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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Supervisors Smithfield Township East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Smithfield Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Summary of Opinions

Opinion Unit	Type of Opinion		
Governmental Activities	Unmodified		
General Fund	Unmodified		
Highway Aid Fund	Unmodified		
Capital Projects Fund	Unmodified		
Other Governmental Funds	Unmodified		

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Smithfield Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Adverse Opinion on the Reporting Entity

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matters described in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on Reporting Entity" paragraph, the basic financial statements do not present fairly the financial position of the reporting entity of Smithfield Township as of December 31, 2023 and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). 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 Smithfield Township and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on the Reporting Entity

The Pension Fund financial statements have not been included in the Township's financial statements due to the reporting policies of its Pension Administrator, Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Pension Fund be presented as a fiduciary fund included in Smithfield Township's basic financial statements. The amounts that would have been reported in the Pension Fund statement of fiduciary net position and statement of changes in fiduciary net position, have not been determined.

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit, Smithfield Sewer Authority, are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require discrete presentation of component unit financial data in the statement of net assets and the statement of activities using the accrual basis of accounting. As such, the financial data of Smithfield Sewer Authority has been omitted from the statement of net assets and the statement of activities. Condensed versions of the modified cash basis financial statements have been presented in Note 14.

We did not audit the financial statements of Smithfield Sewer Authority, which represent 100 percent of the assets, net position, and revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Smithfield Sewer Authority, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Smithfield Township's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS 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 GAAS, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparisons in Schedules 1 and 2 and the pension information in schedules 3 and 4 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

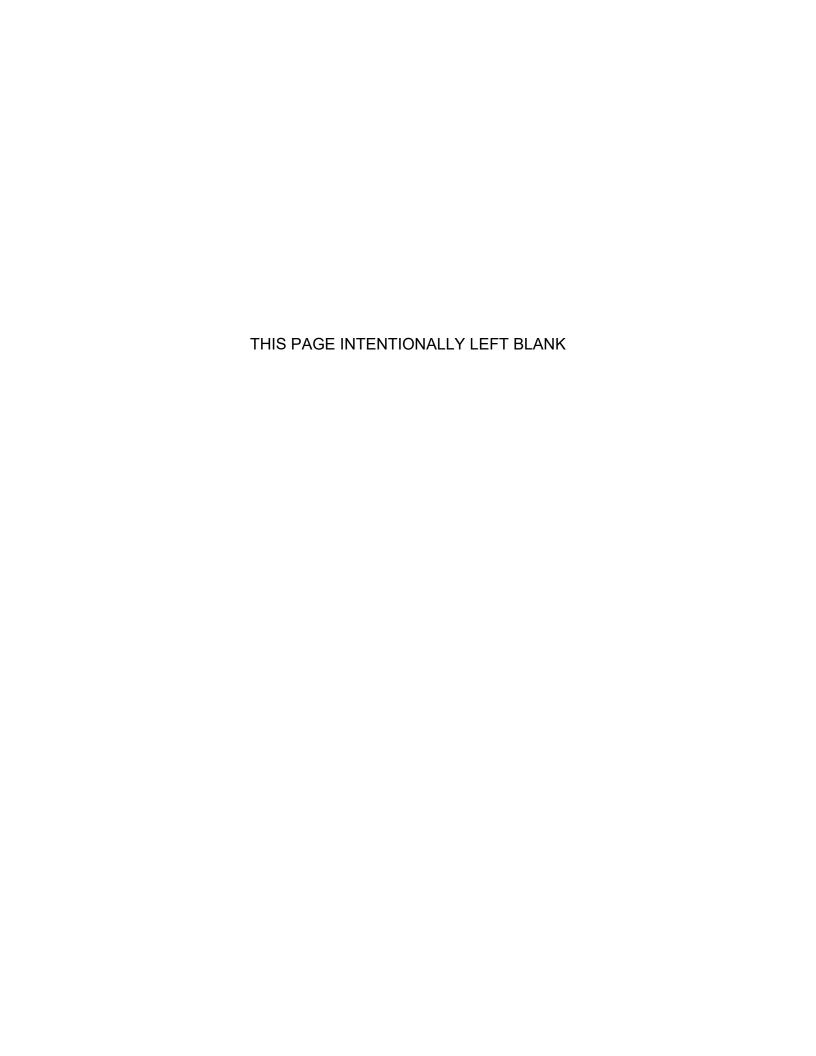
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Smithfield Township's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements 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. Such 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 combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Stroudsburg, PA December 17, 2024

Rilly and Company, Inc.



SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Government Wide Statement of Net Position As of December 31, 2023

	Exhibit A Page 1
Assets:	
Current assets:	#2.111.000
Cash and equivalents	\$3,144,398
Restricted cash	144,617
Taxes receivable	102,673
Other receivables	27,385
Lease receivable	32,288
Prepaid expenses	33,658
Due from other governments	806,012
Total Current Assets	4,291,031
Non-Current Assets:	
Lease receivable, non-current	233,803
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	10,978,823
Capital assets, fiet of accumulated depreciation	10,976,623
Total Non-current Assets	11,212,626
Total Assets	\$15,503,657

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Government Wide Statement of Net Position As of December 31, 2023

	Exhibit A Page 2
Liabilities:	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$127,256
Payroll taxes payable	392
Accrued wages	18,256
Escrow payable	37,866
Accrued interest	16,260
Current portion of long-term debt	1,191_
Total Current Liabilities	201,221_
Long-term Liabilities:	
Accrued compensated absences	11,526
Long-term debt	1,324,229
Total Long-term Liabilities	1,335,755
Total Liabilities	1,536,976
Deferred Inflows of Resources:	
Leased office space	266,091
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Net Position:	0.652.402
Net investment in capital assets Restricted	9,653,403 117,312
Unrestricted	3,929,875
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Total Net Position	\$13,700,590_

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Government Wide Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Exhibit B

			Program Reve Operating	nues	
		Charges for	Grants and	Capital Grants	Net Revenues
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions	and Contributions	(Expenses)
Governmental Activities:					
General government	(\$753,040)	\$15,164	\$20,356	\$0	(\$717,520)
Public safety	(420,948)	82,307	59,859	0	(278,782)
Public works - Sanitation	(37,025)	0	0	0	(37,025)
Public works - Highways and streets	(1,362,920)	10,561	360,967	7,014	(984,378)
Public works - Water system	(9,586)	0	0	0	(9,586)
Health and human services	(6,625)	0	0	0	(6,625)
Culture and recreation	(148,316)	14,615	0	982,550	848,849
Community development	(2,810)	0	0	0	(2,810)
Interest on long-term debt	(34,596)	0	0	0	(34,596)
Insurance	(67,285)	0	0	0	(67,285)
Total Governmental Activities	(\$2,843,151)	\$122,647	\$441,182	\$989,564	(1,289,758)
General Revenues: Property taxes Earned income and local services taxes Interest and rents Miscellaneous					1,205,168 1,231,899 118,096 14,740
Total General Revenues					2,569,903
Change in Net Position					1,280,145
Net Position at Beginning of Year					12,420,445
Net Position at End of Year					\$13,700,590

The "Notes to Financial Statements" are in integral part of these statements and should be read in conjunction therewith.

