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COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

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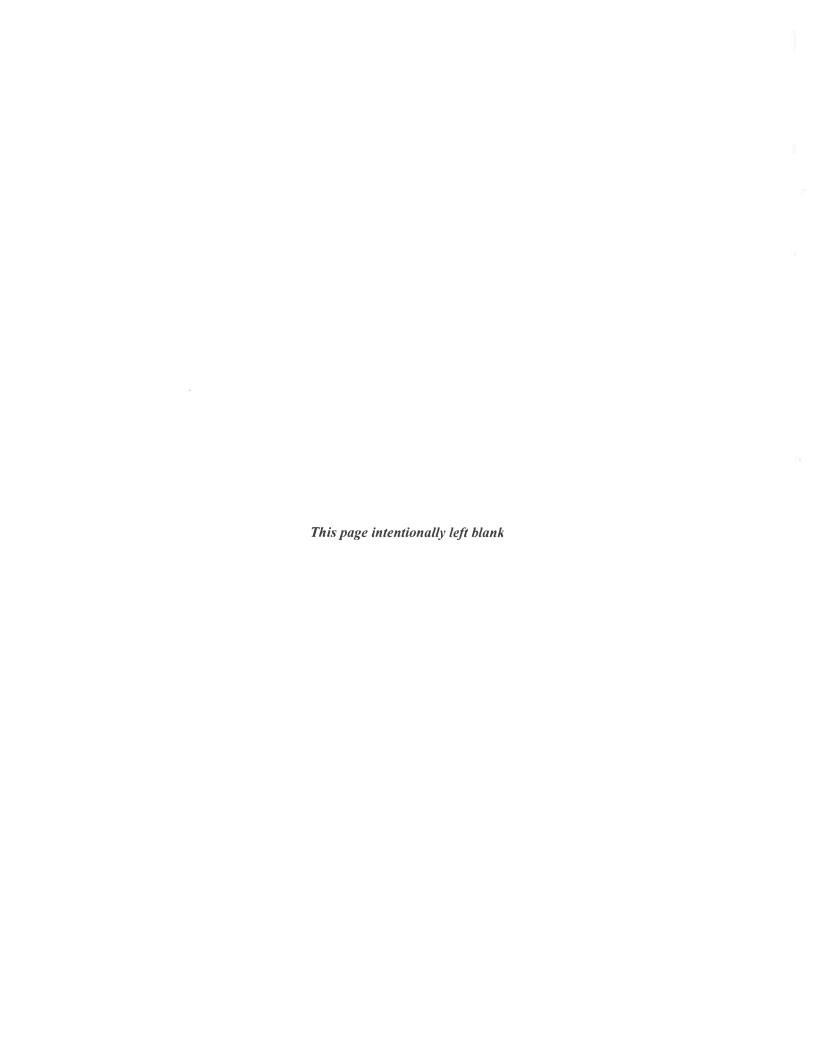
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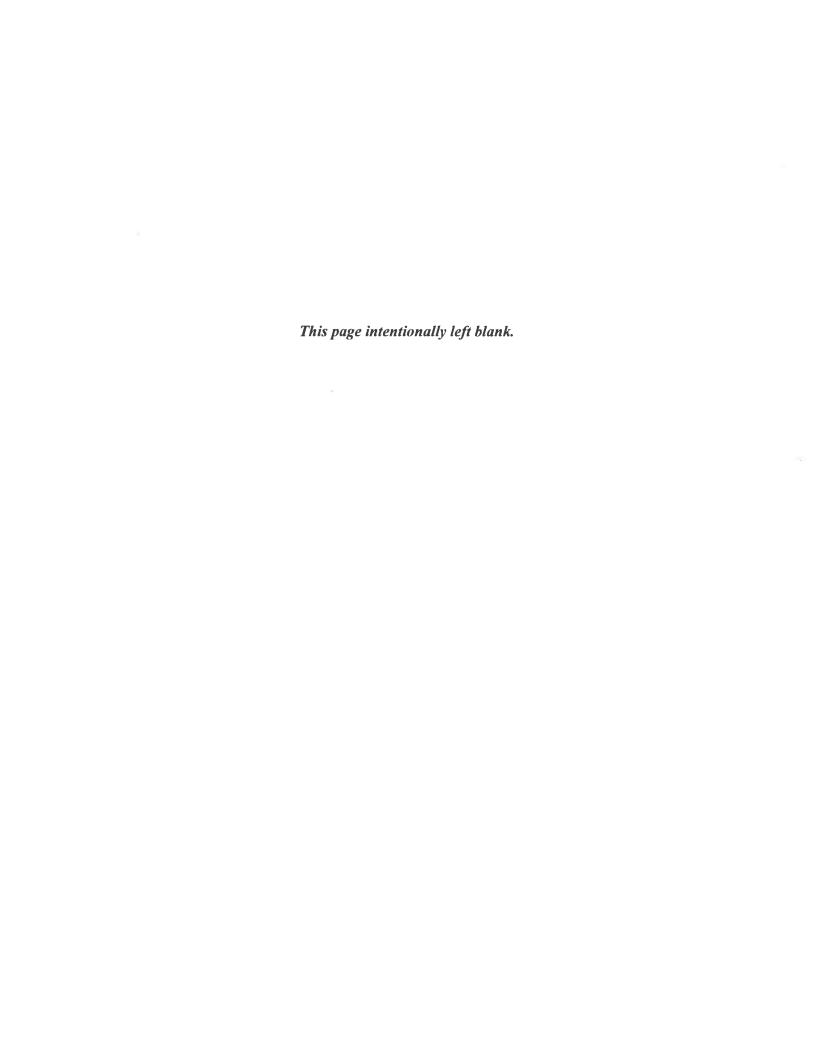
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PART I

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Barnegat Barnegat, New Jersey

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the various funds and account group of the Township of Barnegat, which comprise the statements of assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance – regulatory basis as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of operations and changes in fund balance – regulatory basis for the years then ended and the statements of revenues – regulatory basis and statement of expenditures – regulatory basis for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, reserves and fund balance – regulatory basis of the Township of Barnegat, as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and changes in fund balance – regulatory basis for the years then ended and the statements of revenues – regulatory basis, statements of expenditures – regulatory basis for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey as described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township of Barnegat, as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, or the results of its operations and changes in fund balance for the years then ended.

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; and in compliance with audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. 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 of Barnegat 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.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1, the financial statements are prepared by the Township of Barnegat, on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to meet the requirements of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Management is also responsible 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.

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 opinion. 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 audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey 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, *Government Auditing Standards*, and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, 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(s) 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 of Barnegat'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 of Barnegat'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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of Barnegat's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplemental schedules presented for the various funds and letter of comments and recommendations section are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. 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 is also presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements of each of the respective individual funds and account group taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated May 27, 2025, on our consideration of the Township of Barnegat's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of Barnegat's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Township of Barnegat's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLMAN FRENIA ALLISON, P.C.

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Certified Public Accountant Registered Municipal Accountant

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

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Barnegat County of Ocean Barnegat, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements - regulatory basis of the Township of Barnegat, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township of Barnegat's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 27, 2025. Our report indicated that the Township of Barnegat's financial statements were not prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America but rather prepared in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township of Barnegat's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

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 of Barnegat's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey in considering the Township of Barnegat's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOLMAN FRENIA ALLISON, P.C.

Jerry W. Conaty

Certified Public Accountant

Registered Municipal Accountant

RMA No. 581

Lakewood, New Jersey May 27, 2025 **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES,

RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

A 4	Ref.	2024	2023
Assets Cash	A-4	\$ 22,093,024.74	\$ 24,901,342.46
Cash - Change Fund	A-4	850.00 22,093,874.74	850.00
Due from State of New Jersey (P.L. 1971, Ch. 20)	A-4, 7	6,849.49	6,389.22
Receivables and Other Assets with Full Reserves:		22,100,724.23	24,908,581.68
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-5	699,276.13	657,838.60
Tax Title Liens Receivable	A-6	1,336,585.37	1,439,838.11
Property Acquired for Taxes		2,427,340.00	2,427,340.00
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-7	8,849.99	9,486.62
Interfund Receivables	A-13		
Other Trust Fund		9,049.20	12,350.59
General Capital Fund		7,010.57	4,193.36
Payroll Fund		25,554.57	19,721.29
		4,513,665.83	4,570,768.57
		26,614,390.06	29,479,350.25
Grant Fund Interfund Receivables			»—————————————————————————————————————
Due from Current Fund	A-14	337,251.26	2,610,969.84
Grants Receivable	A-15	402,555.26	646,238.88
		739,806.52	3,257,208.72
		\$ 27,354,196.58	\$ 32,736,558.97

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES,

Sheet 2 of 2

RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	Ref.		2024	2023			
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance		-					
Appropriation Reserves	A-3,8	\$	1,870,757.85	\$	2,399,614.80		
Reserve for Encumbrances	A-3,8		958,835.09		862,301.29		
Tax Overpayments	A-4,5		172,244.93		159,411.43		
Prepaid Taxes	A-4,5		686,382.06		714,677.57		
Revenue Reserves:							
Sale of Municipal Assets			15.00		15.00		
Municipal Relief Aid	A-4		-		106,547.41		
County Taxes Payable	A-9		91,672.79		187,331.25		
School Taxes Payable	A-11		904,084.03		148,239.03		
Spending Reserves:							
Hurricane Damage	A-12		92,946.30		92,946.30		
Revaluation	A-12		22,505.83		22,505.83		
Storm & Snow Removal	A-12		-		105,000.00		
Due to State of N.J. DCA Fees			11,679.00		9,345.00		
Due to State of N.J. Marriage License Fees			625.00		525.00		
Interfunds:							
Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund	A-14		4,256.02		-		
Grant Fund	A-15		337,251.26		2,610,969.84		
Accounts Payable	A-8		7,433.46		202,265.21		
·			5,160,688.62	.5	7,621,694.96		
Reserve for Receivables and Other Assets			4,513,665.83		4,570,768.57		
Fund Balance	A-1		16,940,035.61		17,286,886.72		
		-	26,614,390.06	_	29,479,350.25		
Grant Fund		Mar.					
Appropriated Reserves	A-16		236,636.15		742,930.62		
Reserve for Encumbrances	A-16		327,601.70		-		
Unappropriated Reserves	A-17		175,568.67		2,514,278.10		
		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	739,806.52		3,257,208.72		
		\$	27,354,196.58	\$	32,736,558.97		

There were deferred school taxes of \$6,474,126.01 and \$6,474,126.01 on December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively (Schedule A-11).

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-1

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND

Sheet 1 of 2

CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMEBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	Ref.		Year 2024		Year 2023
Revenue and Other Income Realized					
Fund Balance Utilized	A-2	\$	3,875,000.00	\$	2,995,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated	A-2		4,918,311.84		4,597,743.83
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	A-2		590,975.60		625,258.40
Receipts from Current Taxes	A-2		80,263,189.65		77,694,866.40
Non-Budget Revenues	A-2		303,583.23		568,165.17
Other Credits to Income:					
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves	A-8		1,636,801.75		1,099,421.22
Total Income			91,587,862.07	3	87,580,455.02
Expenditures					
Budget Appropriations within Caps:					
Operations:					
Salaries and Wages			13,421,100.00		13,097,600.00
Other Expenses			10,762,033.00		9,783,450.00
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures			4,215,150.00		3,941,315.00
Budget Appropriations excluded from Caps:					
Operations:					
Salaries and Wages			536,250.00		618,750.00
Other Expenses			693,564.24		780,976.90
Capital Improvements			2,030,000.00		1,815,000.00
Municipal Debt Service			1,860,667.77		2,008,740.00
Deferred Charges			150,000.00		300,000.00
	A-3		33,668,765.01	-	32,345,831.90
Prior Year Senior Citizen Deductions Disallowed	A-5		4,513.70		3,250.00
Interfund Advance			5,349.10		2,321.30
County Taxes	A-9		14,090,478.78		13,026,586.84
Local Open Space Tax	A-10		270,708.59		265,951.19
Local District School Taxes	A-11		40,019,898.00		38,743,823.00
Total Expenditures			88,059,713.18		84,387,764.23
1		-		-	

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-1

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND

Sheet 2 of 2

CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMEBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

Excess/(Deficit) in Revenue Fund Balance January 1	Ref.	\$\frac{\text{Year 2024}}{3,528,148.89} \\ \frac{17,286,886.72}{20,815,035.61}	\$- -	Year 2023 3,192,690.79 17,089,195.93 20,281,886.72
Decreased by: Certain Items Utilized as Anticipated Revenue: Fund Balance Anticipated	A-1	3,875,000.00		2,995,000.00
Fund Balance December 31	Α	\$16,940,035.61	\$_	17,286,886.72

Exhibit A-2	Sheet 1 of 2		Excess or Realized (Deficit)	23,016.00 3,516.00 252,374.95 87,374,95	147.145.50 7.145.50	124,205.56 (10,794.44) 83,461.66 1,461.66	53(109,329.53 - 28.203.32 14.203.32	<u>ε</u>	1,033,668.75 (0.25)	5,884.02 3,891.37 8,074.83 69,076.03 960.00 20,000.00 33,165.92 10,000.00 269,560.00 34,452.07														
LATORY BASIS	ABER 31, 2024	MBER 31, 2024	MBER 31, 2024	MBER 31, 2024	MBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	MBER 31, 2024	MBER 31, 2024	CMBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	CCEMBER 31, 2024	EMBER 31, 2024	Anticipated N.J.S. Budget 40A:4-87	19,500.00	140.000.00	135,000.00	- 600,000,009	109,329.53	597,250.00	106,547.41 1,033,669.00 33,796.00	3.891.37 8.074.83 69,076.03 - 960.00 20,000.00 - 33,165.92 10,000.00 269,560.00
CURRENT FUND	STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	Fund Balance Anticipated	Miscellaneous Revenues Licenses Alcoholic Beverages Fees and Permits	Fines and Costs Municipal Court	Interest and Costs on Taxes Municipal Service Fee	Interest on Investments and Deposits	Cable Television Franchise Fees Rentals and Leases	Uniform Construction Code	State And. Reserve for Municipal Relief Aid Energy Receipts Tax Garden State Frust Fund Special Items of Revenue:	Federal and State Revenues Off-Set with Appropriations: Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Fund Body Armor Fund-State Bulletproof Vest Program Clean Communities Program Cops in Shops Handicapped Recreation Opportunities Grant Recycling Tonnage Grant Emergency Management Assistance Grant NJ Transportation Authority Act - Pennsylvania Ave. Opioid Reserve														

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

CURRENT FUND				Exhibit A-2
STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS	REGULATORY BASIS			Sheet 2 of 2
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	CEMBER 31, 2024			
	Anticipated Budget	Special N.J.S. 40A:4-87	Realized	Excess or (Deficit)
Special Items of Revenue (Continued): Other Special Items:				
Township of Ocean - UCC Inspections	47,750.00	•	64,801.38	17,051.38
Township of Ocean - Construction Official	20,000.00	,	10,094.77	(9,905.23)
General Capital Fund Balance	140,000.00	•	140,000.00	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes - Affordable Housing	180,000.00	•	193,340.00	13,340.00
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	3,800,368.14	143,538.04	4,918,311.84	974,405.66
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	625,000.00	•	590,975.60	(34,024.40)
Subtotal General Revenues	8,300,368.14	143,538.04	9,384,287.44	940,381.26
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	26,298,472.50	•	26,955,435.72	656,963.22
Total General Revenues	34,598,840.64	143,538.04	36,339,723.16	1,597,344.48
Non-Budget Revenues			303,583.23	303,583.23
	\$ 34.598.840.64 \$ 143.538.04 \$	143.538.04	\$ 36.643.306.39 \$	1,900,927.71

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-2

STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS

Sheet 3 of 3

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Analysis of Realized Revenues Allocation of Current Tax Collections:		
Revenue from Collections	\$	80,263,189.65
Allocated to: School, County Taxes and Municipal Open Space	=	54,381,085.37
Balance for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations Add: Appropriation "Reserve for Uncollected		25,882,104.28
Taxes"		1,073,331.44
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget		
Appropriations	\$_	26,955,435.72
	-	
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes:	Φ	500 410 20
Delinquent Tax Collections Tax Title Lien Collections	\$	590,418.38 557.22
Tax Title Lien Collections	-	331.22
	\$	590,975.60
Analysis of Non-Budget Revenue		
Miscellaneous Revenue not Anticipated:		0.014.00
Licenses	\$	9,014.00
Tax Collector		17,501.29
Proceeds from Auction Sales		72,379.16
Sale of Property		2,237.28
NJ Fish and Wildlife		3,756.00
Engineering Fees		19,737.50
Engineering Fees mrna finance		17,242.50
Outside Police Admin Fees		29,575.00
Plumsted Twp shared service		17,500.00
Senior and Vet Administration Fee		5,784.29
Insurance Reimbursements		9,168.71
Miscellaneous Lien redeemed		92,345.18
Miscellaneous	, -	7,342.32
	\$	303,583.23

Exhibit A-3	Sheet 1 of 8			Unexpended	Balance Cancelled		S		n 1		-		•				-			. ,				-
	pa	Reserved		8,296.85	27,791.34	620.98 18,374.46		1,237.50	9,573.68	1,368.77	18,214.98	14,531.13	5,205.00	3,212.78	10,038.83	400 00	400.00		1,933.36		15,996.92			
				Expended		1	69																	
ZI		ASIS			Paid or Charged		156,703.15	71,208.66	1,009,379.02		28,762.50	152,926.32	55,481.23	203,785.02	107,968.87	41,295.00	211.287.22	11,411.17				109,066.64	6. 6.	334,003.08
OCEA		ORY B	2024				69																	
TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN	CURRENT FUND	STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	p	Budget After Modification		165,000.00	99,000.00	1,010,000.00		30,000.00	162,500.00	57,050.00	222,000.00	122,500.00	46,500.00	214.500.00	21,450.00	0000	200.00		111,000.00	00,002,00	350,000.00
ARNE	CURR	ENDI	R END	Appropriated		Ų	⇔																	
OWNSHIP OF B	01	EMENT OF EXI	FOR THE YEA	Appre	Budget	D	165,000.00	99,000.00	1,010,000.00		30,000.00	177,500.00	57,050.00	222,000.00	137,500.00	54,000.00	214.500.00	21,450.00	000	400 <u>.00</u>		111,000.00	20,502,00	350,000.00
Ħ		STAT					S																	
						OPERATIONS WITHIN CAPS General Government Functions Administrative and Executive Salaries and Wages	Administrative and Executive	Flanning and Zoning Construction/Code Enforcement	Contractual Compensation Buyback	Mayor and Committee	Salaries and Wages Municipal Clerk's Office	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses Audit Services	Other Expenses	Assessment of Taxes Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	Economic Development	Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	Collection of Taxes	Salaries and Wages Other Evenese	Legal Services and Costs	Other Expenses

