

**DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
REPORT OF AUDIT
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011**

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TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

ROSTER OF OFFICIALS

FIRE DISTRICT MEMBERS

Michael White
Joseph Nilsen
Raymond MacKay
George Frank
Robert Sheairs

POSITION

Chairman
Secretary
Treasurer
Commissioner
Commissioner

OTHER OFFICIALS

Donna Scally

Clerk of the Board/Administrative Secretary,
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Chairman and Members
of the Fire District
Deptford Fire District No. 1
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We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Deptford Fire District No. 1, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey as of and for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, which collectively comprise the Fire District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These basic financial statements are the responsibility of the Deptford Fire District No. 1 management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these basic financial statements based on our audit.

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 and the audit requirements prescribed by the Local Finance Board and the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall basic financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Deptford Fire District No. 1 as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 16, 2012, on our consideration of the Deptford Fire District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and the budgetary comparison schedule listed in the index are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which, consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Deptford Fire District No. 1's financial statements. The accompanying introductory section and other supplementary information listed in the index are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

PETRONI & ASSOCIATES LLC



Nick L. Petroni
Certified Public Accountant
Registered Municipal Accountant #252

April 16, 2012

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PART I

**DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011
(Unaudited)**

INTRODUCTION

The Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners for Fire District No. 1, hereinafter referred to as the "District" is pleased to present the Annual Financial Report developed in accordance with State of Governmental Accounting Standard No. 34 entitled, "Basic Financial Statement-Management's Discussion and Analysis-For State & Local Governments" (hereinafter "G.A.S.B. 34") and related standards.

MISSION

The mission of the District is to provide world class fire prevention and service to the residents of the District and the region *via* creative and efficient use of the District's human, technical, and financial resources.

RESPONSIBILITY AND CONTROL

The District has prepared and is responsible for, the financial statements and related information in this report. The opinion of the independent auditors, Petroni & Associates LLC, is included in this report. In management's opinion the financial statements represent fairly and in all material aspects, financial position and results of operations of the District for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The District has met the requirements of the General Bond Resolution and the following provides the management's analysis of the District's financial condition for the year. This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statement.

SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS

The Deptford Fire District is a taxing authority charged with the duty to prevent and extinguish fires and regulate fire hazards, (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-81).

The District was created for the purpose of fire suppression and prevention and operating a fire department for said purpose. The District's responsibilities are carried out by a combination of full-time paid professional firefighters (four volunteer battalion chiefs, one full-time Fire Inspector, one Fire Marshall, one administrative clerk, one clerk-typist and eighteen fire fighters) as well as a large volunteer force.

MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT

The Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners consists of five board members who are elected by the residents of Deptford for 3 years in alternate time periods.

**DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011
(Unaudited)**

DESCRIPTION OF THE FIRE SUPPRESSIONS AND PREVENTION SERVICES PROVIDED

The District's responsibilities are carried out under the operational direction of four volunteer battalion chiefs. The Chief's oversee the District's entire operation that includes, one full-time paid inspector and one full-time paid Fire Marshall. The District is proactive in diligently conducting fire inspections of the Township's commercial buildings, enforcing the fire code, and seeing that violations are corrected either via Court Order or through collaborative efforts with the community.

The District utilizes seven stations located throughout the community in order to permit an efficient and prompt response to any fire hazard. Continuing training of all personnel is mandated for the District's firefighters making them a highly regarded fire fighting force in the county.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Deptford Fire District No. 1's Net Assets

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Assets				
Current and Other Assets	3,343,516.13	3,582,452.79	3,122,971.00	2,750,110.00
Capital Assets	<u>4,460,861.33</u>	<u>4,040,953.05</u>	<u>4,291,142.00</u>	<u>3,883,061.00</u>
Total Assets	<u>7,804,377.46</u>	<u>7,623,405.84</u>	<u>7,414,113.00</u>	<u>6,633,171.00</u>
Liabilities				
Long-Term Liabilities	955,723.93	1,306,925.34	1,664,981.00	2,000,949.00
Non-Current Liabilities	350,000.00	350,000.00	325,000.00	325,000.00
Other Liabilities	<u>191,214.28</u>	<u>379,941.54</u>	<u>299,063.00</u>	<u>140,040.00</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,496,938.21</u>	<u>2,036,866.88</u>	<u>2,289,044.00</u>	<u>2,465,989.00</u>
Net Assets				
Invested in Capital Assets				
Net of Related Debt	3,395,861.33	2,625,953.05	2,551,142.00	1,818,061.00
Restricted	1,433,061.55	1,608,865.55	1,457,932.00	1,754,321.00
Assigned	125,000.00	125,000.00		
Unrestricted	<u>1,353,516.37</u>	<u>1,226,720.36</u>	<u>1,115,995.00</u>	<u>594,800.00</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>6,307,439.25</u>	<u>5,586,538.96</u>	<u>5,125,069.00</u>	<u>4,167,182.00</u>

The Fire District's combined net assets on December 31, 2011 and 2010, were \$6,307,439.25 and \$5,586,538.96, respectively. This was an increase of \$720,900.29 over the prior year.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011
(Unaudited)**

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

The tax rate was \$.241 in 2011 and 2010 per \$100.00 of assessed valuation.

The budget utilized \$125,000.00 in unrestricted fund balance and \$550,804.00 in restricted capital fund balance in 2011 and \$250,000.00 unrestricted fund balance in 2010. This was a decrease of \$125,000.00 over the prior year.

The budget for debt service was \$397,775.00 in 2011 and \$383,500.00 in 2010. This was an increase of \$14,275.00 for the bond issue approved in 2004.