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Balance Sheets Governmental Funds As of December 31, 2023

Exhibit C Page 1

	General Fund	Highway Aid Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,604,639	\$1,842	\$500,000	\$39,759	\$3,146,240
Restricted cash	142,775	0	0	0	142,775
Taxes receivable	53,137	0	0	0	53,137
Other accounts receivable	27,385	0	0	0	27,385
Due from other funds	178,026	0	0	0	178,026
Due from other governments	795,451	10,561	0	0	806,012
Prepaid expenses	28,774	0	0	0	28,774
Total Assets	\$3,830,187	\$12,403	\$500,000	\$39,759	\$4,382,349
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$127,256	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$127,256
Payroll taxes payable	392	0	0	0	392
Accrued wages	18,256	0	0	0	18,256
Escrow payable	37,866	0	0	0	37,866
Due to other funds	177,743	0	0	283	178,026
Total Liabilities	361,513	0	0	283	361,796

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Balance Sheets Governmental Funds As of December 31, 2023

Exhibit C Page 2

	General Fund	Highway Aid Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Fund Balances: Restricted Assigned Unassigned	104,909 0 3,363,765	12,403 0 0	500,000 0 0	0 39,476 0	617,312 39,476 3,363,765
Total Fund Balances	3,468,674	12,403	500,000	39,476	4,020,553
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$3,830,187	\$12,403	\$500,000	\$39,759	\$4,382,349

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position As of December 31, 2023

Exhibit D

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds		\$4,020,553
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Real estate taxes receivable in excess of sixty days are reported as receivable on the Statement of Net Position but not on the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet: Accounts receivable Allowance for doubtful accounts Capital assets and land used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds' balance sheet.	54,547 (5,011)	49,536 17,108,377
Accumulated depreciation from capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore is not reported in the governmental funds' balance sheet.		(6,129,554)
Prepaid insurance is not recorded on the governmental funds' balance sheet because it is not completely expensed within sixty days using the modified accrual basis of accounting.		4,884
Accrued compensated absences are not accrued in the governmental funds' balance sheet.		(11,526)
Accrued interest is not accrued in the governmental funds' balance sheet.		(16,260)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, they are not reported in the governmental funds' balance sheet.		
Due or payable within one year.		(1,191)
Due or payable after one year.		(1,324,229)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities		\$13,700,590

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Exhibit E Page 1

	General Fund	Highway Aid Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$2,421,123	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,421,123
Licenses and permits	130	0	0	0	130
Fines and forfeits	1,131	0	0	0	1,131
Interest, rents, and royalties	103,995	8,180	0	1,271	113,446
Intergovernmental	1,110,137	333,548	0	0	1,443,685
Charges for services	109,256	0	0	500	109,756
Unclassified	13,981	0	0	0	13,981
Total Revenues	3,759,753	341,728	0	1,771	4,103,252

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Exhibit E Page 2

<u>-</u>	General Fund	Highway Aid Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Expenditures:					
General government	567,285	0	0	0	567,285
Public safety	393,380	0	0	0	393,380
Health and human services	6,625	0	0	0	6,625
Public works - Sanitation	37,025	0	0	0	37,025
Public works - Highways and streets	1,038,348	342,000	0	0	1,380,348
Public works - Other	9,586	0	0	0	9,586
Culture and recreation	1,036,990	0	0	0	1,036,990
Community development	2,810	0	0	0	2,810
Debt service:					
Principal	665,000	0	0	0	665,000
Interest	42,073	0	0	0	42,073
Insurance	67,285	0	0	0	67,285
Employer paid benefits and					
withholding items	323,663	0	0	0	323,663
Unclassified	550	0	0	0	550
Total Expenditures	4,190,620	342,000	0	0	4,532,620
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over					
Expenditures	(430,867)	(272)	0	1,771	(429,368)

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Exhibit E Page 3

	General Fund	Highway Aid Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Other Financing Sources(Uses): Transfers from Sewer Authority for					
debt obligations	469,650	0	0	0	469,650
Interfund operating transfers in	0	0	500,000	0	500,000
Interfund operating transfers out	(500,000)	0	0	0	(500,000)
Refund of prior year revenues	(227)	0	0	0	(227)
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	(30,577)	0	500,000	0	469,423
Net Change in Fund Balances	(461,444)	(272)	500,000	1,771	40,055
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	3,930,118	12,675	0	37,705	3,980,498
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$3,468,674	\$12,403	\$500,000	\$39,476	\$4,020,553

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Exhibit F

\$40,055 Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because: Accrual of real estate taxes receivable that are not accrued for the modified 15,944 accral basis of accounting. An allowance for doubtful accounts is recorded on the government-wide statements to estimate the amount of taxes receivable that will not be collected. The change in the allowance is recorded as bad debt expense on the Statement of Activities. (524)Government tunds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the government-wide statement of activities and changes in net assets, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount of capital assets recorded in the current period. 1,579,108 Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the government-wide statement of activities and changes in net assets, but they do not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, depreciation expense is not reported as an expenditure in governmental funds. (559,103)Change in accrued compensated absences that are not accrued for the modified accrual basis of accounting. (2,812)Change in accrued interest and amortization of bond premiums are not 7,477 recorded for the modified accrual basis of accounting. The amount of loan repayments from the Smithfield Sewer Authority recorded as revenues under the modified accrual basis of accounting. (465,000)The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to government funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction has any effect on net position. The following amounts relate to current year transactions: Repayment of principal portion of long-term debt. 665,000 Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$1,280,145

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Smithfield Township was organized in 1742 and operates as a second-class township in Monroe County, Pennsylvania. It operates using a board of supervisors as its governing body.

Reporting Entity

The report includes all of the services provided by the Township to residents and businesses within its boundaries. Township services provided include public safety, highways and streets, planning and zoning, recreation and community services, and general administrative services. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the Township's reporting entity, as set forth in section 2100 of GASB's Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, includes whether:

- The organization is legally separate (can sue or be sued in their own name);
- The Township holds the corporate powers of the organization;
- The Township appoints a voting majority of the organization's board;
- The Township is able to impose its will on the organization;
- The organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the Township;
- There is fiscal dependency by the organization on the Township.