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		91	CURRENT FUND							Choot 2 of 8	
	STAT	TEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS	ENDITURES	- REGULAT	ORY BA	SIS				0 10 7 10 0	
		FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	R ENDED DEC	CEMBER 31.	2024	181					
		Appro	Appropriated			E	Expended		1	Unexpended	
		Budget	Budget After Modification	Budget After Modification		Paid or Charged		Reserved		Balance Cancelled	
Historic Preservation Salaries and Wages	∞	250.00	- ↔	250.00	€		∽	250.00		ŧ	
Engineering Services and Costs Salaries and Wages Other Eventor		125,000.00		125,000.00		110,694.56		14,305.44		1	
Unformation Technology/Data Processing		70,400.00	-	00,400,00		73,017.27		77,700.71		1	
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		130,000.00	1	30,000.00		126,935.26 9,155.49		3,064.74 20,844.51		1 1	
Land Use Administration											
rianning board Other Expension		18,000.00		18,000.00		14,066.41		3,933.59		•	
Zoning Board of Adjustment Other Expenses		13,000.00		13,000.00		6,198.29		6,801.71		٠	
Rent Leveling Board		6						000			
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		500.00		500.00 500.00				500.00			
Insurance			,			8 6					
General Liability		366,000.00	o1 c	366,000.00		365,405.60		594.40		1	
workers Compensation Employee Group Insurance		2.450.650.00	2.3	2.380.650.00		2.314.048.35		66.601.65		, ,	
Health Benefit Waiver Costs		35,000.00	Î	35,000.00		14,167.18		20,832.82		t	
Public Safety Functions Homeland Security											
Emergency Management		6						•			
Other Expenses Police Denartment		1,000.00		1,000.00		•		1,000.00			
Other Expenses		8,630,000.00	8,6	8,625,000.00		8,492,295.61		132,704.39			
Municipal Court			•	2000,00							
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		280,000.00 21,500.00		280,000.00 21,500.00		253,030.29 15,716.60		26,969.71 5,783.40			

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		FOR THE YEA	R ENDEI	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	. 2024					
		Appr	Appropriated			Exp	Expended		Unexpended	
		Budget	B <	Budget After Modification		Paid or Charged	Reserved		Balance Cancelled	
Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies Barnegat Fire Company No. 1 Fire Company Incentive Program	÷-9	90,000.00	∽	90,000.00	€9	90,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 00:		
Fire Services Program Other Expenses Aid to Volunteer Ambulance Companies Ambulance Contracted Services		3,800.00 33,000.00 152,000.00		3,800.00 33,000.00 152,000.00		3,314.14 33,000.00 145,452.92	485.86	485.86	1 1 1	
Occupational Safety and Health Act Other Expenses		14,000.00		14,000.00		12,784.80	1,215.20	.20	•	
Municipal Prosecutor Other Expenses Public Defender		43,000.00		43,000.00		33,350.00	9,650.00	.00	•	
Other Expenses Public Works Functions		29,000.00		29,000.00		24,400.00	4,600.00	00.		
Streets and Koads Maintenance Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		385,000.00 139,900.00		385,000.00 139,900.00		367,201.80 105,843.51	17,798.20 34,056.49	.20		
Vehicle Maintenance Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		260,000.00 189,000.00		260,000.00 199,000.00		254,270.69 186,633.54	5,729.31 12,366.46	.31		
Solid waste Collection Salaries and Wages Other Expenses Contractual		310,000.00 985,000.00 1,465,000.00		310,000.00 1,000,000.00 1,465,000.00		309,543.97 984,623.00 1,318,433.22	456.03 15,377.00 146,566.78	.03 .00 .78		
Buildings and Grounds Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		385,000.00 158,750.00		385,000.00 158,750.00		379,658.89 97,715.41	5,341.11 61,034.59	.59		
Shade tree Collinission Other Expenses Condominium Services Act		1,500.00		1,500.00		1,233.15	266.85	.85	•	
Other Expenses		199,150.00		199,150.00		64,014.38	135,135.62	.62	ŧ	

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STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN CURRENT FUND

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

	-1	OWNSHIE OF B	ANINE	LOWINSHIE OF BARNEGAL - COUNTY OF UCEAN	UCEA	<u> </u>			Ġ	Dubibit A.2
			CURR	CURRENT FUND					S 5	0.50 7 100
	STAT	EMENT OF EX	PENDI	STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS	TORY B	ASIS			2	Succi 4 01 0
		FOR THE YEA	R ENI	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	1, 2024					
		Appr	Appropriated	þ		Ex	Expended		U	Unexpended
	ti	Budget		Budget After Modification	l _s	Paid or Charged		Reserved	_0	Balance Cancelled
Health and Human Services Environmental Services			1				ļ	Y 'L		
Salaries and Wages	∽	450.00	€	450.00	€9	50.00	€9	400.00	\$,
Other Expenses		400.00		400.00		1		400.00		
Animal Control Services Salaries and Wages		\$ 000 000		2 000 000		92 662 1		3 270 64		,
Other Expenses		42,000.00		42,000.00		37,176.45		4,823.55		,
Park and Recreation Functions						`				
Recreation										
Salaries and Wages Other Evnence		50,000.00		25,000.00		16,530.17		8,469.83		
Docks and Beaches		00,1001,00		00,1001,00		(5:10),(5)		41:107		
Salaries and Wages		37,500.00		32,500.00		32,121.16		378.84		•
Other Expenses		4,500.00		4,500.00		676.20		3,823.80		
Celebration of Public Events										
Other Expenses		42,000.00		42,000.00		31,248.77		10,751.23		,
Accumulated Leave Compensation		00 000 301		00 000 031		150 000 00				
Uniform Construction Code - Appropriations Offset by		123,000.00		00.000,001		150,000.00		1		ı
Dedicated Revenues (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)										
Construction Official Salaries and Wages		830 000 00		790 000 00		05 596 587		4 034 70		,
Other Expenses		397 350 00		367 350 00		343 245 56		24 104 44		1 8
		20.000		20.000		1				

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		Аррі	Appropriated			Ex	Expended		Ü	Unexpended
	L	Budget		Budget After Modification		Paid or Charged		Reserved		Balance Cancelled
Unclassified	Į,	D	ļ			D				
Utilities: Gasoline	¥	275 000 00	¥	275 000 00	G	215 061.13	64	59.938.87	€9	1
	÷	145 000 00	÷	145,000,00)	117,000	÷	07 077 70	>	
Electricity		145,000.00		145,000.00		25.677,111		01,770.40		•
Telephone and Telegraph		87,500.00		87,500.00		87,500.00				
Natural Gas		67,500.00		67,500.00		65,038.58		2,461.42		,
Street Lighting		425,000.00		425,000.00		385,000.00		40,000.00		•
Landfill Disposal Costs		915,000.00		915,000.00		853,781.08		61,218.92		1
Total Operations within Caps		24,305,633.00		24,183,133.00		22,845,412.57		1,337,720.43		,
Detail:	l						Ç			
Salaries and Wages		13,611,100.00		13,421,100.00		13,371,803.50		286,926.32		•
Other Expenses		10,694,533.00		10,762,033.00		9,473,609.07		1,050,794.11		
Deferred Charges & Statutory Expenditures										
Statutory Expenditure Contributions to:										
Public Employee Retirement System		657,000.00		657,000.00		656,274.00		726.00		
Social Security System		878,250.00		903,250.00		898,225.76		5,024.24		
Police and Firemen's Retirement System of NJ		2,600,900.00		2,600,900.00		2,600,865.00		35.00		,
Unemployment Compensation Insurance		45,000.00		45,000.00		41,485.38		3,514.62		
Defined Contribution Benefit Plan (DCRP)		00.000.6		00.000.6		6,560.27		2,439.73		1
Total Statutory Expenditures within Caps		4,190,150.00		4,215,150.00		4,203,410.41		11,739.59		
Total Appropriations within Caps		28,495,783.00		28,398,283.00		27,048,822.98		1,349,460.02		•
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM CAPS Contribution to:										
LOSINGERON CO. LOSAP Bacyclin Tay		72,250.00		72,250.00		•		72,250.00		•
Other Expenses		43,000.00		43,000.00		30,690.00		12,310.00		,

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STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS

CURRENT FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

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	STAT	EMENT OF EXP	ENDIT	EMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS	FORY B	ASIS			-		
		FOR THE YEA	R ENDE	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024	1, 2024						
		Appro	Appropriated			Exg	Expended		_	Unexpended	
		Budget		Budget After Modification		Paid or Charged		Reserved		Balance Cancelled	
Shared Service Agreements: Township of Ocean - Construction Code	l						ļ.,				
Other Expenses	∽	50,000.00	69	50,000.00	€9	16,149.08	€	33,850.92	€	•	
Township of Ocean - Recreation Director Other Expenses		70,000.00		70,000.00		53,759.58		16,240.42		1	
Salaries and Wages		47,750.00		47,750.00		39,970.80		7,779.20		1	
10wnship of Station - Dispatch Services Other Expenses		416,250.00		416,250.00		416,250.00		,		ı	
Township of Ocean - B.1 Construct Code Offical Salaries and Wages		20,000.00		5,000.00		1,547.07		3,452.93		,	
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues											
State Body Armor Grant		3,891.37		3,891.37		3,891.37		1		ŧ	
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Program		8,074.83		8,074.83 5,884.02		5,884.02					
Handicapped Recreation Opportunities Grant											
Grant Share Local Share		20,000.00		20,000.00		20,000.00		1 1		, ,	
Clean Communities Program				69,076.03		69,076.03		•		٠	
Opioid Reserve		00 000		34,452.07		34,452.07		•		•	
American Rescue Firengnier Cops in Shops		00.000,00		960.00		960.00		, ,			
NJ Transportation Authority Act - Pennsylvania Ave.		269,560.00		269,560.00		269,560.00		1		ı	
Emergency Management Assistance Grant		10,000.00		10,000.00		10,000.00		1		•	
Local Matching Funds for Grants		1.500.00		1.500.00		23,103.72		1.500.00		1 1	
Total Operations excluded from Caps		1,101,276.20		1,229,814.24	11	1,082,430.77		147,383.47		•	
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		81,750.00		536,250.00 693,564.24		41,517.87		50,091.34 97,292.13		1 1	
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Exhibit A-3

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN CURRENT FUND

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Exhibit A-3 Sheet 7 of 8	Unexpended Balance Cancelled		60.00 222.23 282.23	282.23	282.23
	d Reserved	8,936.72 14,016.50 13,838.54 3,582.74 31,089.99 172,915.22 20,134.71		521,297.83	1,870,757.85
AN BASIS	Expended Paid or Charged	250,000.00 \$ 160,600.06 121,063.28 320,983.50 211,161.46 26,417.26 31,410.01 77,084.78 457,365.29 1,656,085.64	1,240,000.00 92,140.00 528,527.77 1,860,667.77	150,000.00 150,000.00 4,749,184.18	31,798,007.16 1,073,331.44 32,871,338.60
TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN CURRENT FUND TEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 Appropriated Budget After Modification	250,000.00 \$ 270,000.00 130,000.00 335,000.00 225,000.00 30,000.00 62,500.00 250,000.00 477,500.00	1,240,000.00 92,200.00 528,750.00 1,860,950.00	150,000.00 150,000.00 5,270,764.24	33,669,047.24 1,073,331.44 34,742,378.68
TOWNSHIP OF BARN CUR	FOR THE YEAR ENDE Appropriated	\$ 250,000.00 185,000.00 130,000.00 335,000.00 225,000.00 62,500.00 259,000.00 450,000.00 450,000.00 1,917,500.00	1,240,000.00 92,200.00 528,750.00 1,860,950.00	150,000.00 150,000.00 5,029,726.20	33,525,509.20 1,073,331.44 \$ 34,598,840.64 \$
		EROM CAPS Capital Improvement Fund Improvements to Roads & Walkways Purchase of Fire Department Equipment Purchase of Folice Capital Equipment Purchase/Repairs of Public Works Equipment Improvements to Parks, Dock Lot, Playgrounds or Bike Path Demolition/Cleanup of Township Park Bldg Improvements to Municipal Bldgs & Grounds Purchase of Information Technology Equipment Total Capital Improvements excluded from Caps	MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE EXCLUDED FROM CAPS Payment of Bond Principal Interest on Bonds Interest on Notes Total Municipal Debt Service excluded from Caps	DEFERRED CHARGES EXCLUDED FROM CAPS Deferred Charges Unfunded Total Deferred Charges excluded from Caps Total General Appropriations excluded from Caps	Subtotal General Appropriations Reserve for Uncollected Taxes Total General Appropriations

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BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-3

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS

Sheet 8 of 8

Budget After

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Budget Appropriation by 40A:4-87	\$\frac{\text{Modification}}{34,598,840.64} 143,538.04
	\$34,742,378.68
Parama Carr	Paid or Charged
Reserve for: Encumbrances Uncollected Taxes Disbursements Interfund - Grant Fund	\$ 958,835.09 1,073,331.44 30,315,107.83 524,064.24
	\$32,871,338.60

TRUST FUNDS

Exhibit B

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES,

RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

Assets	Ref.	2024	2023
Animal Control Trust Fund Cash	B-1	\$433.95	\$393.86
Other Trust Cash	B-1	9,596,332.16 9,596,332.16	9,216,532.49 9,216,532.49
Length of Service Awards Program Fund (LOSAP) - Unaudited Funds Held by Trustee		1,032,757.69	899,845.75
		\$10,629,523.80	\$ 10,116,772.10
<u>Liabilities and Reserves</u> <u>Animal Control Trust Fund</u>			
Due State of New Jersey	B-2 B-3	\$ - 433.95	\$ 12.60
Reserve for Animal Control Fund Expenditures	B-3	433.95	381.26
Other Trust		-	
Miscellaneous Reserves Due to Current Fund	B-5	9,587,282.96 9,049.20	9,204,181.90 12,350.59
Due to Current Fund		9,596,332.16	9,216,532.49
Length of Service Awards Program Fund (LOSAP) - Unaudited			
Reserve for Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP)		1,032,757.69	899,845.75
		\$10,629,523.80	\$10,116,772.10

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES

RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	Ref.		2024	_	2023
Assets Cash	C-2	\$	3,213,682.63	\$	1,693,913.08
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation:					
Funded	C-4		15,902,000.00		4,537,000.00
Unfunded	C-5	=	250,000.00	-	13,400,000.00
		\$ _	19,365,682.63	\$ =	19,630,913.08
<u>Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance</u> Improvement Authorizations:					
Funded	C-7	\$	203,692.91	\$	173,793.32
Unfunded	C-7		250,000.00		357,039.21
Reserve for Encumbrances	C-7		1,682,545.97		3,054,855.76
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-9		-		10,600,000.00
Serial Bonds	C-8		15,902,000.00		4,537,000.00
Due to Current Fund	C-6		7,010.57		4,193.36
Capital Improvement Fund	C-3		1,010,600.00		760,600.00
Fund Balance	C-1	_	309,833.18		143,431.43
		\$_	19,365,682.63	\$ _	19,630,913.08

There were bonds and notes authorized but not issued on December 31, 2024 of \$250,000.00, and \$2,800,000 on December 31, 2023. (Exhibit C-10)

STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

	REGULATORY BASIS		Exhibit C-1
	Ref.		
Balance December 31, 2023	C	\$	143,431.43
Increased by: Premiums on Bond Sale	C-2	; 	306,401.75
Daggerand by:			449,833.18
Decreased by: Utilized as Current Fund Revenue	C-2	10	140,000.00
Balance December 31, 2024	С	\$	309,833.18

WATER-SEWER UTILITY FUND

Exhibit D

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES

Sheet 1 of 2

RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	Ref.		2024	-	2023
Assets Operating Fund:					
Cash	D-5	\$	6,863,675.24	\$	5,052,760.01
Cash - Change Fund		,	200.00	•	200.00
Interfunds:					
Current Fund	D		4,256.02		-
Water-Sewer Utility Capital Fund	D-12		9,799.12		6,596.93
D 1 11 M D II D		-	6,877,930.38		5,059,556.94
Receivables with Full Reserves:	D 7		252 226 00		200 040 52
Consumer Accounts Receivable	D-7	-	353,236.00	_	299,848.52
		-	353,236.00	_	299,848.52
Total Operating Fund		-	7,231,166.38	-	5,359,405.46
1 8		-	7,201,100.00	-	-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Capital Fund:					
Cash	D-5		4,618,741.45		2,763,645.11
Fixed Capital	D-8		23,555,734.98		23,555,734.98
Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted	D-9		8,380,409.84		1,255,409.84
Total Capital Fund			36,554,886.27		27,574,789.93
		\$	43,786,052.65	\$	32,934,195.39
		_	13,700,032.03	_	32,73 1,173.37
<u>Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance</u> Operating Fund:					
Appropriation Reserves	D-4,10	\$	416,165.27	\$	160,752.47
Accounts Payable	D-10		81,873.20	•	140,022.73
Reserve for:			,		,
Encumbrances	D-4,10		1,066,098.04		248,555.88
Software Upgrades			2,500.00		2,500.00
Water-Sewer Connection Fees	D-3,5		51.75		51.75
Utility Overpayments	D-5,7		331,561.03		194,764.89
Accrued Interest on Bonds, Loans and Notes	D-11		29,562.60	_	31,806.78
Reserve for Receivables			1,927,811.89		778,454.50
Operating Fund Balance	D-1		353,236.00		231,713.75
Total Operating Fund	D-1	-	4,950,118.49 7,231,166.38	_	4,349,237.21 5,359,405.46
Total Operating I ullu		-	1,231,100.38	3	3,339,403.40

WATER-SEWER UTILITY FUND

Exhibit D

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES

Sheet 2 of 2

RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	Ref.		2024		2023
Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance (Continued)		_		_	s
Capital Fund:					
Interfunds:					
Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund	D-13	\$	9,799.12	\$	6,596.93
Improvement Authorizations:					
Funded	D-14		3,321,928.20		306,609.48
Unfunded	D-14		3,500,000.00		-
Reserve for Encumbrances	D-14	0.9	989,633.50		98,051.99
Reserve for Amortization	D-15		20,743,812.66		20,497,079.39
Reserve for Deferred Amortization	D-16		4,828,240.00		1,203,240.00
Serial Bonds	D-17		966,000.00		1,137,000.00
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust Loan	D- 8		209,422.58		228,207.77
USDA Loan	D- 9		1,688,669.58		1,745,617.66
Reserve for Water Improvements			105,479.44		645,485.52
Reserve for Debt Service			40,268.26		40,268.26
Capital Improvement Fund	D-6		118,675.00		1,633,675.00
Fund Balance	D-2		32,957.93		32,957.93
Total Capital Fund		-	36,554,886.27		27,574,789.93
		\$_	43,786,052.65	\$_	32,934,195.39

There were bonds and notes authorized but not issued on December 31, 2024 of \$3,500,000.00 D-20) and \$0 on December 31, 2023.

