Charter Township of Comstock Kalamazoo County, Michigan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

June 9, 2025

Members of the Board Charter Township of Comstock Kalamazoo County, Michigan

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Charter Township of Comstock, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, (the Township) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Townships 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 discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township, as of December 31, 2023 and the respective changes in financial position 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 the Township 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 the Township'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 the Township'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 the Township'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 on pages 6 through 12 and the budgetary comparison schedules on pages 34 through 39 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements 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 for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund and component unit financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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 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, the combining and individual nonmajor fund and component unit financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are 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 June 9, 2025, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Charter Township of Comstock MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Our discussion and analysis of the Charter Township of Comstock's (the Township) financial performance provides a narrative overview of the Township's financial activities for the fiscal Year ended December 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Township's total net position increased by \$2,073,748 (8 percent) as a result of this year's activities.
- Of the \$27,118,885 total net position reported, \$760,494 (3 percent) is available to be used to meet the Township's ongoing obligations to its citizens and customers, without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements.
- The General Fund's unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year was \$773,475, which is 20 percent of the actual total General Fund expenditures for the current fiscal year.

Overview of the financial statements

The Township's annual report is comprised of four parts: management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, required supplementary information, and an optional section that presents combining statements for nonmajor governmental funds. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Township:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the Township's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Township government, reporting the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements.
 - Governmental funds statements explain how government services, like general government, public safety, and parks and library, were financed in the short-term, as well as what remains for future spending.
 - Fiduciary funds statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the Township acts solely as a custodian for the benefit of others to whom the resources in question belong.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The financial statements are followed by sections of required supplementary information and other supplementary information that further explain and support the information in the financial statements.

A comparative analysis of the government-wide financial statements for 2024 and 2023 is also presented.

Government-wide financial statements

The government-wide financial statements report information about the Township as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the Township's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the Township's net position and how it has changed. Net position (the difference between the Township's assets, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources) is one way to measure the Township's financial health, or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's net position are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the Township, you need to consider additional nonfinancial factors, such as changes in the Township's property tax base and the condition of the Township's capital assets.

The government-wide financial statements are divided into two categories:

- *Governmental activities* Most of the Township's basic services are included here, such as police, fire, and general government activities. Property taxes, assessments, and state grants finance most of these activities.
- *Component unit* The Township includes one other entity in its report the Downtown Development Authority. Although legally separate, the "component unit" is important because the Township is financially accountable for the Authority.

Fund financial statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Township's most significant funds - not the Township as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the Township uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Some funds are required by state law and bond agreements.
- The Township Board establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain other revenues.

The Township has two types of funds:

- Governmental funds. Most of the Township's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash, and other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash, flows in and out, and (2) the balances left at year end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Township's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information that explains the relationship between them.
- *Fiduciary funds*. These funds are used to account for the collection and disbursement of resources, primarily taxes, for the benefit of parties outside the Township. The Township is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in the fiduciary funds are used for their intended purposes. The Township's fiduciary balances and activities are reported in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. We exclude these activities from the Township's government-wide financial statements because the Township cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE

Net position

Total net position at the end of the fiscal year was \$27,118,885. Of this total, \$18,333,374 is invested in capital assets (net of related debt) and \$8,025,017 is restricted for various purposes. Consequently, unrestricted net position was \$760,494, which represents 3 percent of the total.

Condensed financial information Net position

	Governmental activities			
	2024	2023		
Current and other assets Capital assets	\$ 18,699,337 20,838,608	\$ 15,743,307 <u>19,472,136</u>		
Total assets	39,537,945	35,215,443		
Current and other liabilities Long-term debt	631,740 2,736,307	1,502,337 287,303		
Total liabilities	3,368,047	1,581,417		
Deferred inflows of resources	9,051,013	8,380,666		
Net position: Net investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	18,333,374 8,025,017 760,494	19,472,136 5,125,914 447,087		
Total net position	<u>\$ 27,118,885</u>	<u>\$ 25,253,360</u>		

Changes in net position

The Township's total revenues are \$13,268,380. For 2024, 47 percent of the Township's revenues comes from charges for services, 29 percent comes from property taxes, and 13 percent comes from state grants.

The total cost of the Township's programs and services was \$11,194,632. Approximately 42 percent of the Township's costs are related to public safety activities. General government costs are 18 percent of the total, culture and recreation costs account for 13 percent, and public works costs are 18 percent of total expenses.

Condensed financial information Changes in net position

	Governmental activities				
	2024		2023		
Program revenues:					
Charges for services	\$ 6,260,42	2 \$	5,820,771		
Operating grants and contributions	883,61		217,678		
Capital grants and contributions	261,71	9	2,566,486		
General revenues:					
Property taxes	3,802,15	8	3,478,367		
State grants	1,693,97	2	1,702,689		
Franchise fees	97,06	2	106,431		
Investment income	30,07	1	63,611		
Gain on sale of asset	(1,023,39	6)	-		
Insurance recoveries	1,262,75	8	-		
Total revenues	13,268,38	0	13,956,033		
Expenses:					
General government	2,017,57	6	1,771,169		
Public safety	4,660,41	4	4,226,270		
Public works	2,034,13	0	1,695,761		
Community and economic					
development	200,57		216,015		
Health and welfare	670,70		632,498		
Culture and recreation	1,451,45	7	1,561,763		
Interest	159,77	6	8,460		
Total expenses	11,194,63	2	10,111,936		
Changes in net position	2,073,74	8	4,052,320		
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 27,118,88</u>	<u>5</u> \$	25,045,137		

Governmental activities

Net position increased by \$2,073,748 for 2024, compared to a \$4,052,320 increase in net position for 2023. Revenues were \$687,653 lower in 2024, primarily due to a decrease in capital grants related to a large capital project in 2023. Total governmental expenses increased by \$1,082,696. The increase in public safety can be primarily attributed to increased salaries and fringe benefits in the fire fund.

The total cost of governmental activities this year was \$11,194,632. After subtracting the direct charges to those who directly benefited from the programs (\$6,260,422) and operating and capital grants (\$1,145,333), the "public benefit" portion covered by taxes, state revenue sharing, and other general revenues was \$3,788,877.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP'S FUNDS

Governmental funds

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$9,200,174, an increase of \$3,393,372 from the prior year.

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Township. Its fund balance decreased by \$73,033 during the year, as revenues of \$3,769,222 were lower than expenditures of \$3,842,255. Year-end fund balance totals \$921,118.

The Fire Operating Fund experienced an increase in fund balance of \$1,446,151, as revenues of \$4,005,011 and other financing sources of \$1,262,758 exceeded expenditures of \$3,821,618. Fund balance at the end of the year totals \$1,662,149.