Deptford Fire District No. 1's Budgetary Comparison

	2011 Actual	2011 Budget	Increase (Decrease)
Revenues			
Fund Balance	675,804.00	675,804.00	
Miscellaneous Revenue	213,263.32	221,460.00	8,196.68
Amount To Be Raised By Taxation	<u>4,174,117.00</u>	<u>4,174,117.00</u>	
Total Revenues	<u>5,063,184.32</u>	<u>5,071,381.00</u>	<u>8,196.68</u>
Appropriations			
Administration	606,738.25	778,276.00	171,537.75
Operations	2,649,714.20	2,909,426.00	259,711.80
Appropriations Off-Set With Revenue			
Fire Marshall's Office	<u>191,299.19</u>	<u>224,088.00</u>	<u>32,788.81</u>
Total Operating Appropriations	<u>3,447,751.64</u>	<u>3,911,790.00</u>	<u>464,038.36</u>
Other Appropriations			
Length of Service Award Program	75,000.00	75,000.00	
Capital Appropriations	551,854.00	646,816.00	94,962.00
Debt Service	<u>397,775.00</u>	<u>397,775.00</u>	
Total Other Appropriations	<u>1,024,629.00</u>	<u>1,119,591.00</u>	<u>94,962.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u>4,472,380.64</u>	<u>5,031,381.00</u>	<u>559,000.36</u>

**DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011
(Unaudited)**

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

**Deptford Fire District No. 1's Changes in Net Assets
Changes in Net Assets**

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
Revenues			
Program Revenue			
Operating Grants	48,107.14	9,455.00	38,652.14
General Revenue			
Property Tax Revenue	4,174,117.00	4,179,570.00	(5,453.00)
Grants & Entitlements		75,959.00	(75,959.00)
Other	199,947.10	173,991.00	25,956.10
Total Revenue	<u>4,422,171.24</u>	<u>4,438,975.00</u>	<u>(16,803.76)</u>
Expenses			
Administrative	606,644.60	613,616.00	(6,971.40)
Cost of Operations & Maintenance	1,830,705.77	2,674,493.00	(843,787.23)
Fire Marshall's Office	191,460.36	176,314.00	15,146.36
Length of Service Award Program	75,000.00	75,000.00	
Interest on Debt	47,775.00	58,500.00	(10,725.00)
Capital Outlay	551,854.00	950.00	550,904.00
Unallocated Depreciation	397,831.22	378,631.00	19,200.22
Total Expenses	<u>3,701,270.95</u>	<u>3,977,504.00</u>	<u>(276,233.05)</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	<u>720,900.29</u>	<u>461,471.00</u>	<u>259,429.29</u>

Capital Assets

The Deptford Fire District investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, were \$4,460,861.33 and \$4,040,953.05 (net of accumulated depreciation) respectively. This investment in capital assets includes buildings, equipment and furniture (more detailed information about capital assets can be found in Note 3 to the financial statements).

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Buildings & Improvements	159,633.93	113,578.00
Vehicles & Equipment	4,301,227.40	3,927,375.05
	<u>4,460,861.33</u>	<u>4,040,953.05</u>

Long-Term Debt

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the District had \$1,065,000.00 and \$1,415,000.00 in general obligation bonds outstanding respectively.

**DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011
(Unaudited)**

Final Comments

The District has budgeted its expenses and revenues conservatively in the past and will continue to do so in the future. Maintaining or lowering tax rates while providing quality service are the primary goals of the District. Constant internal monitoring of financial data ensures that these goals can be met.

Contacting the District

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability of the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Board, Deptford Fire District, 1370 Delsea Drive, Deptford, NJ 08096.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	Governmental Activities	
	2011	2010
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,510,454.58	2,498,587.24
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	833,061.55	1,083,865.55
Capital Assets, Net	4,460,861.33	4,040,953.05
Total Assets	<u>7,804,377.46</u>	<u>7,623,405.84</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	154,566.42	346,877.31
Other Payables	18,180.96	17,340.20
Payroll Taxes Payable	18,466.90	15,724.03
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Due Within One Year	350,000.00	350,000.00
Due Beyond One Year	955,723.93	1,306,925.34
Total Liabilities	<u>1,496,938.21</u>	<u>2,036,866.88</u>
NET ASSETS		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	3,395,861.33	2,625,953.05
Restricted:		
Capital Projects	833,061.55	1,083,865.55
Compensated Absences	600,000.00	525,000.00
Assigned:		
Subsequent Years' Budget	125,000.00	125,000.00
Unassigned	1,353,516.37	1,226,720.36
Total Net Assets	<u>6,307,439.25</u>	<u>5,586,538.96</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues Operating Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets	
			Governmental Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:				
Administrative	606,644.60		606,644.60	606,644.60
Cost of Operations & Maintenance	1,830,705.77		1,782,598.63	1,782,598.63
Appropriations Off-Set with Revenues:				
Fire Marshall's Office	191,460.36	48,107.14	191,460.36	191,460.36
Length of Service Awards Program	75,000.00		75,000.00	75,000.00
Interest on Long-Term Debt	47,775.00		47,775.00	47,775.00
Capital Outlay	551,854.00		551,854.00	551,854.00
Unallocated Depreciation	397,831.22		397,831.22	397,831.22
Total Governmental Activities	3,701,270.95	48,107.14	3,653,163.81	3,653,163.81
General Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purpose			3,776,342.00	3,776,342.00
Taxes Levied for Debt Service			397,775.00	397,775.00
Permit Fees			10,962.00	10,962.00
Penalties & Fines			26,041.91	26,041.91
Non-Life Hazard Use Registration			56,570.00	56,570.00
Dedicated Fines Money			5,675.00	5,675.00
Interest on Investments			50,286.42	50,286.42
Sale of Assets			10,335.47	10,335.47
N.J. Turnpike Authority Contribution			5,240.00	5,240.00
Miscellaneous Income			45.38	45.38
Prior year Encumbrance Canceled			34,790.92	34,790.92
Total General Revenues, Special Items, Extraordinary Items and Transfers			4,374,064.10	4,374,064.10
Change in Net Assets			720,900.29	720,900.29
Net Assets - Beginning			5,586,538.96	5,586,538.96
Net Assets - End			6,307,439.25	6,307,439.25