WATER-SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND

Exhibit D-1

Exhibit D-2

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE

REGULATORY BASIS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	Ref.	Year 2024	Year 2023
Revenue and Other Income Realized			·
Fund Balance Utilized	D-3	\$ 581,323.00	\$ 561,131.00
Water-Sewer Rents	D-3	7,383,923.47	6,965,982.72
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated	D-3	729,955.09	441,850.47
American Rescue Plan funding (Ch 159) Other Credits to Income:	D-3	2,475,934.66	-
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves	D-10	134,223.31	203,931.05
Interfunds		2,424.67	1,700.03
Cancellation of Accrued Interest		2,310.86	2,811.20
Total Income		11,310,095.06	8,177,406.47
Expenditures			
Operating	D-4	5,888,500.00	5,567,700.00
Capital Improvements	D-4	3,490,934.66	925,000.00
Debt Service	D-4	347,816.27	372,902.57
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	D-4	330,000.00	345,475.00
Refund of Prior Year Revenue	D-4	2,505.08	35,601.40
Total Expenditures		10,059,756.01	7,246,678.97
Excess(Deficit) in Revenue		1,250,339.05	930,727.50
Fund Balance January 1	D	4,281,102.44	3,911,505.94
		4,281,102.44	4,842,233.44
Decreased by:		·	
Utilization by Utility Operating Budget	D-1	581,323.00	561,131.00
		581,323.00	561,131.00
Fund Balance December 31	D	\$ 4,950,118.49	\$ 4,281,102.44
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STATEMENT OF WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND BALANCE REGULATORY BASIS

Polance December 21, 2024 & 2022	Ref.	Φ.	22.057.02
Balance December 31, 2024 & 2023	D	\$	32,957.93

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

WATER-SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND

Exhibit D-3

STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER, 2024

	_	Anticipated Budget		Realized	<u>. </u>	Excess or (Deficit)
Fund Balance Anticipated	\$	581,323.00	\$	581,323.00	\$ _	<u> </u>
Other Anticipated Revenues: User Fees Miscellaneous American Rescue Plan funding (Ch 159)		6,575,000.00 425,000.00 2,475,934.66		7,383,923.47 729,955.09 2,475,934.66	-	808,923.47 304,955.09
		9,475,934.66		10,589,813.22		1,113,878.56
	\$_	10,057,257.66	\$	11,171,136.22	\$	1,113,878.56
		D-4				
Analysis of Other Anticipated Revenues				121		
Connection Fees Interest on Delinquent Users Interest Earned Meter Purchase/Replacement Miscellaneous			\$	341,488.00 30,308.36 297,195.90 42,410.00 18,552.83		
			\$	729,955.09		
Due from Water Sewer Capital Cash Receipts			s	80,213.66 649,741.43 729,955.09		

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

24,598.68 199,052.48 27,425.47 36,484.98 83,061.25 Reserved Expended 73,650.00 2,024,185.83 81,574.53 123,015.02 381,938.75 24,150.00 1.00 56,948.08 1,740,401.32 1,630,947.52 550,000.00 2,475,934.66 171,000.00 Paid or Charged STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN WATER-SEWER OPERATING UTILITY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 1,765,000.00 109,000 00 1,830,000.00 2,025,000.00 159,500.00 2,475,934.66 550,000.00 465,000.00 171,000.00 24,150.00 8. 56,950.00 73,650.00 Budget After Modification Appropriated 73,650.00 18,790.00 2,025,000.00 109,000.00 109,500.00 550,000.00 465,000.00 24,150.00 1,785,000.00 1,860,000.00 00. 56,950.00 171,000.00 Budget American Rescue Plan funding (Ch 159) Due Stafford Twp. - Paramount Homes

Maintenance of Water Towers

OCUA Charges

Other Expenses

Salaries and Wages

Capital Improvement Fund

Capital Outlay

Capital Improvements

814.17

Exhibit D-4

Unexpended

Cancelled Balance

\$ 1,066,098.04	910,000.00	(4,256.02)	7,568,160.64	101,083.00	\$ 9,641,085.66
Reserve for Encumbrances	Transfer to Water/Sewer Capital	Due from Current Fund	Disbursements	Accrued Interest on Bonds, Loans and Notes	

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement

Payment of Bond Principal

Debt Service:

Interest on Bonds Interest on Notes

1.92

4.81

6.73

416,165.27

9,641,085.66

69

10,057,257.66

7,581,323.00

69

Unemployment Compensation Insurance Public Employees' Retirement System

Social Security System

Statutory Expenditures:

Contribution to:

39,728.24 5,000.00

135,271.76

175,000.00 5,000.00

150,000.00

150,000.00 175,000.00 5,000.00

150,000.00

3,282.00

18,790.00 3,282.00

3,282.00

NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust Loan - Principal NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust Loan - Interest

U.S.D.A. Loan - Principal

U.S.D.A. Loan - Interest

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

PAYROLL FUND

Exhibit G

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
Assets Cash	\$ 139,264.72	24,047.96
	139,264.72	24,047.96
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Interfund Payable- Current Fund	\$ 25,554.57	19,721.29
Payroll Deductions Payable	113,710.15	4,326.67
	\$ 139,264.72	24,047.96

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

Exhibit H

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

REGULATORY BASIS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

Aggeta	:-	2024	h .	2023
Assets General Fixed Assets: Land & Land Improvements Building & Building Improvements Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	\$	2,308,257.36 20,187,351.64 13,726,557.09	\$	2,232,064.36 18,778,691.65 13,178,663.98
	\$	36,222,166.09	\$_	34,189,419.99
<u>Liabilities</u> Investment in General Fixed Assets	\$	36,222,166.09	\$_	34,189,419.99

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT COUNTY OF OCEAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

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NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The financial statements of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, New Jersey (the "Township"), include every board, body, office or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the Township as required by N.J.S. 40A:5-5. The financial statements of the Township do not include the operations of the Board of Education, first aid organization or volunteer fire companies which are subject to separate audits.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement 14, as amended by GASB Statements 39, 61, 80, 90 and 97, establishes criteria to be used in determining the component units, which should be included in the financial statements of a primary government. The financial statements of the Township are not presented in accordance with GAAP (as discussed below). Therefore, the Township had no component units as defined by GASB Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statements 39, 61, 80, 90 and 97.

B. <u>Descriptions of Funds</u>

The GASB is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental generally accepted accounting and financial reporting principles.

The accounting policies of the Township conform to the accounting principles applicable to municipalities which have been prescribed by the Division. Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the Township accounts for its financial transactions through the following separate funds which differ from the fund structure required by generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"):

<u>Current Fund</u> - revenues and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds.

Animal Control Trust Fund - animal control license revenues and expenditures.

Other Trust Fund - sundry deposits held for satisfactory completion of specific work; receipts and disbursements for dedicated purposes.

General Capital Fund - resources, including Federal and State Grants in aid of construction, and expenditures for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired through the Current Fund, including the status of bonds and notes authorized for said purposes.

<u>Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund</u> - revenues and expenditures necessary to operate a municipally-owned water supply and sewer collection systems from user fees.

<u>Water-Sewer Utility Capital Fund</u> - resources, including Federal and State Grants in aid of construction, and expenditures for the acquisition of water and sewer capital facilities, other than those acquired through the Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund, including the status of bonds and notes authorized for said purposes.

Payroll Fund - receipt and disbursement for payroll costs and payroll taxes.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. Descriptions of Funds (Continued)

General Fixed Assets Account Group - used to account for fixed assets used in general government operations.

C. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for municipalities by the Division differ in certain respects from GAAP applicable to local governmental units. The more significant differences are as follows:

A modified accrual basis of accounting is followed with minor exceptions.

<u>Property Taxes and Other Revenues</u> - property taxes and other revenues are recognized on a cash basis. Receivables for property taxes and other items that are susceptible to accrual are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the Township's Current Fund. GAAP requires such revenue to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

<u>Grant Revenues</u> - Federal and State grants, entitlement or shared revenues received for purposes normally financed through the Current Fund are recognized when anticipated in the Township's budget. Federal and State grant revenues received for purposes of capital projects financed by capital ordinances are recognized when received. GAAP requires such revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual.

Expenditures - unexpended or uncommitted appropriations, at December 31, are reported as expenditures through the establishment of appropriation reserves unless cancelled by the governing body. GAAP requires expenditures to be recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on general long-term debt, which should be recognized when due.

Encumbrances - contractual orders at December 31 are reported as expenditures through the establishment of a reserve for encumbrances. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures under GAAP.

<u>Appropriation Reserves</u> - are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as additions to income. Appropriation reserves do not exist under GAAP.

Deferred Charges - the regulatory basis of accounting utilized by the Township requires that certain expenditures be deferred, and raised as items of appropriation in budgets of succeeding years. These deferred charges include the two general categories, overexpenditures and emergency appropriations. Overexpenditures occur when expenditures recorded as "paid or charged" exceed available appropriation balances. Emergency appropriations occur when, subsequent to the adoption of a balanced budget, the governing body authorizes the establishment of additional appropriations based on unforeseen circumstances or for other special purposes as defined by statute. Overexpenditures and emergency appropriations are deducted from total expenditures in the calculation of operating results and are established as assets for Deferred Charges on the respective balance sheets. GAAP does not permit the deferral of overexpenditures to succeeding budgets. In addition, GAAP does not recognize expenditures based on the authorization of an appropriation. Instead, the authorization of special purpose expenditures, such as the preparation of tax maps or revaluation of assessable real property, would represent the designation of fund balance. The status of deferred charges at December 31, 2024 is set forth in Note 11.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

<u>Compensated Absences</u> - expenditures relating to obligations for unused vested accumulated vacation and sick pay are not recorded until paid. GAAP requires that the amount which would normally be liquidated with expendable available financial resources be recorded as an expenditure in the Current Fund and the remaining obligations be recorded as a long-term obligation. The expenditures in the Water Utility Operating Fund would be on a full accrual basis. The compensated absence liability at December 31, 2024 is set forth in Note 7.

<u>Property Acquired for Taxes</u> - is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and fully reserved. GAAP requires such property to be recorded at its market value.

<u>Sale of Municipal Assets</u> - Cash proceeds from the sale of Township owned property may be reserved until utilized as an item of anticipated revenue in a subsequent year budget. Year end balances of such proceeds are reported as a cash liability in the Current Fund. GAAP requires that revenue be recognized in the accounting period that the terms of sales contracts become legally enforceable.

<u>Interfunds</u> - advances in the Current Fund are reported as interfund receivables with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. GAAP does not require the establishment of an offsetting reserve.

<u>Inventories of Supplies</u> - The costs of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the

various balance sheets. GAAP requires that the cost of inventories be reflected on the balance sheet until utilized and expended.

<u>General Fixed Assets</u> - In accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code, which differs in certain respects from GAAP, the Township has developed a fixed assets accounting and reporting system.

The Township has established a fixed asset threshold of \$2,000. Fixed assets used in governmental operations (general fixed assets) are required to be accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized.

GAAP does not require utilization of a general fixed asset account group.

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available.

Depreciation is not recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group.

Expenditures for construction in progress are required to be recorded in the Capital Funds until such time as the construction is completed and put into operation.

Fixed assets acquired through grants in aid or contributed capital have not been accounted for separately.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

<u>Utility Fixed Assets</u> - Accounting for utility fund "fixed capital" remains unchanged.

Property and equipment purchased by the Water Utility Fund are recorded in the capital account at cost and are adjusted for disposition and abandonment. The amounts shown do not purport to represent reproduction costs or current value. Contributions in aid of construction are not capitalized. The balance in the Reserve for Amortization and Deferred Reserve for Amortization accounts in the utility capital fund represent charges to operations for the costs of acquisitions of property, equipment and improvements.

Property and equipment of the Water Utility Fund are not depreciated. Principal payments for Water Utility debt are recorded as expenditures in the Water Utility Statement of Operations.

D. Financial Statements

The GASB Codification requires the financial statements of a governmental unit to be presented in accordance with GAAP. The Township presents its financial statements in accordance with another comprehensive basis of accounting as promulgated by the Division which differs from the financial statements required by GAAP. In addition, the Division requires the financial statements to be referenced to the supplementary schedules. This practice differs from GAAP.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

An annual budget is required to be adopted and integrated into the accounting system to provide budgetary control over revenues and expenditures. Budget amounts presented in the accompanying financial statements represent amounts adopted by the Township and approved by the Division in accordance with applicable statutes.

F. Subsequent Events

The Township has evaluated subsequent events through May 27, 2025 the date the financial statements were made available to be issued.

G. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. GASB adopts accounting statements (Statements) to be used by governmental units when reporting financial position and results of operations in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The municipalities in the State of New Jersey do not prepare their financial statements in accordance with GAAP and thus do not comply with all of the GASB pronouncements.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

G. Recent Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

Accounting Pronouncements Adopted in Current Year

The following GASB Statements became effective for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024:

- Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023. Management has determined that the implementation of this Statement did not have a significant impact on the Township's financial statements.
- Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023. Implementation of this Statement resulted in additional footnote disclosures on the Township's financial statements. See Note 7 for further detail.

Accounting Pronouncements Effective in Future Reporting Periods

The following accounting pronouncements will become effective in future reporting periods:

- Statement No. 102, Certain Risk Disclosures. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024.
- Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025.
- Statement No. 104, *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets*. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025, and all reporting periods thereafter.

Management has not yet determined the potential impact these Statements will have on the Township's financial statements.

NOTE 2. <u>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</u>

A. Deposits

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in institutions located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), or by any other agencies of the United States that insure deposits or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

NOTE 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

A. Deposits (continued)

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

The market value of the collateral must equal five percent of the average daily balance of public funds; or

If the public funds deposited exceed 75 percent of the funds of the depository, the depository must provide collateral having a market value equal to 100 percent of the amount exceeding 75 percent.

All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board or a banking institution that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital funds of not less than \$25,000,000.00.

At year-end the carrying amount of the Township's deposits was \$46,525,154.89 and the bank balance amount was \$47,173,505.58. Of this amount \$500,453.63 was covered by federal depository insurance and a collateral pool under New Jersey's Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act covered \$41,312,277.88. An amount of \$5,360,774.07 was on deposit in the name of various developers for escrow and is insured by federal depository insurance or uninsured depending on the deposits of the individual developer in the depository.

B. <u>Investments</u>

Under the regulatory basis of accounting, investments are measured at cost in the Township's financial statements. However, had the financial statements been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), investments would be reported at fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which would be reported at contract value). Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) Plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the LOSAP Plan.

Investments at Fair Value – The fair value measurements of investments are required to be reported based on the hierarchy established by GAAP. Under GAAP, investments are required to be categorized based on the fair value of inputs of Levels 1, 2 and 3. Under Level 1 inputs, investments are required to be categorized based on quoted market prices in active markets for identical investments. Level 2 inputs are based primarily on using observable measurement criteria, including quoted market prices of similar investments in active and inactive markets and other observable corroborated factors. Level 3 inputs are assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable measurement criteria based on the best information available. As of December 31, 2024, the Township had no investments held at Level 2 or 3.

NOTE 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Investments (Continued)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value.

Mutual Funds: Valued at quoted market prices which represent the net asset value ("NAV") shares held by the Township at year-end.

The Township's fair value, hierarchy level and maturities of its investments at December 31, 2024 was as followed:

		Carrying	Fair Value as of December 31, 2024				
		<u>Value</u>		Level 1		Total	
Investment Type	Φ.	772 (11 20	•	772 511 20	•	772 511 20	
Mutual Funds		773,511.30	<u>\$</u>	773,511.30	\$	773,511.30	
	\$	773,511.30		773,511.30	\$	773,511.30	
<u>Fund</u>							
Trust Fund - LOSAP		773,511.30	\$_	773,511.30	\$	773,511.30	
	\$	773,511.30	\$	773,511.30	\$	773,511.30	

<u>Investments at Contract Value</u> - The Township held a fully benefit-responsive investment contract with the Lincoln Financial Group (Lincoln) totaling \$259,246.39 as of December 31, 2024. Lincoln maintains the contributions in the group fixed annuity contract (fixed account). The account is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The traditional investment contract held by the Township is a guaranteed investment contract. The contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the LOSAP Plan. The Township's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with the fully benefit-responsive investment contract is dependent on the contract issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The fixed account continues in-force until they are terminated by Lincoln or the LOSAP Plan and do not define a maturity date.

No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the LOSAP Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuer and also limit the ability of the LOSAP Plan to transact at contract value with participants. This contract meets the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore is reported at contract value. The total Trust Fund LOSAP value held by the Township at December 31, 2024 was as followed:

NOTE 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

B. <u>Investments (Continued)</u>

Trust Fund - LOSAP (Fair Value) \$ 773,511.30 Trust Fund - LOSAP (Contract Value) 259,246.39

Total Trust Fund - LOSAP \$ 1,032,757.69

<u>Interest rate risk</u> - This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. Other than the rules and regulations promulgated by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1, the Township 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.

<u>Credit risk</u> - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer to an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized rating organization. U.S. Government securities or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government are not considered to have credit risk exposure.

Concentration of Credit Risk – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. Other than the rules and regulations promulgated by N.J.S.A. 40A; 5-15.1, the Township's investment policies place no limit in the amount the Township may invest in any one issuer. More than 74% of the Township's investments are in mutual funds and these investments represent 74.9% of the Township's total investments.

C. Cash Management Plan

In accordance with N.J.S. 40A:5-14, every municipality shall adopt a cash management plan and shall deposit and invest its funds pursuant to that plan. The plan shall be approved annually by majority vote of the governing body and may be modified from time to time in order to reflect changes in federal or state law or regulations. The chief financial officer shall be charged with administering the plan.

When an investment in bonds maturing in more than one year is authorized, the maturity of those bonds shall approximate the prospective use of the funds invested.

The plan also requires a monthly report to the governing body summarizing all investments made or redeemed since the previous report and shall include, at a minimum, the specific detailed information as set forth in the statute.

NOTE 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

D. Credit Risk Categories

All bank deposits and investments as of the balance sheet date are classified as to credit risk by the following categories described below:

Depository Account

Insured:	
FDIC	\$ 500,453.63
GUDPA	41,312,277.88
Uninsured	 5,360,774.07
	\$ 47,173,505.58

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 returned to it. The Township does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk.