The Library Fund's \$223,848 increase in fund balance was the result of revenues of \$1,123,208 exceeding expenditures of \$899,360. Fund balance at the end of the year totals \$1,662,131.

The Road Fund's \$178,854 increase in fund balance was the result of revenues of \$854,419 exceeding expenditures of \$675,565. Fund balance at the end of the year totals \$241,294.

The Fire Capital Fund experienced an increase in fund balance of \$765,249, as revenues of \$1,480,266 and other financing sources of \$1,406,221 were higher than expenditures of \$2,121,238. Fund balance at the end of the year totals \$1,518,654.

The Sewer and Water Improvement Fund experienced a \$856,902 increase in fund balance, revenues of \$682,596 and other financing sources of \$1,529,153 exceeded expenditures of \$1,354,847. The fund balance at the end of the year is \$2,563,468.

Charter Township of Comstock MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

General Fund budgetary highlights

Expenditure budgets were amended during the year. The final expenditure budget totals were increased by \$182,621 over the original budget. Budget amendments were made among several activities within the General Fund with the most significant increases in capital outlay and general governmental activities.

Total actual revenues were lower than budgeted amounts by \$89,665. Total expenditures were \$396,626 less than budgeted amounts. The largest variance was in general government expenditures as election costs were lower than anticipated. In total, these conditions resulted in a \$306,961 positive budget variance and a \$73,033 decrease in fund balance compared to a budgeted decrease of \$379,994.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets

The Township's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2024, amounts to \$20,838,608 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment includes buildings and improvements, fire equipment and vehicles, and sewer and water infrastructure. The \$1,366,472 increase in the Township's investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year reflects capital additions of \$3,618,511 net of depreciation of \$1,228,643 and net disposals of \$1,023,396.

Major capital asset acquisitions during the current year include:

- \$69,472 for library materials and building improvements
- \$156,047 for park playground equipment
- \$1,406,221 for the purchase of a new fire truck
- \$382,116 for the purchase of a fire equipment
- \$69,631 for fire vehicle
- \$1,236,230 for sewer system improvements

More detailed information about the Township's capital assets is presented in Note 5 of the notes to the basic financial statements.

Debt

At the end of the fiscal year, the Township had \$2,505,234 of long-term debt outstanding, which represents an increase of \$2,505,234 from the previous year as new debt was issued for \$2,969,221 and payment of the debt of \$463,987. The Township's debt issues are backed by the full faith and credit of the Township.

\$333,420 of long-term liabilities represents accrued compensated absences.

More detailed information about the Township's long-term obligations is presented in Note 9 of the notes to the basic financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

There are no significant planned changes in the types of ongoing services to be provided or in related levels of expenditures for ongoing operations during the upcoming fiscal year.

CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to demonstrate the Township's accountability for the resources it receives. Questions regarding any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Scott Hess, Township Superintendent Charter Township of Comstock P.O. Box 449 5858 King Highway Comstock, MI 49041-0449 Phone: (269) 381-2360

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Primary government	Component unit	
	Governmental activities	Downtown Development Authority	
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash	\$ 9,970,477	\$ 288,083	
Investments	1,679,139	-	
Prepaids	163,674	-	
Receivables, net	6,718,630		
Total current assets	18,531,920	288,083	
Noncurrent assets:			
Receivables, net	167,417	-	
Capital assets not being depreciated	-	-	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	20,838,608	22,081	
Total noncurrent assets	21,006,025	22,081	
Total assets	39,537,945	310,164	
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
Payables	529,393	3,986	
Compensated absences	102,347	-	
Current portion of noted payable	744,351		
Total current liabilities	1,376,091	3,986	
Noncurrent liabilities: - long-term obligations			
Compensated absences	231,073	-	
Notes payable	1,760,883		
Total noncurrent liabilities	1,991,956		
Total liabilities	3,368,047	3,986	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Lease revenue	126,392	-	
Property tax revenues levied for the subsequent year	3,982,581	13,231	
Assessments levied for the subsequent year	4,942,040		
Total deferred inflows of resources	9,051,013	13,231	
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	18,333,374	22,081	
Restricted for:			
Public safety	2,044,656	-	
Public works	2,836,709	-	
Capital	1,518,654	-	
Culture and recreation	1,624,998	-	
Unrestricted	760,494	270,866	
Total net position	\$ 27,118,885	\$ 292,947	

				Pro	ogram revenue	5		r	et (expenses) evenues and change in net position	Component unit
	Expenses	c	harges for services		Operating grants and contributions	-	Capital rants and ntributions	G	iovernmental activities	Downtown Development Authority
Functions/Programs										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$ 2,017,576	\$	493,987	\$	276,514	\$	-	\$	(1,247,075)	
Public safety	4,660,414		4,808,989		463,292		256,770		868,637	
Public works	2,034,130		769,793		55,610		4,949		(1,203,778)	
Community and economic										
development	200,579		-		13,644		-		(186,935)	
Health and welfare	670,700		-		19,048		-		(651,652)	
Culture and recreation	1,451,457		187,653		55,506		-		(1,208,298)	
Interest on long-term debt	 159,776		-				-		(159,776)	
Total governmental										
activities	\$ 11,194,632	\$	6,260,422	\$	883,614	\$	261,719	\$	(3,788,877)	
Component unit:										
Downtown Development Authority	\$ 89,157	\$	-	\$	90,300	\$	-			\$ 1,143

General revenues:

Property taxes:			
Operating		982,975	15,058
Roads		815,648	-
Library		961,376	-
Road patrol		390,507	-
Seniors		651,652	-
Franchise fees		97,062	-
State shared revenue		1,693,972	-
Investment income		30,071	2,063
Loss on asset disposal		(1,023,396)	-
Insurance recoveries		1,262,758	 -
Total general revenues	<u>.</u>	5,862,625	 17,121
Change in net position		2,073,748	18,264
Net position - beginning, as previously reported		25,253,360	274,683
Change in accounting principle		(208,223)	 -
Net position - beginning, as restated		25,045,137	 274,683
Net position - ending	\$	27,118,885	\$ 292,947