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2011

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,510,454.58	833,061.55	3,343,516.13
Total Assets	<u>2,510,454.58</u>	<u>833,061.55</u>	<u>3,343,516.13</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	154,566.42		154,566.42
Other Payables	18,180.96		18,180.96
Payroll Taxes Payable	18,466.90		18,466.90
Total Liabilities	<u>191,214.28</u>		<u>191,214.28</u>
Fund Balances			
Restricted for:			
Compensated Absences	600,000.00		600,000.00
Capital Projects		89,332.53	89,332.53
Assigned to:			
General Fund			
Designated for Subsequent Budget	125,000.00		125,000.00
Unassigned:			
General Fund			
	1,594,240.30		1,594,240.30
Capital Projects			
		743,729.02	743,729.02
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,319,240.30</u>	<u>833,061.55</u>	<u>3,152,301.85</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>2,510,454.58</u>	<u>833,061.55</u>	

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Assets (A-1) are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. The costs of assets is \$7,999,887.25 and the accumulated depreciation is \$3,539,025.92.	4,460,861.33
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	(1,305,723.93)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities	<u>6,307,439.25</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Permit Fees	10,962.00			10,962.00
Penalties & Fines	26,041.91			26,041.91
Non-Life Hazard Use Registration	56,570.00			56,570.00
Dedicated Fines Money	5,675.00			5,675.00
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	3,776,342.00		397,775.00	4,174,117.00
Interest on Investments	50,286.42			50,286.42
Sale of Assets	10,335.47			10,335.47
N.J. Turnpike Authority Contribution	5,240.00			5,240.00
Miscellaneous Income	45.38			45.38
	<u>3,941,498.18</u>		<u>397,775.00</u>	<u>4,339,273.18</u>
State Sources	48,107.14			48,107.14
Total Revenues	<u>3,989,605.32</u>		<u>397,775.00</u>	<u>4,387,380.32</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Administrative	606,738.25			606,738.25
Cost of Operations & Maintenance	2,649,714.20			2,649,714.20
Appropriations Off-Set With Revenues:				
Fire Marshall's Office	191,299.19			191,299.19
Length of Service Awards Program	75,000.00			75,000.00
Debt Service:				
Principal			350,000.00	350,000.00
Interest			47,775.00	47,775.00
Capital Outlay		551,854.00		551,854.00
Total Expenditures	<u>3,522,751.64</u>	<u>551,854.00</u>	<u>397,775.00</u>	<u>4,472,380.64</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>466,853.68</u>	<u>(551,854.00)</u>		<u>(85,000.32)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers Out to Capital Projects	(301,050.00)	301,050.00		
Prior Year Encumbrances Canceled	34,790.92			34,790.92
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	<u>(266,259.08)</u>	<u>301,050.00</u>		<u>34,790.92</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	200,594.60	(250,804.00)		(50,209.40)
Fund Balance January 1	<u>2,118,645.70</u>	<u>1,083,865.55</u>		<u>3,202,511.25</u>
Fund Balance December 31	<u>2,319,240.30</u>	<u>833,061.55</u>		<u>3,152,301.85</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
 in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2011

	2011
Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds (from B-2)	(50,209.40)
<p>Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the period.</p>	
Depreciation Expense	(397,831.22)
Capital Outlays	817,739.50
<p>Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets and is not reported in the Statement of Activities.</p>	
Bond Principal Payments	350,000.00
<p>In the Statement of Activities, certain operating expenses e.g. compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In Governmental Funds, however, expenditures for these items are reported in the amount of financial resources used (paid). When the earned amount exceeds the paid amount, the difference is a reduction in the reconciliation; when the paid amount exceeds the earned amount the difference is an addition to the reconciliation.</p>	
	1,201.41
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities	720,900.29

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 and 2010

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Reporting Entity

The Deptford Township Fire District No. 1 was created on October 25, 1965. The governing body of the Township of Deptford adopted an ordinance creating the Fire District, the territorial location of which is coterminous with the Township.

The governing body of any municipality which does not have a paid or part-time fire department may, upon application of at least twenty voters or at least five percent of the registered voters, whichever is greater, by ordinance, designate a territorial location (or locations) for use as a fire district(s).

The Fire District is responsible for the prevention and suppression of fire within the Township. The Fire District encompasses approximately seventeen and one half (17.5) square miles of territory and is coterminous with the boundaries of the Township. Rescue and ambulance services are provided by separate first aid squads within the Township.

A Board of five commissioners governs the Fire District. The commissioners of the Board are elected at-large for three-year staggered terms with an annual election held the third Saturday of every February. The Chairman and other officers of the Board of the Fire District are selected from amongst the members of the Board.

Fire Districts are governed by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70 et al. and are organized as a taxing authority charged with the responsibility of providing the resources necessary to provide fire fighting services. The Fire District operates seven separate fire stations within its jurisdiction, the Oak Valley Fire Company, Union Fire Company, Community Fire Company, Tacoma Fire Company, New Sharon Fire Company, Helping Hand Fire Company and Almonesson Fire Company. The volunteer companies are staffed by approximately 160 trained volunteers.

The Fire District is not a component unit of any other financial reporting entity nor does the Fire District have any component units to be presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14.

Descriptions of Funds

The financial statements of the Fire District conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to governmental funds of state and local governments in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:31-7.1. Generally, the financial statements are presented using the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, the Fire District accounts for its transactions through the use of funds and account groups:

Governmental Funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District and is used to account for the inflows and outflows of its financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The acquisition of certain capital assets, such as fire fighting apparatus and equipment, is accounted for in the General Fund when it is responsible for the financing of such expenditures.

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NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Descriptions of Funds (Continued)

Governmental Funds: (Continued)

Special Revenue Fund - The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, such as state or federal government grants and appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Projects Fund - The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities such as fire houses and fire fighting apparatus. Generally, the financial resources of the Capital Projects Fund are derived from the issuance of debt or by the reservation of fund balance, which must be authorized by the voters as a separate question on the ballot either during the annual election or at a special election.