Based on the aforementioned criteria, Smithfield Township has one component unit – Smithfield Township Sewer Authority. The Township appoints the members of the Authority's governing board.

Basis of Presentation

The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all the non-fiduciary activities of the Township (the primary government). The effect of interfund activity, within the governmental activities have been removed from these statements.

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Basis of Presentation (Continued)

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

Fund Financial Statements

The Township segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Separate statements are presented for governmental and proprietary activities. These statements present each major fund as a separate column on the fund financial statements; all non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those funds through which most governmental functions are typically financed. The measurement focus of a governmental fund is on the sources, uses and balance of current financial resources. The Township has presented the following major governmental funds:

General Fund

The General Fund is the main operating fund of the Township. This fund is used to account for all financial resources not accounted for in other funds. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not restricted by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures, fixed charges and capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds are paid through the General Fund.

Liquid Fuels Fund

The Liquid Fuels Fund is a special revenue fund that accounts for state highway funds received and expenditures for qualified highway expenses.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Capital Improvements Fund

The Capital Improvements/Grants Fund is a new fund for 2023, developed to better plan for maintenance and development of the Township's assets. This fund's revenue comes from the General Fund or from grants as funds are set aside to replace vehicles, improve parks, and ensure the Township continues to thrive without the need to take on additional debt.

Other Governmental Funds

The Township also reports a parks and recreation fund, fair share road improvement fund, fees in lieu of open space fund, and Rivers Edge Bike Park fund as non-major governmental type funds.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary Funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and which are therefore not available to support Township programs. The reporting focus is on net position and changes in net position. Fiduciary funds are reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds. The Township has the following fiduciary fund:

Non-uniform Pension Plan - Accounts for contributions by the Township and its employees to the Township's employee pension plan. Benefit payments and plan administration expenses are paid from this fund.

The Township's fiduciary fund is not presented in the government-wide financial statements. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of third parties, such as pension participants, and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, this fund is not incorporated into the government-wide statements. It is also not presented in the fund financial statements due to the current year financial information not being available in time for audit procedures to be performed.

Component Unit

Smithfield Township Sewer Authority is a component unit of Smithfield Township. The Authority was incorporated under the Municipal Authorities Act by ordinance of the Township and resolution of the Authority in 1988. Since the Township has guaranteed the Authority's debt and appoints its governing board, it is included in the Township's reporting entity.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Component Unit (Continued)

The Authority was organized to provide sewer service for the residents and businesses located in Smithfield Township. It is empowered to acquire, hold, construct, improve, maintain, operate and lease, as lesser or lessee, sewer system and sewage treatment works. The Authority bills quarterly fees to users based on the number of EDU's allocated to them and assesses a connection fee to new users. The Authority's Board of Directors is appointed by the Smithfield Township Board of Supervisors and is responsible for managing the business of the Authority.

In 2023 the Authority prepared its financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As such, the financial information of the Authority has not been included in the government-wide financial statements. See Note 14 for additional information. The separately issued financial statements for Smithfield Sewer Authority can be reviewed at the Township's municipal building with prior scheduling with the Authority's management.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured. The basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic resources measurement focus means all assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows (whether current or non-current) are included on the statement of net position and the operating statements present increases (revenues and deferred inflows) and decreases (expenses and deferred outflows) in net total position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues and deferred inflows are recognized when earned. Expenses and deferred outflows are recognized at the time the liability is incurred. Fiduciary funds associated with the Township are not included in government-wide financial statements because the assets of these funds are held for the benefit of others and are not available for use by the Township.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual; i.e. when they become both measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

The Township considers taxes as available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. A one-year availability period is used for recognition of all other Governmental Fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment has matured and will be payable shortly after year-end.

Budgetary Control

The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General Fund and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – Liquid Fuels Fund present comparisons of budgetary data to actual results. The General and Liquid Fuels Funds utilize the same basis of accounting for both budgetary purposes and actual results, except for the effect of encumbrances and unrealized investment gains and losses, which are adjusted to the actual results for this comparison.

Use of Estimates

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

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Budgetary Control (Continued)

The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. At least 30 days prior to budget adoption, the Township prepares a proposed budget for the ensuing year.
- 2. Notification of the proposed budget and hearings on it are held by the Township prior to adoption.
- 3. Prior to December 31st, the budget is legally enacted by the Township and the tax levy ordinance is adopted.
- 4. The Township, during the budget year, is authorized to modify the budget through either budget transfers or supplemental appropriations.
- 5. The budget lapses at the end of the year.

Interfund Balances

As of December 31, 2023, the Rivers Edge Bike Park Fund owed \$283 to the General Fund. The Rivers Edge Bike Park Fund borrowed the funds to cover costs relating to the bike park project.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable government-wide financial statements. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Repairs and maintenance costs are recorded as expenses. Renewals and betterments are capitalized. Assets capitalized have an original cost of \$1,000 or more and over one year of useful life. Depreciation has been calculated on each class of depreciable property using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings and improvements	15-50 years
Vehicles, machinery and equipment	5 years
Infrastructure	15-50 years

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Compensated Absences

The Township's policy for accrual of compensated absences is to allow full-time employees to accrue a maximum of five days of vacation time, which must be used by March 31 of the subsequent year. The value of compensated absences at the end of the year is calculated by multiplying the number of accumulated hours by each employees pay rate as of the end of the year.

Equity Classification - Government-Wide Financial Statements

Equity is reported as net position and displayed in three components for government-wide presentation:

Net Investment in Capital Assets - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted Net Position - Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted Net Position - All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

Equity Classification - Governmental Fund Financial Statements

In the fund financial statements, the Township reports fund balance classifications in accordance with the provisions of GASB No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions." The following are the Township's fund balance categories:

<u>Non-Spendable</u> - Not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to remain intact.

<u>Restricted</u> - Externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Equity Classification - Governmental Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

<u>Committed</u> - Can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints by formal action of the highest level of decision-making authority. Committed Fund Balance is fund balance reporting required by the Township Supervisors, either because of a Township Policy or in the Township Policy Manual, or because of motions that passed at Board meetings.

<u>Assigned</u> - Constrained by intent to be used for a specific purpose. The Township's Assigned Fund Balance is fund balance reporting under the direction of authorized Township Personnel.

