(ATTACHMENT #1)

Township of Somerset Year Ended June 30, 2023

Audit Presentation November 16, 2023

Presented by: Dane M. Porter, CPA Senior Manager





Opinions

 In our opinion, the financial statements...present fairly, in all material respects,...

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

- Preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP
- Including design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls
- Also responsible for fraud detection, deterrence, and prevention

Auditor's Responsibility

- The objective, or purpose, of an audit is to express opinions on the financial statements based on our audit
- The purpose is <u>not</u> to detect fraud or express an opinion on your internal controls



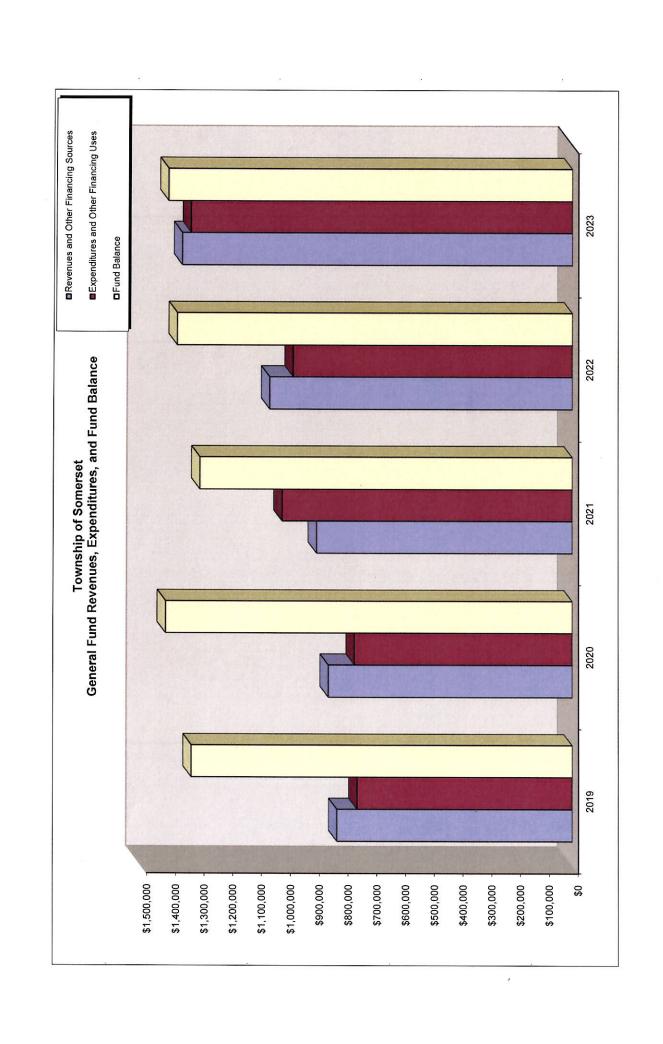
TOWNSHIP OF SOMERSET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2023