Debt Service Fund - The Debt Service Fund is used to account for resources that will be used to service general long-term debt liabilities recorded in the Debt Service Fund.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statement of the Deptford Fire District No. 1 have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (G.A.A.P.) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (G.A.S.B.) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

Basis of Accounting, Measurement Focus and Basis of Presentation

The District's basic financial statements consist of District-wide statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and a fund financial statement which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

District-Financial Statements - The Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the overall District except for fiduciary funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the financial condition of the governmental activity of the District at year end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function or business segment is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

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NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Accounting, Measurement Focus and Basis of Presentation (Continued)

Net Assets - Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments.

Revenues - Revenues are recorded when received in cash except for certain amounts which are due from other governmental units. Receipts from Federal and State grants are realized as revenue when anticipated in the budget. Fund balance utilized to balance the budget is recorded as revenue and budgeted transfers from other funds are also recorded as revenue when anticipated in the budget.

Expenditures - Expenditures are recorded on the “budgetary” basis of accounting. Generally, expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods and services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with the Encumbrance Accounting System. Outstanding encumbrances at December 31 are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements and as accounts payable. Budgeted transfers to other funds are recorded as expenditures when the budget is adopted, to the extent permitted or required by law. Appropriations for principal payments on outstanding bonds and notes are provided on the cash basis; interest is also on the cash basis.

Encumbrances - Encumbrance accounting is used for the General Fund, and Capital Projects Fund. Encumbrances are recorded when purchase orders are issued but are not considered expenditures until liabilities for payments are incurred. Encumbrances are reported as reservations of fund balance on the balance sheet. Encumbrances do not lapse at the close of the fiscal year but are carried forward as reserved fund balance until liquidated.

Income Taxes - As a public body, under existing statutes, the Fire District is exempt from both federal and state taxes.

Capital Assets - The District has established a formal system of accounting for its capital assets. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost. Donated capital assets are valued at estimated fair market value on the date received. The cost of normal repairs and maintenance are not capitalized. The capitalization threshold used by the District is \$5,000.00.

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Building & Improvements	7-50
Machinery & Equipment	7-20

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NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Accounting, Measurement Focus and Basis of Presentation (Continued)
Capital Assets (Continued) - N.J.S.A. 40A:14-84 governs the procedures for the acquisition of property and equipment for Fire Districts, and N.J.S.A. 40A: 14-85 to 87 governs procedures for the issuance of any debt related to such purchases. In summary, Fire Districts may purchase fire fighting apparatus, equipment, land and buildings to house such property in an amount not exceeding 5 mills on the dollar of the last assessed valuation of property within the District upon the approval of the legal voters. Debt may be issued up to \$60,000.00 or 2 percent of the assessed valuation of property, whichever is larger.

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

Property Taxes - The County Board of Taxation certifies the tax levy of the municipality each year. The tax levy is based on the assessed valuation of taxable property within the municipality. Taxes are payable on the first day of February, May, August and November. Any taxes that have not been paid by the 11th day of the 11th month in the year levied are subject to being included in the tax sale and the lien enforced by selling the property in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5 et. seq.

The municipality is responsible for remitting 100% of the Fire District's tax to them.

NOTE 2: BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting - The Fire District must adopt an annual budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-78.1 et al.

The fire commissioners must introduce and approve the annual budget not later than sixty days prior to the annual election. At introduction, the commissioners shall fix the time and place for a public hearing on the budget and must advertise the time and place at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper having substantial circulation in the Township. The public hearing must not be held less than twenty-eight days after the date the budget is introduced. After the hearing has been held, the fire commissioners may, by majority vote, adopt the budget.

Amendments may be made to the Fire District budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 14-78.3. Subsequent to the adoption of the Fire District budget, the amount of money to be raised by taxation in support of the Fire District budget must appear on the ballot for the annual election for approval of the voters.

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

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NOTE 3: CASH

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial Credit Risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be able to recover the value of its deposits or investments. Deposits are considered to be exposed to Custodial Credit Risk if they are: uncollateralized (securities not pledged to the depositor), collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the government's name. The Fire District's policy is based on New Jersey Statutes requiring cash to be deposited only in New Jersey based banking institutions that participate in the New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (G.U.D.P.A.) or in qualified investments established in New Jersey Statutes N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(a) that are treated as cash equivalents. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the carrying amount of the Fire District's deposits was \$3,343,516.13 and \$3,582,452.79, respectively. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, \$0 of the Fire District's bank balance of \$3,436,040.30 and \$3,744,158.19, respectively, was exposed to Custodial Credit Risk.

NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS

As of December 31, 2011 or 2010, the Fire District's did not have any investments.

Interest Rate Risk - The Fire District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, New Jersey Statutes N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(a) limits the length of time for most investments to 397 days.

Credit Risk - New Jersey Statutes N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1(a) limits municipal investments to those specified in the statutes. The type of allowable investments are Bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States, Bonds or other obligations of the Township or Bonds or other obligations of the Township school district, Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of Treasury for investment by local units, government money market mutual funds; the State of New Jersey Cash Management Plan; local government investment pools; or repurchase of fully collateralized securities.

Concentration of Credit Risk - The Fire District places no limit on the amount the Fire District may invest in any one issuer.

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NOTE 5: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED - GENERAL FUND

The following presents the fund balances as of the end of the current and preceding four years and the amount utilized in the subsequent year's budget.

Year	Balance Dec. 31	Utilized in Subsequent Budget	Percentage Utilized
2011	2,319,240.30	125,000.00	5.39%
2010	2,118,645.70	675,804.00	31.90%
2009	2,065,976.06	250,000.00	12.10%
2008	1,339,924.24	184,176.00	13.75%
2007	956,000.10	125,000.00	13.08%

NOTE 6: FIXED ASSETS

The following schedule is a summarization of the changes in fixed assets for the year ended December 31, 2011.