Charter Township of Comstock BALANCE SHEET - governmental funds

December 31, 2024

	General	Fire Operating	Library	Roads	Fire Capital	Sewer and Water Improvement	Nonmajor funds	Total governmenta funds
ASSETS								
Cash	\$ 1,177,350	\$ 1,939,068	\$ 1,699,907	\$ 639,293	\$ 1,404,888	\$ 2,033,617	\$ 1,076,354	\$ 9,970,477
Investments	-	-	437,541	-	838,833	402,765	-	1,679,139
Receivables, net	1,052,985	3,310,876	594,830	496,568	830,854	202,677	397,257	6,886,047
Prepaids	147,643	78,434	17,293			·		243,370
Total assets	\$ 2,377,978	\$ 5,328,378	\$ 2,749,571	\$ 1,135,861	\$ 3,074,575	\$ 2,639,059	<u>\$ 1,473,611</u>	\$ 18,779,033
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Payables	\$ 135,647	\$ 131,518	\$ 25,296	\$ 1,083	\$ 22,200	\$ 10,344	\$ 127,463	\$ 453,551
Unearned grant revenue		-	-	-	-	-		-
Total liabilities	135,647	131,518	25,296	1,083	22,200	10,344	127,463	453,551
Deferred inflows of resources:								
Property tax revenues levied for the subsequent year	1,321,213	-	1,053,096	893,484	-	-	714,788	3,982,581
Assessments levied for the subsequent year	-	3,408,319	-	-	1,533,721	-	-	4,942,040
Lease revenue	-	126,392	-	-	-	-	-	126,392
Unavailable special assessment	-	-	-	-	-	65,247	-	65,247
Unavailable interest			9,048					9,048
Total deferred inflows of resources	1,321,213	3,534,711	1,062,144	893,484	1,533,721	65,247	714,788	9,125,308
Fund balances:								
Nonspendable - prepaids	147,643	78,434	17,293	-	-	-	-	243,370
Restricted for:								
Fire capital	-	-	-	-	1,518,654	-	-	1,518,654
Fire operating	-	1,583,715	-	-	-	-	-	1,583,71
Police protection	-	-	-	-	-	-	630,352	630,352
Roads	-	-	-	241,294		-	-	241,294
Library operating	-	-	1,644,838	-	-	-	-	1,644,838
Sewer and water improvements Assigned for:	-	-	-	-	-	2,563,468	-	2,563,468
Street lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,008	1,008
Unassigned	773,475			-				773,475
Total fund balances	921,118	1,662,149	1,662,131	241,294	1,518,654	2,563,468	631,360	9,200,174
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,								
and fund balances	\$ 2,377,978	\$ 5,328,378	\$ 2,749,571	\$ 1,135,861	\$ 3,074,575	\$ 2,639,059	\$ 1,473,611	\$ 18,779,033

Reconciliation of the balance sheet to the statement of net position:	
Total fund balance - total governmental funds (page 15)	\$ 9,200,174
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of net position (page 13) are different because:	
Capital assets used in <i>governmental activities</i> are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	20,758,912
Special assessments receivable and other receivables are not available to pay for the current period's expenditures and are deferred in the funds.	65,247
Unavailable interest receivable is not available to pay for the current period's expenditures and are deferred in the funds.	9,048
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable and compensated absences, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(2,838,654)
Interest related to long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported in the funds.	(75,842)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 27,118,885

Charter Township of Comstock STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - governmental funds

Year ended December 31, 2024

		Fine			Fine	Sewer and	•/	Total
	Conord	Fire	1	Decide	Fire	Water	Nonmajor	governmental
	General	Operating	Library	Roads	Capital	Improvement	funds	funds
REVENUES								
Taxes	\$ 1,353,987		\$ 961,376	\$ 815,64		\$-	\$ 1,042,159	
Special assessment	-	3,158,151	-	-	1,421,717		-	4,591,499
Licenses and permits	100,217	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,217
Intergovernmental	-		-	-	-	4,949	-	4,949
State grants	1,774,848	59,750	48,966	19,04	- 18	-	21,820	1,924,432
Federal grants	250,858	594,784	-	-		-	-	845,642
Charges for services	198,855	-	5,102	-	-	592,125	-	796,082
Fines and forfeitures	22,693	962	21,767	-	-	-	-	45,422
Interest and rentals	21,862	68,440	82,909	19,72	23 58,549	73,891	29,524	354,898
Other	45,902	122,924	3,088					171,914
Total revenues	3,769,222	4,005,011	1,123,208	854,43	1,480,266	682,596	1,093,503	13,008,225
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government	1,795,528	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,795,528
Public safety	208,998	3,821,618	-	-	-	-	427,402	4,458,018
Public works	900,990	-	-	675,56	- 55	-	-	1,576,555
Community and economic								
development	211,066	-	-	-	-	-	-	211,066
Health and welfare	-	-	-	-	-	-	670,700	670,700
Culture and recreation	652,465	-	878,360	-	-	-	-	1,530,825
Capital outlay	73,208	-	21,000	-	1,607,164	1,354,847	-	3,056,219
Debt service:								
Principal	-	-	-	-	463,987	-	-	463,987
Interest					50,087		33,847	83,934
Total expenditures	3,842,255	3,821,618	899,360	675,56	55 2,121,238	1,354,847	1,131,949	13,846,832
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER EXPENDITURES	(73,033)	183,393	223,848	178,85	640,972) (672,251)	(38,446)	(838,607)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Loan proceeds	-	-	-	-	1,406,221	1,563,000	-	2,969,221
Insurance proceeds	-	1,262,758	_	_			_	1,262,758
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,847	33,847
Transfers out						(33,847)		(33,847
Net ether firms inc								
Net other financing	_	1,262,758	_		1,406,221	1,529,153	33,847	4,231,979
sources (uses)		1,202,738			1,400,221	1,529,135	55,647	4,231,373
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	(73,033)	1,446,151	223,848	178,85	54 765,249	856,902	(4,599)	3,393,372
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	994,151	215,998	1,438,283	62,44	10 753,405	1,706,566	635,959	5,806,802
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$ 921,118</u>	\$ 1,662,149	\$ 1,662,131	\$ 241,29	94 \$ 1,518,654	\$ 2,563,468	\$ 631,360	\$ 9,200,174

Reconciliation of the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances to the statement of activities:	
Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds (page 17)	\$ 3,393,372
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of activities (page 14) are different because:	
Capital assets: Assets acquired Basis of assets disposed Provision for depreciation	3,538,815 (1,023,396) (1,228,643)
Long-term debt: Principal repayments Debt issued	463,987 (2,969,221)
Deferred inflows of resources - net decrease in unavailable revenue	20,793
Changes in other assets/liabilities: Net increase in accrued interest expense Net increase in compensated absences	 (75,842) (46,117)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 2,073,748

Charter Township of Comstock STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - custodial funds

December 31, 2024

	Тах	Custodial
ASSETS Cash	\$ 3,761,110	\$ 21,228
LIABILITIES Due to others	3,761,110	21,228
NET POSITION Fire escrows help for disbursement	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Charter Township of Comstock STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - custodial funds

December 31, 2024

	Тах	Custodial
ADDITIONS		
Property taxes collected for other governments	\$ 26,676,987	\$ 7,265
Collection of county fees	-	1,780
Collection of other deposits	-	173,074
Collection of fire escrows		15,009
Total additions	26,676,987	197,128
DEDUCTIONS		
Property taxes distributed to other governments	26,676,987	180,339
Distributions to county	-	1,780
Distributions individuals		15,009
Total deductions	26,676,987	197,128
NET CHANGE IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION	-	-
NET POSITION - BEGINNING		
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Charter Township of Comstock, Michigan (the Township), conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as generally accepted accounting principles) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies.

