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (continued)**

## **Business-Type Activities (continued)**

#### Special Assessment Bonds

\$640,000 2010 Special Assessment Bonds, dated November 3, 2010, due in annual installments of \$35,000 through April 1, 2030, with interest of 5.20%, payable semi-annually.

#### **Revolving Fund Loan**

\$340,000 State Clean Water Revolving Fund Loan, dated September 17, 2015, due in annual installments ranging from \$15,000 to \$20,000 through April 1, 2036, with interest of 2.50%, payable semi-annually.

The annual requirements to pay the debt principal and interest outstanding for the bonds, loans, and capital lease are as follows:

		General Obligation Bonds								
Year Ending		Refunding Bonds				Special Assessment Bonds				
March 31,	F	Principal		Interest	F	rincipal	I	nterest		
2023	\$	175,000	\$	62,038	\$	35,000	\$	13,650		
2024		170,000		57,663		35,000		11,830		
2025		170,000	52,988			35,000		10,010		
2026		165,000		48,313		35,000		8,190		
2027		190,000		48,313		35,000		6,370		
2028-2032		910,000		138,600		105,000		8,190		
2033-2035		375,000		16,800		-		-		
	\$	2,155,000	\$	424,715	\$	280,000	\$	58,240		

		Notes from Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements											
Year Ending		General Obligation Loans				Capital Leases				Revolving Fund Loan			
March 31,	F	Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest	
2023	\$	71,720	\$	11,440	\$	106,234	\$	11,789	\$	15,000	\$	6,062	
2024		73,674		9,486		57,238		8,574		15,000		5,687	
2025		75,683		7,477		50,542		6,772		15,000		5,312	
2026		77,746		5,414		52,156		5,158		15,000		4,937	
2027		80,450		3,294		53,821		3,492		15,000		4,562	
2028-2032		44,549		1,115		55,541		1,774		95,000		16,187	
2033-2036		-		-		-		-		79,999		4,000	
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	\$	423,822	\$	38,226	\$	375,532	\$	37,559	\$	249,999	\$	46,747	

\$ 280,000

\$ 249,999

## **NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (continued)**

#### <u> Advanced Refunding - Prior</u>

On November 30, 2012, the Township defeased a portion of the 2004 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, which are due and payable October 1, 2015 through October 1, 2033. This was accomplished by establishing an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent composed of cash and U.S. government securities sufficient to meet the applicable principal and interest obligations. The Township issued 2012 Refunding Bonds in the amount of \$3,185,000. Accordingly, the trust account's assets and liabilities for the defeased bonds are not included in the Township's financial statements. On March 31, 2022, bonds due and payable October 1, 2022 through October 1, 2033, for the 2004 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds in the amount of \$2,075,000 are considered defeased.

#### NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township participates in the Michigan Township Participating Plan for auto, property, general, wrongful acts, electronic data processing (EDP), crime, inland marine, law enforcement, employee benefits, public officials, and boiler and machinery. Settled claims have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The Township carries commercial insurance for the risk of loss due to workers' compensation claims. Settled claims relating to commercial insurance do not exceed the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

## **NOTE 8 - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLAN**

The Township of Bruce Group Pension Plan is a defined contribution retirement plan administered by the OneAmerica Financial Services and available to all of the Township's full-time employees and part-time firefighters. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. As established by the Township's board, the Township contributes 16% of full-time employees' and 10% or 5% of part-time employees' base earnings depending on job position. In accordance with these requirements, the Township contributed \$246,308 during the current year.

The plan does not issue separate stand-alone financial statements.

## **NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

#### Plan Description

The Bruce Township Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Plan (the "Plan") is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by the Township. The Plan was established and is being funded under the authority of the Township. The Plan can be amended at the discretion of the Township. The Plan does not issue separate stand-alone financial statements.

