WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #8

Audit Report

For the Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Fire Commissioners Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 Hopelawn, NJ 08861

We have audited the combined financial statements of The Woodbridge Township Fire District #8, which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2021, and the related combined statements of activities, net position of the District's various funds for the years then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 at December 31, 2021, and the changes in net position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 Woodbridge Township Fire District #8, and to meet our 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 opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The Woodbridge Township Fire District #8's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Board of Fire Commissioners Woodbridge Township Fire District #8

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 not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material The risk of not detecting a material misstatement when it exists. misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, forgery, fraud may involve collusion, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of The Woodbridge Township Fire District #8'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 judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The Woodbridge Township Fire District #8's ability to continue as a going concern.

We are required to communicate 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.

Board of Fire Commissioners Woodbridge Township Fire District #8

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information:

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 2 and 3 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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. 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 16, 2022 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Bart & Bart, CPAs

Woodbridge NJ August 19, 2022

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Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Board of Fire Commissioners Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 Hopelawn, NJ 08861

We have audited the financial statements of Woodbridge Township Fire District #8, Woodbridge Township, New Jersey, for the year ended December 31, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated August 19, 2022. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and audit requirements as prescribed by the State of New Jersey.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Districts internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Districts internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or 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 or corrected on a timely basis.

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

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants' 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 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.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the members of the District and its management and for filing with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Bart & Bart, CPA's

Woodbridge, NJ August 19, 2022

WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 8 MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021 Unaudited

This discussion and analysis of Woodbridge Township Fire District No. 8's financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2021. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the district's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2021 as compared to 2020 are as follows:

	As of December 31,			
Total Assets and Deferred Outflow	2021	2020		
of Resources	\$1,308,951	\$1,198,676		
Capital Assets - Net	1,187,784	1,286,655		
Total Assets	\$ 2,496,735	\$ 2,485,331		
Total Current Liabilities	683,047	635,291		
Noncurrent Liabilities Net Defined Pension Liability and Deferred Outflows of Resources	106,246	132,310		
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 789,293	<u>\$ 768,131</u>		
Net Position Restricted:				
Invested in Capital Assets	1,187,784	1,286,655		
Unrestricted	519,658	430,445		
Net Position	\$1,707,442	\$ 1,717,200		

Comparative Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position

Tax Revenue increased \$74,787 or .08% from the prior year due to an increase in the voter approved Tax Levy.

Operating Expenses increased \$41,579 or .06% from the prior year.

Total Operating Revenues less Total Operating Expenses produced a surplus of \$118,449.

WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 8 MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Unaudited

Comparative Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position (Continued)

Net Position as of December 31, 2021 decreased \$9,758 from \$1,717,200 to \$1,707,442, primarily as a result of pension liability accruals required by the implementation of GASB 68.

	Year Ending Dece	ember 31,
	_2021	2020
Total Operating Revenues	\$1,039,755	\$ 969,170
Operating Expenses	721,000	679,421
Operating Income	318,755	289,749
Revenue Offsets	(25,994)	(26, 253)
Capital Appropriations	(174,312)	_(130,173)
Total Operating surplus	\$ 118,449	\$ 133,323

The following table shows the available fund balance maintained by the district, net of the required pension accruals:

	Yea	r Ending Decemb	ber	31,
		2021		2020
Net Position	\$	519,658	\$	430,445
Less: Deferred Outflow of Resources		(5,156)		(9,558)
Add: Deferred Inflow of Resources		65,996		78,899
Net Pension Liability		40,250	-	53,411
Available Fund Balance	\$	620,748	\$	553,197

Uniform Fire Safety Act revenues decreased \$137. Earnings on investments decreased \$12 and miscellaneous income decreased \$38. District taxes increased \$74,787.

WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT NO. 8 MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Unaudited

Financial Highlights (Continued)

The following table shows the history of the past ten years property tax levies per \$100 of assessed valuations on property within the District:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Assessed Valuations	Total Tax Levy	Property Tax Rates
2022	\$ 100,818,800	\$ 938,168	.930
2021	99,196,000	990,256	.998
2020	97,743,200	915,470	.911
2019	100,416,500	896,858	.869
2018	100,303,500	874,873	.870
2017	100,503,500	867,834	.860
2016	98,016,000	798,086	.846
2015	96,054,100	798,086	.746
2014	91,298,600	718,618	.735
2013	92,970,400	675,975	.730
2012	92,849,700	655,460	.705

For further information, contact Ms. Maria Bucsanszky, E.A., Accountant for the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #8, at 127 Loretta St., Woodbridge, NJ 08861.

SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF PERS NET PENSION LIABILITY (NPL) DETERMINED AS OF JUNE 30, 2021, PERS MEASUREMENT DATE

Fiscal Year	District's Proportion	District's Proportionate Share	District's Covered Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of NPL as a % of Covered Payroll	
2021	0.0003%	\$ 40,250	\$ 26.400	152%	
2020	0.0003%	53,411	24,900	214%	
2019	0.0006%	109,955	23,700	463%	
2018	0.0005%	115,503	36,392	317 %	
2017	0.0005%	138,455	41,200	336%	
2016	0.0006 %	198,162	44,450	445%	
2015	0.0005 %	129,377	46,024	281%	

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Fiscal Year	Required Contribution	Contributions Recognized by PERS	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll	Contributions as a % of Covered Payroll	
2021	\$ 3,583	\$ 3,979	\$ 396	\$ 26,426	15.07%	
2020	3,535	3,535	· -	24,900	14. 1 %	
2019	5,835	5,835	-	23,700	24.6%	
2018	5,510	5,835	325	36,392	16.0 %	
2017	5,944	5,944		41,200	14.1%	
2016	4,955	4,955	-	44,450	11.1%	
2015	4,549	4,5 49	-	46,402	9.8%	

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN TOTAL NET PENSION LIABILITY

Fiscal Year	Beginning Balance Total Net Pension	Difference between Expected & Actual	Change of Assumptions	Difference between Expected & Actual Earnings	Change in Proportion & Actual Less Proportionate Share	Other Changes and Reclassifications	Ending Balance Total Net Pension Liability
2021	\$ 53,411	\$ 347	\$ (14,119)	\$ (10,603)	\$ (36,465)	\$ 47,679	\$ 40,250
2020	109,755	784	(20,631)	1,826	(51,320)	12,997	53,411
2019	115,303	1,485	(27,137)	(1,733)	993	20,344	109,755
2018	138,455	1,607	(17,899)	-	(3,175)	(3,685)	115,303
2017	198,612	3,260	22	943	(1,389)	(62,548)	138,455
2016	129,327	3,685	41,049	7,556	15,722	823	198,162
2015	103,313	3,086	13,894	57	(94)	2,971	129,327

The Pension Schedules are intended to show information for ten years. The State of New Jersey has issued four years of pension information to the Authority. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

General Fund

Comparative Statement of Net Position

	Decer	mber 31,
ASSETS	2021	2020
Cash Accounts Receivable Prepaid Expenses	\$ 1,303,237 558	\$ 1,156,060 558 32,500
Total Assets	1,303,795	1,189,118
Deferred Outflow of Resources:		
Deferred Amount of Net Pension Liability	5,156	9,558
Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources	<u>\$ 1,308,951</u>	<u>\$1,198,676</u>
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities and Reserves: Accounts Payable Reserve for Capital Expenditures	12,445 670,602	10,319 625,602
Net Pension Liability	40,250	53,411
Total Liabilities and Reserves	723,297	689,332
Deferred Inflow of Resources	65,996	78,899
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>\$ 789,293</u>	\$ 768,23 <u>1</u>
Net Position:		
Unrestricted	519,658	430,445
Total Net	519,658	430,445
Total Liabilities, Reserves and Net Position	<u>\$ 1,308,951</u>	<u>\$ 1,198,676</u>

See accompanying accountant's reports and notes to financial statements.

Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 General Fund

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021 With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Period Ended December 31, 2020

		2021	Ĺ	2020
			Variance Favorable	
Revenues and Other Financing Sources:	Budget	Actual	<u>(Unfavorable</u>	Actual
Miscellaneous Revenues: Uniform Fire Safety Act				
Annual Registration FeesOther Fees, Penalties,Fines,	\$ 21,223	\$ 15,835	\$ (5,388)	\$ 14,822
etc.	-	2,679	2,679	3,829
Supplemental Fire Services Act Earnings on Investments &	783	783	-	723
Deposits Miscellaneous Income	2,000	965 ———	(1,035)	953 38
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	24,006	20,262	(3,744)	20,425
Fund Balance Appropriated Retirement Reserve	29,236	29,236	<u>-</u>	33,275
Total Fund Balance & Reserve Appropriated	53,242	49,498	(3,744)	33,275
District Taxes	990,257	990,257	ww.	915,470
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	\$ 1,043,499	\$ 1,039,755	\$ (3,744)	\$ 969,170
Expenditures: Current Operating Appropriations Appropriations Offset with Revenue	\$ 839,687	\$ 721 , 000	\$ 118,027	\$ 679,421
Uniform Fire Safety Act Capital Appropriations	29,500 174,312	25,994 174,312	3,506 	26,253 130,173
Total Expenditures Excess of Revenue over	\$ 1,043,499	\$ 921,306	\$ 121,533	835,847
Expenditure Less: Fund Balance Utilized	(29, 236)	118,449 (29,236)	117,789	133,323 (33,275)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	430,445	430,445	-	330,397
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 401,209	<u>\$ 519,658</u>	<u>\$ 117,789</u>	\$ 430,445

See accompanying accountant's reports and notes to financial statements

Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 General Fund

Statement of Expenditures Compared to Budget

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021
With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Period Ended December 31, 2020

		<u></u>		2021		2020
		Budget		<u>Actual</u>	Variance: Favorable (Unfavorable)	Actual
ADMINISTRATION:						
Salaries and Wages	Ş	128,500	Ş	128,500	\$ -	\$ 117,000
Fringe Benefits		20,583		(4,637)	24,560	4,565
Election		3,000		2,358	642	1,851
Office Expenses		11,500		9,956	1,544	11,994
Professional Services		34,000		30,022	3,978	36,243
Outside Services		9,500		8,520	980	5,835
Contingent		2,500	-	770	1,730	1,310
Total Administration	\$	209,583	\$	175,489	\$ 33,434	\$ 178,798
COST OF OPERATIONS:						
Insurance		59,000		53,894	5,016	53,262
Maintenance and Repairs		103,720		54,152	49,568	65,631
Hydrant Services		75,950		74,821	1,129	72,204
Training and Education		15,000		5,600	9,400	4,778
Equipment and Training		63,000		62,018	982	38,230
Utilities		29,000		28,960	40	26,241
Medical		6,500		6,104	396	5,736
First Aid		100		, <u> </u>	100	_
Radio Agreements		21,220		21,220	_	20,000
LOSAP		30,000		27,906	2,094	28,050
Fire Protection Agreement		43,914		43,914		43,056
Fireservice Duty Crew		150,000		150,000	_	140,000
Computers/Internet/Equipment		21,200		6,147	15,053	268
Joint Board		3,500		3,000	500	3,000
Weather		8,000		7,685	315	167
				7,000		107
Total Cost of Operations		630,104		545,511	84,593	500,623
Total Current Operating Exps. EXPENSES OFFSET WITH REVENUE Uniform Fire Safety Act, (PL 198		339,687		721,000	118,027	679,421
Ch. 383): Other Expenses		29,500		25,994	3,506	26,253
Total Operating Appropriations	\$ 8	369,187	\$	746,994	\$ 121,533	\$ 705,674
CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS:						
Capital Lease	1	129,312		129,312	_	85,173
Reserve-Future Capital Outlays		45,000		45,000	_	45,000
Total Capital Appropriations		174,312	-	174,312	-	130,173
Total Appropriations §	1,0	143,499	\$	921,306	\$ 121,533	\$ 835,847

See accompanying accountant's reports and notes to financial statements.