Reporting entity:

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Township and the Downtown Development Area (located in Kalamazoo County), as there are no other entities for which the Township is considered to be financially accountable.

Discretely presented component unit:

Downtown Development Authority - The Authority was established pursuant to Public Act 197 of 1975, as amended, to correct and prevent deterioration and promote economic growth within the downtown district. The Township appoints the voting majority of the board and is financially accountable for the Authority.

Government-wide and fund financial statements:

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Township. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and the fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation:

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

Governmental funds financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available if they are collected within the current period, or soon enough thereafter, to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Township generally considers revenues to be available if they are expected to be collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

State grants, licenses and permits, charges for services, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivables due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable only when cash is received by the Township.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued): The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Township, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Revenues are primarily derived from property taxes and state shared revenue.

The Fire Operating Fund accounts for financial resources used for the operational costs of the Township's fire protection. Revenues are primarily derived from special assessments.

The Library Fund accounts for financial resources used for the operational costs of the Township's library. Revenues are primarily derived from property taxes.

The Road Fund accounts for financial resources used for road projects. Revenues are primarily derived from property taxes.

The Fire Capital Fund accounts for financial resources used for capital purchases of the Township's fire department. Revenues are primarily derived from special assessments.

The Sewer and Water Improvement Fund accounts for financial resources used for the improvement and maintenance of utility lines within the Township. Revenues are primarily derived from special assessments and connection fees.

The Township also reports nonmajor special revenue funds used to account for the resources legally restricted for a specific purpose.

The Township also reports fiduciary funds, which account for assets held by the Township as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governments. The Township currently reports the following fiduciary fund types:

The Custodial Funds (Tax and Custodial) account for the collection and disbursement of taxes and other monies due to other units of government and individuals.

Amounts reported as program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and equity:

Cash - Cash is considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Pooled investment income is proportionately allocated to all funds.

Receivables - In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded, as the Township considers all receivables to be fully collectible.

Prepaid items - Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future fiscal years and are recorded as prepaid items in the fund and government-wide financial statements. The Township follows the consumption method for prepaid items for the fund financial statements.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and equity (continued):

Capital assets - Capital assets, which include property, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., trails and sewer and water infrastructure), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$2,000 (\$10,000 for infrastructure assets) and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value as of the date received. Governments can elect to account for infrastructure assets either retroactively to June 15, 1980, or prospectively. The Township has elected to account for infrastructure assets prospectively, beginning January 1, 2004.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings and improvements	20 - 40 years
Equipment	5 - 10 years
Vehicles	10 - 20 years
Infrastructure	20 - 50 years

Compensated absences - It is the Township's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. Compensated absences are accrued when earned in the government-wide financial statements.

Deferred inflows of resources - The statement of net position and the governmental funds balance sheet include a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element reflects an increase in net position that applies to a future period. The related revenues will not be recognized until a future event occurs. The Township has four items that are included in this category: property taxes, special assessments, unavailable grant revenue, leases and interest. Property tax revenues and certain operating special assessments, which are levied to finance the following period's budget, are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that it was intended to finance. Other special assessment, unavailable grant revenues, leases and interest, which are not recognized until available (collected not later than 60 days after the end of the Township's fiscal year) are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the assessments become available.

Net position - Net position represents the difference between assets, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. The Township reports three categories of net position, as follows: (1) *Net investment in capital assets* consists of net capital assets reduced by outstanding balances of any related debt obligations and deferred inflows of resources attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets; (2) *Restricted net position* is considered restricted if its use is constrained to a particular purpose. Restrictions are imposed by external organizations, such as federal or state laws or buyers of the Township's debt. Restricted net position is reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to the restricted assets; (3) *Unrestricted net position* consists of all other net position that does not meet the definition of the above components and is available for general use by the Township.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and equity (continued):

Net position flow assumption - Sometimes, the Township will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted - net position and unrestricted - net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Township's policy to consider restricted - net position to have been depleted before unrestricted - net position is applied.

Fund equity - Governmental funds report restricted fund balance when externally imposed constraints are placed on the use of resources by grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments. The Township Board retains the authority to assign fund balances as to purpose. Unassigned fund balances are amounts that do not fall into any other category above. This is the residual classification for amounts in the General Fund. In other governmental funds, only negative unassigned amounts are reported, if any, and represent expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeding the amounts previously restricted or assigned to those purposes. Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. When the Township incurs an expenditure for purposes for which various fund balance classifications can be used, it is the Township's policy to use the restricted fund balance first, followed by assigned fund balance, and, finally, unassigned fund balance.

Property tax revenue recognition - Property taxes are levied as of December 1 on property values assessed as of December 31 of the prior year. The billings are due on or before February 14, at which time the bill becomes delinquent and penalties and interest may be assessed by the Township. Property tax revenue is recognized in the year for which taxes have been levied and become available. The Township levy date is December 1, and, accordingly, the total levy is recognized as revenue in the subsequent year.

Use of estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary information - Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the Township's general and special revenue funds. The budget document presents information by fund, function, and department. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the activity level. All annual appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year. The reportable budget variances were as follows:

Fund	Function	Activity	Final budget	Actual	Variance
General	General government Public works Recreation and culture	Treasurer Street lights Parks	\$ 124,250 345,000 636,381	\$ 129,522 347,759 652,465	\$
Fire Fire Capital Senior services	Public safety Capital outlay Health and Welfare	Fire Health and Welfare	3,726,569 150,000 660,492	3,821,618 1,607,164 670,700	95,049 1,457,164 10,208

The Township budgeted for an end of year deficit in the Fire Fund of \$107,227. State statute does not permit a local unit to budget for an end of year deficit. The actual end of year fund balances was \$1,662,149.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Township's deposits and cash on hand were reported in the basic financial statements as follows:

	Go	Governmental activities		Fiduciary activity		DDA	Totals
Deposits Investments Cash on hand	\$	9,967,927 1,679,139 2,550	\$	3,782,338 - -	\$	288,083 - -	\$ 14,038,348 1,679,139 2,550
Total cash	\$	11,649,616	\$	3,782,338	\$	288,083	<u>\$ 15,720,037</u>