<u>Unassigned</u> - Residual classification of the Township's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

No minimum fund balance policies have been established.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use in funds other than the General Fund, it is the Township's policy to first use unrestricted resources - committed, and assigned - in order as needed, and then use externally restricted resources. For the General Fund, the Township's policy is to first use externally restricted resources and then use unrestricted resources - committed, assigned, and unassigned - in order as needed.

Component Unit – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Smithfield Township Sewer Authority

Basis of Accounting

The Authority's financial statements are presented in accordance with a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The basis of accounting involves modifications to the cash basis of accounting to report in the statement of net position transactions or events that provide a benefit or result in an obligation that covers a period greater than the period in which the cash transactions or event occurred. Such reported balance includes investments, payroll taxes withheld, capital assets and all long-term debt obligations arising from cash transactions or events.

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued):

Component Unit – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Basis of Accounting (Continued)

The modified cash basis of accounting differs from GAAP primarily because certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected and other accrued revenue and receivables) and certain liabilities and their related expenses or expenditures (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet not yet paid and other accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements. In addition, other economic assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that do not arise from cash transactions or events that are not reported, and the measurement of reported assets and liabilities does not involve adjustment to fair value, except investments which are reported at fair value.

If the Authority utilized accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements would utilize the accrual basis of accounting.

Capital Assets

Capital assets include property, plant and equipment. All capital and intangible assets are valued at historical cost. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as expenses. Renewals and betterments are capitalized. Assets capitalized have an original cost of \$5,000 or more and a useful life of over one year. Depreciation and amortization have been calculated on each class of asset using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

reatment plan and expansion	40 years
Pumping stations	40 years
Sewer and force mains	5-10 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years

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Note 2: Budget Basis of Accounting:

Smithfield Township prepares its annual budget on a basis of accounting (budget basis) which differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP basis). Budget transactions are presented in accordance with the Township's method (budget basis) in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General Fund and Highway Aid Fund to provide a comparison of actual results with the budget.

The annual budget is prepared and adopted by the Township's Supervisors. Subsequent amendments are also prepared and adopted by the Township's Supervisors. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year end. Encumbrances are not included as expenditures. During the current year, the budget was amended in a legally permissible manner.

The Township's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 present its legally adopted budget for the General Fund. The Township included a portion of the prior year's fund balance represented by unappropriated liquid assets remaining in the fund as budgeted revenue in the succeeding year. The results of operations on a GAAP basis do not recognize the fund balance allocation as revenue as it represents prior period's excess of revenues over expenditures. The Township legally adopted the General Fund budget for 2023.

The Budget has been adopted on the activity basis; expenditures at this level in excess of amounts budgeted are a violation of the Pennsylvania's Second Class Township Code. Comparison of actual results of operations to the budget of the General Fund as adopted by the Township's Supervisors is included as required supplementary information to the basic financial statements.

There were no significant expenditures in excess of budgeted amounts in the General Fund or Liquid Fuels Fund for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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Note 3: Deposits and Investments:

Deposits

The Township is permitted to invest funds in U.S. Treasury Bills, short-term obligations of the United States Government or its agencies or instrumentalities, obligations of the United States of America or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America, obligations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by full faith and credit of the political subdivision, certificates of deposit, secured purchase agreements, authorized Investment Trust Companies and time or share accounts of institutions insured or secured by the FDIC to the extent such certificates are insured by a proper bond or collateral in accordance with the law.

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be recovered. The Township's policy for minimizing credit risk for bank balances exceeding the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's insured limit relies upon the Pennsylvania Pledge Act 72 (732 P.S. section 3836-1et seq.). The act requires the financial institution to pool collateral for all of its government deposits in addition to having the collateral held by an approved custodian in the institution's name. At year-end, deposits in excess of FDIC coverage totaled \$2,056,520.

PLGIT

State laws authorize the Township to invest with the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT), deposits in savings accounts or time deposits of institutions that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), certificates of deposit purchased from institutions Insured by the FDIC, and obligations of the United States of America or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Note 3: Deposits and Investments: (Continued)

The Township maintains investments with the PLGIT. Although not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and not subject to regulatory oversight, PLGIT acts like a money market mutual fund in that their objective is to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1 per share and is rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization and is subject to an independent annual audit. The Township treats their PLGIT as cash equivalents on the statement of net position and fund balance statements. At December 31, 2023, total funds held by PLGIT were \$20,790.

Component Unit

Smithfield Township Sewer Authority

The Authority can invest its general funds as provided by the Municipal Authorities Act. Authorized types of investments include:

- a) U.S. Treasury bills.
- b) Obligations of the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any of their agencies or instrumentalities, which are secured by the full faith and credit of such entity.
- c) Checking or savings accounts, certificates of deposit, or share accounts, provided such amounts are insured and any deposits in excess of such insurance are collateralized by the depository.
- d) Shares of a registered investment company, provided that investments of that company are in authorized investments as noted above.

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be recovered. The Authority's policy for minimizing credit risk for bank balances exceeding the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's insured limits relies upon the Pennsylvania Pledge Act 72 (72 P.S. section 3836-1§1 §fill.). The act requires the financial institution to pool collateral for all of its government deposits in addition to having the collateral held by an approved custodian in the institution's name. At year-end, deposits in excess of FDIC coverage totaled \$618,841.

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Note 4: Property Taxes:

Based upon assessed valuation provided by the County (\$674,589,520 in 2023), the Township's property taxes are collected by an elected tax collector. The schedule for property taxes levied for 2023 is as follows:

March 1	Levy Date
March 1 through April 30	2% Discount Period
May 1 through June 30	Face Payment Period
July 1 through December 31	10% Penalty Period
January 1 (following year)	Lien Date

The Township's tax rate for all purposes for 2023 was 0.80 mills (\$0.80 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation).

At December 31, 2023 taxes receivable on the government-wide financial statements were as follows:

Taxes Receivable	\$107,684
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	(5,011)
Taxes Receivable Net of Allowance of	
Uncollectible Accounts	\$102,673

Note 5: Due from Smithfield Township Sewer Authority:

The Township has an agreement with Smithfield Sewer Authority which requires the Authority to fund the portion of the Township's 2015 bond issuance obligations related to the portion of debt that satisfied the Authority's prior bond issuance. The Township's Supervisors agreed in 2004 to Issue bonds, with the majority of the proceeds paying the prior obligations of the Authority. When the Township refinanced the 2004 bond the Authority's portion of the bond obligation increased accordingly. The following is a summary of the obligation due to the Township:

	Balance 1/1/23	Additions	Repayments	Balance 12/31/23	Due Within One Year
Due from Authority	\$465,000	\$0	(\$465,000)	\$0	\$0

Note 6: Lease Receivable:

On February 3, 2021, the Township entered into a 10-year lease with the County of Monroe for use of office space at the Smithfield Township Municipal Center. The lease agreement qualifies as other than short-term leases under GASB 87 and, therefore, a lease receivable and corresponding deferred inflow of resources has been recorded on the government-wide statement of net position at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of its inception. The lease requires monthly payments ranging from \$3,183 in Year 1 to \$3,948 in Year 10. The lease receivable is measured at a discount rate of 3.25%. While this rate is not stated in the lease agreement, it was estimated based on the borrowing rate of the County at the time of the lease's inception. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the total lease revenue recognized by the Township was \$40,125, including interest income of \$9,195.