#### **NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)**

<u>Benefits</u>

Benefits Eligibility Elected Officials IAFF members TPOAM	Serving one elected term Age 50 with at least 70 points Age 50 with at least 70 points
Benefits Provided	
Hired prior to July 1, 201	
Elected Officials	Payment of Life Insurance premiums for life.
IAFF members	Payment of Medical, Dental, Vision, for the retiree and spouse for life. In addition, payment of Life Insurance premiums for life of the retiree.
Hired on or after July 1, 2	017
Elected Officials	Payment of Life Insurance premiums for life.
IAFF members	Payment of Medical, Dental, and Vision, Insurance premiums for the retiree and spouse until the retiree reaches Medicare eligibility. Supplemental insurance coverage is provided once retiree reaches Medicare eligibility. In addition, payment of Life Insurance Premiums for the life of the retiree.
Hired on or before April 1	1 2020
ТРОАМ	Payment of Medical, Dental, and Vision, premiums for the retiree and spouse for life. In additions, payment of Life Insurance premiums for life of the retiree.
Hired after April 1, 2020	
TPOAM	Neither member nor spouse are eligible for retiree Medical, Dental, and Vision premiums.
Summary of Plan Participants	

At the March 31, 2022 valuation date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Retired members	16
Active employees covered by the plan	22
	38

## **Contributions**

The Township has no obligations to make contributions in advance of when the premiums are due for payments (i.e., may be financed on a "pay-as-you-go" basis) except for the normal cost of employees first hired after June 30, 2018, in accordance with Public Act 202 of 2017. The Township is currently only paying premiums of retirees from current, available financial resources. For the year ended March 31, 2022, the Township contributed \$70,000 in addition to its portion of premium payments.

## **NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)**

#### Net OPEB Liability

The net OPEB liability of the Township was measured as of March 31, 2022, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined through an actuarial valuation as of that date.

#### Actuarial Assumption

The total OPEB liability in the March 31, 2022 valuation was determined using the following assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation rate	2.5%.
Salary increases	3.00% (for purpose of allocating liability).
Investment rate of return	7.35% (including inflation).
20-year Aa municipal bond rate	3.46% (S&P Municipal Bond 20-Year High Grade Rate Index).
Mortality	2010 Public General Employees and Healthy Retirees, Headcount
	weighted with MP-2021 improvement scale.

The long-term expected rate of return on retirement plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return (expected returns, net of retirement plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Global Equity	60.00%	4.95%
Global Fixed Income	20.00%	2.40%
Private assets	20.00%	7.00%

The sum of each target allocation times its long-term expected rate, plus inflation, is 7.35%.

#### **Changes in Assumptions**

The actuarial assumptions were changed during the year as follows:

Mortality improvement scale updated from MP-2020 to MP-2021.

## **NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)**

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.35%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the Township will contribute \$70,000 per year into the OPEB Trust as well as continue to pay benefits from general operating funds until the plan is expected to be fully funded. Based on this assumption, the retirement plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be sufficient to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. There is no the cross-over point or depletion date. For projected benefits that are covered by projected assets, the long-term expected rate was used to discount the projected benefits. The single equivalent discount rate is equal to the Long-Term Expected Rate of Return, plus inflation. This single equivalent discount rate that yields the same present value of benefits is calculated and is used to determine the Total OPEB Liability.

#### Change in Total OPEB Liability

The change in the total OPEB liability for the year ended March 31, 2022, is as follows:

Calculating the Net OPEB Liability

	Increase (Decrease)							
	Total OPEB	Plan Fiduciary	Net OPEB					
	Liability	Net Position	Liability					
	(a)	(b)	(a)-(b)					
Balances at March 31, 2021	\$ 4,675,728	\$ 347,636	\$ 4,328,092					
Changes for the year								
Service cost	165,979	-	165,979					
Interest on total OPEB liability	349,612	-	349,612					
Difference between expected and actual experience	(49,473)	-	(49,473)					
Changes in assumptions	(1,734)	-	(1,734)					
Contributions to OPEB Trust	-	70,000	(70,000)					
Contributions/benefit paid from general operating	-	170,161	(170,161)					
Net investment income	-	15,444	(15,444)					
Benefit payments	(170,161)	(170,161)	-					
Administrative expense		(709)	709					
Net changes	294,223	84,735	209,488					
Balances as of March 31, 2022	\$ 4,969,951	\$ 432,371	\$ 4,537,580					

#### Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

For purposes of measuring the total other post-employment benefits (OPEB) liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expenses, information about the fiduciary net position of the Plan and additions to/deductions from the Township's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported for the Township. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments, if there were any, would be reported at fair value.