Deposits are carried at cost and are maintained at various financial institutions in the name of the Township. State statutes and the Township's investment policy authorize the Township to make deposits in the accounts of federally-insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations. The Township's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the Township will not be able to recover its deposits. The Township's investment policy does not specifically address custodial credit risk for deposits. At December 31, 2024, \$6,252,153 of the Township's bank balances of \$7,600,925 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Investments - State statutes and the Township's investment policy authorize the Township to invest in a) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, agencies, and instrumentalities; b) commercial paper rated within the two (2) highest rate classifications, which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; c) repurchase agreements, collateralized by U.S. governmental securities; d) bankers' acceptances; and e) mutual funds composed of otherwise legal investments. The Township's investments are reported at fair market value. The Township's investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

Custodial credit risk. Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g. broker-dealer) to a transaction, the Township will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Township's investment policy does not contain requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for investments. At year end, custodial credit risk for the Michigan Class investment cannot be determined as this investment does not consist of specific securities while all other investment securities listed below were uninsured and unregistered and held by the same broker-dealer (counterparty) that purchased the securities for the Township.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The Township's holdings consist of the following:

Investment type	Maturity	Moody Rating	S&P <u>Rating</u>	Value	Percent of total
U.S. government mortgage backed securities: Federated Hermes Government obligations	December 31, 2024	Aaa		\$ 21,791	1.3%
Governmental National Mortgage Association	March 20, 2047	Aaa		5,113	0.3%
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.	September 15, 2043	Aaa		16,541	1.0%
Michigan Class investment pool			AAAm	1,635,694	97.4%
Total investments				<u>\$ 1,679,139</u>	

Interest rate risk. Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of an investment will decrease as a result of an increase in market interest rates. Generally, longer investment maturities generate more sensitivity to changes in an investment's fair value due to changes in market interest rates. The Township's investment policy limits maturities to no more than 5 years from date of purchase except for reserve funds which maturities can be no more than 10 years from the date of purchase.

Credit risk. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This risk is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally-recognized statistical rating organization. The Township's investment policy does not contain requirements that would limit the exposure to credit risk for investments. Obligations of the U.S. government are not considered to have credit risk.

Concentration of credit risk. The Township's investment policy places the following limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer: With the exception of securities guaranteed by the U.S. Government and deposits covered by FDIC insurance or in authorized pools, no more than 25% of the Charter Township of Comstock's total investment portfolio will be invested in a single security type and no more than 10% with a single financial institution

Fair value measurement - The Township categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Township has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2024:

- Michigan Class, with a balance of \$936,976 at December 31, 2024, which is valued using net asset value (Level 1).
- All other investments are valued using observable fair values of similar assets (Level 2).

NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables as of December 31, 2024, for the Township's individual major funds and nonmajor funds, in the aggregate, were as follows:

Fund	Accounts	Property taxes	Leases receivable	Special assessments	Intergovern- mental	Totals
Governmental:						
General	\$ 29,529	\$ 734,281	\$-	\$-	\$ 289,175	\$ 1,052,985
Fire Operating	1,277,863	1,846,366	126,392	-	60,255	3,310,876
Library	9 <i>,</i> 555	585,275	-	-	-	594,830
Roads	-	496,568	-	-	-	496,568
Fire Capital	-	830,854	-	-	-	830,854
Sewer and Water			-			
Improvement	1,351	-		65,247	136,079	202,677
Nonmajor	-	397,257				397,257
Total governmental	<u>\$1,318,298</u>	<u>\$ 4,890,601</u>	\$ 126,392	\$ 65,247	<u>\$ 485,509</u>	<u>\$6,886,047</u>
Noncurrent portion	<u>\$ -</u>	\$-	\$ 107,545	<u>\$ </u>	\$-	\$ 167,417

All receivables are considered to be fully collectible.

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the Year ended December 31, 2024, was as follows:

Governmental activities:	Beginning balance	Increases	Reallocate	Decreases	Ending balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 576,762	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ 576,762
Construction in progress	968,795	2,886,401	(2,257,822)		1,597,374
Subtotal	1,545,557	2,886,401	(2,257,822)		2,174,136
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	7,018,733	66,592	88,285	-	7,173,610
Equipment	4,409,478	566,885	21,488	(84,340)	4,913,511
Vehicles	5,036,746	69,631	-	(1,389,941)	3,716,436
Infrastructure	19,946,805	1,318,029	859,022		22,123,856
Subtotal	36,411,762	2,021,137	968,795	(1,474,281)	37,927,413
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings and improvements	(3,739,470)	(72,008)	-	-	(3,811,478)
Equipment	(2,787,138)	(307,430)	-	84,340	(3,010,228)
Vehicles	(2,619,367)	(252,585)	-	366,545	(2,505,407)
Infrastructure	(9,339,208)	(596,620)			(9,935,828)
Subtotal	(18,485,183)	(1,228,643)		450,885	(19,262,941)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	17,926,579	792,494	968,795	(1,023,396)	18,664,472
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$19,472,136	\$ 3,678,895	<u>\$ (1,289,027)</u>	<u>\$ (1,023,396</u>)	\$20,838,608

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

General government	\$	122,479
Public safety		525,251
Public works		371,983
Culture and recreation		208,930
Total governmental activities	\$1	L,228,643

NOTE 6 - PAYABLES

Payables as of December 31, 2024, for the Township's individual major funds and nonmajor funds, in the aggregate, were as follows:

		In	tergovern-					
Fund	Accounts		 Payroll		mental		Totals	
Governmental:								
General	\$	105 <i>,</i> 689	\$ 29 <i>,</i> 958	\$	-	\$	135,647	
Road		1,083	-		-		1,083	
Fire Operating		63,718	67,800		-		131,518	
Library		10,810	14,486		-		25,296	
Fire capital		22,200	-		-		22,200	
Sewer and Water Improvement		10,344	-		-		10,344	
Nonmajor		32,161	 -		95,302		127,463	
Total governmental	\$	246,005	\$ 112,244	\$	95,302	\$	453,551	

NOTE 7 - PROPERTY TAXES

The 2023 taxable valuation of the Township approximated \$664,091,000, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 1.5000 mills for operating purposes, 1.4733 mills for library operations, 1.0000 mills for senior services, 0.6000 mills for road patrol and 1.2500 for roads, raising approximately \$984,000 for operating purposes, \$966,000 for library operations, \$656,000 for senior services, \$393,000 for road patrol, and \$820,000 for roads. These amounts are recognized in the respective fund financial statements as property tax revenue, though they are reduced by tax captures by the Township's component units.