Capital Fund

Combining Statement of Amount to be Provided for Retirement of Debt

Purpose	Balance 12/31/2020	Lease/Purchase Paid by Budget Appropriation	Lease/Purchase of Equipment	Balance 12/31/2021
Lease/Purchase of:				
Pierce Pumper	\$314,105	\$73,138	-	\$240,967
Rescue Truck			\$498,974	498,974
Total	\$314,105	\$73,138	\$498,974	\$739,941

See accompanying accountant's reports and notes to the financial statements.

Capital Fund

Comparative Statement of Net Position

ASSETS	<u>2021</u>	2020
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of Debt	\$739,941	<u>\$314,105</u>
Total	\$739,941	\$314,105
LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND FUND BALANCE		
Capital Lease Payment	\$739,941	\$314,105
Total Liabilities, Reserves, and Fund Balance	\$739,941	\$314,105

Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 General Fixed Assets Account Group Comparative Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2021 and 2020

ASSETS	2021	2020
Building:		
Fire House (estimated cost)	\$ 468,644	\$ 468,644
Equipment:		
Vehicles Equipment	2,118,985 83,654	2,118,985 83,654
Total Assets	2,671,283	2,671,283
Less Accumulated Depreciation:		
Building Equipment & Vehicles	298,269 1,185,230	286,026 1,098,603
Total Accumulated Depreciation	1,483,499	1,384,628
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,187,784	\$ 1,286,655
NET POSITION		
Investment in General Fixed Assets	\$ 1,187,784	\$ 1,286,655

See accompanying accountant's reports and notes to financial statements.

General Fixed Assets Account Group

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position

December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Revenues and Other Financing Sources:		
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	\$	\$ 20,750
Expenditures:		
Depreciation	\$ 98,871	\$ 99,245
Total Expenditures	98,871	99,245
Deficit of Revenue Over Expenditures	(98,871)	(78,496)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	1,286,655	1,365,151
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,187,784</u>	\$ 1,286,655

See accompanying accountant's reports and notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

Note 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Woodbridge Township Fire District #8 (The District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Separate financial statements are provided for the following separate funds:

General Fund - Resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds, except as otherwise noted.

<u>Capital Fund</u> - Resources and expenditures for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired through the general fund, including the status of bonds and notes authorized for said purposes.

General Fixed Assets Account Group - Shows the District's investment in buildings and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation.

The following is a summary of the significant policies:

Basis of Accounting - The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become measurable and available to finance expenditures of the fiscal period. Expenditures are recognized in the period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except that unearned interest and principal on general obligation debt are accounted for as expenditures in the year becoming due and payable.

<u>Inventories of Supplies</u> - Purchases of materials and supplies are recognized and recorded as expenditures when they are acquired, regardless of when used.

The District has adopted GASB Statement No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB 67 and 68 ("GASB 73"). Statement No. 73 requires the Authority to present a 10-year schedule of changes in total net pension liability is presented in Required Supplementary Information of these financial statements. The District also implemented GASB Statement No. 82, Pension Issues, which requires presentation of covered payroll, defined as payroll on which contributions are based, and ratios that use that measure, in schedules of required supplementary information.