## **NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)**

#### OPEB Expenses and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended March 31, 2022, the Township recognized an OPEB gain of \$577,167. At March 31, 2022, the Township reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$-	\$ 389,790
Changes in assumptions	131,707	2,426,225
Investment earnings	2,975	
	\$ 134,682	\$ 2,816,015

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending	OPEB
March 31,	Expense
2023	\$ (1,075,035)
2024	(1,203,432)
2025	(405,396)
2026	2,530

#### Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Township, as well as what the Township's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate and health care cost trend rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate:

	1% Decrease	1% Increase		
Net OPEB liability	\$ 5,209,373	\$ 4,537,580	\$ 3,989,426	

## **NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)**

#### Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Township, as well as what the Township's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trends rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease	Current Rate	1% Increase			
Net OPEB liability	\$ 3,913,049	\$ 4,537,580	\$ 5,314,294			

## **NOTE 10 - FUND EQUITY DEFICITS**

The Special Assessment District Fund had a deficit balance at March 31, 2022, of \$19,375. The Special Assessment District Fund deficit fund balance was a planned deficit as eligible expenditures were incurred in advance of special assessment revenues. The Township plans to eliminate this deficit through future special assessment collections.

The Sewer System Fund had a deficit unrestricted net position at March 31, 2022, of \$243,509. The Township plans to eliminate this deficit through future charges for services.

The Water System Fund had a deficit unrestricted net position at March 31, 2022, of \$824,234 and a total net position deficit at March 31, 2022, of \$308,002. The Township plans to eliminate this deficit through future charges for services.

## NOTE 11 - DETAILS OF FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATIONS

The fund balance constraints as of March 31, 2022, are as follows:

	(	General Fire Fund Fund		Life	Advance Life Support Fund		Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total	
Fund Balances										
Nonspendable										
Prepaids	\$	27,446	\$	25,742	\$	44,144	\$	-	\$	97,332
Advances		77,869		-		-		-		77,869
Long-term receivables		27,500		-		-		-		27,500
Restricted										
Public safety		-	-	1,134,554		-		-		1,134,554
Health and welfare		-		-	1,281,473		-			1,281,473
Capital projects		-		-		-		111,326		111,326
Assigned										
Capital projects		-		-		-		402,653		402,653
Unassigned	1	,492,948				-	(19,375)			1,473,573
	\$ 1	,625,763	\$ 2	1,160,296	\$ 1	.,325,617	\$	494,604	\$	4,606,280

## **NOTE 12 - UPCOMING ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In June 2017, the GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases.* This Statement will increase the usefulness of government's financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. The Township is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on the financial statements when adopted during the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

In May 2020, the GASB issued Statement No. 96, *Subscription-based Information Technology Arrangements*. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset -an intangible assetand a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, *Leases*, as amended. The Township is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on the financial statements when adopted during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

In June 2022, the GASB issued Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*. This Statement prescribes the accounting and financial reporting for (1) each type of accounting change and (2) error corrections. This Statement requires that (a) changes in accounting principles and error corrections be reported retroactively by restating prior period, (b) changes to or within the financial reporting entity be reported by adjusting beginning balances of the current period, and (c) changes in accounting estimates be reported prospectively by recognizing the change in the current period. The Township is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on the financial statements when adopted during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

In June 2022, the GASB issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. This Statement requires that liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used by not yet paid in cash or settled through noncash means. A liability should be recognized for leave that has not been used if (a) the leave is attributable to services already rendered, (b) the leave accumulates, and (c) the leave is more likely than not to be used for time off or otherwise paid in cash or settled through noncash means. This Statement also establishes guidance for measuring a liability for leave that has not been used, generally using an employee's pay rate as of the date of the financial statements. The Township is currently evaluating the impact this standard will have on the financial statements when adopted during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