The 2024 taxable valuation of the Township approximated \$728,464,000, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 1.8484 mills for operating purposes, 1.4733 mills for library operations, 1.0000 mills for senior services, and 1.2500 for roads, raising approximately \$1,346,000 for operating purposes, \$1,073,000 for library operations, \$728,000 for senior services, and \$911,000 for roads. These amounts are recognized in the respective fund financial statements as deferred inflows of resources, though they are reduced by tax captures by the Township's component units, based upon the period for which the proceeds are budgeted and will be made available for the financing of operations.

NOTE 8 - TAX ABATEMENTS

The Township enters into property tax abatement agreements with local businesses under the State Act 198 of 1974 IFTs. Under the Acts, localities may grant property tax abatements of up to 50 percent of a business' property tax bill for the purpose of attracting or retaining businesses within their jurisdictions. Abatements may be granted to any business located within or promising to relocate to the Township.

For the fiscal Year ended December 31, 2024, the Township abated property taxes totaling \$75,832 under this program, including the following tax abatement agreements that each exceeded 10 percent of the total amount abated:

- A 50% property tax abatement to Bell's Brewing. The abatement amounted to approximately \$11,000.
- A 50% property tax abatement to SIR Kalamazoo. The abatement amounted to approximately \$7,300.

NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

At December 31, 2024, long-term obligations are comprised of the following:

Governmental activities: Installment purchase agreement: \$1,563,000 2024 Limited Tax GO Bond, due in annual payments of \$287,000 to \$339,000, plus interest of 4.26% through September 2029	\$ 1,563,000
\$1,406,221 PNC installment purchase agreement, due in annual installments of \$514,074, including interest of 3.6% through March 2026	\$ 942,234
Compensated absences	<u>\$ 333,420</u>
Total governmental activities long-term obligations	<u>\$ 2,838,654</u>

Amounts

All debt is secured by the full faith and credit of the Township.

Long-term obligation activity	or the Year ended December 3	1, 2024, was as follows:

	eginning balance	 Additions	0	Net Change	R	eductions	 Ending balance	ue within one year
Governmental activities:								
Bonds and notes: 2044 installment purchase								
agreement	\$ -	\$ 1,406,221	\$	-	\$	(463,987)	\$ 942,234	\$ 457,351
2021 installment purchase								
agreement	\$ -	\$ 1,563,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,563,000	\$ 287,000
Total bonds and notes	-	2,969,221		-		(463,987)	2,505,234	744,351
Compensated absences	 287,303	 		46,117			 333,420	 102,347
Total governmental activities long-term obligations All debt is direct placement.	\$ 287,303	\$ 2,969,221	\$	46,117	\$	(463,987)	\$ 2,838,654	\$ 846,698

Year ended	Governmental activities							
December 31:	F	Principal		Interest				
2025	\$	744,351	\$	123,306				
2026		783,883		83,547				
2027		312,000		41,620				
2028		326,000		28,329				
2029		339,000		14,441				
Totals	\$	2,505,234	\$	291,243				

NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (continued)

NOTE 10 - LEASES

The Township entered into an agreement with a corporation to lease certain property on the Township tower. The terms of this agreement include a fixed minimum annual guaranteed (MAG) payment of \$1,100 per month increased by 3% on the anniversary date to the Township. This lease commenced on July 17, 2006 with a 25 year term.

For the Year ended December 31, 2024, the Township received \$17,660 in lease revenue and \$4,322 in lease interest revenue.

Future MAG payments due to the Township under the lease agreement are as follows:

Year ended			
December 31:	Principal	Interest	Balance
2025	18,849	3,792	107,543
2026	20,093	3,226	87,450
2027	21,396	2,624	66,054
2028	22,758	1,982	43,296
2029-2030	43,296	1,872	-
Totals	\$ 126,392	\$ 13,496	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, and employee injuries (workers' compensation). The risks of loss arising from general liability up to \$7,000,000, property and casualty, and workers' compensation are managed through purchased commercial insurance.

NOTE 12 - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN

The Township and its full-time employees contribute to the Charter Township of Comstock 401(A) DC Pension Plan, a defined contribution pension plan, which is administered by a third-party administrator.

NOTE 12 - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Plan are established, and may be amended, by the Township Board. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan, plus investment earnings. Full-time employees are eligible to participate at the date of employment. The Township contributes 13% of the employee's base salary each month. Employees are permitted to make contributions to the Plan, up to applicable Internal Revenue Code limits. For the Year ended December 31, 2024, the Township and eligible employees made contributions of \$340,782 and \$52,192, respectively. At December 31, 2024, the Township reported an accrued liability of \$9,852 as part of the contributions to the plan.

Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and earnings on those contributions and become vested in Township contributions and earnings on Township contributions after completion of six (6) months of creditable service with the Township. Nonvested Township contributions are forfeited upon termination of employment. Such forfeitures are used to cover a portion of the pension plan's administrative expenses. For the Year ended December 31, 2024, there were no forfeitures that reduced the Township's pension expense.

The Township is not a trustee of the defined contribution pension plan, nor is the Township responsible for investment management of the pension plan assets. Accordingly, plan assets, and changes therein, are not reported in these financial statements.

NOTE 13 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

The Township offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code, Section 457. The assets of the plan were held in trust (custodial account or annuity contract), as described in IRC Section 457(g) for the exclusive benefit of the participants (employees) and their beneficiaries. The custodian thereof for the exclusive benefit of the participants holds the custodial account for the beneficiaries of this Section 457 plan, and the assets may not be diverted to any other use. The administrators are agents of the employer for purposes of providing direction to the custodian of the custodial account from time to time for the investment of the funds held in the account, transfer of assets to or from the account, and all other matters. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement 32, plan balances and activities are not reflected in the Township's financial statements.

NOTE 14 - JOINT VENTURE

The Township is a member of the Kalamazoo Area Building Authority (the Authority), which is a joint venture of the Charter Townships of Comstock and Kalamazoo. The administrative board of the Authority consists of two members appointed by each participating unit and a member-at-large. The Authority was established to administer and enforce the Michigan State Construction Code within its constituent municipalities. Complete audited financial statements for the Authority can be obtained by contacting the Authority at 2322 Nazareth Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49048.

The Township does not expect to receive residual equity from the joint venture. The Township is unaware of any indication that the joint venture is accumulating significant financial resources or is experiencing fiscal stress that may cause an additional financial benefit or burden on the Township in the near future.

NOTE 15 - IMPLEMENTATION OF GASB STATEMENT NO. 100 - CHANGES IN REPORTING ENTITY

Effective for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, the Township has implemented GASB Statement No. 100, which provides updated guidance on accounting changes and error corrections, including changes to or within the financial reporting entity.

A change in the reporting entity occurs when there is a modification to the composition of the entity's financial statements due to events such as the addition or removal of component units, changes in fund structure, or shifts in financial accountability. As required by GASB 100, these changes have been reflected by adjusting the beginning balances of the current period rather than restating prior periods.