During the year, the Township had none of its idle funds invested in repurchase agreements collateralized by eligible securities. At the close of the year, no such investments were held by the Township.

NOTE 3. DISAGGREGATED RECEIVABLE AND PAYABLE BALANCES

There are no significant components of receivable and payable balances reported in the financial statements.

NOTE 4. <u>INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS</u>

The following interfund balances remained on the balance sheets at December 31, 2024:

Fund		Interfund Receivable		Interfund <u>Payable</u>
Grant Fund	\$	337,251.26	\$	-
Current Fund		41,614.34		341,507.28
General Capital		-		7,010.57
Trust Fund		-		9,049.20
Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund		14,055.14		_
Water-Sewer Utility Capital Fund		-		9,799.12
Payroll Fund	-		(25,554.57
	\$ _	392,920.74	\$ =	392,920.74

NOTE 4. <u>INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)</u>

Interfund balances remaining at year-end were primarily caused by the Grant Fund not having a separate bank account and temporary short-term advances between funds.

The summary of interfunds transfers were as follows:

Fund	Transfer <u>In</u>		Transfer <u>Out</u>
Grant Fund	\$ 900,973.09	\$	3,178,691.67
Current Fund	302,147.80		506,681.34
General Capital	73,415.94		76,233.15
Trust Fund	229,216.04		225,914.65
Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund	2,556,148.32		83,415.85
Water-Sewer Utility Capital Fund	83,415.85		80,213.66
Payroll Fund	5,833.28	-	
	\$ 4,151,150.32	\$ _	4,151,150.32

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them (i.e. interest earning), (2) provide cash flow to other funds to temporary finance expenditures that are on a reimbursable basis (i.e. grants), (3) when no bank account exists for a fund, and (4) utilizing surplus or fund balance from one fund as budgeted revenue in another.

NOTE 5. FIXED ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in the General Fixed Assets Account Group for the year ended December 31, 2024.

	Balance December 31, 2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance December 31, 2024
General Fixed Asset Account Group				
Land	\$ 2,232,064.36	\$ 76,193.00	\$ -	\$ 2,308,257.36
Building	18,778,691.65	1,841,259.99	(432,600.00)	20,187,351.64
Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment	13,178,663.98	1,017,030.26	(469,137.15)	13,726,557.09
Water-Sewer Utility Fund				
Fixed Capital	20,751,898.44	-	-	20,751,898.44
Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted	 1,255,409.84	7,125,000.00	-	8,380,409.84
	\$ 56,196,728.27	\$ 10,059,483.25	\$ (901,737.15)	\$ 65,354,474.37

NOTE 6. DEBT

The Local Bond Law governs the issuance of bonds and notes to finance general municipal capital expenditures. Bonds are retired in serial installments within the statutory period of usefulness. Bonds issued by the Township are general obligation bonds, backed by the full faith and credit of the Township. Bond anticipation notes are issued to temporarily finance capital projects, prior to the issuance of serial bonds. The term of the notes cannot exceed one year but the notes may be renewed from time to time for a period not exceeding one year. All such notes must be paid no later than the tenth anniversary of the date of the original note. The State of New Jersey also prescribes that on or before the third anniversary date of the original note a payment of at least equal to the first legally payable installment of the bonds in anticipation of which such notes were issued be paid. A second legal installment must be paid if the notes are to be renewed beyond the fourth anniversary date of the original issuance and so on. Tax anticipation notes are issued if the cash on hand is not sufficient to carry on normal operations of the municipality at any time during the year. Such notes are authorized by a resolution adopted by the governing body.

On August 16, 2016, the Township issued \$9,907,000 in tax exempt general improvement serial bonds with proceeds utilized to fund various capital improvement projects.

On May 15, 2024, the Township issued \$12,605,000 in tax exempt general improvement serial bonds with proceeds paying off existing notes of \$10,600,000 and additional funding for the Construction of a New Town Hall.

A. Long-Term Debt

The Township's long-term debt as of December 31, 2024 is summarized as follows:

General Capital Fund

1.00% to 3.00% General Improvement (Tax-Exempt) Bonds issued for \$9,907,000 on Aug. 16, 2016, installment maturities on Aug. 1, 2018 to Aug. 1, 2027

\$ 3,297,000.00

4.00% to 5.00% General Improvement (Tax-Exempt) Bonds issued for \$12,605,000 on May. 22, 2024, installment maturities on May 15, 2025 to May 15, 2044

12,605,000.00

\$ 15,902,000.00

The bonds mature serially in installments to the year 2044. Debt service requirements during the next twenty fiscal years are as follows:

<u>Year</u>		Principal		<u>Interest</u>
2025	\$	1,440,000.00	\$	859,975.00
2026	Ψ	1,440,000.00	¥	560,490.00
2027		1,482,000.00		520,365.00
2028		680,000.00		471,800.00
2029		680,000.00		437,800.00
2030-2034		3,400,000.00		1,709,600.00
2035-2039		3,400,000.00		1,016,000.00
2040-2044	_	3,380,000.00		337,600.00
	\$	15,902,000.00	\$	5,913,630.00

NOTE 6. <u>DEBT (CONTINUED)</u>

A. <u>Long-Term Debt (Continued)</u>

Water-Sewer Utility Capital Fund

1.00% to 3.00% General Improvement (Tax-Exempt) Bonds issued for \$1,856,000 on Aug. 16, 2016, installment maturities on Aug. 1, 2018 to Aug. 1, 2027

\$ 966,000.00

The bonds mature serially to the year 2031. Aggregate debt service requirements during the life of the bonds are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	Principal		<u>Interest</u>
2025	\$ 135,000.00	\$	20,355.00
2026	135,000.00		17,655.00
2027	140,000.00		14,955.00
2028	140,000.00		12,155.00
2029	140,000.00		9,355.00
2030 - 2031	 276,000.00		9,610.00
	\$ 966,000.00	\$_	84,085.00

NOTE 6. DEBT (CONTINUED)

A. <u>Long-Term Debt (Continued)</u>

Loans

New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust

The Township, during 2018, entered into a loan agreement with the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, pursuant to the 2018 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program. The Trust Loan Agreement of \$202,045.00 is to be repaid over a twenty year period at interest rates ranging from 3.00% to 5.00% for the \$100,000.00 Trust Loan portion, and 0% for the \$102,045.00 Fund Loan portion. The proceeds of the loans were to fund the acquisition of a Jet Vac Truck. As of December 31, 2024, the balances were \$65,000.00 and \$62,264.81 respectively.

The Township, during 2015, entered into a loan agreement with the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, pursuant to the 2015 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program. The Trust Loan Agreement of \$204,662.00 is to be repaid over a nineteen year period at interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 3.0% for the \$52,862.00 Trust Loan portion, and 0% for the \$151,800.00 Fund Loan portion. The proceeds of the loans were to fund the acquisition of an emergency generator for well water #4. During 2016, principal forgiveness resulted in reductions of the 2015 Trust Loan of \$2,514.00 and the Fund Loan by \$44,086.00. As of December 31, 2024, the balances were \$28,133.00 and \$54,024.77 respectively.

U.S.D.A. Loan

The Township, in 2004, closed on a \$2,500,000.00 Rural Development Loan with the United States Department of Agriculture. The loan is to be repaid over forty years at an annual interest rate of 4.25%. The proceeds of the loan were utilized to refund existing outstanding bond anticipation notes for the Windward Sewer Project. As of December 31, 2024, the balance was \$1,688,669.58.

Schedule of annual debt service for principal and interest for the New Jersey Environmental Trust Loans, the Pinelands Infrastructure Trust Loan and the U.S.D.A. Loan over the next five years and five year increments thereafter are as follows:

NOTE 6. DEBT (CONTINUED)

A. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

Year		Principal	<u>Interest</u>
2025	\$	78,238.28	\$ 74,126.11
2026		80,853.35	71,261.28
2027		83,586.99	68,377.66
2028		86,443.91	65,370.48
2029		89,426.01	62,238.82
2030-2034		488,425.25	259,499.17
2035-2039		518,154.93	160,810.18
2040-2043	o -	472,963.44	46,162.19
	\$ _	1,898,092.16	\$ 807,845.89

B. Short-Term Debt

The Township had no bond anticipation notes outstanding in the General Capital Fund at December 31, 2024.

C. Bonds and Notes Authorized but not Issued

At December 31, 2024, the Township had authorized but not issued bonds and notes as follows:

General Capital Fund \$250,000.00

D. Borrowing Power

New Jersey statutes limit the debt of a municipality to 3.5% of the average of the last three preceding years equalized valuations of the taxable real estate and improvements. The Township's statutory net debt at December 31, 2024 was .402%. The Township's remaining borrowing power is \$124,402,421.

The summary of municipal debt for the last three years and the calculation of statutory net debt is presented in the Supplementary Data section of this report.

During 2024, the following changes occurred in the outstanding debt of the Township:

	December 31, 2023	Accrued/ Increases	Retired/ Decreases	December 31, 2024	Due Within One Year
General Capital Fund:					
Serial Bonds	\$ 4,537,000.00	\$ 12,605,000.00	\$ (1,240,000.00)	\$ 15,902,000.00	\$ 1,440,000.00
Bond Anticipation Notes	10,600,000.00	•	(10,600,000.00)	-	•
Water-Sewer Utility Fund Debt:					
Serial Bonds	1,137,000.00	-	(171,000.00)	966,000.00	135,000.00
Loan Payable	1,973,825.43	-	(75,733.27)	1,898,092.16	80,853.35
Other:					
Compensated Absences	2,485,644.68	427,266.98		2,912,911.66	
Total	\$ 20,733,470.11	\$ 13,032,266.98	\$ (12,086,733.27)	\$ 21,679,003.82	\$ 1,655,853.35

NOTE 7. ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION BENEFITS

GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences, requires that liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not yet paid in cash or settled through noncash means. The liability should be recognized for leave that has not been used if (a) the leave is attributable to services already rendered, (b) the leave accumulates, and (c) the leave is more likely than not to be used for time off or otherwise paid in cash or settled through noncash means.

As discussed in Note 1 and in accordance with accounting principles prescribed by the State of New Jersey, the cash basis of accounting is followed for recording the Township's liability related to unused vacation, sick pay and compensation time. The Township permits certain employees, within limits, to accumulate unused vacation, sick pay and compensation time, which may be taken as time off or paid at a later date at an agreed upon rate. In accordance with New Jersey accounting principles, this unused accumulated absence amount is not reported as a liability in the accompanying financial statements.

Under current policies and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.2, unused sick leave is paid at an agreed upon rate upon separation of employment. Excess unused sick leave above the statutory cap is not paid out upon separation and lapses unless used. However, a liability is recognized under GASB 101 to the extent such leave is expected to be used as time off. It is estimated that accrued benefits for compensated absences, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 101, are valued at \$2,912,911.66 at December 31, 2024.

This estimate includes leave that is expected to be paid upon separation from service, and sick leave and compensation time to the extent that such leave is more likely than not to be used by employees as paid time off, based on historical usage patterns.

The Township adopted GASB Statement No. 101 during the year ended December 31, 2024. As a result, the compensated absences liability disclosed above reflects the revised recognition criteria under this standard.

NOTE 8. FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED

The fund balances at December 31 which have been appropriated and included as anticipated revenue in the municipal budget for the year ending December 31 of the succeeding years are as follows:

	<u> 2025</u>	<u> 2024</u>
Current Fund	\$3,980,000.00	\$3,875,000.00
Water-Sewer Utility Fund	647,626.00	581,323.00

NOTE 9. TAXES COLLECTED IN ADVANCE

Taxes collected in advance set forth as cash liabilities in the financial statements, are as follows:

	2024
Prepaid Taxes	\$686,382

NOTE 10. ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES

New Jersey statutes require that taxable valuation of real property be prepared by the Township Tax Assessor as of October 1 in each year and filed with the County Board of Taxation (the "Board") by January 10 of the following year. Upon the filing of certified adopted budgets by the Township, Local School District and County, the tax rate is struck by the Board based on the certified amounts in each of the taxing districts for collection to fund the budgets. Pursuant to statute, this process is to be completed on or before May 3, with a completed duplicate of the tax rolls to be delivered to the Township Tax Collector (the "Collector") on or before May 13th.

Tax bills are prepared then mailed by the Collector of the Township annually and set forth the final tax for the tax year. The bill contains a credit for preliminary amounts billed previously with the balance payable in equal installments on August 1st and November 1st of the tax year. In addition, the property owner receives a preliminary bill for the succeeding year based on one half of the prior year's tax. The preliminary payments are due and payable on February 1st and May 1st. The N.J. Statutes allow a grace period of 10 days for each payment period and the Township granted this option to taxpayers. Taxes become delinquent if not paid on the installment dates and become subject to interest penalties of 8% or 18% of the amount delinquent. If taxes are delinquent on or after April 1st of the succeeding year, the delinquent amount is subject to "Tax Sale" which places a tax lien on the property allowing the holder to enforce the tax lien by collection or foreclosure. New Jersey property tax laws establish a tax lien on real estate as of January 1st of the current tax year even though the amount due is not known.

NOTE 11. DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION FUNDED AND UNFUNDED

Upon the authorization of capital projects, the Township establishes deferred charges for the cost of the capital projects to be raised by future taxation. Funded deferred charges relate to permanent debt issued, whereas unfunded deferred charges relate to temporary or non-funding of the authorized cost of capital projects. According to the New Jersey Statutes Annotated 40A:2-4, the Township may levy taxes on all taxable property within the local unit to repay the debt. Annually, the Township raises the debt requirements for the particular year in the current budget. As funds are raised, the deferred charges are reduced.

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

As of the date of this report, the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits has not provided updated actuarial valuations for pension obligations for the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) for year ended June 30, 2024. The New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits will post these reports on their website as they are made available. The footnote below includes the most current information made publicly available, which had a reporting date of June 30, 2023.

Plan Description - The State of New Jersey, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about PERS, please refer to Division's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at http://www.state.ni.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml.

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service.

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued):

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Definition</u>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 with 25 or more years of service credit before age 62 and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Basis of Presentation - The schedules of employer and nonemployer allocations and the schedules of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of PERS or its participating employers. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of PERS or the participating employers. The accompanying Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of PERS to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Contributions - The contribution policy for PERS is set by *N.J.S.A.* 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For the fiscal year 2023, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarial determined amount. The local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Township's contractually required contribution to PERS plan was \$787,087.

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued):

Components of Net Pension Liability - At December 31, 2023, the Township's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$8,529,914. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined using update procedures to roll forward the total pension liability from an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The Township's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Township's actual contributions to the plan relative to the total of all participating employers' contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023. The Township's proportion measured as of June 30, 2023, was 0.0588904562% which was a decrease of 0.0006197279% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

Balances at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022

		12/31/2023		12/30/2022	
Actuarial valuation date (including roll forward)		June 30, 2023		June 30, 2022	
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	533,743	\$	1,129,967	
Deferred Inflows of Resources		706,436		1,564,786	
Net Pension Liability		8,529,914		8,980,906	
Township's portion of the Plan's total Net Pension Liability		0.05889%		0.05951%	

Pension Expense/(Credit) and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - At December 31, 2023, the Township's proportionate share of the PERS expense/(credit), calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2023 measurement date is \$76,723. This expense/(credit) is not recognized by the Township because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in Note 1, but as previously mentioned the Township contributed \$787,087 to the plan in 2023.

At December 31, 2023, the Township reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

		red Outflows Resources	 ferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	81,557	\$ 34,868	
Changes of Assumptions		18,738	516,949	
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		39,281	-	
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Township Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	71.	394,167	154,619	
	\$	533,743	\$ 706,436	

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued):

The following is a summary of the deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS that will be recognized in future periods:

Year Ending <u>June 30,</u>	-	Amount
2024	\$	(402,438)
2025		(203,457)
2026		399,178
2027		(14,953)
2028		48,977
	\$	(172,693)

Special Funding Situation – Under N.J.S.A. 43:15A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the State, are Chapter 366, P.L. 2001 and Chapter 133, P.L. 2001.

The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employers as well as revenue in an amount equal to the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

Additionally, the State has no proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability attributable to the Township as of December 31, 2023. At December 31, 2023, the State's proportionate share of the PERS expense, associated with the Township, calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2023 measurement date was \$26,602.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension asset/(liability) as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued):

Inflation:

Price 2.75% Wage 3.25%

Salary Increases:

2.75 - 6.55%

Based on Years of Service

Investment Rate of Return

7.00%

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee Mortality Table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2023) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

A. Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) (continued):

Asset Class	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	12.75%	9.22%
International Small Cap Equity	1.25%	9.22%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	11.13%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.50%
Real Estate	8.00%	8.58%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.40%
High Yield	4.50%	6.97%
Private Credit	8.00%	9.20%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.19%
Cash Equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	6.21%
	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Township's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the Township's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the Township's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease (6.00%)	 count Rate (7.00%)	Increase (8.00%)
Township's Proportionate Share			
of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 11,197,750	\$ 8,529,914	\$ 6,392,355

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

As of the date of this report, the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits has not provided updated actuarial valuations for pension obligations for the year ended June 30, 2024. The New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits will post these reports on their website as they are made available. The footnote below includes the most current information made publicly available, which had a reporting date of June 30, 2023.

Plan Description – The State of New Jersey, Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about PFRS, please refer to the Division's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which can be found at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annual-reports.shtml.

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A. PFRS provides retirement as well as death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except disability benefits which vest after four years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PFRS:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Definition</u>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to May 22, 2010.
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011

3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits are available at age 55 and are generally determined to be 2% of final compensation for each year of creditable service, as defined, up to 30 years plus 1% for each year of service in excess of 30 years. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service, in which benefits would equal 65% (tiers 1 and 2 members) and 60% (tier 3 members) of final compensation plus 1% for each year if creditable service over 25 years but not to exceed 30 years. Members may elect deferred retirement benefits after achieving ten years of service, in which case benefits would begin at age 55 equal to 2% of final compensation for each year of service.

Basis of Presentation - The schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations and the schedule of pension amounts by employer and nonemployer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of PFRS, its participating employers or the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of PFRS, the participating employers, or the State. The accompanying Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of PFRS to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (continued):

Contributions - The contribution policy for PFRS is set by *N.J.S.A.* 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's contribution amount is based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. For fiscal year 2023, the State contributed an amount less than the actuarially determined amount. The Local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PFRS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Township's contractually required contributions to PFRS plan was \$2,561,981.