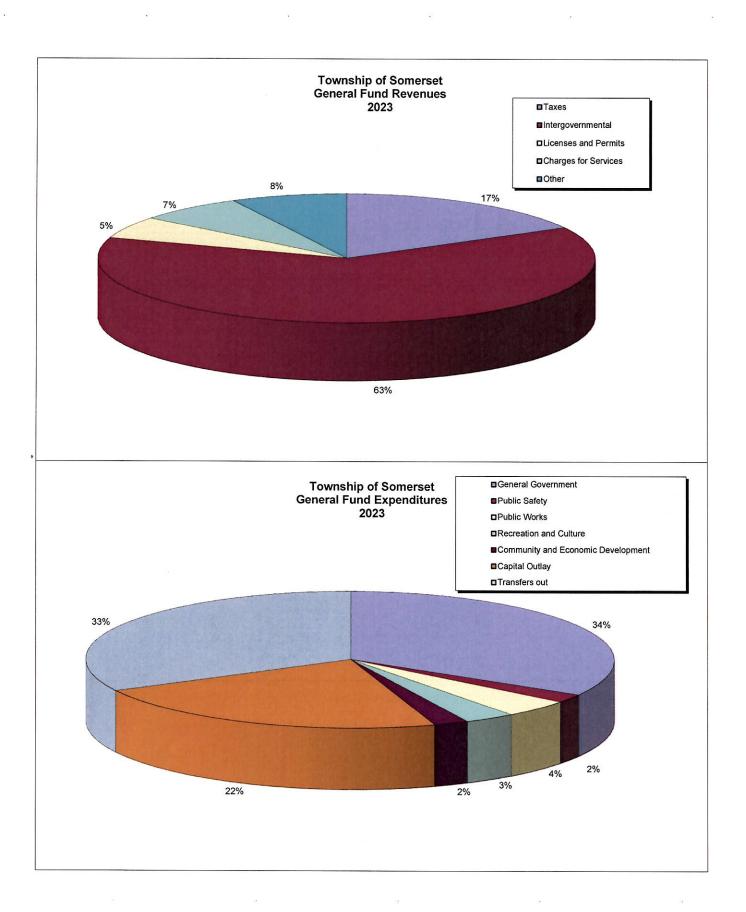
Total	\$ 2,080,100 281,049	52,619	70,280	77,897	72,920	\$ 2,967,579		\$ 154,595 40,520	195,115	70,280 319,732	390,012	72,920	411,548	190,403	662	154,961	175,691	602,664 773,603	7 207 457	764,306,3	\$ 2,967,579
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	\$ 315,470 54,827	•	K K	•	7,070	\$ 377,367		\$ 39,645	39,645			7,070	•		٠	154,961	175,691		227 773	331,166	\$ 377,367
Police Fund	77,680	·		•	22,873	100,553		801 4,719	5,520		ĺ	22,873	72,160		T)	19	I.		05.022	550,55	100,553
Fire Fund	316,528 \$	52,619	Е Е	c	13,949	\$ 960,585		27,261	29,759	7 7	1	13,949	339,388			6	·		252 227	100,000	383,096 \$
Road Fund	262,097 \$ 14,475	T			866'6	286,570 \$		97,692 \$	97,692	is is	1	866'6	•	178,880		ē	ē		100 070	100,070	286,570 \$
General	\$ 1,108,325 \$ 211,747		70,280	77,897	19,030	\$ 1,819,993 \$		\$ 13,959 \$ 8,540	22,499	70,280 319,732	390,012	19,030	1	11,523	662	Ē		602,664 773,603	1 407 482	704,104,1	\$ 1,819,993 \$
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TOWNSHIP OF SOMERSET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	General	Road Fund	Fire Fund	Police Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
REVENUES Taxes Special assessments Licenses and permits Intergovernmental Charges for services Fines and forfeits Interest and rents Other	\$ 231,155 19,320 75,150 855,564 93,993 11,701 66,896 5,529	\$ 59,104 - 8,479 - 1,626	\$ 177,352 - 674,728 3,637 3,542	\$ 118,230 - - 1,376 208 973 385	\$ 118,208 10,112 26,183	\$ 704,049 19,320 75,150 864,043 770,097 11,909 83,244 35,639
TOTAL REVENUES	1,359,308	69,209	859,259	121,172	154,503	2,563,451
EXPENDITURES Current General government Fublic safety Public works Recreation and culture Community and economic development Capital outlay	444,389 26,421 55,672 41,368 28,407 297,417	248,128	771,903	282,889	115,169	444,389 1,081,213 303,800 156,537 28,407 347,081
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	893,674	248,128	771,903	282,889	164,833	2,361,427
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	465,634	(178,919)	87,356	(161,717)	(10,330)	202,024
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out	(434,477)	215,000	9 1	219,477	9 1	434,477 (434,477)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(434,477)	215,000		219,477	2	1
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	31,157	36,081	87,356	57,760	(10,330)	202,024
Fund balances, beginning of year	1,376,325	152,797	265,981	37,273	348,052	2,180,428
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 1,407,482	\$ 188,878	\$ 353,337	\$ 95,033	\$ 337,722	\$ 2,382,452

See accompanying notes to financial statements.







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November 3, 2023

Members of the Township Board of the Township of Somerset Hillsdale County, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Somerset (the Township) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Township'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 the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.

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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the following deficiency in the Township's internal control to be a material weakness:

MATERIAL JOURNAL ENTRIES PROPOSED BY AUDITORS

Material journal entries for the adjustment of cash, accounts receivable, amounts due from other governmental units, prepaid expenses, special assessment activity, and lease activity were proposed by the auditors and were necessary for the fair presentation of the financial statements. These misstatements were brought to the attention of management and were subsequently recorded in the Township's general ledger. A similar issue was noted and report in our audit comments last year.

Auditing standards emphasize that management is responsible for establishing, maintaining, and monitoring internal controls, and for the fair presentation in the financial statements of financial position, results of operations, and cash flows (where applicable), including the notes to the financial statements, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

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. We consider the following deficiency in internal control to be a significant deficiency:

DOCUMENTATION AND REVIEW

During our review of the Township's internal controls and assessment of fraud risk, we noted certain documentation and indication of review and approval could not be provided.

We noted the following issues in the accounting structure:

- a. During our testing of credit card transactions, we noted two transactions where there was no purchase order for purchases over \$500. We also noted that not all credit card purchases had an indication of review.
- b. During our review of journal entries we noted that the Township was unable to provide supporting documentation for ten of ten journal entries tested. We also noted that there does not appear to be a review of journal entries by a member of management independent of the entry.
- c. During our review of bank reconciliations we noted that while the Township appears to perform bank reconciliations in a timely manner, the Township was unable to locate the bank reconciliations that were performed during the year. As a result, we were unable to determine if those reconciliations were reviewed by a member of management who is independent of the reconciliations process.

We recommend that the Township review various areas of operation and consider that additional controls be put in place and formally documented in writing. When separation of duties is not possible, we recommend the Township implement additional internal controls that provide for greater review and supervision.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township'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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of members of the Township Board of the Township of Somerset, others within the Township, and applicable departments of the State of Michigan, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

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Questions?

Thank you for your time.

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