The impact of these changes has been disclosed in the reconciliation of beginning balances, ensuring transparency and comparability for financial statement users.

NOTE 16 - UPCOMING GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 103, "Financial Reporting Model Improvements," in April 2024. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025. The requirements of this statement will enhance the financial reporting model by improving key components to provide essential information for decision-making and assessing accountability. Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) will continue to be required as required supplementary information (RSI), and the presentation of proprietary fund statements will be updated.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 104, "Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets," in September 2024. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025. The requirements of this statement will enhance the financial reporting model by providing users of government financial statements with essential information about certain types of capital assets. This includes separate disclosure of lease assets, intangible right-to-use assets, subscription-based IT assets, and other intangible assets by major class. Additionally, capital assets held for sale must be evaluated each reporting period and disclosed separately.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Charter Township of Comstock BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund

	Original budget	Final budget	Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
REVENUES				4 ()
Taxes	<u>\$ 1,354,539</u>	<u>\$ 1,354,539</u>	<u>\$ 1,353,987</u>	<u>\$ (552)</u>
Licenses and permits - franchise fees	113,000	113,000	100,217	(12,783)
Federal grants	490,000	130,000	250,858	120,858
State grants:				
State shared revenues	1,701,615	1,701,615	1,691,972	(9,643)
Local community stabilization revenue	18,000	18,000	38,841	20,841
Economic development	-	85,000	13,644	(71,356)
Other	11,000	11,000	30,391	19,391
Total state grants	1,730,615	1,815,615	1,774,848	(40,767)
Charges for services:				
Park and recreation fees	94,000	94,000	76,785	(17,215)
Cemetery charges	28,000	28,000	50,835	22,835
Other	55,500	65,633	71,235	5,602
Total charges for services	177,500	187,633	198,855	11,222
Fines and forfeitures:				
Other	21,250	21,250	22,693	1,443
Interest and rentals	25,150	25,150	21,862	(3,288)
Other	211,700	211,700	45,902	(165,798)
Total revenues	4,123,754	3,858,887	3,769,222	(89,665)

Charter Township of Comstock BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund (Continued)

	Original budget	Final budget	Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
EXPENDITURES				
General government:				
Legislative	\$ 30,700	\$ 30,700	\$ 29,558	\$ 1,142
Supervisor	223,150	223,150	212,455	10,695
Elections	165,500	165,500	95,399	70,101
Assessor	295,250		319,136	4,714
Clerk	357,950		349,903	8,047
Board of review	4,410	6,910	3,948	2,962
Treasurer	115,750	124,250	129,522	(5,272)
Building and grounds	180,000	200,000	187,092	12,908
Other	424,900	499,900	468,515	31,385
Total general government	1,797,610	1,932,210	1,795,528	136,682
Public safety - police protection	221,650	236,690	208,998	27,692
Public works:				
Street lights	245,000	345,000	347,759	(2,759)
Cemetery	131,950	235,950	210,027	25,923
Other	90,000	115,000	115,000	-
Solid waste compactor	182,650	241,650	228,204	13,446
Total public works	649,600	937,600	900,990	36,610
Community and economic development -				
planning	161,000	316,000	211,066	104,934
Culture and recreation - parks				
and recreation	676,400	636,381	652,465	(16,084)
Capital outlay	550,000	180,000	73,208	106,792
Total expenditures	4,056,260	4,238,881	3,842,255	396,626
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	67,494	(379,994)	(73,033)	306,961
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	994,151	994,151	994,151	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 1,061,645	\$ 614,157	\$ 921,118	\$ 306,961

Charter Township of Comstock BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - Fire Operating Fund

REVENUES	Original budget	Final budget	Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
Special assessments	\$ 3,178,307	<u>\$ 3,178,307</u>	<u>\$ 3,158,151</u>	<u>\$ (20,156)</u>
Fines and forfeitures	500	500	962	462
Federal grants ARPA FEMA	-	188,500 	205,500 389,284	17,000 <u>389,284</u>
Total federal grants		188,500	594,784	406,284
State grants	1,120	1,120	59,750	58,630
Interest and rentals	41,817	41,817	68,440	26,623
Other	13,100	13,100	122,924	109,824
Total revenues	3,234,844	3,423,344	4,005,011	581,667
EXPENDITURES Public safety Capital outlay	3,280,540 20,000	3,726,569 20,000	3,821,618	(95,049) 0000
Total expenditures	3,300,540	3,746,569	3,821,618	(75,049)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Insurance proceeds			1,262,758	1,262,758
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	(65,696)	(323,225)	1,446,151	1,769,376
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	215,998	215,998	215,998	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$ 150,302</u>	<u>\$ (107,227)</u>	<u>\$ 1,662,149</u>	<u>\$ 1,769,376</u>

Charter Township of Comstock BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - Library Fund

	Original budget	Final budget	Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
REVENUES Taxes	\$ 967,654	\$ 967,654	\$ 961,376	\$ (6,278)
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State grants				
State aid	15,000	15,000	18,844	3,844
PPT reimbursement	2,000	2,000	28,064 2,058	26,064 2,058
Other			2,038	2,038
	17,000	17,000	48,966	31,966
Charges for services	2,500	2,500	5,102	2,602
Fines and forfeitures:				
County shared penal fines	15,000	15,000	17,404	2,404
Book fines	2,000	2,000	4,363	2,363
Total fines and forfeitures	17,000	17,000	21,767	4,767
Interest	25,000	25,000	82,909	57,909
Other	900	900	3,088	2,188
Total revenues	1,030,054	1,030,054	1,123,208	93,154
EXPENDITURES				
Culture and recreation:				
Legislative	12,000	12,000	6,121	5,879
Administrative	830,150	836,650	728,449	108,201
Adult services	120,100 44,100	120,100 44,100	105,743 38,047	14,357 6,053
Books and materials	44,100	44,100	38,047	0,033
Total culture and recreation	1,006,350	1,012,850	878,360	134,490
Capital outlay	<u> </u>	21,000	21,000	
Total expenditures	1,006,350	1,033,850	899,360	134,490
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfers out	(6,500)			
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	17,204	(3,796)	223,848	227,644
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1,438,283	1,438,283	1,438,283	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 1,455,487	<u>\$ 1,434,487</u>	<u>\$ 1,662,131</u>	\$ 227,644

Charter Township of Comstock BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - Road Operating Fund Year ended December 31, 2024

	Original budget		Final budget				Variance with final budget positive (negative)		
REVENUES									
Taxes	\$	821,015	\$	821,015	\$	815,648	\$	(5 <i>,</i> 367)	
State grants		3,000		3,000		19,048		16,048	
Interest and rentals		10,000		10,000		19,723		9,723	
Total revenues		834,015		834,015		854,419		20,404	
EXPENDITURES									
Public works		820,000		820,000		675,565		144,435	
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES		14,015		14,015		178,854		164,839	
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING		62,440		62,440		62,440		-	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	76,455	\$	76,455	\$	241,294	\$	164,839	