# **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
REVENUES	<b>*</b> 505 55 4				
Property taxes	\$ 537,554	\$ 506,411	\$ 505,854	\$ (557)	
Licenses and permits Intergovernmental	197,000	142,250	145,505	3,255	
State shared revenue	615,000	720,000	788,809	68,809	
Local community stabilization	44,000	86,925	111,938	25,013	
Metro act	7,300		-	25,015	
Other	19,000	9,535	-	(9,535)	
Charges for services	232,900	265,388	276,229	10,841	
Interest	1,000	1,454	1,475	21	
Other	11,000	-	-		
TOTAL REVENUES	1,664,754	1,731,963	1,829,810	97,847	
EXPENDITURES					
Current					
General government					
Township board	34,212	36,224	35,121	1,103	
Supervisor	58,100	58,100	58,107	(7)	
Elections	-	26,179	25,405	774	
Assessor	109,351	112,531	112,396	135	
Legal fees	24,000	18,000	13,761	4,239	
Clerk	111,897	118,728	118,387	341	
General office	72,850	110,018	104,539	5,479	
Accounting and audit	109,758	78,653	78,805	(152)	
Board of Review	2,000 6,500	2,625	2,558	67	
Tax roll preparation Treasurer	96,310	- 100,455	- 99,964	- 491	
Building and grounds	84,000	58,438	57,342	1,096	
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Total general government	708,978	719,951	706,385	13,566	
Public safety					
Inspections	203,141	224,257	220,695	3,562	
Ordinance enforcement	3,000	3,500	3,105	395	
Total public safety	206,141	227,757	223,800	3,957	
Public works					
Street lighting	23,000	22,700	22,293	407	
Engineering	1,500	-	-	-	
Road chloride and paving	15,000	23,375	23,375	-	
Cemeteries	29,250	29,750	27,892	1,858	
Cable television	110,000	109,650	108,921	729	
Drains		3,500	3,500		
Total public works	178,750	188,975	185,981	2,994	

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (continued) YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Budgetec	l Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
EXPENDITURES (continued) Current (continued) Community and economic development					
Zoning board of appeals Planning	\$	\$ 1,500 47,000	\$       1,379 46,589	\$ 121 411	
Total community and economic development	51,950	48,500	47,968	532	
Other Insurance and other Pension plan Employer payroll taxes	263,470 85,100 46,200	282,114 98,000 53,500	270,860 94,860 49,394	11,254 3,140 4,106	
Total other	394,770	433,614	415,114	18,500	
Capital outlay	30,000	30,000	29,383	617	
Debt service	83,165	83,165	83,160	5	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,653,754	1,731,962	1,691,791	40,171	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	11,000	1	138,019	138,018	
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,487,744	1,487,744	1,487,744		
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 1,498,744	\$ 1,487,745	\$ 1,625,763	\$ 138,018	

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE FIRE FUND BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Budgeted	l Amounts Final	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 886,901	\$ 913,947	\$ 914,436	\$ 489
Intergovernmental	-	6,942	6,942	-
Charges for services	153,500	117,381	126,177	8,796
Interest	3,000	1,361	1,505	144
Other	11,000	525	527	2
TOTAL REVENUES	1,054,401	1,040,156	1,049,587	9,431
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Public safety	997,087	982,842	1,028,400	(45,558)
Debt service	57,313	57,314	57,313	1
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,054,400	1,040,156	1,085,713	(45,557)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1	-	(36,126)	(36,126)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Capital lease			67,032	67,032
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	1	-	30,906	30,906
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,129,390	1,129,390	1,129,390	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 1,129,391	\$ 1,129,390	\$ 1,160,296	\$ 30,906

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT FUND BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Budgeted	Amounts Final	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 1,265,400	\$ 1,336,165	\$ 1,336,916	\$ 751
Intergovernmental	-	65,158	65,158	-
Charges for services	1,065,000	830,000	887,160	57,160
Interest	3,000	230	256	26
Other	11,000	515	515	
TOTAL REVENUES	2,344,400	2,232,068	2,290,005	57,937
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Health and welfare	2,198,050	2,299,597	2,261,428	38,169
Capital outlay	146,350	42,500	42,340	160
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,344,400	2,342,097	2,303,768	38,329
EXCESS OF REVENUES (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	-	(110,029)	(13,763)	96,266
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Transfers in	<u> </u>	110,029		(110,029)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-	-	(13,763)	(13,763)
Fund balance, beginning of year	1,339,380	1,339,380	1,339,380	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 1,339,380	\$ 1,339,380	\$ 1,325,617	\$ (13,763)

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN EMPLOYER'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS LAST FOUR MEASUREMENT DATES (ULTIMATELY TEN YEARS WILL BE DISPLAYED) (AMOUNTS WERE DETERMINED AS OF 3/31 OF EACH YEAR)