Net Pension Liability and Pension Expense - At December 31, 2023 the Township's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability was \$21,264,084. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined using update procedures to roll forward the total pension liability from an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, to the measurement date of June 30, 2023. The Township's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Township's actual contributions to the plan relative to the total of all participating employers' contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023. The Township's proportion measured as of June 30, 2023 was 0.19245635%, which was an increase of 0.012912% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

Balances at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022

		12/31/2023	12/31/2022	
Actuarial valuation date (including roll forward)		June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$	4,523,549 \$	4,702,909	
Deferred Inflows of Resources		3,008,314	4,580,561	
Net Pension Liability		21,264,084	20,551,286	
Township's portion of the Plan's total net pension Liability		0.19246%	0.17954%	

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (continued):

Pension Expense/(Credit) and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources – At December 31, 2023, the Township's proportionate share of the PFRS expense/(credit), calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2023 measurement date was \$1,882,185. This expense/(credit) is not recognized by the Township because of the regulatory basis of accounting as described in Note 1, but as previously mentioned the Township contributed \$2,561,981 to the plan in 2023.

At December 31, 2023, the Township had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS from the following sources:

Si Carallana	rred Outflows Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 910,486	\$ 1,014,108		
Changes of Assumptions	45,895	1,435,835		
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	1,082,940	-		
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Township Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	2,484,228	558,371		
a	\$ 4,523,549	\$ 3,008,314		

The following is a summary of the deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS that will be recognized in future periods:

Year Ending	
December 31,	Amount
2024	\$ (442,353)
2025	(408,985)
2026	1,662,887
2027	275,277
2028	424,395
Thereafter	4,014
	\$ 1,515,235

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (continued):

Special Funding Situation - Under N.J.S.A. 43:16A-15, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. The legislation which legally obligates the state is as follows: Chapter 8, P.L. 2000, Chapter 318, P.L. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L, 1991, Chapter 109, P.L. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed on behalf of the local participating employers under this legislation is considered to be a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to the legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer. In addition, each local participating employer must recognize pension expense associated with the employers as well as revenue in an amount equal to the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective pension expense associated with the local participating employer.

Additionally, the State's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability attributable to the Township is \$3,918,155 as of December 31, 2023. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined using update procedures to roll forward the total pension liability from an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, to the measurement date of June 30, 2023. The State's proportion of the net pension liability associated with the Township was based on a projection of the Township's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. The State's proportion measured as of June 30, 2023 was 0.19245636%, which was an increase of 0.012912% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022, which is the same proportion as the Township's. At December 31, 2023, the Township's and the State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability were as follows:

Township's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$ 21,264,084
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension	
Liability Associated with the Township	3,918,155
	\$ 25,182,239

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (continued):

At December 31, 2023, the State's proportionate share of the PFRS expense, associated with the Township, calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2023 measurement date was \$445,682.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension asset/(liability) as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation

Price 2.75% Wage 3.25%

Salary Increases:

Through All future years 3.25 - 16.25%

Based on Years of Service

Investment Rate of Return 7.00%

Employee mortality rates were based on the PubS-2010 amount-weighted mortality table with a 105.6% adjustment for males and 102.5% adjustment for females. For healthy annuitants, mortality rates were based on the PubS-2010 amount-weighted mortality table with a 96.7% adjustment for males and 96.0% adjustment for females. Disability rates were based on the PubS-2010 amount-weighted mortality table with a 152.0% adjustment for males and 109.3% adjustment for females. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2023) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PFRS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (continued):

Asset Class	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	28.00%	8.98%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	12.75%	9.22%
International Small Cap Equity	1.25%	9.22%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	11.13%
Private Equity	13.00%	12.50%
Real Estate	8.00%	8.58%
Real Assets	3.00%	8.40%
High Yield	4.50%	6.97%
Private Credit	8.00%	9.20%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	5.19%
Cash Equivalents	2.00%	3.31%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	3.31%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	6.21%
	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2023. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity will be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for local employers. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Township's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the Township's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the Township's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate:

NOTE 12. PENSION OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

B. Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (continued):

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Di	Current scount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Township's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 29,627,778	\$	21,264,084	\$ 14,299,125
State of New Jersey's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability associated with the Township	5,459,264		3,918,155	 2,634,780
	\$ 35,087,042	\$	25,182,239	\$ 16,933,905

Related Party Investments - The Division of Pensions and Benefits does not invest in securities issued by the Township.

NOTE 13. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Township is a member of the Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, and the Municipal Excess Liability Fund, public entity risk pools currently operating as a common risk management and insurance programs for municipalities within the state. The Township pays an actuarially determined annual assessment to Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for its insurance coverage and that of the Municipal Excess Liability Fund. Supplemental assessments may be levied to supplement the funds. The Township has not been notified on any supplemental assessments.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

State and Federal Financial Assistance

The Township receives financial assistance from the State of New Jersey and the U.S. government in the form of grants. Entitlement to the funds is generally conditional upon compliance with terms and conditions of the financial assistance agreements and applicable regulations, including the expenditure of the funds for eligible purposes. Substantially all grants, entitlements and cost reimbursements are subject to financial and compliance audits by grantors. As a result of these audits, costs previously reimbursed could be disallowed and require repayment to the grantor agency. As of December 31, 2024, the Township estimates that no material liabilities will result from such audits.

NOTE 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

Major Tax Assessments

Taxpayers in 2024 with assessments in excess of 1% of the total assessed valuation were as follows:

	Assessed	% of
Owner	Value	<u>Value</u>
Atlantic Heights LLC	\$ 30,892,800.00	1.30%

Pending Litigation

There are actions which have been instituted against the Township which are either in the discovery stage or whose final outcome cannot be determined at the present time. In the opinion of the administration, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to these actions will not materially affect the financial position of the Township.

It is the opinion of the Township officials that there is no litigation threatened or pending that would materially affect the financial position of the Township or adversely affect the Township's ability to levy, collect and enforce the collection of taxes or other revenue for the payment of its bonds or other obligations.

The Township officials believe that negligence and other types of liability suits, of which the Township is aware, appear to be within the stated policy limits and would be deferred by the respective carriers.

NOTE 15. LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM ("LOSAP")

The Township's length of service awards program ("LOSAP") is reported in the Township's trust fund Statement of Assets, Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance - Regulatory Basis. The LOSAP provides tax deferred income benefits to active volunteer firefighters and emergency medical personnel.

The tax deferred income benefits for the active volunteer firefighters and emergency medical personnel serving the residents the of the Township come from contributions made solely by the governing body of the Township, on behalf of those volunteers who meet the criteria of a plan created by that governing body. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

Contributions - If an active member meets the year of active service requirement, a length of service awards program must provide a benefit between the minimum contribution of \$100.00 and a maximum contribution of \$2,033.00 per year. While the maximum amount is established by statute, it is subject to periodic increases that are related to the consumer price index (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-185(f)). The Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey will issue the permitted maximum annually. The Township elected to contribute \$2,033.00 for the year ended December 31, 2024 per eligible volunteer, into the Plan, depending on how many years the volunteer has served. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Township contributed a total of \$69,122.00 to the plan. Participants direct the investment of the contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Township has no authorization to direct investment contributions on behalf of eligible volunteers nor has the ability to purchase or sell investment options offered by the Plan. The types of investment options, and the administering of such investments, rests solely with the plan administrator.

NOTE 15. LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM ("LOSAP") (CONTINUED)

Participant Accounts - Each participant's account is credited with the Township's contribution and Plan earnings, and charged with administrative expenses. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. The Township has placed the amounts deferred, including earnings, in a trust maintained by a third-party administrator for the exclusive benefit of the plan participants and their beneficiaries. Such funds, although subject to the claims of the Township's creditors until distributed as benefit payments, are not available for funding the operations of the Township. The funds may also be used to pay the administrative fees charged by the Plan Administrator. Lincoln Financial Group ("Plan Administrator"), an approved Length of Service Awards Program provider, is the administrator of the Plan. The Township's practical involvement in administering the Plan is essentially limited to verifying the eligibility of each participant and remitting the funds to the Plan Administrator.

Vesting - Benefits, plus actual earnings thereon, are one hundred percent (100%) vested after five (5) years of qualifying service.

Payment of Benefits - Upon retirement or disability, participants may select various payout options, which include lump sum, periodic, or annuity payments. In the case of death, with certain exceptions, any amount invested under the participant's account is paid to the beneficiary or the participant's estate. In the event of an unforeseeable emergency, as outlined in the Plan document, a participant or a beneficiary entitled to vested accumulated deferrals may request the local plan administrator to payout a portion of vested accumulated deferrals. During the year ended December 31, 2024 payouts of \$76,018.07 were made to vested participants.

Forfeited Accounts – During the year ended December 31, 2024, no accounts were forfeited.

Plan Information - Additional information about the Township's length of service awards program can be obtained by contacting the Plan Administrator.

NOTE 16. TAX ABATEMENTS

The Township of Barnegat is authorized by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Financing Act Law of 1983, N.J.S.A. 55:14K-1 et seq. (hereinafter "HMFA Law"), and resolutions of the Committee as dated in the table shown below, to enter into property tax abatement agreements for the purpose of attracting affordable housing. The exemption of the projects from real property taxation subject to this law shall not extend beyond the date on which the Agency Mortgage is paid in full, which according to the HMFA Law, may not exceed fifty (50) years. All the units in the project qualify as low or moderate income units under the Fair Housing Act, NJSA, 52:270-301 et seq. the regulations of the council on Affordable Housing, NJAC5:94: et seq. and NJAC 5:95 et seq. and the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls, NJAC 5:94 et seq. Tax abatements may be granted to any affordable housing, as deemed appropriate by the Township.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 16. TAX ABATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Township abated property taxes totaling \$547,479.24 under this program.

Date	Receipient	Purpose		Amount Abated
3/16/2009	Whispering Hills	Affordable Housing	\$	113,870.25
5/23/2011	Laurel Oaks I	Affordable Housing		147,316.85
3/5/2012	Laurel Oaks II	Affordable Housing		50,439.31
3/3/2008	Patriot Cove	Affordable Housing		97,228.82
12/15/2014	Barnegat Senior Apts	Affordable Housing	-	138,624.01
	-		\$	547,479.24

NOTE 17. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

As of the date of this report, the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits has not provided updated actuarial valuations for other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans for the year ended June 30, 2024. The New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits will post these reports on their website as they are made available. The footnote below includes the most current information made publicly available, which had a reporting date of June 30, 2023.

General Information about the OPEB Plan

The State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the State), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the Division) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), which can be found at https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml.

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug to retirees and their covered dependents of the participating employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 17. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (CONTINUED):

In accordance with Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, which is codified in N.J.S.A 52:14-17.32i, the State provides medical and prescription coverage to local police officers and firefighters, who retire with 25 years of service or on a disability from an employer who does not provide postretirement medical coverage. Local employers were required to file a resolution with the Division in order for their employees to qualify for State-paid retiree health benefits coverage under Chapter 330. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L, 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

Basis of Presentation

The schedule of employer and nonemployer allocations and the schedule of OPEB amounts by employer and nonemployer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of its participating employers or the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of the participating employers or the State. The accompanying Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of the Plan to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Allocation Methodology

GASB Statement No. 75 requires participating employers in the Plan to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective OPEB (benefit) expense. The special funding situation's and nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB (benefit) expense are based on separately calculated total OPEB liabilities. For the special funding situation and the nonspecial funding situation, the total OPEB liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2023 were \$3,461,898,890 and \$11,427,677,896, respectively. The nonspecial funding situation's net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and OPEB (benefit) expense are further allocated to employers based on the ratio of the plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan's nonspecial funding situation during the measurement period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Employer and nonemployer allocation percentages have been rounded for presentation purposes; therefore, amounts presented in the schedule of OPEB amounts by employer and nonemployer may result in immaterial differences.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

NOTE 17. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (CONTINUED):

Special Funding Situation

Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge. The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan, there is no net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is associated with the local participating employer.

The participating employer allocations included in the supplemental schedule of employer special funding allocations and the supplemental schedule of special funding amounts by employer for each employer are provided as each employer is required to record in their financial statements, as an expense and corresponding revenue, their proportionate share of the OPEB expense allocated to the State of New Jersey under the special funding situation and include their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability in their respective notes to their financial statements. For this purpose, the proportionate share was developed based on eligible plan members subject to the special funding situation. This data takes into account active members from both participating and non-participating employer locations and retired members currently receiving OPEB benefits.

Additionally, the State's proportionate share of the OPEB liability attributable to the Township is \$12,405,366 as of December 31, 2023. The OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total OPEB liability used to calculate the OPEB liability was determined using update procedures to roll forward the total OPEB liability from an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, to the measurement date of June 30, 2023. The State's proportion of the OPEB liability associated with the Township was based on a projection of the Township's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. The State's proportion measured as of June 30, 2023 was 0.355547%, which was an increase of 0.246058% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022, which is the same proportion as the Township's. At December 31, 2023, the Township's and the State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the OPEB liability were as follows:

State of New Jersey's
Proportionate Share of OPEB Liability
Associated with the Township \$ 12,405,366

At December 31, 2023, the State's proportionate share of the OPEB (credit)/expense, associated with the Township, calculated by the plan as of the June 30, 2023 measurement date was (\$2,249,335).

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TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT

COUNTY OF OCEAN

PART II

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

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COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF TAX RATE INFORMATION

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Tax Rate	\$ 2.977	\$ 2.911	\$ 2.817
Apportionment of Tax Rate			
Municipal	0.972	0.961	0.951
County	0.517	0.483	0.440
Local School District	1.478	1.457	1.416
Municipal Open Space	0.010	0.010	0.010
Assessed Valuation			
2024	\$ 2,707,085,900		
2023		\$ 2,659,511,900	
2022			\$ 2,587,370,000

COMPARISON OF TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTION CURRENTLY

A study of this tabulation could indicate a possible trend in future tax levies. A decrease in the percentage of current collection could be an indication of a probable increase in future levies.

		Currently				
		Cash	Percentage			
<u>Year</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>	Collections	of Collection			
2024	\$ 81,122,128	\$ 80,263,190	98.94%			
2023	78,549,911	77,694,866	98.91%			
2022	74,271,692	73,670,671	99.19%			

DELINQUENT TAXES AND TAX TITLE LIENS

This tabulation includes a comparison, expressed in percentage, of the total of delinquent taxes and tax title liens in relation to the tax levies of the last three years.

		Amount	A	mount of			
Year Ended		of Tax	D	elinquent		Total	Percentage
December 31	1	Title Liens		<u>Taxes</u>	$\underline{\Gamma}$	<u> Pelinquent</u>	of Tax Levy
2024	\$	1,336,585	\$	699,276	\$	2,035,862	2.51%
2023		1,439,838		657,839		2,097,677	2.67%
2022		1,370,475		615,988		1,986,463	2.67%

PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY TAX TITLE LIEN LIQUIDATION

The value of property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens on December 31, on the basis of the last assessed valuation of such properties in the year of acquisition, is summarized as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
2024	\$ 2,427,340	
2023	2,427,340	
2022	2,427,340	

COMPARISON OF WATER-SEWER UTILITY RENTS

					Cash
Year	Rents	De	linquents	<u>C</u>	Collections
2024	\$ 7,632,076	\$	353,236	\$	7,578,688
2023	6,894,755		299,849		6,965,983
2022	6,956,220		371,077		7,037,301

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FUND BALANCES

			Utilized in
Year	Balance	!	Budget of
Current Fund	December	31 <u>St</u>	acceeding Year
2024	\$ 16,940,0	036 \$	3,980,000
2023	17,286,8	387	3,875,000
2022	17,089,1	196	2,995,000
2021	14,803,9	919	1,500,000
2020	10,675,8	374	1,275,000
Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund			
2024	\$ 4,950,1	118 \$	647,626
2023	4,281,1	102	581,323
2022	3,911,5	506	561,131
2021	3,064,3	314	553,556
2020	2,116,6	511	429,846

SUMMARY OF MUNICIPAL DEBT

	Year 2024	Year 2023	<u>Year 2022</u>
Issued			
General			
Bonds, Notes and Loans	\$ 15,902,000	\$ 15,137,000	\$ 16,767,000
Water Sewer Utility			
Bonds, Notes and Loans	2,864,092	3,110,825	3,374,777
Net Debt Issued	18,766,092	18,247,825	20,141,777
Authorized but not Issued			
General			
Bonds, Notes and Loans	250,000	2,800,000	3,100,000
Water Sewer Utility			
Bonds, Notes and Loans	3,500,000		62,000
Total Authorized but not Issued	3,750,000	2,800,000	3,162,000
Deductions			
Water Sewer Utility Self Liquidating	6,364,092	3,110,825	3,436,777
Net Bonds and Notes Issued and			
Authorized but not Issued	<u>\$ 16,152,000</u>	<u>\$ 17,937,000</u>	<u>\$ 19,867,000</u>

SUMMARY OF STATUTORY DEBT CONDITION - ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT

The summarized statement of debt condition which follows is prepared in accordance with the required method of setting up the Annual Debt Statement and indicates a Statutory Net Debt of .402%.

	Gross Debt		Deductions		Net Debt
Local School District Debt	\$ 19,705,000		\$ 19,705,000	\$	-
Water-Sewer Utility Debt	6,364,092		6,364,092		-
General Debt	16,152,000	8	-	-	16,152,000
	\$ 42,221,092		\$ 26,069,092	\$	16,152,000

Net Debt \$16,152,000 divided by Equalized Valuation basis per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6 as amended \$4,015,840,609 = .402%.