Charter Township of Comstock BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - Fire Capital Fund

	Original budget	Final budget	Actual	Variance with final budget positive (negative)
REVENUES				
Special assessments	\$ 1,430,187	\$ 1,430,187	\$ 1,421,717	\$ (8,470)
Interest and rentals	12,000	12,000	58,549	46,549
Total revenues	1,442,187	1,442,187	1,480,266	38,079
EXPENDITURES				
Debt services				
Principal	463,987	463,987	463,987	-
Interest	50,088	50,088	50,087	1
Capital outlay	150,000	150,000	1,607,164	(1,457,164)
Total expenditures	664,075	664,075	2,121,238	(1,457,163)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Loan proceeds			1,406,221	1,406,221
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	778,112	778,112	765,249	(12,863)
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	753,405	753,405	753,405	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 1,531,517	<u>\$ 1,531,517</u>	<u>\$ 1,518,654</u>	<u>\$ (12,863)</u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - nonmajor governmental funds

December 31, 2024

	 S	pecia	l revenue fund	ls			Debt Service		
	treet ghting		Road Patrol		Senior Services		Debt service		Totals
ASSETS									
Cash	\$ 1,008	\$	727,016	\$	348,330	\$	-	\$	1,076,354
Investments	-		-		-		-		-
Receivables, net	 -		-		397,257		-		397,257
Total assets	\$ 1,008	\$	727,016	\$	745,587	\$	-	\$	1,473,611
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES,									
AND FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities:									
Accounts payable	\$ -	<u>\$</u>	96,664	\$	30,799	Ş	-	<u>\$</u>	127,463
Deferred inflows of resources:									
Property tax revenues levied for the subsequent year	 -		-		714,788				714,788
Fund balances:									
Restricted for:									
Police protection	-		630,352		-		-		630,352
Assigned for:									
Street lighting	 1,008		-		-		-		1,008
Total fund balances	 1,008		630,352		-				631,360
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of									
resources, and fund balances	\$ 1,008	\$	727,016	\$	745,587	\$	-	\$	1,473,611
resources, and fund balances	\$ 1,008	\$	727,016	\$	745,587	\$	-	\$	1,473,

Charter Township of Comstock

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN

FUND BALANCES - nonmajor governmental funds

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	Street Lighting	pecial revenue fund Road Patrol	senior Services	Service Debt service	Totals
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$-	\$ 390,507	\$ 651,652	\$-	\$ 1,042,159
State grants	-	2,772	19,048	-	21,820
Interest and rentals	7	29,517		-	29,524
Total revenues	7	422,796	670,700		1,093,503
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Public safety	-	427,402	-	-	427,402
Health and welfare			670,700	-	670,700
Principal	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	-			33,847	33,847
Total expenditures		427,402	670,700	33,847	1,131,949
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES	7	(4,606)		(33,847)	(38,446)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
Transfers in				33,847	33,847
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	7	(4,606)	-	-	(4,599)
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1,001	634,958			635,959
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$ 1,008</u>	\$ 630,352	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 631,360

	Dev	wntown elopment uthority
ASSETS		
Cash	\$	288,083
Total assets	\$	288,083
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities - payables	\$	3,986
Deferred inflows of resources - property tax revenues levied for the subsequent year		13,231
Fund balance - unassigned		270,866
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$	288,083
Reconciliation of the balance sheet to the statement of net position:		
Total fund balances - component units	\$	270,866
Amounts reported for the <i>component units</i> in the statement of net position (page 13) are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial		
resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		22,081
Net position of <i>component units</i>	\$	292,947

Charter Township of Comstock STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - Component Unit

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REVENUES Property taxes Intergovernmental Interest Other	\$	15,058 90,000 2,063 300
Total revenues		107,421
EXPENDITURES Current - public works Capital outlay		84,074 2,171
Total expenditures		86,245
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES		21,176
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING		249,690
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	270,866
Reconciliation of the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances to the statement of activities:		
Net changes in fund balances - component units	\$	21,176
Amounts reported for the <i>component units</i> in the statement of activities (page 14) are different because:		
Capital assets: Asset acquisitions Depreciation provision		- (2,912)
Changes in net position of component units	\$	18,264

SINGLE AUDIT SCHEDULES AND REPORTS



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

June 9, 2025

Members of the Board Charter Township of Comstock Kalamazoo 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 discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of the Charter Township of Comstock, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, (the "Township") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 9, 2025.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Purpose of this Report

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

June 9, 2025

Members of the Board Charter Township of Comstock Kalamazoo County, Michigan

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Charter Township of Comstock, Kalamazoo County, Michigan's (the Township), compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Township's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024. The Township's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Charter Township of Comstock, Kalamazoo County, Michigan complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Township and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Township's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Township's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Township's compliance based on our audit. 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, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Township's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 Township's compliance with the compliance requirements
 referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the
 circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Township's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Township's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMSTOCK

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Federal Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass- through Grantor's Number		Approved Grant Award Amount	Exp	penditures
United States Department of Homeland Security - FEMA						
Direct award	07.002	EMW-2021-FF-00839	¢	22 525	¢	20 505
Staffing Adequate Fire and Emergency Response	97.083		\$	32,525	Ф	32,525
Assistance to Firefighters Grant FY 21	97.044	EMW-2021-FG-02402		117,321		61,806
Assistance to Firefighters Grant FY 22	97.044	EMW-2022-FG-01858		641,020		283,884
Fire Prevention and Safety Grant FY 21	97.044	EMW-2021-FP-00542		36,610		11,069
United States Department of Treasury Passed thru Michigan Department of Treasury						
American Rescue Plan Act	21.027			1,638,753		456,358
Total expenditures of federal awards					\$	845,642

See notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

- 1. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is prepared in accordance with the modified accrual basis of of accounting.
- 2. Revenues from federal sources per financial statements agrees to expenditures per the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.
- **3.** The Authority did not elect to use the 10% de minimis cost rate as covered in Uniform Guidance section 2 CFR 200.414 indirect costs.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements	
Type of auditors' report issued	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes X no yes X none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes <u>X</u> no
Federal Awards	
Internal control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes X no yes X none reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 2 CFR 200.516(a) of the Uniform Guidance?	yes <u>X</u> no
Identification of major programs:	
<u>CFDA Number(s)</u>	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
21.027	American Rescue Plan Act
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	yes <u>X</u> no

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None noted

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None noted

SECTION IV - SUMMARY OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

None noted