Note 7: Changes in Capital Assets:

A summary of the changes in governmental activities fixed assets are as follows:

	Balance	Plus	Less	Balance
	<u>1/1/23</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	12/31/23
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets:				
Land	\$2,301,508	\$0	\$0	\$2,301,508
Construction in progress	210,548	990,246	0	1,200,794
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Buildings	5,836,709	0	0	5,836,709
Infrastructure	3,516,687	585,887	0	4,102,574
Vehicles	1,265,016	0	0	1,265,016
Machinery and equipment	783,699	2,975	0	786,674
Office equipment	40,541	0	0	40,541
Park improvements	1,574,561	0	0	1,574,561
Total Capital Assets	15,529,269	1,579,108	0	17,108,377
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(5,570,451)	(559,103)	0	(6,129,554)
Net Capital Assets	\$9,958,818	\$1,020,005	\$0	\$10,978,823

Note 7: Changes in Capital Assets: (Continued)

Component Unit

Smithfield Township Sewer Authority

All capital items are carried at cost. A summary of proprietary fund-type property, plant and equipment at December 31, 2023 are as follows:

	Balance <u>1/1/23</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance 12/31/23
Non-Depreciable Capital Assets:				
Land	\$275,729	\$0	\$0	\$275,729
Depreciable Capital Assets:				
Drainage system	103,181	0	0	103,181
Sewer line extension	1,988,895	0	0	1,988,895
Stormwater project	3,196,490	0	0	3,196,490
Treatment plant and expansion	3,796,489	137,369	0	3,933,858
Pumping stations	740,863	0	0	740,863
Sewer and force mains	7,192,997	0	0	7,192,997
Vehicles	33,149	0	0	33,149
Furniture and fixtures	10,907	0	0	10,907
Total depreciable capital assets	17,062,971	137,369	0	17,200,340
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(9,590,338)	(449,227)	0	(10,039,565)
Net Depreciable Capital Assets	7,472,633	(311,858)	0	7,160,775
Net Capital Assets	\$7,748,362	(\$311,858)	\$0	\$7,436,504

Note 8: Long Term Debt:

Governmental activities' long-term liability balances and activity for the year ended December 31, 2023 were:

	Balance 1/1/23	Issues/ Additions	Repayments/ Retirements	Balance 12/31/23	Due Within One Year
Series 2015 GOB	\$1,985,000	\$0	(\$665,000)	\$1,320,000	\$0
Plus: Net Premium to be Amortized	6,792	0	(1,372)	5,420	1,191
Total Bonds Payable	\$1,991,792	\$0	(\$666,372)	\$1,325,420	\$1,191

Outstanding debt obligations are as follows:

<u>General Obligation Note – Series A of 2015</u>

The Township signed a bond purchase agreement on March 24, 2015, to refinance the Series 2010 Bond Issue with the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2015 dated April 30, 2015. The original amount of the Series 2015 Bond Issue was \$6,250,000. The Township has an agreement with Smithfield Sewer Authority for the Authority to reimburse the Township annually for both the principal and interest portions of the Authority's debt that was refinanced. Principal payments are due semi-annually from June 15, 2015 through January 15, 2029. Interest on the note ranges from 0.25% to 4.0% depending on the scheduled maturity date of individual bonds.

Annual debt service requirements are as follows:

Year Ending	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	Total <u>Payments</u>
Bonds:			
2024	\$0	\$32,911	\$32,911
2025	0	27,828	27,828
2026	635,000	22,561	657,561
2027	0	16,603	16,603
2028	0	10,005	10,005
2029	685,000	3,335	688,335
Total	\$1,320,000	\$113,243	\$1,433,243

Note 8: Long Term Debt: (Continued)

Component Unit

Smithfield Township Sewer Authority

Revenue Bond with Smithfield Township

The Authority retired its 1993 Revenue Bonds by means of a 2004 Bond Issuance by Smithfield Township. The Township issued the bonds and loaned the funds to the Authority in order to obtain a favorable interest rate. The Authority signed an agreement with the Township to be responsible for the annual principal payments and the semi-annual interest payments. The Township refinanced these bonds in 2010, and again in 2015 with gross proceeds of \$6,250,000. The bond matured on July 15, 2023.

Truck Loan

The Authority entered into a loan agreement with Bob Fisher Chevrolet, Inc. dated March 18, 2020 in the amount of \$33,149. The loan is for financing the acquisition of a 2020 Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck. Principal and interest (at 5.43%) are payable in 60 monthly installments of \$630.

Penn Works Loan

During 2017, the Authority received the final disbursement of \$1,916,265 on the \$3,000,000 Penn Works DCED Loan through Pocono Mountains Industrial Park Authority, payable to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to finance a storm water project. The loan is payable in monthly installments of \$16,643 over a 20-year amortization at an interest rate of 2.0%.

Changes in long-term debt obligations for the year ended December 31, 2023, are as follows:

	Balance <u>1/1/23</u>	Additions	Repayments	Balance 12/31/23	Due Within One Year
Bond Payable to Smithfield Townhip	\$465,000	\$0	(\$465,000)	\$0	\$0
PennWorks loan	2,050,243	0	(160,176)	1,890,067	163,030
Truck loan	14,319	0	(14,319)	0	0
Total Long-term Debt	\$2,529,562	\$0	(\$639,495)	\$1,890,067	\$163,030

Note 8: Long Term Debt: (Continued)

Maturities of long-term debt at December 31, 2023 are as follows:

Year Ended	Principal	_Interest_	Total
2024	¢462 020	ተ ንድ ድር 7	¢400 747
2024	\$163,030	\$36,687	\$199,717
2025	166,321	33,396	199,717
2026	169,678	30,039	199,717
2027	173,102	26,615	199,717
2028	176,596	23,121	199,717
2029-2033	937,910	60,672	998,582
2034	103,430	847	104,277
Total	\$1,890,067	\$211,377	\$2,101,444

Note 9: Pension Plan:

Plan Description

General

The Smithfield Township pension plan is a single-employer cash balance defined benefit pension plan controlled by the provisions of Ordinance No. 213 dated 11/12/13. The Plan is governed by the Township's Board of Supervisors. The Township Supervisors may amend plan provisions and are responsible for the management of plan assets.