	Balance Dec. 31, 2010	Additions	Deletions	Balance Dec. 31, 2011
Buildings & Improvements	340,191.00	52,588.00		392,779.00
Vehicles & Equipment	6,841,956.75	765,151.50		7,607,108.25
Total at Historical Cost	7,182,147.75	817,739.50		7,999,887.25
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				0.00
Buildings & Improvements	226,613.00	6,532.07		233,145.07
Vehicles & Equipment	2,914,581.70	391,299.15		3,305,880.85
Total Accumulated Depreciation	3,141,194.70	397,831.22		3,539,025.92
Capital Assets, Net	4,040,953.05	419,908.28	None	4,460,861.33

NOTE 7: COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Those employees under Collective Bargaining Agreement are entitled to receive ten paid sick days per each year. Those employees not covered by that agreement follow Department of Personnel guidelines. Unused sick leave may be accumulated and carried forward to the subsequent year. Full-time employees may also carry five days vacation over to the next year, with the Fire District's approval.

The Fire District compensates employees for unused sick leave upon termination or retirement. The current policy provides that sick time accumulated for the years of service may be used for early retirement or sold back at time of retirement at that year's rate.

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NOTE 7: COMPENSATED ABSENCES (CONTINUED)

The liability for vested compensated absences of the governmental fund types is recorded as long-term debt. The current portion of the compensated absence balance is not considered material to the applicable funds total liabilities, and is therefore not shown separately from the long-term liability balance of compensated absences. The value for accrued benefits at December 31, 2011 and 2010, is \$240,723.93 and \$241,925.34, respectively. The Fire District has reserved funds from current year and prior year's operations to support future retirement payouts as follows: December 31, 2011 and 2010, is \$600,000.00 and \$525,000.00 respectively.

NOTE 8: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Township of Deptford Fire District No. 1 is not economically dependent on any one business or industry within the Township since a significant portion of the revenue is derived from taxation.

NOTE 9: LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

The Fire District adopted a length of service award program in accordance with Chapter 338 of the Laws of 1997. The voters of the Township of Deptford approved the adoption of the L.O.S.A.P. program at the general election held in November 2000. The L.O.S.A.P. provides tax deferred income benefits to active volunteer firefighters. Amounts deferred under section 457 plans must be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of the participating employees and not be accessible by the Fire District or its creditors. Since the Fire District does not have a fiduciary relationship with the L.O.S.A.P., the balances and activities of the L.O.S.A.P. are not reported in the Fire District's financial statements. The Fire District's annual budget appropriation for 2011 and 2010 are \$75,000.00 each. The assets of the plan are held by an independent administrator, Lincoln Financial Advisors.

NOTE 10: BONDS PAYABLE

Long-term debt as of December 31, 2011, consisted of the following:

	Year		
	2011	2010	2009
Bonds, Notes and Loans Issued	1,065,000.00	1,415,000.00	1,740,000.00
Bonds and Notes Authorized But Not Issued	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Bonds, Notes and Loans Issued and Authorized But Not Issued	<u>1,065,000.00</u>	<u>1,415,000.00</u>	<u>1,740,000.00</u>

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NOTE 10: BONDS PAYABLE (CONTINUED)

	Balance Dec. 31, 2010	Issued/ Authorized	Retired/ Reduction	Balance Dec. 31, 2011	Due in One Year
General Serial Bonds	1,415,000.00		350,000.00	1,065,000.00	350,000.00
Compensated Absences	241,925.34	161.17	1,362.58	240,723.93	
	<u>1,656,925.34</u>	<u>161.17</u>	<u>351,362.58</u>	<u>1,305,723.93</u>	<u>350,000.00</u>

Bonds were authorized in accordance with State law by voters of the Fire District through a special election. The District issued bonds for \$2,500,000.00 on August 1, 2004. The bonds are payable in semi-annual installments. The interest rate varies from 3.8% to 5.85%. The approximate aggregate maturities of long-term debt for the five years ending December 31, 2011, are as follows:

Year	Principle	Interest	Total
2012	350,000.00	36,225.00	386,225.00
2013	350,000.00	24,675.00	374,675.00
2014	365,000.00	12,775.00	377,775.00
	<u>1,065,000.00</u>	<u>73,675.00</u>	<u>1,138,675.00</u>

NOTE 11: PENSION FUNDS

Description of Plans - All eligible employees of the Fire District are covered by the Public Employees' Retirement System (P.E.R.S.), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which has been established by state statute and is administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits (Division). According to the State of New Jersey Administrative Code, all obligations of the System will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should the Systems terminate. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees' Retirement System. The reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 or can be accessed on the internet at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts_archieve.htm.

Public Employees' Retirement System (P.E.R.S.) - The Public Employees' Retirement System (P.E.R.S.) was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide retirement, death disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. Membership is generally required for substantially all full-time employees of the State or any county, municipality, school district or public agency provided the employee is not a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state or local jurisdiction.

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NOTE 11: PENSION FUNDS (CONTINUED)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (P.F.R.S.) -The Police and Firemen's Retirement System was established in July 1944 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:16A to provide coverage to substantially all full-time county or municipal police and fire-fighters and State fire-fighters appointed after June 30, 1944. Enrollment is required for permanent, full-time employees appointed to positions in law enforcement or fire fighting in the State of New Jersey. Members are eligible for retirement at age fifty-five with a benefit equal to two percent of final compensation for each year of creditable service up to twenty years. Members with at least twenty years but less than twenty-five years of service credit will receive fifty percent of final compensation. Special retirement is available at any age to those with twenty-five years of service credit. The annual benefit calculation is equal to sixty-five percent of final compensation plus one percent for each year of creditable service over twenty-five years but not to exceed thirty years.