BORROWING POWER UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-6

3.5% of Equalized Valuation Basis (Municipal)	\$ 140,554,421
Net Debt	16,152,000
Remaining Borrowing Power	\$ 124,402,421

$\frac{\text{CALCULATION OF "SELF-LIQUIDATING PURPOSE" WATER-SEWER UTILITY PER N.J.S.}{40A:2-45}$

Cash Receipts from Fees, Rents or Other

Charges for Year \$10,728,772

Deductions:

Operating and Maintenance Cost
Debt Service per Water Account

\$ 9,711,940

347,816

Total Deductions 10,059,756

Excess in Revenues \$ <u>669,016</u>

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OFFICIALS IN OFFICE AND SURETY BONDS

The following officials were in office at December 31, 2024:

<u>Name</u>	Position Position	Amount of Bond
Joseph Marte	Mayor	
Alfonso Cirulli	Deputy Mayor	
Albert Bille	Committeeman	
Pasquale "Pat" Pipi	Committeeman	
Jake Townsend	Committeeman	
Martin Lisella	Administrator	
Thomas Lombarski	Chief Financial Officer	\$ 1,000,000
Donna Manno	Municipal Clerk	
Andrea Christianson	Deputy Municipal Clerk	
Crystal Brinson	Tax Collector,	
	Water-Sewer Collector	1,000,000
Crystal Brinson	Tax Search Officer	
Lauren Romano	Court Administrator	1,000,000
Benjamin Mabie	Judge	1,000,000
Kristen Peel	Tax Assessor	
Christopher Dasti	Township Attorney	
Christopher Dasti	Water/Sewer Attorney	
Gluck, Walrath	Bonding Attorney	
Engineering Pool	Township Engineer	
Engineering Pool	Water-Sewer Engineer	

All employees not covered by specific bonds listed above are covered by a Public Employee Dishonesty Bond by the Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

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Exhibit A-4

SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

Balance December 31, 2023			\$	24,901,342.46
Increased by Receipts:				
Taxes Receivable	\$	79,844,742.10		
Revenue Accounts Receivable		4,095,615.62		
Miscellaneous Revenue not Anticipated		303,583.23		
Prepaid Taxes		686,382.06		
Tax Overpayments		12,833.50		
State of New Jersey (Ch. 20, P.L. 1971)		289,214.39		
Tax Title Liens		557.22		
Due to State of NJ DCA		45,387.00		
Due to State of NJ Marriage Licenses		2,825.00		
Interfunds:			22	
Grant Fund		900,973.09		
Due Water Sewer Operating		4,256.02		
Other Funds		302,631.98		
	-			86,489,001.21
				111,390,343.67
Decreased by Disbursements:				
2024 Budget Appropriations		30,315,107.83		
Appropriation Reserves		1,619,665.88		
County Taxes Payable		14,186,137.24		
Local School District Tax		39,264,053.00		
Local Open Space Tax		270,708.59		
Tax Overpayments		111,896.51		
Due to State of NJ DCA		43,053.00		
Due to State of NJ Marriage Licenses		2,725.00		
Spending Reserves		105,000.00		
Accounts Payable		200,280.21		
Interfunds:		ŕ		
Grant Fund		3,178,691.67		
	,			89,297,318.93
Balance December 31, 2024			\$	22,093,024.74

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

Exhibit A-5

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Balance	Dec. 31, 2024	\$ 35.61	1,565.78	1,616.84	1,650.67	1,678.34	1,691.25	1,722.53	1,724.47	6,831.05	40,169.15	58,685.69 640,590.44	\$ 699,276.13		\$ 81,122,128.06									\$ 81,122,128.06
	Cancelled	\$	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		17,496.79	17,496.79	\$ 150,607.40		v									•
Transferred	Title Liens		•		•	•	•	•		•	4	92,118.29	92,118.29		80,589,952.76	40,019,898.00					14,090,478.78			27,011,751.28
Due from	State	\$	1			•	•	ı	•	•	(4,513.70)	(4,513.70) 294,188.36	\$ 289,674.66 \$		99	€								
Collections	2024		•	•			•		•	2,810.03	587,608.35	590,418.38 79,254,323.72	79,844,742.10	79.844,742.10				11,640,250.00	684 412 37	495,224.49	91,012.19	270,708.59	26,298,472.50 442,570.19	
	2023	S .		1	1	ı		•		1	1	714,677.57	714,677.57	S				\$			I			
Added	Amounts	\$	•		•	,				1	4,248.56	4,248.56 6,880.93	\$ 11,129.49 \$		Tev.									
	2024 Levy	\$	•	•				,			4	81,122,128.06	\$ 81,122,128.06		Tax Vield and Tax	ax (Abstract)		(t)	(Abstract) Abstract)	Fax (Abstract)	Due County for Aduction of Taxes and County Taxes		l Purposes evied	
Ralance	De	`	1.565.78	_		1,678.34						657,838.60	\$ 657,838.60	ipts	Analysis of 2024 Property Tax Yield and Tax Levy Tax Yield: General Purpose Tax Added and Omitted Taxes	Tax Levy: Local District School Tax (Abstract)	County Taxes:	County Tax (Abstract)	County Health Tax (Abstract)	County Open Space Tax (Abstract)	Total County Taxes	Local Open Space Tax	Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Add: Additional Tax Levied	
	Vear	2012	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024		08 Receipts	Anal Tax ' Gr	Tax I Lc	ŭ				Ţ	L	ĄĽ	

CURRENT FUND

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SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS

Balance December 31, 2023		\$	1,439,838.11
Increased by: Transfers from Taxes Receivable		-	92,118.29 1,531,956.40
Decreased by: Receipts Cancelled	\$ 557.22 194,813.81		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Carlothod	771,012101	-	195,371.03
Balance December 31, 2024		\$	1,336,585.37

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-7

SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	De	Balance Dec. 31, 2023		Accrued in 2024		Collections		Balance Dec. 31, 2024
Licenses Alcoholic Beverages	€.		· 65	23.016.00	69	23.016.00	€9	,
Fees and Permits)	1)	252,374.95)	252,374.95	,	•
Fines and Costs		0000				, t		00000
Municipal Court		9,486.62		146,508.87		14/,145.50		8,849.99
Interest and Costs on Taxes		ı		124,205.56		124,205.56		•
Municipal Service Fee		1		83,461.66		83,461.66		•
Interest on Investments and Deposits		ı		1,136,812.77		1,136,812.77		ı
Cable Television Franchise Fees		•		109,329.53		109,329.53		•
Rentals and Leases		,		28,203.32		28,203.32		1
Uniform Construction Code	٠	1		911,450.00		911,450.00		1
State Aid:								
Reserve for Municipal Relief Aid		ı		106,547.41		106,547.41		ŧ
Energy Receipts Tax		1		1,033,668.75		1,033,668.75		
Garden State Trust Fund		1		33,796.00		33,796.00		1
Other Special Items:								
Township of Ocean - UCC Inspections		ı		64,801.38		64,801.38		1
Township of Ocean - Construction Official		ı		10,094.77		10,094.77		•
Payment in Lieu of Taxes - Affordable Housing		ı		193,340.00		193,340.00		1
General Capital Fund Balance		1		140,000.00	I	140,000.00	I	-
	€	9,486.62	€	4,397,610.97	∞	4,398,247.60	€	8,849.99
Receipts Other Interfunds					69	4,095,615.62 302,631.98		
					69	4,398,247.60		

		TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAL	CARGAI - COUNTY OF OCEAN	Or OCE					
		3	CURRENT FUND						Exhibit A-8
	S	CHEDULE OF A	SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES	SERVES					Sheet 1 of 4
		Balance Dec 31 2023	Reserve for		Balance After	. .	Paid or	8 -	Balance I oncod
OPERATIONS WITHIN CAPS Administrative and Executive Salaries and Wages		7, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20		1	CONTRACT		222		
Administrative and Executive	\$ 9	8,178.73	· •	69	8,178.73	69	•	69	8,178.73
Planning and Zoning Construction/Code Enforcement		1,963.46	•		2,963.46		510.05		2,963.46
Contractual Compensation Buyback		4,092.74	, ,		4,092.74		1,914.50		2,178.24
Other Expenses Mayor and Committee		3,764.02	1,638.45		5,402.47		2,814.27		2,588.20
Salaries and Wages Municinal (Clerk's Office		750.00	1		750.00		,		750.00
Salaries and Wages		3,206.87	•		3,206.87		,		3,206.87
Other Expenses		7,899.34	1,382.06		9,281.40		9,128.00		153.40
Financial Administration		12 202 62			12 702 62				12 702 92
Salaties and wages Other Expenses		63,906.15	7,993.13		71.899.28		10,160.87		61,738.41
Audit Services									
Other Expenses		2,050.00	•		2,050.00		,		2,050.00
Salaries and Wages		5,109.16	•		5,109.16		136.26		4,972.90
Other Expenses		15,317.95	738.08		16,056.03		611.25		15,444.78
Assessment of Taxes		000			0 000				77 207 0
Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		9,320,69	363.39		2,493.46 9,684.08		7.187.77		2,493.46
Legal Services and Costs									
Other Expenses		10,726.23	17,917.74		28,643.97	2	27,445.04		1,198.93
ristoric Freservation Salaries and Wages		250.00	•		250.00		•		250.00
Engineering Services and Costs									
Salaries and Wages		7,098.88	•		7,098.88		ı		7,098.88
Other Expenses		35,123.94	884.75		36,008.69		745.50		35,263.19
Economic Development Salaries and Wages		400 00	1		400 00		,		400 00
Other Expenses		200.00	•		200.00		1		200.00
Planning Board Other Fynenses		7 230 60	754.14		6 984 83		1 229 33		5 755 50
Coning Board of Adjustment		7,430.09	1740/		0,704.00		1,447.33		0,,00,,0
Other Expenses		16'119'6	685.73		10,297.64		1,290.33		9,007.31

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		<i>3</i> 21	CHEDULE OF AI	SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES	ERVES			Sheet 2 of 4	4
			Balance Dec. 31, 2023	Reserve for Encumbrances	H LT	Balance After Transfers	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed	١
	Rent Leveling Board Salaries and Wages Other Expenses	₩	\$00.00 \$00.00	· · ·	€9	500.00	 ⊌9	\$ 500.00	00
	Insurance General Liability Worker's Compensation Employee Group Insurance Health Benefit Waiver		2,832.00 2,108.80 7,097.68 8,333.33	730.35		2,832.00 2,108.80 7,828.03 8,333.33	- 6,632.01 8,333.33	2,832.00 2,108.80 1,196.02	2 0 0
	Homeland Security Other Expenses		1,500.00	1		1,500.00	1	1,500.00	0
	Police Department Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		121,886.90 29,092.54	16,645.38		103,886.90 55,737,92	32,826.40 38,430.63	71,060.50 17,307.29	0 6
84	Municipal Court Salaries and Wages Other Expenses Fire Company Incentive Program		38,749.67 7,312.13 83,200.00	468.72		38,749.67 7,780.85 83,200.00	28,563.76 936.44 32,570.00	10,185.91 6,844.41 50,630.00	0
	Supplemental Fire Services Frogram Other Expenses Occupational Safety and Health Act		586.52	3,213 48		3,800.00	3,213.48	586.52	7
	Other Expenses Municipal Prosecutor Other Expenses		- 6,000.00	14,000.00		14,000.00	10,474.28 5,500,00	3,525.72	2 0
	Public Defender Other Expenses		2,079.50	4,614.50		6,694.00	3,003.00	3,691.00	0
	Streets and Wages Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		40,043.50 87,700.56	614.83		40,043.50 88,315.39	7,467.20 3,510.91	32,576.30 84,804.48	O ×
	Vehicle Maintenance Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		43,119.74 17,021.18	27,672.63		43,119,74 44,693.81	5,535.20 8,831.03	37,584.54 35,862.78	4 ∞
	Solid waste Conection Salaries and Wages Other Expenses Confectual Duilding and Conned		14,561,70 81,073,20 134,050,40	75,187.85 107,620.20		14,561.70 156,261.05 241,670.60	4,095,60 148,663.50 230,094.36	10,466.10 7,597.55 11,576.24	0 % 4
	Salaries and Wages Other Expenses		5,232.73 13,233.67	12,065,89		7,232,73 25,299.56	5,232.73 7,420.61	2,000.00	0

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	SCHEDULE OF AF	SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES	ERVES		Sheet 3 of 4
	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	Reserve for Encumbrances	Balance After Transfers	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed
6/3	1,855.00 6,347.08	\$ 12,648.08	\$ 1,855.00 18,995.16	\$ 596.00	\$ 1,259.00 23.04
	134,555.66	12,927.33	147,482.99	102,589.01	44,893.98
	400.00		400.00		400.00
	6,660,50 5,933.65	3,166.66	6,660,50 9,100.31	6,786.82	6,660.50 2,313.49
	20,084.96 20,160.18	1,351.73	20,084.96 21,511.91	(6,877.61) (2,261.17)	26,962.57 23,773.08
	8,180.06 2,288.17	1 1	8,180.06 2,288.17	4 1	8,180.06 2,288.17
	9,407.62	ı	9,407.62	293.08	9,114.54
	16,315.91 12,542.35	2,931.88	16,315.91 15,474.23	7,050.69 4,256.71	9,265.22
	52,553.41 50,605.33 3,613.55 20,275.74 40,500.00	28,000.00 11,417.35 9,646.13 18,119.26 60.247.55	80,553.41 62,022.68 13,259.68 38,395.00 100,747.55	15,236.99 9,983.65 12,930.13 67,866.28	80,553.41 46,785.69 3,276.03 25,464.87 32,881.27
5.0	1,532,651.76	483,384.45	2,010,036.21	1,041,499.94	968,536.27

Total Operations within Caps

Telephone and Telegraph Natural Gas Street Lighting Landfill Disposal Costs

Electricity Utilities: Gasoline

Salaries and Wages Other Expenses Docks and Beaches Salaries and Wages

Other Expenses
Celebration of Public Events
Other Expenses
Construction Official

Salaries and Wages

Other Expenses

Ambulance Contracted Services Condominium Services Act

Shade Tree Commission

Other Expenses

Other Expenses Environmental Services Salaries and Wages

Other Expenses Animal Control Services Salaries and Wages

Other Expenses

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	SCHEDULE OF A	SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES	RVES		Sheet 4 of 4
STATUTORY EXPENDITURES WITHIN CAPS	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	Reserve for Encumbrances	Balance After Transfers	Paid or Charged	Balance Lapsed
Contribution to: Social Security System Defined Contribution Benefit Plan Unemployment Compensation Insurance Total Statutory Expenditures within Caps Total Appropriations within Caps	\$ 8,305,20 344,42 8,933,31 17,582,93 1,550,234,69		\$ 8,305,20 344,42 8,933,31 17,582,93	\$ 4,908.60 1,685.26 6,593.86 1,048,093.80	\$ 3,396.60 344.42 7,248.05 10,989.07 979,525.34
OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM CAPS LOSAP Recycling Tax Shared Service Agreements:	70,000.00 12,777.44	612.35	76,000.00 13,389,79	69,122,00 5,682.36	6,878.00 7,707.43
Township of Toms River - Info Technology Services Other Expenses Township of Ocean - Construction Code	34,481.73	,	34,481.73	•	34,481.73
Other Expenses Township of Ocean - Recreation Director	19,973.00	•	19,973.00	2,241.92	17,731.08
Other Expenses Township of Ocean - UCC Inspectors Salaries and Wages	20,620.67 5,639.00	0.12	20,620.79 5,639.00	4,047.37	16,5/3.42 5,639.00
Township of Stafford - Dispatch Services Other Expenses	112.50	1	112.50		112.50
Township of Ocean - B1 Construction Code Salaries and Wages Local Matching Funds for Grants	13,457.38 1,500.00		13,457.38 1,500.00	1 1	13,457.38 1,500.00
FROM CAPS Improvements to Roads & Walkways Improvements to Roads & Walkways Purchase of Fire Department Equipment Purchase of Police Capital Equipment Improvements to Parks, Playgrounds or Bike Patt Purchase/Repairs of Public Works Equipment Improvements to Municipal Buildings & Grounds	296,299.00 39,193.98 10,433.08 10,000.00 145,930.00	8,890.13 - 23,500,00 66,526.08	296,299.00 48,084.11 10,433.08 10,000.00 169,430.00 212,911.76	2,500.00 10,262.93 - 23,500.00 180,187.26	293,799.00 37,821.18 10,433.08 10,000.00 145,930.00 32,724.50
Purchase of Info Technology Equipment Total Operations excluded from Caps Total General Appropriations	22,576.65 849,380.11 \$ 2,399,614.80	279,388.16 378,916.84 \$ 862,301.29	301,964.81 1,234,296.95 \$ 3,261,916.09	279,476.70 577,020.54 \$ 1,625,114.34	22,488.11 657,276.41 \$ 1,636,801.75
Disbursed Accounts Payable				\$ 1,619,665.88 5,448.46 \$ 1,625,114.34	

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-9

Exhibit A-10

SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TAXES PAYABLE

Balance December 31, 2023		\$ 187,331.25
2024 Tax Levy: County Tax (Abstract) County Library Tax (Abstract) County Health Tax (Abstract) County Open Space Tax (Abstract) Due County for Added and Omitted Taxes	\$ 11,640,250.00 1,178,919.13 684,412.37 495,224.49 91,672.79	14,090,478.78
Decreased by: Disbursements	4	14,277,810.03 14,186,137.24
Balance December 31, 2024		\$ 91,672.79

SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TAX

Balance December 31, 2023	\$ -
Increased by: Levy Calendar Year 2024	270,708.59
Decreased by: Disbursements	 270,708.59
Balance December 31, 2024	\$ -

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-11

SCHEDULE OF LOCAL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX

Balance December 31, 2023: School Tax Payable School Tax Deferred	\$	148,239.03 6,474,126.01		
School Tax Deletted	15	0,474,120.01	\$	6,622,365.04
Increased by:				, ,
Levy for School Year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025				40.010.909.00
to Julie 30, 2023			-	40,019,898.00 46,642,263.04
Decreased by:				,,
Disbursements			-	39,264,053.00
Balance December 31, 2024:				
School Tax Payable		904,084.03		
School Tax Deferred	2	6,474,126.01	Φ.	7.270.210.04
			\$	7,378,210.04
2024 Liability for Local School District Tax				
Levy for School Year July 1, 2024				
to June 30, 2025 Add:			\$	40,019,898.00
School Tax Deferred - December 31, 2023				6,474,126.01
			-	46,494,024.01
Less: School Tay Deferred December 31, 2024				6 474 126 01
School Tax Deferred - December 31, 2024			-	6,474,126.01
Amount Charged to 2024 Operations			\$	40,019,898.00

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-12

SCHEDULE OF SPENDING RESERVES

Revaluation Storm Removal	22,505.83 \$ 105,000.00	- 105,000.00	22,505.83 \$
2	69		∽
Hurricane Damage	92,946.30	1	92,946.30
ļ	€9		∞
Total (Memo Only)	\$ 220,452.13	105,000.00	\$ 115,452.13
	Balance December 31, 2023 Decreased by:	Transfer to Trust Fund Other Total Decreases	Balance December 31, 2024

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-13

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUNDS

Payroll Fund	(19,721.29)	5,833.28	\$ (25,554.57)
General Capital Fund (4,193.36)	73,415.94	76,233.15	\$ (7,010.57)
Other Trust Fund \$ (12,350.59) \$	229,216.04	225,914.65	\$ (9,049.20)
Total (Memo Only) \$ (36,265.24)	302,631.98	307,981.08	\$ (41,614.34)
Balance December 31, 2023 - (Due From)/Due To	Increased by: Receipts Total Increases and Balances	Decreased by: Interest on Deposit Total Decreases	Balance December 31, 2024 - (Due From)/Due To

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-14

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND

GRANT FUND

Balance December 31, 2023 - Due To (from)		\$	(2,610,969.84)
Increased by: Receipts:	(705.404.40)		
Grant Accounts Receivable Deposits	\$ (725,404.42)		
Grants Unappropriated Receipts	(175,568.67)		
Transferred from 2024 Budget Appropriations	(524,064.24)		(1.10.7.00.7.00)
			(1,425,037.33)
			(4,036,007.17)
Decreased by:			
Grant Fund Disbursements	702,757.01		
Transferred to Water/Sewer Utility Fund	2,475,934.66		
Transferred from 2024 Anticipated Revenue	520,064.24		
•	-	-	3,698,755.91
Balance December 31, 2024 - Due To (from)		\$	(337,251.26)