Under generally accepted accounting principles for governments, the Plan should be included in the Township's basic financial statements as a Pension Trust. However due to the lack of timely financial information from Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System (PMRS), the Plan is not presented in these financial statements.

Stand-alone financial statements are not publicly available.

The plan participates in PMRS, which is an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for participating municipal pension plans. PMRS issues a separate Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR is available on the PMRS Website. A copy can be obtained by contacting the PMRS accounting office.

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Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

Plan Membership

Membership of the plan consisted of the following at January 1, 2023:

Active plan members	10
Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	3
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	<u>5</u>
Total	18

Membership is mandatory for full-time officers and employees of the Township. Credited service begins to accrue as of the enrollment date, which is the date of hire, or upon the expiration of the Member's probationary status, whichever is more recent. A member shall vest upon the completion of one year of credited service. The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries equal to a single life annuity starting on the effective date of retirement with a present value equal to the Member's Accumulated Deductions and municipal contributions made on behalf of the Member. Members are eligible for retirement upon the attainment of sixty-two (62) years of age.

Benefit Provisions

The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries.

Normal retirement age is 62. No early retirement.

Contributions

In accordance with the Plan's governing Ordinance or Resolution as applicable, members are not required to contribute to the plan, but may elect to contribute up to 20% of compensation. These contributions are deducted from payroll and treated as taxed at the time they are made to the System, will be tracked separately, and will not be treated as taxable when paid out to the Member.

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Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

For 2023, the Township elected to contribute \$1,125 to each member per quarter (\$4,500 annually) and may annually elect to contribute at a higher amount in future years by adopting a resolution and filing a copy of it with the Board. For the year ending December 31, 2023, total pension expense, including the minimum municipal obligation (MMO) is \$37,041.

The payroll for Township employees covered by the Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan for the year ended December 31, 2023 was \$579,924.

Act 205

Act 205 of 1984, Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act, initiated actuarial funding requirements for municipal pension plans. Under Act 205 provisions, a municipal budget must provide for full payment of the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) to each employee pension fund of the municipality.

Basis of Accounting

The plan's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions to the plan are recognized when due, in accordance with Act 205, as amended. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

Method Used to Value Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. The plan's assets with PMRS are pooled for investment purposes and, therefore, do not represent specific identifiable investment securities. Disclosures required by Statements No.3 of the Government Accounting Standards Board for aggregate PMRS investments are included in PMRS's separately issued CAFR.

Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

As allowed under GASB 68, the Plan reports its Net Pension Liability and changes to the liability on a one-year delay, which would be the year ended December 31, 2022. The analysis below reports changes to the Net Pension Liability for the year ended December 31, 2022, which is the most recent year that pension information is available from PMRS.

	Total Pension Liability	Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Liability
	Liability	1 03111011	Liability
Balances at 12/31/21	\$797,674	\$971,652	(\$173,978)
Service Cost	82,589	0	82,589
Interest Cost	42,783	0	42,783
Changes of Benefits	0	0	0
Difference Between Expected and			
Actual Experience	13,820	0	13,820
Contributions - Employer	0	39,566	(39,566)
Contributions - PMRS assessment	0	380	(380)
Contributions - Employee	0	43,855	(43,855)
PMRS Investment Income	0	43,167	(43,167)
Market Value Investment Income*	0	(149,991)	149,991
Benefit Payments	(28,051)	(28,051)	0
PMRS Administrative Expense	0	(380)	380
Additional Administrative Expense	0	(2,281)	2,281
Net Changes	111,141	(53,735)	164,876
Balances at 12/31/22	\$908,815	\$917,917	(\$9,102)

^{*}Reflects the net investment loss of \$169,504 and the income due to the difference between expected and actual asset values of \$19,513, which includes the impact from allocation of assets in support of the underlying retiree liabilities.

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Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

Net Pension Liability

Although the beginning and end of year Total Pension Liabilities (TPLs) are based upon the same actuarial valuation dates, there may be a difference between expected and actual experience reported this year due to actual cash flows during the year. The beginning of year TPL is based upon the January 1, 2021 actuarial valuation, with liabilities measured at December 31, 2020. The end of year TPL is based upon the January 1, 2023 actuarial valuation with a measurement date of December 31, 2022.

Discount Rate

As of December 31, 2022, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.25%. The plan's fiduciary net position was assumed to be available to make all projected benefit payments of current plan members based on the assumption that all MMO payments as determined and required under Act 205 will be paid accordingly. Therefore, the municipal long-term expected rate of return for municipal and member accounts was applied to discount all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability of the Plan, calculated using the discount rate of 5.25%, as well as what the Plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	Current			
	1% Decrease (4.25%)	Discount Rate (5.25%)	1% Increase (6.25%)	
Plan's Net Pension Liability	<u>\$137,322</u>	(<u>\$9,102)</u>	(\$148,182)	

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Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of 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.

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

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Nominal Rate of <u>Return</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity (large, capitalized firms)	24.5%	7.50%	5.00%
Domestic Equity (small, capitalized firms)	8.0%	8.20%	5.70%
International Equity (developed markets)	14.5%	7.60%	5.10%
International Equity (emerging markets)	3.0%	8.01%	5.51%
Global Equities	5.0%	7.03%	4.53%
Real Estate	10.0%	7.42%	4.92%
Timber	5.0%	6.50%	4.00%
Fixed Income (Core Investment Grade)	24.0%	4.60%	2.10%
Fixed Income (Opportunistic Credit)	5.0%	8.00%	5.50%
Cash	<u>1.0%</u>	2.20%	0.30%
Total Portfolio	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>7.43%</u>	<u>4.93%</u>

Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

Actuarial Methods and Significant Assumptions

Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation date follows:

Actuarial Valuation Date

Actuarial Cost Method

Amortization Method

Asset Valuation Method

Actuarial Assumptions:

Investment rate of return

Projected salary increases*

Inflation at 2.80% and agerelated scale for merit/seniority

The impact of investment gains or losses for expensing is recognized over a period of five years. The impact of experience gains or losses and assumption changes on the total pension liability are recognized in the pension expense over the average expected remaining service life of all active and inactive members of the Plan, as provided below.