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

Note 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

CAPITAL ASSETS

All reported capital assets except for land are depreciated. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, capital assets and the useful lives used for determination of annual depreciation were as follows:

		Current Year	's	
	Balance	Activity		Balance
	December 31, 2019	Increase	Decrease	December 31, 2020
Depreciable:	\$ 468.644	^		
Buildings & Improvs.	\$ 468,644	\$ -	_	\$ 468,644
Vehicles & Equipment	2,181,889	20,750		2,202,639
	2,650,533	_	m***	2,671,283
Less: Accumulated				, .
Depreciation	1,285,382	99,246		1,384,628
	<u>\$ 1,365,151</u>	\$ (78,496)	\$	\$ 1,286,655
	Balance			Balance
	December 31, 20	20 Increase	Decrease	December 31, 2021
	,			
Depreciable: Buildings & Improveme	nts. \$ 468,644	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 468,644
Vehicles & Equipment	2,202,639			2,202,639
	2,671,283	-	н	2,671,283
Less: Accumulated				
Depreciation	1,384,628	98,871		1,483,499
	<u>\$ 1,286,655</u>	\$ (98,871)	<u> </u>	\$ 1,187,784

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 were \$98,871 and \$99,246, respectively.

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

Note 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

A. Cash

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 any other agencies of the United States that insures deposits or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

The State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund is authorized by statute and regulations of the State Investment Council to invest in fixed income and debt securities that mature or are redeemed within one year. Twenty-five percent of the Fund may be invested in eligible securities that mature within two years provided, however, the arbitrage maturity of all investments in the Fund shall not exceed one year. Collateralization of Fund investments is generally not required.

In addition, by regulation of the Division of Local Government Services, fire districts are allowed to deposit funds in Government Money Market Mutual Funds purchased through state registered brokers/dealers and banks.

In accordance with the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act of New Jersey, public depositories are required 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 capital 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.

The amount on deposit of the District's cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2021, is as follows:

Checking Account

\$ 1,303,237

Notes to Financial Statements

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Note 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

B. INVESTMENTS

New Jersey statutes permit the District to purchase the following investments:

- Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America. This includes instruments such as Treasury bills, notes and bonds.
- Government money market mutual funds.
- Any federal agency or instrumentality obligation authorized by Congress that matures within 397 days from the date of purchase, and has a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or external factors.
- Bonds or other obligations of the local unit or school districts of which the local unit is a part.
- Any other obligations with maturities not exceeding 397 days, as permitted by the Division of Investments.
- Local government investment pools, such as New Jersey CLASS and the New Jersey Arbitrage Rebate Management Program.
- New Jersey State Cash Management Fund.
- Repurchase agreements of fully collateralized securities, subject to special conditions.

In addition, a variety of State laws permit local governments to invest in a wide range of obligations issued by State governments and its agencies.

C. RISK ANALYSIS

All bank deposits, as of the net position date, are entirely insured or collateralized by a collateral pool maintained by public depositories as required by the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act.

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Note 3. CAPITAL LEASES

In November of 2013, the District entered into a Lease with Option to Purchase Agreement (Agreement) for the \$598,140 cost of equipment at an annual rate of 4.18%. This Agreement was assigned by the Lessor in November 2013.

The following is the District's debt service obligations under this agreement.

Due Date	Total	Principal	Interest
November 25, 201	6 \$ 85,173.01	\$ 67,288.61	\$ 17,884.40
November 25, 201	.7 85,173.01	69,300.61	15,872.48
November 25, 201	.8 85,173.01	71,372.62	13,800.39
November 25, 201	.9 85,173.01	73,506.66	11,666.35
November 25, 202	85,173.01	75,704.51	9,468.50
November 25, 202	1 85,173.01	77,968.08	7,204.93
November 25, 202	2 85,173.01	80,299.32	4,873.69
November 25, 202	3 85,173.01	82,700.30	2,472.71

In October of 2020, the District entered into a Lease with Option to Purchase Agreement (Agreement) for the \$699,000 at estimated cost of a rescue truck. The Following is the District's debt service obligations under this agreement.