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-15

SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS RECEIVABLE

GRANT FUND

Balance Dec. 31, 2024	34,239.00 71,289.69 146,342.54 67,390.00 8,294.03 10,000.00 65,000.00	402,555.26
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Decreases	5,884.02 69,076.03 69,076.03 10,000.00 7,000.00 70,000.00 70,000.00 70,000.00 150,197.31 152,137.46 202,170.00 33,165.92 4,813.68 3,891.37	763,747.86
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2024 Budget Revenue	5,884.02 69,076.03 10,000.00 960.00 20,000.00 33,165.92 8,074.83 3,891.37 65,000.00 34,452.07	520,064.24
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Balance Dec. 31, 2023	34,239.00 - 7,000.00 70,000.00 221,487.00 298,480.00 - 5,032.88 10,000.00	\$ 646,238.88
Grant Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	Clean Communities Program Body Worn Camera Emergency Management Assistance Grant Cops In Shops YE Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over Holiday Crackdown Handicapped Recreation Opportunities Grant Local Recreation Improvement Grant New Jersey Department of Transportation: 2022 Spruce Circle North 2023 Spruce Circle South 2024 Pennsylvania Ave. Recycling Tonnage Grant Bulletproof Vest Partnership Body Armor Replacement Fund Stormwater Assistance Grant American Rescue Firefighter Grant Opioid Reserve	

763,747.86

725,404.42 38,343.44

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Cash Receipts Grants Unappropriated

	CUI	CURRENT FUND			Exhibit A-16
	SCHEDULE OF A	SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATED RESERVES	CRVES		
	5	GRANT FUND			
Grant	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	Transfer from 2024 Budget Appropriation	Encumbrances	Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 2024
Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation	\$ 10,187.23	\$ 5,884.02	·	\$ 3,960.00	\$ 12,111.25
Body Worn Camera Rody Armor Renlacement Fund	71,474.30	3 801 37	1 1	764.83	71,474.30
Clean Communities Program	42,075.54	69,076.03		68,136.35	43,015.22
Cops In Shops	ı	00.096	1	00.096	ı
Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End-2023	3,640.00	•	1	3,640.00	1
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	7,407.55	•	•	5,927.93	1,479.62
Bulletproof Vest Partnership	1,252.26	8,074.83	5,569.41	3,757.68	
Handicapped Recreation Opportunities					
Grant Share	1,440.00	20,000.00	1	20,000.00	1,440.00
Local Share	•	4,000.00	1	4,000.00	1
New Jersey Department of Transportation:					
2022 Spruce Circle North	221,487.00			221,487.00	•
2023 Spruce Circle South	298,480.00		ı	251,016.34	47,463.66
2024 Pennsylvania Ave.	1	269,560.00	269,560.00	1	i
Emergency Management Assistance Grant					
Grant	•	10,000.00	•	10,000.00	
Opioid Reserve	48,316.03	34,452.07	44,450.00	12,754.92	25,563.18
American Rescue Firefighter Grant	•	65,000.00	1	65,000.00	٠
Stormwater Assistance Grant	25,000.00	•	8,022.29	16,977.71	•
Ocean County Tourism Program					
Local Share	910.00	•	•	•	910.00
Recycling Tonnage Grant	10,374.25	33,165.92	i°	10,374.25	33,165.92
	\$ 742,930.62	\$ 524,064.24	\$ 327,601.70	\$ 702,757.01	\$ 236,636.15

Disbursed in Current Fund

CURRENT FUND

Exhibit A-17

SCHEDULE OF UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES

GRANT FUND

2,475,934.66 \$
34,452.07
3,891.37
2,514,278.10 \$

TRUST FUND

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Exhibit B-1 12,417,058.13 9,216,532.49 3,200,525.64 9,596,332.16 2,820,725.97 Other Trust 122,093.46 2,698,632.51 118,792.07 3,081,733.57 ⇔ SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER 393.86 433.95 11,994.84 12,388.70 11,954.75 **Animal Control Trust** TRUST FUNDS 1,359.00 1,371.60 Animal Control Fund Expenditures Interfund - Current Fund Interfund - Due to Current Fund Due to State of New Jersey Decreased by Disbursements: Balance December 31, 2023 Balance December 31, 2024 Due State of New Jersey Miscellaneous Reserves Miscellaneous Reserves Animal License Fees Increased by Receipts:

ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST FUND

Exhibit B-2

SCHEDULE OF DUE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Balance December 31, 2023	\$ 12.60
Increased by: 2024 Animal License Fees	1,359.00 1,371.60
Decreased by: Fees Paid to State	1,371.60
Balance December 31, 2024	\$

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL

TRUST FUND EXPENDITURES

Exhibit B-3

Balance December 31, 2023			\$	381.26
Increased by: 2024 Animal License Fees: Dog License Fees Miscellaneous	\$	10,554.00 81.84		
Decreased have	_		\$ 	10,635.84
Decreased by: Expenditures Under R.S. 4:19-15.11			2	10,583.15
Balance December 31, 2024			\$	433.95

Animal License Fees Collected

Year 2023		Amount
	\$	10,781.40
2022		12,604.22
	\$	23,385.62

OTHER TRUST FUND

Exhibit B-4

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND - CURRENT FUND

Balance December 31, 2023 - Due to	\$	12,350.59
Increased by: Receipts		118,792.07
		131,142.66
Decreased by: Disbursements	_	122,093.46
Balance December 31, 2024 - Due to	\$	9,049.20

OTHER TRUST FUND

Exhibit B-5

SCHEDULE OF MISCELLANEOUS RESERVES

		Balance						Balance
		Dec. 31, 2023		Increased	į	Decreased	ļ	Dec. 31, 2024
Affordable Housing	∽	418,242.94	∽	64,927.27	€9	31,957.93	€9	451,212.28
Escrow Deposits		5,392,045.72		926,519.56		959,478.52		5,359,086.76
Municipal Alliance		745.11		,		1		745.11
Open Space		408,480.98		282,808.59		251,813.37		439,476.20
Parking Offenses Adjudication Act		230.61		•		1		230.61
Premiums Received at Tax Sale		953,158.00		184,200.00		442,200.00		695,158.00
Public Defender		177.00		10,690.50		8,798.00		2,069.50
Recreation Program Trust		81,487.58		45,016.77		21,408.36		105,095.99
Sick Leave Trust		89,647.36		150,000.00		229,060.98		10,586.38
Special Law Enforcement		65,111.25		503,736.17		53,430.16		515,417.26
Third Party Tax Title Lien Redemption		7,545.48		472,427.96		470,963.45		66'600'6
Tax Map Assessment		67,421.95		9,180.00		1,720.00		74,881.95
Recreation Assessment		66,799.87		1		ı		28.66,799
Drainage Assessment		1,327,179.61		130,973.75		61,624.49		1,396,528.87
Water Tap Assessment - Inspections		11,925.00		3,500.00		•		15,425.00
Bulkhead Inspections		10,589.00		1,800.00		1		12,389.00
Tree Planting		64,420.08		,		10,514.00		53,906.08
Street Openings		136,469.00		22,500.00		7,500.00		151,469.00
Outside Police Special Duty		21,959.29		147,875.00		147,875.00		21,959.29
Curbing and Road Inspections		30,549.00		5,400.00		288.25		35,660.75
Sidewalk Assessment		47,084.34		12,678.00		1		59,762.34
Fire Safety Penalties		2,912.73		2,500.00		1		5,412.73
Reserve for Storm & Snow Removal	-		ļ	105,000.00		-		105,000.00
	∞ ∥	9,204,181.90	∨	3,081,733.57	∞	2,698,632.51	∞	9,587,282.96

LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR LENGTH OF

Exhibit B-6

SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP)

Balance December 31, 2023		\$ 899,845.75
Increased by: Deposits Gain on Accounts	\$ 69,122.00 142,308.01	211,430.01
Decreased by:		1,111,275.76
Withdrawals	76,018.07	
Account Charge	2,500.00	
		78,518.07
Balance December 31, 2024		\$ 1,032,757.69

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GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

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GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-2

SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

Balance December 31, 2023		\$	1,693,913.08
Increased by: 2024 Budget Appropriations:			
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 250,000.00		
Deferred Charges Unfunded - Budget Appropriation	545,000.00		
Premiums on Sale of Bonds	306,401.75 12,605,000.00		
Serial Bonds Issued Interfund - Current Fund	76,233.15		
merana - Carrent rand	70,233.13		13,782,634.90
		-	15,476,547.98
Decreased by Disbursements:			, ,
Improvement Authorizations	1,449,449.41		
Anticipated as 2024 Current Fund Revenue:			
Capital Fund Balance	140,000.00		
Payment of Bond Anticipation Note	10,600,000.00		
Interfund - Current Fund	73,415.94		10.070.070.0
		-	12,262,865.35
Balance December 31, 2024		\$	3,213,682.63

345.04 141,100.92 49,399.59 4,391.36 Exhibit C-3 309,833.18 1,010,600,00 7,010.57 1,682,545.97 8,456.00 Balance Dec. 31, 2024 3,213,682.63 184.04 4,737,401.73 1,682,545.97 3,054,671,72 01 Transfers 4,737,401.73 3,054,855.76 1,682,545,97 From Miscellaneous 140,000.00 213,415.94 73,415.94 Disbursements 69 Improvement Authorizations 19,500.00 184,04 1,449,449 41 ANALYSIS OF CAPITAL CASH ام GENERAL CAPITAL FUND 382,634.90 Miscellaneous 306,401.75 76,233.15 2,400,000.00 2,400,000.00 Receipts Bonds Issued 69 Budget Appropriation 150,000.00 400,000.00 250,000.00 345.04 160,600.92 (2,442,960.79) 4,391.36 4,193.36 Balance Dec. 31, 2023 143,431,43 3,054,855.76 8,456.00 760,600,00 1,693,913.08 Improvement Description Construction of Bicycle Path Various Capital Improvements Various Capital Improvements Various Capital Improvements New Town Hall/Public Works Bildge Purchase of Fire Truck Improvement Authorizations: Capital Improvement Fund Reserve for Encumbrances Ordinance Number 01-28 12-23, 11-21 13-06 15-07 17-27/18-29 20-10 Current Fund Fund Balance

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-4

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE

TAXATION - FUNDED

Balance December 31, 2023	\$ 4,537,000.00
Increased by: Serial Bonds Issued	12,605,000.00 17,142,000.00
Decreased by: 2024 Budget Appropriations: Serial Bonds	1,240,000.00
Balance December 31, 2024	\$15,902,000.00_

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-5

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION - UNFUNDED

12	Unexpended	Balance	250,000.00	250,000.00
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	Bond Anticipation	Notes	ı	•
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	Balance	Dec. 31, 2024	250,000.00	250,000.00
		'	∽	' <u>∽</u>
	Resizing & 2024 Budget	Appropriation	545,000.00	545,000.00
		4	₩.	€9
	Bonds	Issued	12,605,000.00	12,605,000.00
		i	69	 ∽
	Balance	Dec. 31, 2023	13,400,000.00	13,400,000.00
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		Improvement Description	z	
	Ordinance	Number	17-27	

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-6

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND - CURRENT FUND

Balance December 31, 2023 - (Due From)/To	\$ 4,193.36
Increased by: Interest Earned Due Current Fund	76,233.15 80,426.51
Decreased by: Disbursements	73,415.94
Balance December 31, 2024 - (Due From)/To	\$7,010.57

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-7

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

					Bala	Balance					1	Balance	
		0	Ordinance	ļ	Dec. 3	Dec. 31, 2023	Reserve for	for	Paid or		Dec	Dec. 31, 2024	4
	Improvement Description	Date	Amount		Funded	Unfunded	Encumbrances	nces	Charged	_	Funded	1	Unfunded
_	Construction of Bicycle Path	7/02/2001	\$ 200,000.00	_ چ	8,456.00	\$	€9	<u>چ</u> ،			\$ 8,456.00	 ∽	1
	Various Capital Improvements	12/30/2011	2,225,000.00	_		,	18	184.04	18	184.04	*		
	Various Capital Improvements	6/06/2013	720,000.00	_	345.04	•		1		,	345,04		1
	Various Capital Improvements	7/20/2015	5,550,000.00	_	160,600.92	•			19,500.00	00.0	141,100.92		1
	Construction of New Town Hall & Public Works Bldg Purchase of Fire Truck	12/05/2017 8/04/2020	16,500,000.00 525,000.00		4,391.36	357,039.21	3,054,671.72	1.72	3,112,311.34	1,34	49,399.59		250,000.00
				₩	173,793.32	\$ 357,039.21 \$ 3,054,855.76 \$ 3,131,995.38	\$ 3,054,85	5.76 \$	3,131,99.	5.38	\$ 203,692.91	ال _ح ي	250,000.00
	Reserve for Encumbrances Disbursements					Cash Dis Encumbra	Cash Disbursements Encumbrances Payable	\$	1,449,449.41	9.41 5.97			
								69	3,131,995.38	5.38			

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-8	Balance Dec. 31, 2024	3,297,000.00		12,605,000.00
	I	€9		
	Decreased	\$ 1,100,000.00	140,000.00	•
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	Increased		1	12,605,000.00
		\$ 0	0	
	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	4,397,000.00	140,000.00	•
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RIAL BO	Interest Rate	2.00% 2.00% 2.00%		5.00% 5.00% 5.00% 5.00% 5.00% 6.00%
SCHEDULE OF GENERAL SERIAL BONDS	Maturities of Bonds Dutstanding Dec. 31, 2024 Date Amount	\$ 1,100,000.00 1,100,000.00 1,097,000.00		340,000.00 340,000.00 385,000.00 680,000.00 675,000.00 675,000.00
SCHEDULE	Maturiti Outstanding Date	8/01/25 8/01/26 8/11/27		5/15/25 5/15/26 5/15/28 5/15/29 5/15/29 5/15/31 5/15/31 5/15/32 5/15/33 5/15/34 5/15/36 5/15/36 5/15/36 5/15/36 5/15/36 5/15/37 5/15/36 5/15/37 5/15/37 5/15/37
	Original Issue	9,907,000.00	830,000.00	12,605,000.00
	I	\$ 91	16	42
	Date of Issue	8/16/2016	8/16/2016	5/22/2024
	Purpose	General Improvements (tax-exempt)	General Improvements (taxable)	General Improvements (tax-exempt)

\$ 15,902,000.00

\$ 1,240,000.00

\$ 4,537,000.00 \$ 12,605,000.00

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			Decreases	\$ 10,600,000.00 \$ 10,600,000.00 \$	10,600,000.00 \$ 10,600,000.00 \$
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CEAN		LES	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	10,600,000.00	10,600,000.00
OF O		NO		- €>	69
- COUNTY C	TAL FUND	FICIPATION	Interest Rate	5.00%	
NSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN	GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	SCHEDULE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES	Date of Maturity	5/23/2024	
TOWNSHIP	9	SCHEDUL	Date of Original Issue	5/26/2021	
			Improvement Description	New Town Hall/Public Works Bldg	
			Ordinance Number	17-27	

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit C-10

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED

BUT NOT ISSUED

Balance Dec. 31, 2024	\$ 250,000.00
Paydown per Budget Approp	\$ 150,000.00
Serial Bonds Issued/Resizing	\$ 2,400,000.00
Balance Dec. 31, 2023	\$ 2,800,000.00
Improvement Description	New Town Hall/Public Works Bldg
Ordinance Number	17-27

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WATER-SEWER UTILITY FUND

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WATER-SEWER UTILITY FUND

Exhibit D-5

SCHEDULE OF WATER-SEWER UTILITY CASH

Balance December 31, 2023	Ope	Operating \$ 5,052,760.01	Capital \$\\$\$	ital \$ 2,763,645.11
Increased by Receipts: Consumer Accounts Receivable Miscellaneous Revenue ARP funding Consumer Overpayments/Prepayments Capital Improvement Fund Reserve for Water Improvements Interfund - Due from Water Sewer Capital	\$ 7,188,381.06 649,741.43 2,475,934.66 331,561.03		\$ - 910,000.00 550,000.00 109,993.92 83,415.85	
		10,725,831.84		1,653,409.77 4,417,054.88
Decreased by Disbursements: 2024 Budget Appropriations Transfer to Water/Sewer Capital Appropriation Reserves Accounts Payable Accrued Interest on Bonds, Loans and Notes Refund of Prior Year Revenue- Due Stafford Twp Due to Water Sewer Operating Fund Improvement Authorizations	7,568,160.64 910,000.00 238,897.57 94,337.00 101,016.32 2,505.08		- - - 80,213.66 (281,900.23)	
		8,914,916.61		(201,686.57)
Balance December 31, 2024		\$ 6,863,675.24		\$ 4,618,741.45

	WATER-S	WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND	CAPITAL FUN	21			Exhibit D-6
		ANALYSIS OF CASH	CASH				
			Disbur	Disbursements			
	Balance Dec. 31, 2023	Receipts Miscellaneous	Improvement Authorizations	Miscellaneous	Transfers	rrs To	Balance Dec. 31, 2024
Fund Balance	\$ 32,957.93	59			· s		\$ 32,957.93
Capital Improvement Fund	1,633,675.00	550,000.00	•	ŧ	2,065,000.00	ı	118,675.00
Reserve for Encumbrances	66 150 86		,	1	98,051.99	989,633.50	989,633,50
Interfunds:							
Water-Sewer Utility Operating Fund	6,596.93	83,415.85	,	80,213.66	•	,	9,799.12
Reserve for Water Improvements	645,485.52	109,993.92	,	•	650,000.00	,	105,479,44
Reserve for Debt Service	40,268.26	ı		ı		1	40,268.26
Improvement Authorizations.							
04-29/03-13 Various Water and Sewer Improvements	18,666 64		•	•	,	•	18,666,64
04-28, 05-35 Route 9 Extension of the Sanitary Sewer System	10,420.22	•	10,775.00	•	,	775.00	420.22