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference Between Expected and		
Actual Experience	\$9,794	\$12,092
Changes in Assumptions	0	7,161
Difference Between Projected and		
Actual Investment Earnings	0	36,476
Total	\$9,794	\$55,729

Note 9: Pension Plan: (Continued)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended Decemb	oer 31:	
	2023	(\$10,357)
	2024	5,823
	2025	14,186
	2026	31,103
	2027	1,728
There	after	3,452
		\$45,935

Note 10: Risk Management:

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets, errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employees' health and life; and natural disasters.

The Township manages these various risks of loss as follows:

Type of Loss	Method Managed	Risk of Loss <u>Retained</u>
Torts, errors, and omissions	Purchased commercial insurance	Limited
Workers compensation, health and life	Purchased commercial insurance	Limited
Physical property loss and natural disasters	Purchased commercial insurance	Limited

Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Township. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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Note 11: Litigation:

The Township is a party to various legal proceedings. These financial statements do not include accrual or provisions for loss contingencies that may result from these proceedings. While the outcome of the any legal proceeding is difficult to predict, due to the insurance coverage maintained by the Township and the State statute relating to judgments, the Township believes that any settlement or judgment not covered by insurance would not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Township.

Note 12: Joint Ventures:

In December 2013, Smithfield Township entered into an Intermunicipal Agreement with Middle Smithfield Township and Lehman Township establishing the Oak Grove Multi-Municipal Compost Processing Program (OGMMCPP). OGMMCPP was created to operate an intermunicipal compost processing facility located within Middle Smithfield Township. Based on the Township's population per the 2010 United States Census, Smithfield Township is responsible for 22% of the operating costs of the program. Total contributions made to OGMMCPP in 2023 were \$11,220. Middle Smithfield Township, as lead municipality, has assumed responsibility of the day-to-day operations of the compost processing facility. Per the Intermunicipal Agreement, the OGMMCPP's financial statements are audited annually. The audited financial statements are available for review at the Middle Smithfield Township Municipal Building.

Note 13: American Rescue Plan:

During 2021, the Township was awarded funds through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The purpose of this grant was to assist government entities with COVID-19 response and to replace revenues lost during the pandemic. The Township was entitled to \$791,090, half of which (\$395,545) was received during 2021. The second half was received during 2022, along with an additional allocation of \$2,501. The Township made a one-time election to claim the standard allowance for lost revenue, which is the Treasury's allowed exemption to apply all the ARPA funds lo lost revenue which allows a broader use for these funds in the Final Ruling, therefore classifying them as unrestricted in the fund financial statements. The Board of Supervisors is in an ongoing process to decide the optimal allocation of these funds.

Note 14: Smithfield Sewer Authority:

As discussed in Note 1, Smithfield Sewer Authority is a component unit of the Township. The Authority's financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as discussed further in Note 1. A condensed summary of the Authority's financial statements is as follows:

Summary Statement of Net Position - Modified Cash Basis As of December 31, 2023

Assets: Cash Capital assets, net of accumulated deprecation	\$895,865 7,436,504
Total assets	\$8,332,369
Liabilities: Accounts payable and other current liabilities Long-term debt and other noncurrent liabilities	167,584 1,730,166
Total liabilities	1,897,750
Net Position	\$6,434,619
Summary Statement of Activities - Modified Cash For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	ı Basis
Expenses	(\$1,415,558)
Program Revenues: Charges for services Capital grants and contributions	1,340,797 100,000
Net Revenue	25,239
Interest income	10,684
Change in Net Position	35,923
Net Position at Beginning of Year	6,398,696
Net Position at End of Year	\$6,434,619

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Note 15: Subsequent Events:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through December 17, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Blue Ridge Communications did not remit the 5% franchise fee to the Township during 2023. Upon discussion with Blue Ridge Cable, it was determined the Blue Ridge failed to collect the franchise fee from its customers for 2023 and as a result the amount was not remitted to the Township. Based on prior years, the Township estimates that the amount owed to it would be roughly \$110,000. As of December 17, 2024, the matter is with legal counsel.

Smithfield Township Required Supplementary Information As of December 31, 2023

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Schedule 1
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	Cash l Budgeted Original		Modifed Accrual Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues:	Original	ı ındı	7 totadi	(Nogalivo)
Taxes	\$2,119,790	\$2,227,847	\$2,421,123	\$193,276
Licenses and permits	113,350	111,758	130	(111,628)
Fines and forfeits	0	0	1,131	1,131
Interest, rents, and royalties	41,125	100,125	103,995	3,870
Intergovernmental	1,487,900	558,214	1,110,137	551,923
Charges for services	83,500	88,000	109,256	21,256
Other	3,750	250	13,981	13,731
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Total Revenues	3,849,415	3,086,194	3,759,753	673,559
Expenditures:				
General government	655,549	646,704	567,285	79,419
Public safety	338,654	384,421	393,380	(8,959)
Health and human services	300	6,700	6,625	75
Public works - Sanitation	55,500	39,600	37,025	2,575
Public works - Highways and				
streets	1,091,429	874,485	1,038,348	(163,863)
Public works - Other	2,550	9,050	9,586	(536)
Culture and recreation	1,223,625	1,003,781	1,036,990	(33,209)
Community development	0	0	2,810	(2,810)
Debt service	707,073	707,073	707,073	0
Insurance	100,826	100,826	67,285	33,541
Employee benefits and taxes	415,682	371,682	323,663	48,019
Unclassified	0	0	550	(550)
Total Expenditures	4,591,188	4,144,322	4,190,620	(46,298)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
over Expenditures	(741,773)	(1,058,128)	(430,867)	627,261

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Schedule 1 Page 2

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	Cash Basis Budgeted Amounts		Modifed Accrual	Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Other Funding Sources (Uses): Transfer from Sewer Authority				
for debt obligation Interfund operating transfers Refund of prior year revenues Use of fund balance	469,650 (1,593,151) (500) 1,865,774	469,650 (500,000) 0 1,088,478	469,650 (500,000) (227)	0 0 (227) (1,088,478)
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	741,773	1,058,128	(30,577)	(1,088,705)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	(461,444)	(\$461,444)
Net Position at Beginning of Year			3,930,118	
Net Position at End of Year			\$3,468,674	

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - Highway Aid Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Schedule 2

	Cash Basis Budgeted Amounts		Modifed Accrual	Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Revenues: Intergovernmental Interest, rents, and	\$327,232	\$331,451	\$333,548	\$2,097
royalties	0	8,000	8,180	180
Total Revenues	327,232	339,451	341,728	2,277
Expenditures: Public works - highways and streets	330,027	342,000	342,000	0_
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over				
Expenditures	(2,795)	(2,549)	(272)	2,277
Other Funding Sources: Fund balance to be used	2,795	2,795	0	(2,795)
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$0</u>	\$246	(272)	(\$518)
Net Position at Beginning of Year			12,675	
Net Position at End of Year			\$12,403	

Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

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	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total Pension Liability:									
Service Cost	\$82,589	\$70,392	\$63,590	\$49,658	\$38,722	\$38,716	\$37,030	\$35,841	\$22,728
Interest	42,783	38,189	34,513	40,334	26,808	24,604	25,057	21,848	5,694
Changes of Benefit Terms	0	0	0	0	5,352	0	0	0	0
Differences Between									
Expected and Actual									
Experience	13,820	0	(16,801)	0	(388)	0	(134)	(1)	0
Changes of Assumptions	0	0	12,531	0		0	0	0	0
Transfers									356,082
Benefit Payments, Including									
Refunds of Member									
Contributions	(28,051)	(28,051)	(28,841)	(3,298)	(872)	(71,629)	0	0	0
Net Change in Total Pension									
Liability	111,141	80,530	64,992	86,694	69,622	(8,309)	61,953	57,688	384,504
Total Pension Liability -	111,171	00,000	04,552	00,004	03,022	(0,000)	01,555	37,000	304,304
Beginning	797,674	717,144	652,152	565,458	495,836	504,145	442,192	384,504	0
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Total Pension Liability - End	\$908,815	\$797,674	\$717,144	\$652,152	\$565,458	\$495,836	\$504,145	\$442,192	\$384,504
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SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

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	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Plan Fiduciary Net Position:									
Contributions - Employer Contributions - PMRS	\$39,566	\$36,585	\$33,634	\$28,150	\$23,514	\$25,725	\$23,343	\$24,002	\$10,889
Assessment	380	300	20	200	20	0	0	0	0
Contributions - Employee	43,855	33,807	29,956	21,508	14,731	15,466	13,030	11,841	11,979
PMRS Investment Income	43,167	38,686	35,456	41,142	28,422	25,438	25,876	22,539	5,988
Market Value Invesment									
Income	(149,991)	84,357	41,797	80,918	(61,756)	55,215	7,773	(25,434)	(5,242)
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	356,082
Benefit Payments, Including									
Refunds of Member									
Contributions	(28,051)	(28,051)	(28,841)	(3,298)	(872)	(71,629)	0	0	0
PMRS Administrative									
Expense	(380)	(300)	(260)	(200)	(200)	(160)	(160)	(160)	(140)
Additional Administrative	(0.004)	(0.404)	(4.545)	(4.400)	(4.000)	(4.470)	(4.000)	(0.40)	(000)
Expense	(2,281)	(2,191)	(1,545)	(1,422)	(1,268)	(1,170)	(1,268)	(940)	(230)
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary									
Net Position	(53,735)	163,193	110,217	166,998	2,591	48,885	68,594	31,848	379,326
Plan Net Position - Beginning	971,652	808,459	698,242	531,244	528,653	479,768	411,174	379,326	0
Plan Net Position - Ending	\$917,917	\$971,652	\$808,459	\$698,242	\$531,244	\$528,653	\$479,768	\$411,174	\$379,326
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Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Schedule 3

Page 3 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014 Municipality's Net Pension Liability/(Asset) (\$9,102)(\$173,978)(\$91,315) (\$46,090)\$34,214 (\$32,817)\$24,377 \$31,018 \$5,178 Municipality's Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability/(Asset) 101.0% 121.8% 112.7% 107.1% 93.9% 106.6% 95.2% 93.0% 98.7% Covered Employee Payroll \$478,387 \$428,258 \$400,184 \$413,629 \$380,661 \$359,483 \$318,217 \$325,306 \$300,786 Municipality's Net Pension Liability/(Asset) as a Percentage of Covered **Employee Payroll** -1.9% -40.6% -22.8% -11.1% 9.0% -9.1% 7.7% 9.5% 1.7%

Note to Schedule:

Ultimately this schedule will present information for ten years. However, until ten years of information is compiled, information is presented for as many years as available.

Schedule of Employer Contributions For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Schedule 4

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Actuarially Determined Contributions	\$39,114	\$36,885	\$33,894	\$28,350	\$24,191	\$23,410	\$24,160	\$24,160	\$10,889
Actual Contributions in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	39,946	36,885	33,654	28,350	23,534	25,725	23,343	24,002	10,889
Contribution (Excess)Deficiency	(\$832)	\$0	\$240	\$0	\$657	(\$2,315)	\$817	\$158	\$0
Covered Employee Payroll	\$478,387	\$428,258	\$400,184	\$413,629	\$380,661	\$359,483	\$318,217	\$325,306	\$300,786
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll	8.35%	8.61%	8.41%	6.85%	6.18%	7.16%	7.34%	7.38%	3.62%

Ultimately this schedule will present information for ten years. However, until ten years of information is compiled, information is presented for as many years as available.

Valuation Date 1/1/2023 Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age

Amortization Period Level dollar based upon the amortization periods in Act 205

Asset Valuation Method Based upon the municipal reserves

Discount Rate 5.25% Inflation 2.20%

Salary increases Age related scale with merit and inflation component

COLA increases 2.2% for those eligible for a COLA

Pre-Retirement Mortality Males - PUB-2010 General Employees male table, Females - PUB-2010 General Employees female table

Post-Retirement Mortality Males - RP2006 annuitant male table, Females - RP2006 annuitant female table

Smithfield Township
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SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Balance Sheet Combining Balance Sheet – Other Governmental Funds As of December 31, 2023

Schedule 5

	Park and Recreation Fund	Fairshare Road Improvement Fund	Fees in Lieu of Open Space Fund	Rivers Edge Bike Park Fund	Total Other Governmental Funds
Assets: Cash and cash equivalents	\$10,189	\$11,542	\$7,406	\$10,622	\$39,759
Liabilities Due to other governmental funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$283	\$283
Fund Balances: Restricted	10,189	11,542	7,406	10,339	\$39,476
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$10,189	\$11,542	\$7,406	\$10,622	\$39,759

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Other Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Schedule 6

	Park and Recreation Fund	Fairshare Road Improvement Fund	Fees in Lieu of Open Space Fund	Rivers Edge Bike Park Fund	Total Other Governmental Funds
Revenues:	474	E 4 E	200	004	4 074
Interest, rents, and royalties	174	545	328	224	1,271
Charges for services	0	0	500	0	500
Total Revenues	174	545	828	224	1,771
Total Expenditures	0	0_	0	0	0
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
over Expenditures	174	545	828	224	1,771
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Net Change in Fund Balances	174	545	828	224	1,771
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	10,015	10,997	6,578	10,115	37,705
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$10,189	\$11,542	\$7,406	\$10,339	\$39,476