Funding Policy - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A, Chapter 62, P.L. of 1994, Chapter 115, P.L. of 1997, and N.J.S.A. 18:66 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. P.E.R.S. provide for employee contributions of 5.5% of employees' annual compensation, and 6.5% as of October 1, 2011, as defined. P.F.R.S. provide for employee contributions of 8.5% of employees' annual compensation, and 10% as of October 1, 2011, as defined. Employers are required to contribute annually at an actuarially determined rate to P.E.R.S. and P.F.R.S. The P.E.R.S. rate in effect for 2011 is 8.95% of covered payroll as reported on June 30, 2009, and P.F.R.S. rate in effect for 2011 is 25.88%. The actuarially determined contribution includes funding for, cost-of-living adjustments, noncontributory death benefits, and post-retirement medical premiums. The Fire District's contributions to P.E.R.S. for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, were \$22,463.00, \$19,830.00 and \$16,725.00 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year. The contribution to P.F.R.S. for the years ending December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, were \$240,323.00, \$217,923.00 and \$227,563.00. Interest charges were incurred as a result of the delayed 2009 payment of \$507.95 for P.E.R.S. and \$7,390.96 for P.F.R.S.

NOTE 12: LABOR CONTRACTS

As of December 31, 2011, the Fire District's employees are organized in the following collective bargaining units. Contracts are continually being negotiated the following table shows their current status.

AFL-CIO #3592	Superior Officers	Expiration 06/30/2013
AFL-CIO #3592	Firefighter	Expiration 06/30/2013

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NOTE 13: HEALTH BENEFITS

The adoption of Chapter 2 of P.L. 2010 implemented requirements for all local units to begin collecting 1.5% of employee salaries to offset employer health care costs. The following schedule discloses the value of employee contribution, the reduced fire district costs for health care coverage, and the line items affected.

	Administration	Operations & Maintenance	Fire Marshall	Total
Employee Contributions	1,018.56	15,381.50	1,729.98	18,130.04
District's Share - Budget	33,364.03	296,693.41	25,523.95	355,581.39
Total Cost of Coverage	<u>34,382.59</u>	<u>312,074.91</u>	<u>27,253.93</u>	<u>373,711.43</u>

NOTE 14: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description - The Deptford Fire District contributes to the State Health Benefits Program (S.H.B.P.), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. S.H.B.P. was established in 1961 under N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq., to provide health benefits to State employees, retirees, and their dependents. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. S.H.B.P. provides medical, prescription drugs, mental health/substance abuse, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents.

The S.H.B.P. was extended to employees, retirees, and dependents of participating local public employers in 1964. Local employers must adopt a resolution to participate in the S.H.B.P. In 2007 Deptford Fire District No. 1 authorized participation in the S.H.B.P.'s post-retirement benefit program through resolution dated April 20, 2007. The plan provides fully-insured medical and prescription drug coverage to eligible retirees and their spouses.

The State Health Benefits Commission is the executive body established by statute to be responsible for the operation of the S.H.B.P. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the S.H.B.P. That report may be obtained by writing to: State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, NJ 08625-0295 or by visiting their website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/pdf/financial/gasb-43-aug2011.pdf.

Funding Policy - Participating employers are contractually required to contribute based on the amount of premiums attributable to their retirees. Post-retirement medical benefits under the plan have been funded on a pay-as-you-go basis since 1994. Prior to 1994, medical benefits were funded on an actuarial basis.

Contributions to pay for the health premiums of participating retirees in the S.H.B.P. are billed to the Deptford Fire District on a monthly basis. Plan members receiving benefits are not required to make any contributions.

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NOTE 14: POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Funding Policy (Continued) - The Deptford Fire District contributions to S.H.B.P. for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, were \$56,310.26, \$36,238.74 and \$11,216.00, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year. The Deptford Fire District contributions to Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield for dental insurance for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, were \$0, \$697.62 and \$934.00. The Fire District contributions reimbursed for Medicare Part B benefits for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, were \$1,156.80, \$1,156.80 and \$1,156.80. There were three retired participants eligible at December 31, 2011 and 2010, and one retired participants eligible at December 31, 2009.

NOTE 15: OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PLAN

Effective November 1999 Deptford Fire District No. 1 entered into a pre-tax benefits plan with AFLAC. The purpose of the plan is to provide eligible employees with the opportunity to choose from among the fringe benefits under the plan. The plan is intended to qualify as a cafeteria plan under the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 125.

NOTE 16: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Fire District is exposed to various risks or loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. The Fire District maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability and surety bonds. There have not been any claims in excess of coverage and no reduction in coverage was noted during the 2011 audit.

NOTE 17: PROPERTY TAX LEVIES

The following is a tabulation of the Fire District assessed valuation, tax levies and property tax rates per \$100.00 of assessed valuation for the current and preceding four years:

Year	Assessed Valuation	Total Tax Levy	Tax Rate
2011	1,734,669,909	4,174,117	\$0.241
2010	1,739,215,382	4,179,570	\$0.241
2009	1,741,487,298	4,151,001	\$0.239
2008	1,706,376,431	3,915,765	\$0.230
2007	1,681,506,598	3,902,476	\$0.233

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NOTE 18: LEASE COMMITMENTS

The District as of April 1, 2011, is renting storage space under a building lease. The payments are due in monthly installments of \$1,979.16.

The District rents the various fire houses within the District from the following Fire Companies: Almonesson, Community, Helping Hand, Oak Valley, Tacoma and Union. Rent payments are made on a quarterly basis ranging from \$7,700.00 to \$10,200.00. The total rental payments made to the various fire companies was \$211,800.00.

NOTE 19: SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT

The District executed a shared service agreement with the Deptford Township Municipal Utilities Authority for fire hydrant fees. The annual fee for this shared service is \$50,000.00. This agreement is in effect until March 31, 2016.

NOTE 20: CONTINGENCIES

It is the Deptford Fire District No.1's Counsel's opinion that there is no pending litigation or contingent liability that may be pending against the Fire District that would have an adverse effect on the financial position in the future.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PART II

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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

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We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregated remaining fund information of the Deptford Fire District No. 1, New Jersey as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, which collectively comprise the Deptford Fire District No. 1's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 16, 2012. 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, and audit requirements as prescribed by the Local Finance Board and the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division").