Ordinance								
Number	Improvement Description							
04-29/03-13	Various Water and Sewer Improvements	18,666.64	1	•	•		•	18,666,64
04-28, 05-35	Route 9 Extension of the Sanitary Sewer System	10,420,22	ı	10,775.00	·		775.00	420.22
13-08	Various Water and Sewer Improvements	1,484 00	ı		•		1	1,484.00
14-34	Various Water and Sewer Improvements	6,805.62	•	9,600.00	•	•	1	205.62
22-19	Purchase of Water Meters	23,179 00	•	58,304.00	•	,	57,178 00	22,053.00
22-20	Various Sanitary Sewer Improvements	246,054.00	1	(485,739.51)	1	7,242.50	40,098.99	764,650.00
24-26	Various Sanitary Sewer Improvements	•	910,000 00	92,400.00	1	982,391.00	165,000.00	209 00
24-27	Construction of New Water Tower	1	1	35,760.28	1	'	2,550,000.00	2,514,239.72
		\$ 2,763,645.11	\$ 1,653,409.77	\$ (281,900.23)	\$ 80,213.66	\$ 3,802,685.49	\$ 3,802,685.49	\$ 4,618,741.45

WATER-SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND

Exhibit D-7

SCHEDULE OF CONSUMER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Balance December 31, 2023		\$	299,848.52
Increased by:			7 427 210 05
2024 Water-Sewer Rents			7,437,310.95 7,737,159.47
Decreased by:			
Collections	\$ 7,188,381.06		
Cancelled	777.52		
Overpayments/Prepaids Applied	194,764.89		
1 11		8	7,383,923.47
Balance December 31, 2024		\$	353,236.00
	Analysis of Balance		
	Consumer Accounts Receivable	\$	353,236.00
	Combanner recounts reconvious	<u>\$</u> —	353,236.00

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL

Exhibit D-8

	Balance Dec. 31, 2024 & 2023
Various Water-Sewer Improvements	\$ 21,564,840.54
Equipment	989,568.13
Meters	964,355.81
Vehicles	36,970.50
	\$23,555,734.98

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit D-9

SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL AUTHORIZED

AND UNCOMPLETED

Balance	Dec. 31, 2024		\$ 97 120 22	1 484 00	00:+0+;	25.500.00	720,000.00	00 000 006	1 075 000 00	6.050,000,00	
2024	Authorizations		1	•	ı	1	•	,	1.075.000.00	6.050,000.00	
Balance	Dec. 31, 2023		97,120.22	1.484.00	6 805 62	26.666,6	270,000.00	900,000.00	•	•	
Ordinance	Amount		\$ 2,800,000.00 \$	00.000.009	1.210,000.00	250,000,000	420,000.00	250,000.00	1,075,000.00	6,050,000.00	
Orc	Number	04-28,	,05-35	13-08	14-34	22-19		77-70	24-26	24-27	
1	Improvement Description	Route 9 Extension of the Sanitary Sewer	System	Various Water and Sewer Improvements	Various Water and Sewer Improvements	Purchase of Water Meters	Conitomy Course Inches	Samilary Sewer Improvements	Various Water and Sewer Improvements	Construction of New Water Tower	

8,380,409.84

7,125,000.00

\$ 1,255,409.84 \$

		TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN	BARN	EGAT - COU	YTY	OF OCEAN				TL:L:4 D 10
		WATER-SEV	VER UT	WATER-SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND	ATIN	G FUND				EXHIDIT D-10
		SCHEDULE	OF APP	SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES	N RE	SERVES				
						Balance				
	1	Balance Dec. 31, 2023		Reserve for Encumbrances	ı	After Transfers	J	Paid or Charged	1	Balance Lapsed
Operating: Salaries and Wages	€	19.532.56	69	1	69	24.532.56	69	21.511.31	69	3.021.25
Other Expenses	٠	94,146.58	,	186,975.43	+	276,122.01	+	184,271.36	+	91,850.65
OCUA Charges		3,360.74		ı		3,360.74		1		3,360.74
Maintenance of Water Towers		1		26,009.96		26,009.96		25,896.68		113.28
Capital Improvements: Capital Outlav		10.329.05		35,570,49		45.899.54		42.143.17		3.756.37
Statutory Expenditures:										
Contributions to: Social Security System		33,383.54				33,383.54		1,262.52		32,121.02
	· ↔	160.752.47	€	248.555.88	 ₩	409.308.35	69	275.085.04	 €9	134.223.31
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Transfer to Accounts Payable Disbursed							∽	36,187.47 238,897.57		
							69	275,085.04		

WATER-SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND

Exhibit D-11

SCHEDULE OF ACCRUED INTEREST ON

BONDS, NOTES AND LOANS

Balance December 31, 2023	\$	31,806.78
Increased by:		
2024 Budget Appropriations	÷-	101,083.00
Decreased by:		,
Canceled \$ 2,310.	86	
Disbursements 101,016.	32	
	-	103,327.18
Balance December 31, 2024	\$_	29,562.60

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUNDS

Exhibit D-12

Balance December 31, 2023 - (Due From)/To	Totals (Memo Only) (6,596.93)	Water-Sewer Capital Fund (6,596.93)
Increased by: Interest on Deposits	83,415.85	83,415.85
Total Increases and Balance	90,012.78	90,012.78
Decreased by: Receipts	80,213.66	80,213.66
Balance December 31, 2024 - (Due From)/To	\$ (9,799.12)	\$(9,799.12)

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit D-13

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUNDS

Balance December 31, 2023 - (Due From)/To	Totals (Memo Only) \$ 6,596.93 \$	Water-Sewer Operating Fund 6,596.93
Increased by: Interest Earned Due Water Sewer Operating Total Increases and Balance	83,415.85 90,012.78	83,415.85 90,012.78
Decreased by: Disbursements	80,213.66	80,213.66
Balance December 31, 2024 - (Due From)/To	\$ 9,799.12 \$	9,799.12

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit D-14

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

.4 Unfunded	3,500,000.000	\$ 3,500,000.00
Balance Dec. 31, 2024 Funded	\$ 18,666.64 \$ 420.22 1,484.00 205.62 22,053.00 764,650.00 2,514,239.72 3,	\$ 3.321,928.20 \$ 3.
Paid or Charged	6,600.00 58,304.00 (478,497.01) 1,074,791.00	236,695.77 (518,596.00) 989,633.50
Prior Vear Encumbrances	775.00	\$. \$. \$. \$. \$. \$. \$. \$. \$. \$.
2024 Authorizations	1,075,000,00	306,609,48 \$ 7,125,000.00 \$ \$ 3,500,000.00 \$ 2,065,000.00 \$ 910,000.00 \$ 650,000.00 \$ \$ 7,125,000.00 \$ \$ 7,125,000.00 \$ \$ \$ 7,125,000.00 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$
Balance Dec. 31, 2023 Funded	10,420.22 1,484.00 6,805.62 23,179.00 246,054.00	306,609.4 Reimburse
ance	\$ 313,000.00 \$ 2,400,000 00 400,000 00 680,000.00 1,210,000.00 250,000.00 1,075,000.00 6,050,000 00 6,050,000 00	99
Ordinance Date	5/19/2003 6/21/2004 6/06/2005 6/03/2013 12/15/2014 9/06/2022 9/06/2022 11/07/2024	
Improvement Description	Various Water and Sewer Improvements Route 9 Extension of the Sanitary Sewer System Various Water and Sewer Improvements Various Water and Sewer Improvements Purchase of Water Meters Sanitary Sewer Improvements Various Water and Sewer Improvements Construction of New Water Tower	Bonds & Notes Authorized, Not Issued Capital Improvement Fund ARPA Grant Funds Reserve for Water Improvements
Ordinance Number	04-29/03-13 04-28, 05-35 13-08 14-34 2022-19 2022-20 2024-9, 26 2024-10, 27	

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit D-15

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION

Balance December 31, 2023		\$ 20,497,079.39
Increased by: Debt Paid by Operating Budget: Serial Bonds Loans - USDA Loans - EIT	\$ 171,000.00 56,948.08 18,785.19	
		 246,733.27
Balance December 31, 2024	760	\$ 20,743,812.66

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION

Exhibit D-16

	Ordinance		Balance
	Number	-	Dec. 31, 2024
Various Water and Sewer Improvements	13-08	\$	34,000.00
Various Water and Sewer Improvements	04-29/03-13		19,240.00
Purchase of Water Meters	22-19		250,000.00
Sanitary Sewer Improvements	22-20		900,000.00
Various Water and Sewer Improvements	24-9, 26		1,075,000.00
Construction of Water Tower	24-10,27		2,550,000.00
		-	
		\$	4,828,240.00

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND SCHEDULE OF WATER UTILITY SERIAL BONDS

Exhibit D-17

Balance Dec. 31, 2024	966,000.00	•	966.000.00
Decrease	\$ 135,000.00 \$	36,000.00	171,000.00
Balance Dec. 31, 2023	\$ 1,101,000.00	36,000.00	\$ 1,137,000.00
Interest	2.00% 2.00% 2.00% 2.00% 2.125% 2.25% 2.375%		
Maturities of Bonds Outstanding Dec. 31, 2024 Date Amount	8/01/25 \$ 135,000.00 8/01/26 135,000.00 8/01/27 140,000.00 8/01/28 140,000.00 8/01/29 140,000.00 8/01/30 140,000.00		
Amount of Original Issue	8/16/2016 \$ 1,856,000.00	261,000.00	
Date of Issue	8/16/2016	8/16/2016	
Purpose WASSE	w act/sewer improvements (tax-exempt)	Water/Sewer Improvements (taxable)	

Exhibit D-18	Sheet 1 of 2		Balance	Dec. 31, 2024	\$ 54,024.77	28,133.00	62,264.81	65,000.00	\$ 209,422.58
	CE			Payments	5,965.47	2,631.00	5,188.72	5,000.00	18,785.19
UST LOAN PAYAB		Balance	Dec. 31, 2023	\$ 59,990.24 \$	30,764.00	67,453.53	70,000.00	\$ 228,207.77 \$	
WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND	SCHEDULE OF NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST LOAN PAYABLE		Interest	Rate	0.00%	2.00% to 3.00%	0.00%	3.00% to 5.00%	
EWER UTILI	ENTAL INFR	f Loans	sc. 31, 2024	Amount	Sheet 2	Sheet 2	Sheet 2	Sheet 2	
WATER-SI	ENJ ENVIRONM	Maturities of Loans	Outstanding De	Date	2025 to 2034	2025 to 2034	2025 to 2036	2025 to 2036 Sheet 2	
	SCHEDULE OF		Original						
			Date of	Issue	2015 \$	2015	2017	2017	
				Purpose	NJ Fund Loan	NJ Trust Loan	NJ Fund Loan	NJ Trust Loan	

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit D-18 Sheet 2 of 2

SCHEDULE OF NJ ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE

TRUST LOAN PAYABLE

Due February 2025	Principal	Interest
August 2025	\$ 3,718.06	\$ 1,485.10
February 2026	15,126.13	1,485.10
August 2026	3,718.06	1,328.22
February 2027	15,190.13	1,328.22
August 2027	3,718.06	1,216.73
February 2028	15,263.13	1,216.73
August 2028	3,718.06	1,100.60
February 2029	15,345.13	1,100.60
	3,718.06	981.82
August 2029	15,433.13	981.82
February 2030	3,718.06	860.66
August 2030	15,525.13	860.66
February 2031	3,718.06	737.01
August 2031	15,623.13	
February 2032	3,718.06	737.01
August 2032	15,725.13	610.86
February 2033	3,718.06	610.86
August 2033	15,832.13	482.25
February 2034	2,065.11	482.25
August 2034	9,454.15	347.92
February 2035	1,729.57	347.92
August 2035	8,459.15	250.00
February 2036	1,729.74	250.00
August 2036		168.75
	13,459.15	168.75
	\$209,422.58	\$ 19,139.84

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Exhibit D-19

SCHEDULE OF USDA LOAN PAYABLE

		Balance	Dec. 31, 2024	\$ 1,688,669.58
			Decreases	\$ 56,948.08
Loan Payments	Balance	Dec. 31, 2023	\$ 1,745,617.66	
	Interest	Rate	4.25%	
	Outstanding Dec. 31, 2024	Amount	\$ 65,275.00	
		Date	2025 to 2043	
	Original	Issue	\$ 2,500,000.00	
		Date of	Issue	2003
			Purpose	USDA Loan

WATER-SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

Exhibit D-20

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED

BUT NOT ISSUED

Ordinance		
Number		
24-10.27		

Improvement Description
Construction of New Water Tower

Balance
Dec. 31, 2024
\$ 3,500,000.00

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT

PART III

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

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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

Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Barnegat Barnegat, New Jersey 08005

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Township of Barnegat's 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 the Township of Barnegat's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024. The Township of Barnegat'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 Township of Barnegat 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; 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); and audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. 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 of Barnegat 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 the Township of Barnegat'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 of Barnegat'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 of Barnegat'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 of Barnegat'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*, 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 of Barnegat'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 the Township of Barnegat'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 the Township of Barnegat'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 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 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.

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.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOLMAN FRENIA ALLISON, P.C.

Jerry W. Conaty

Certified Public Accountant Registered Municipal Accountant

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TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS Year Ended December 31, 2024

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing <u>Number</u>	Agency or Pass-Through Number	Program <u>Award Amount</u>	Program Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Program Expenditures
U.S. Department of Homeland Security.			*			
Passed-Through New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety: Emergency Management Assistance Grant	97.042	066-1200-100-726	10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$ 10,000.00
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				10,000.00	1	10,000.00
U.S. Department of Transportation						
Highway Safety Cluster: Pass-Through State of N.J. Division of Highway Traffic Safety: State and Community Highway Safety Grant: National Priority Safety Programs: Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End - FY2023	20.616	066-1160-100-157	7,000,00	3,640.00	,	3,640.00
Total Highway Safety Cluster				3,640.00	2	3,640.00
Total U.S. Department of Transportation				3,640.00	3	3,640.00
Department of Treasury						
Direct Award Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds	21.027	N/A	2,475,934.66	799,153.00	1	799,153.00
Total Department of Treasury				799,153 00	1	799,153.00
U.S. Department of Justice						
Direct Award Bulletproof Vest Program	16 607	N/A	8,074,83	3,757.68	1	3,757.68
Total U.S. Department of Justice				3,757,68		3,757.68
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				\$ 816,550.68	· .	\$ 816,550.68

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TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT – COUNTY OF OCEAN NOTES TO SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards presents the activity of all federal awards of the Township of Barnegat. The Township is defined in Note 1 of the basic financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). All federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies are included on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying schedule of federal awards is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting as promulgated by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, which is described in the Notes to the Financial Statements, Note 1.

The amounts shown as current year expenditures represent only the federal grant portion of the program costs. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

The Township did not elect the 10-percent de deminimis indirect cost rate as discussed in 2 CFR 200.414.

Note 3. Relationship to Basic Financial Statements

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedule agrees with amounts reported in the Township's financial statements. Expenditures from awards are reported in the Township's financial statements as follows:

	Federal		
State & Federal Grant Fund	\$ 17,397.68		
Utility Operating Fund	280,557.00		
Utility Capital Fund	518,596.00		
Total	\$ 816,550.68		

Note 4. Relationship to Federal Financial Reports

The regulations and guidelines governing the preparation of federal financial reports vary by federal agency and among programs administered by the same agencies. Accordingly, the amounts reported in the federal financial reports do not necessarily agree with the amounts reported in the accompanying Schedules, which is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting as explained in Note 2.

Note 5. Federal Loans Outstanding

The Township had no loan balances outstanding at December 31, 2024.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT – COUNTY OF OCEAN NOTES TO SCHEDULES OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Note 6. Contingencies

Each of the grantor agencies reserves the right to conduct additional audits of the Township's grant program for economy, efficiency and program results. However, the Township administration does not believe such audits would result in material amounts of disallowed costs.

Note 7. Major Programs

Major programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT - COUNTY OF OCEAN SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued			Adverse - GAAP, dified - Regulatory Basis	
Internal control over financial reporting:				
1) Material weakness(es) identified?		yes	Xno	
2) Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		yes	X none reported	
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted	1?	yes	X no	
Federal Awards				
Internal control over major programs:				
1) Material weakness(es) identified?		yes	no	
2) Significant deficiency(ies) identified?			X none reported	
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for maj	or programs		Unmodified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be re in accordance with 2 CFR 200 section .516(a) of U		yes	Xno	
Identification of major programs:				
Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name of Fed	eral Program	or Cluster	
21.027	Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds			
Dellar threshold word to determine Ture A			\$ 750,000.00	
Dollar threshold used to determine Type A programs			φ 7,50,000.00	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		yes	X no	

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT – COUNTY OF OCEAN SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS & QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses and instances of noncompliance related to the basic financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and with audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

None.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT – COUNTY OF OCEAN SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS & QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Section III - Federal Awards Findings & Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses and instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, related to the audit of major federal, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principals, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).

None.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT – COUNTY OF OCEAN SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS AS PREPARED BY MANAGEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

This section identifies the status of prior year findings related to the financial statements and federal awards that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principals, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No Prior Year Findings.

FEDERAL AWARDS

N/A – No Federal Single Audit performed in the prior year.

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT

PART IV

LETTER OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS – REGULATORY BASIS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

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Honorable Mayor and Members of the Township Committee Township of Barnegat County of Ocean Barnegat, New Jersey

In accordance with requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the following are the *General Comments* and *Recommendations* for the year ended December 31, 2024.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Contracts and Agreements required to be advertised by (N.J.S.A.40A:11-4)

N.J.S.A.40A:11-4 states every contract or agreement, for the performance of any work or furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the cost or the contract price whereof is to be paid with or out of public funds not included within the terms of Section 3 of this act, shall be made or awarded only by the Governing Body of the contracting unit after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other Law. No work, materials or supplies shall be undertaken, acquired or furnished for a sum exceeding in the aggregate the bid threshold, except by contract or agreement.

The bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 was \$44,000 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

It is pointed out that the governing body of the municipality has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory minimum within the fiscal 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.

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

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

Collection of Interest on Delinquent Taxes and Assessments

N.J.S.54:4-67, provides the method for authorizing interest and the maximum rates to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The governing body on January 1, 2024 adopted the following resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes:

- 1. That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of any amount of taxes becoming delinquent after due date and 18% per annum on any amount of taxes in excess of \$1,500.00 becoming delinquent after due date, subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law; and, if a delinquency is in excess of \$10,000.00 and remains in arrears beyond December 31st of the tax year, an additional penalty of 6% shall be charged against the delinquency.
- 2. There will be a (10) ten-day grace period for payment of quarterly tax payments made by cash, check or money order."

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

Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens

The last tax sale was held on June 10, 2024.

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

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIENS
2024	174
2023	440
2022	443

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

OTHER COMMENTS (FINDINGS):

None.

Appreciation

We express our appreciation for the assistance and courtesies extended to the members of the audit team.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLMAN FRENIA ALLISON, P. C.

Jerry W. Conaty

Certified Public Accountant

Registered Municipal Accountant

RMA No. 581

Lakewood, New Jersey May 27, 2025