	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total OPEB Liability Service cost Interest Difference between actual and expected experience Changes in actuarial assumptions Changes in benefit terms Benefit payments, including employee refunds	\$ 165,979 349,612 (49,473) (1,734) - (170,161)	\$ 370,357 280,340 (649,383) (4,506,411) 113,662 (195,650)	\$ 326,146 280,490 (13,984) 556,570 - (171,577)	\$ 315,758 266,167 - - - - (142,420)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	294,223	(4,587,085)	977,645	439,505
Total OPEB Liability, beginning	4,675,728	9,262,813	8,285,168	7,845,663
Total OPEB Liability, ending	\$ 4,969,951	\$ 4,675,728	\$ 9,262,813	\$ 8,285,168
Plan Fiduciary Net Position Contributions/benefit payments from general operating Net investment income Benefit payments including employee refunds Administrative expense Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 240,161 15,444 (170,161) (709) 84,735	\$ 525,494 17,967 (195,650) (175) 347,636	\$ 171,577 - (171,577) -	\$ 142,420 (142,420)
Plan Fiduciary Net Position, beginning	347,636		-	_
Plan Fiduciary Net Position, ending	\$ 432,371	\$ 347,636	\$-	\$ -
Township's Net OPEB Liability	\$ 4,537,580	\$ 4,328,092	\$ 9,262,813	\$ 8,285,168
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	9%	7%	0%	0%
Covered payroll	\$ 1,912,196	\$ 1,703,948	\$ 1,548,096	\$ 1,304,888
Township's Net OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered payroll	237%	254%	598%	635%

# TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS LAST FOUR FISCAL YEARS (ULTIMATELY TEN YEARS WILL BE DISPLAYED) (AMOUNTS WERE DETERMINED AS OF 3/31 OF EACH YEAR)

	2022	2021	2020	2019
Actuarially determined employer contribution	\$ 857,144	\$ 1,458,949	\$ 1,755,935	\$ 1,476,847
Employer contribution (benefit payment)	240,161	525,494	171,577	142,420
Contribution deficiency/(excess)	\$ 616,983	\$ 933,455	\$ 1,584,358	\$ 1,334,427
Covered payroll	\$ 1,912,196	\$ 1,703,948	\$ 1,548,096	\$ 1,304,888
Contribution as a percentage of payroll	13%	31%	11%	11%

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

#### **NOTE 1 - EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS**

The Township's budgeted expenditures in the General and major Special Revenue Funds have been shown at the functional classification level. The approved budgets of the Township have been adopted at the activity level for the General Fund and total expenditure level for the Special Revenue Funds.

During the year ended March 31, 2022, the Township incurred expenditures in various General Fund activities more than the amounts appropriated as follows:

	Amounts Appropriated			Amounts Expended		ariance
General Fund Current						
General government Supervisor Accounting and audit	\$	58,100 78,653	\$	58,107 78,805	\$	7 152
Fire Fund Current Public safety	-	1,040,156	1	,085,713		45,557

## NOTE 2 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN

Actuarial valuation information relative to the determination of contributions:

Valuation date	March 31, 2021
Measurement date	March 31, 2022

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal.
Amortization method	Level percentage of pay.
Remaining amortization period	Eight years.
Investment rate of return	7.35% (including inflation).
20-year Aa Municipal Bond Rate	3.46%, (S&P Municipal Bond 20-Year High Grade Rate Index).
Salary increases	2.50% (for purpose of allocating liability).
Inflation rate	2.50%.
Healthcare cost trend rates	Pre-Medicare: 7.25% graded down to 4.50% by 0.25% per year.
	Post-Medicare: 5.50% graded down to 4.50% by 0.25% per year.
Mortality	2010 Public General Employees and Healthy Retirees, Headcount
	weighted with MP-2021 improvement scale.
Changes of benefit terms: No cha	ange in benefit terms during the plan year.