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Deptford Fire District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Deptford Fire District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Deptford Fire District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting.

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

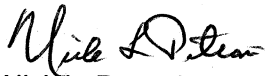
Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be a material weakness, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Deptford Fire District No.1, New Jersey'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* or the requirements of the Local Finance Board or the Division of Local Government Services.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Commissioners, federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

PETRONI & ASSOCIATES LLC



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Registered Municipal Accountant #252

April 16, 2012

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Budget			Actual	Variance of Actual Data to Budget	
	Original	Transfers	Final		Dollars	%
Revenues						
Local sources:						
Permit Fees	7,000.00		7,000.00	10,962.00	3,962.00	56.60%
Penalties & Fines	20,000.00		20,000.00	26,041.91	6,041.91	30.21%
Non-life Hazard Use Registration	25,000.00		25,000.00	56,570.00	31,570.00	126.28%
Dedicated Fines Money	1,000.00		1,000.00	5,675.00	4,675.00	467.50%
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	3,776,342.00		3,776,342.00	3,776,342.00		
Amount to be Raised by Taxation - Debt Service	397,775.00		397,775.00	397,775.00		
Interest on Investments	30,000.00		30,000.00	50,286.42	20,286.42	67.62%
Sale of Assets	15,000.00		15,000.00	10,335.47	(4,664.53)	-31.10%
N.J. Turnpike Authority Contribution	6,840.00		6,840.00	5,240.00	(1,600.00)	-23.39%
Miscellaneous Revenue				45.38	45.38	
State Sources:						
Uniform Fire Safety Act - Registration Fees	64,343.00		64,343.00	48,107.14	(16,235.86)	-25.23%
Supplemental Fire Grant	12,277.00		12,277.00		(12,277.00)	-100.00%
Total Revenues	4,355,577.00		4,355,577.00	4,387,380.32	31,803.32	0.73%
Expenditures						
Administration						
Salaries and Wages:						
Administrative Secretary	59,000.00	500.00	59,500.00	59,463.62	36.38	0.06%
Commissioners	22,100.00		22,100.00	22,100.00		
Clerical Help	33,280.00	15.00	33,295.00	33,293.18	1.82	0.01%
Overtime & Incentive	3,000.00	(515.00)	2,485.00	2,088.00	397.00	15.98%
Fringe Benefits:						
Social Security System	13,000.00	(3,500.00)	9,500.00	9,415.84	84.16	0.89%
Unemployment Compensation	1,000.00	(500.00)	500.00	445.35	54.65	10.93%
Public Employees' Retirement	22,500.00		22,500.00	22,463.00	37.00	0.16%
Health Benefits Administration	61,736.00	(28,000.00)	33,736.00	33,364.03	371.97	1.10%
Other Expenses:						
Insurance Premiums	340,860.00	(112,000.00)	228,860.00	228,222.63	637.37	0.28%
Accounting Fees & Software	5,000.00	10,000.00	15,000.00	11,793.39	3,206.61	21.38%
Audit	10,800.00		10,800.00	10,500.00	300.00	2.78%
Legal Fees - Contracted	55,000.00	(50,000.00)	5,000.00	3,061.75	1,938.25	38.77%
Solicitor - Retainer - Contracted	60,000.00	(5,038.00)	54,962.00	54,000.00	962.00	1.75%
Medical Fees	45,000.00	10,000.00	55,000.00	52,005.43	2,994.57	5.44%
Computer, Equipment & Services (FAB)	15,000.00	28,000.00	43,000.00	42,321.28	678.72	1.58%
Advertising & Elections (FAB)	11,000.00		11,000.00	6,796.24	4,203.76	38.22%
Supplies, Postage & Office Services (FAB)	20,000.00	(4,500.00)	15,500.00	15,404.51	95.49	0.62%
Total Administration	778,276.00	(155,538.00)	622,738.00	606,738.25	15,999.75	2.57%

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Budget			Actual	Variance of Actual Data to Budget	
	Original	Transfers	Final		Dollars	%
Cost of Operations & Maintenance						
Salaries and Wages:						
Firefighters	1,075,863.00	17,000.00	1,092,863.00	1,092,072.82	790.18	0.07%
Overtime & Incentive	54,000.00	(52,000.00)	2,000.00	1,872.62	127.38	6.37%
Vacation/Sick	30,000.00	11,000.00	41,000.00	40,998.68	1.32	0.00%
Retirement	75,000.00		75,000.00		75,000.00	100.00%
Fringe Benefits:						
Social Security System	100,000.00	(11,900.00)	88,100.00	88,051.24	48.76	0.06%
Unemployment Compensation	5,000.00	(500.00)	4,500.00	4,470.47	29.53	0.66%
Health Benefits	384,363.00	(43,100.00)	341,263.00	296,693.41	44,569.59	13.06%
Police & Firemen's Pension	240,400.00		240,400.00	240,323.00	77.00	0.03%
Other Expenses:						
Uniform/Clothing	38,800.00	(5,000.00)	33,800.00	12,103.13	21,696.87	64.19%
Fire Hydrant Rent	52,000.00		52,000.00	51,950.00	50.00	0.10%
Station Rent	246,000.00	(3,000.00)	243,000.00	235,550.00	7,450.00	3.07%
Training & Education	47,000.00		47,000.00	22,273.61	24,726.39	52.61%
Volunteer Reimbursement	62,000.00	2,000.00	64,000.00	63,306.00	694.00	1.08%
Fuel	60,000.00	(4,000.00)	56,000.00	53,010.97	2,989.03	5.34%
Utilities	50,000.00	(12,000.00)	38,000.00	37,389.63	610.37	1.61%
Maintenance (FAB)	20,000.00	34,000.00	54,000.00	53,730.05	269.95	0.50%
Vehicle & Equipment Maintenance	156,000.00	42,000.00	198,000.00	197,474.40	525.60	0.27%
Equipment	170,000.00		170,000.00	149,220.12	20,779.88	12.22%
Battalion Chiefs	6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00		
Explorer Program	9,000.00	(9,000.00)				
Safety Division	5,000.00	(5,000.00)				
Fire Police	3,000.00		3,000.00	713.46	2,286.54	76.22%
Retention & Recruitment	20,000.00	(10,000.00)	10,000.00	2,510.59	7,489.41	74.89%
Total Cost of Operations & Maintenance	2,909,426.00	(49,500.00)	2,859,926.00	2,649,714.20	210,211.80	7.35%