Changes in assumptions: Mortality improvement scale updated from MP-2020 to MP-2021

**OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** 

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 2022

	Capital Projects Funds					
	-	Special Improvement Assessment Revolving District		Total		
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Special assessments receivable Due from other funds	\$	82,232 - 434,451	\$	- 41,507 -	\$	82,232 41,507 434,451
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	516,683	\$	41,507	\$	558,190
LIABILITIES Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$	2,699 5	\$	- 19,375	\$	2,699 19,380
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,704		19,375		22,079
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Unavailable revenue				41,507		41,507
FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) Restricted Assigned Unassigned		111,326 402,653 -		- - (19,375)		111,326 402,653 (19,375)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)		513,979	,	(19,375)		494,604
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS)	\$	516,683	\$	41,507	\$	558,190

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	Capital Pro			
	Special Improvement Assessment Revolving District		Total	
REVENUES				
Special assessments Interest	\$-	\$ 13,738 2,851	\$	
TOTAL REVENUES		16,589	16,589	
EXPENDITURES Current				
Public works	76,461		76,461	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(76,461)	16,589	(59,872)	
Fund balances (deficits), beginning of year	590,440	(35,964)	554,476	
Fund balances (deficits), end of year	\$ 513,979	\$ (19,375)	\$ 494,604	

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE CUSTODIAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION MARCH 31, 2022

	General Custodial	Current Tax Collection	Total
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Due from others	\$   216,503 	\$	\$ 222,076 140,321
TOTAL ASSETS	216,503	145,894	362,397
LIABILITIES Due to others Due to other governmental units Deposits	10,915 - 205,588	- 145,894 -	10,915 145,894 205,588
TOTAL LIABILITIES	216,503	145,894	362,397
NET POSITION Restricted for individuals, organizations, and other governmental units	<u>\$-</u>	<u>\$</u> -	<u>\$-</u>

## TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE CUSTODIAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2022

	General Custodial	Current Tax Collection	Total
ADDITIONS			
Property tax collections for			
other governmental units	\$ -	\$ 27,326,736	\$ 27,326,736
Collections for others	3,271,819		3,271,819
TOTAL ADDITIONS	3,271,819	27,326,736	30,598,555
DEDUCTIONS			
Property tax distributions to			
other governmental units	-	27,326,736	27,326,736
Distributions to others	3,271,819	-	3,271,819
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TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	3,271,819	27,326,736	30,598,555
NET INCREASE IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION	-	-	-
Net position, beginning of year			
Net position, end of year	\$	\$-	\$



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

To the Board of Trustees of the Township of Bruce Macomb County, Michigan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Township of Bruce, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Township of Bruce's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 16, 2022.

## **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Township of Bruce's financial statements are free from 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 financial statements. 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 the following instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### 2022-001 FUND EQUITY DEFICITS

Condition: At the end of the fiscal year, the Special Assessment District Fund report a fund balance deficit and the Sewer System and Water System Funds reported deficit unrestricted net position.

Criteria: Michigan Public Act 275 of 1980 provides that the Township shall not have deficits in one or more of the Township's unrestricted fund balances/unrestricted net position. Michigan Public Act 140 of 1971 provides that a Township ending its fiscal year with funds in a deficit condition shall formulate a deficit elimination plan. The Township submitted an original deficit elimination plan for the Special Assessment District Fund to the Michigan Department of Treasury subsequent to the end of the 2013 fiscal year. The Township is required to update the plan on an annual basis until the deficit is eliminated.

Cause: The Special Assessment District Fund was a planned deficit caused by the outlay of expenditures prior to the collection of the special assessments. In the Sewer System Fund and the Water System Fund, the Township has not raised rates significantly enough to ensure the operating revenue in the Sewer System Fund and the Water System Fund are sufficient to cover all expenses (including depreciation).

Effect: The Township is not in compliance with Public Act 275 of 1980. As a result, the Township will be required to continue to prepare and submit a Deficit Elimination Plan to the State of Michigan.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Township update the Special Assessment District Fund deficit elimination plan. We also recommend the Township utilize budgetary controls to limit expenditures and/or transfer funds as needed to alleviate deficits. We also recommend the Township complete a rate study for the Sewer System Fund and the Water System Fund to determine the proper rate to charge in order to sustain operations and save for future capital improvements.

Corrective Action Response: While the Special Assessment District Fund was a planned deficit, the Township has been working to eliminate the deficits in the Sewer and Water systems through incremental increases to the utility rates and careful, planned expansion of the system.

## Township of Bruce's Response to Finding

The Township's response to the finding identified in our audit is described above. The Township's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

## **Purpose of this Report**

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

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September 16, 2022