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	Budget			Actual	Variance of Actual Data to Budget	
	Original	Transfers	Final		Dollars	%
Appropriations Off-set with Revenues						
Salaries and Wages:						
Fire Marshall Office	115,142.00	1,000.00	116,142.00	115,947.56	194.44	0.17%
Rotation	9,000.00	(1,000.00)	8,000.00	6,750.00	1,250.00	15.63%
Overtime & Incentive	2,000.00	3,000.00	5,000.00	3,131.72	1,868.28	37.37%
Fringe Benefits:						
Social Security System	14,000.00	(3,000.00)	11,000.00	9,283.44	1,716.56	15.61%
Unemployment Compensation	1,000.00		1,000.00	446.91	553.09	55.31%
Health Benefits	37,746.00		37,746.00	25,523.95	12,222.05	32.38%
Other Expenses:						
Uniform/Clothing	1,200.00		1,200.00		1,200.00	100.00%
Fire Marshall Office Expense	8,000.00		8,000.00	6,132.16	1,867.84	23.35%
Fire Prevention	30,000.00		30,000.00	23,594.80	6,405.20	21.35%
New Equipment (Fire Marshall)	3,000.00		3,000.00	488.65	2,511.35	83.71%
Training & Education	3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00	100.00%
Total Fire Marshall's Office	224,088.00		224,088.00	191,299.19	32,788.81	14.63%
Length of Service Awards Program Contribution (P.L. 1997, c 388)	75,000.00		75,000.00	75,000.00		
Total L.O.S.A.P.	75,000.00		75,000.00	75,000.00		
Total Expenditures	3,986,790.00	(205,038.00)	3,781,752.00	3,522,751.64	259,000.36	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Reserve for Future Capital Outlay	(96,012.00)	(205,038.00)	(301,050.00)	(301,050.00)		
Prior Year Encumbrances Canceled				34,790.92	(34,790.92)	
Debt Service						
Principal	(350,000.00)		(350,000.00)	(350,000.00)		
Interest	(47,775.00)		(47,775.00)	(47,775.00)		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(493,787.00)	(205,038.00)	(698,825.00)	(664,034.08)	(34,790.92)	4.98%
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(125,000.00)		(125,000.00)	200,594.60	(261,987.96)	
Fund Balances - January 1	2,118,645.70		2,118,645.70	2,118,645.70		
Fund Balances- December 31	1,993,645.70		1,993,645.70	2,319,240.30	(261,987.96)	
Recapitulation:						
Unassigned Fund Balance				1,594,240.30		
Reserve for Compensated Absences				600,000.00		
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures				125,000.00		
				<u>2,319,240.30</u>		

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PROJECT EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

Project Title/Issue	Original Date	Appropriation	Expenditures to Date		Unexpended Balance 12/31/11
			Prior Year	Current Year	
Acquisition of Capital Equipment	02/21/04	2,500,000.00	2,415,238.37	1,050.00	83,711.63
Purchase of a Pumper	09/26/07	700,000.00	694,379.10		5,620.90
Purchase of a Pumper	12/20/10	550,804.00		550,804.00	
		<u>3,750,804.00</u>	<u>3,109,617.47</u>	<u>551,854.00</u>	<u>89,332.53</u>

DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

2004 SERIES

Date of Issue	Amount of Issue	Description	Balance Jan. 1, 2011	Redeemed	Balance Dec. 31, 2011
08/01/04	2,500,000.00	Purchase of Various Fire Apparatus & Equipment	<u>1,415,000.00</u>	<u>350,000.00</u>	<u>1,065,000.00</u>

Schedule of Annual Maturities

Due August 1	Interest Rate	Annual Principal Payment
08/01/12	3.30%	350,000.00
08/01/13	3.40%	350,000.00
08/01/14	3.50%	365,000.00
		<u>1,065,000.00</u>

GENERAL COMMENTS

Contracts and Agreements, Required to be Advertised for N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4
N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 states "Every contract or agreement awarded by the contracting agent for the provision or performance of any goods or services, the cost of which in the aggregate exceeds the bid threshold, shall be awarded only by resolution of the governing body of the contracting unit to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other law."

The Fire District has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the bid threshold within the calendar year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Solicitor's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The minutes indicate that resolutions were adopted and advertised authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishings of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear cut violations existed.

Our examination of expenditures did not reveal any individual payments, contracts or agreements in excess of the bid threshold "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies," other than those where bids had been previously sought by public advertisements or where a resolution had been previously adopted under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.

OTHER COMMENTS

Cash Management Program

The Fire District has adopted a cash management plan. The District deposits money in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:31-3.1. The investment of Fire District funds is in interest bearing accounts and monthly cash management reports are prepared.

The fees, permits and fines collected by the Fire Marshall's office were deposited within 48 hours as required by N.J.A.C. 5:31-3.1(b).

Accounting System

A general ledger has been established by the Fire District and is working effectively.

Fixed Assets

A fixed asset accounting and reporting system has been established by the Fire District and is working effectively.

Corrective Action Plan

A corrective action plan was filed for the year 2010.

STATUS OF PRIOR RECOMMENDATIONS

The following finding appears in prior reports and corrective action has been fully implemented.

2010-1 Finding: The Fire District's personnel lack the expertise in preparing their own financial statements and accompanying notes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

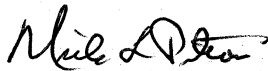
None

Acknowledgment

We received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the Fire District and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to the members of the audit team.

Respectfully submitted,

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