Due Date		Total	Principal	Interest
September 15,		\$44,138.94	\$ 36,636.58	\$ 7,502.36
September 15,		44,138.94	37,725.49	6,813.45
September 15,		44,138.94	38,027.37	6,111.57
September 15,		44,138.94	38,742.44	5,396.50
September 15,		44,138.94	39,470.96	4,667.94
September 15,		44,138.94	40,213.18	3,925.76
September 15,	2027	44,138.94	40,969.35	3,169.59
September 15,	2028	44,138.94	41,739.74	2,399.20
September 15,	2029	44,138.94	42,524.62	1,614.31
September 15,	2030	44,138.94	43,324.26	814.68

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Note 4. PENSION

Employees participate in the Public Employees' Retirement System of New Jersey (PERS). PERS is a contributory defined benefit public employee retirement system that was established by State statute. The System is sponsored and administered by the Division of Pensions and Benefits. The Systems are considered a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. Covered employees are required by statute to contribute a certain percentage of their salary to the Plans. The Division of Pensions bills the District annually for its required contributions.

Following is the total of the District's portion of the PERS and PFRS net pension liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and the pension expense and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 and 2020.

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Net Pension Liabilities	\$ 40,250	\$ 53,411
Deferred Outflow of Resources	5,156	9,558
Deferred Inflow of Resources	65,916	78,899
Expense	(17,683)	(9,811)
Contributions Made	3,979	5 , 925

PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Both provide retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments and benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. As a condition of employment, all District full-time employees are required to be members.

Plan Description and Benefits - PERS

PERS members can apply for a service retirement of age 60 if enrolled before November 2, 2008 (Tier 1 or Tier 2), or at age 62 if enrolled on or after November 2, 2008, but before June 28, 2011 (Tier 3 or Tier 4), or at age 65 if enrolled on or after June 28, 2011 (Tier 5) regardless of the amount of service credit earned.

Tier 1, 2 or 3: Annual Benefit = Years of Service Credit, divided by 55, times Final Average Salary (average salary of the last three years of credited service or the highest three fiscal years of credited service, whichever provides the higher benefit). Tier 4 or Tier 5: Annual Benefit = Years of Service Credit, divided by 60, times Final Average Salary (average salary of the last five years of credited service or the highest five fiscal years of credited service, whichever provides the higher benefit. Pension benefits fully vest on reaching 10 years of service. Vested employees who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007, and who have established 25 years or more of creditable service may retire without penalty at or after age 55 and receive full retirement benefits. PERS also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by State statute.

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Note 4. PENSION (Continued)

Contributions

Employees contribution rates to PERS governed by P.L. 2011, C. 78, effective June 28, 2011, were increased from 5.5% of salary to 6.5% of salary, and a phase-in to 7.5% of salary over a seven-year period. Covered District employees are required by PERS to contribute 7.5% of their salaries. State statute requires the District to contribute an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and the unfunded accrued liability. The amount of the District's contribution is certified each year by PERS on the recommendation of the actuary, who makes an annual actuarial valuation. The valuation is based on a determination of the financial condition of the retirement system. includes the computation of the present dollar value of benefits payable to former and present members and the present dollar value of future employer and employee contributions, giving effect to mortality among active and retired members and also to the rates of disability, retirement, withdrawal, former service, salary and interest. In accordance with State statue, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments 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.

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 or deferred outflows or inflows 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.

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Note 4. PENSION (Continued)

Assumptions PERS:	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Inflation Rate	2.75%	2.75%
Through 2026	2.00 - 6.00% Based on Years of Service	2.00 - 6.00% Based on Years of Service
Thereafter	3.00 - 7.00% Based on Years of Service	3.00 - 7.00% Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate o	f Return 7.00%	7.00%

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 respectively. 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 will be made based on the average of the last five years of contributions made in relation to the last five years of recommended contributions.

Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future payments of current plan members through 2033. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2033, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00% as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, as well as what the PERS net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the assumed rate.

Sensitivity of the Districts Proportionate Share of the PERS Local Share Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

	At 1% decrease (6.00%)	At current discount rate (7.00%)	At 1% increase (8.00%)
2020	\$ 63,559	\$ 53,411	\$ 44,865
	At 1% decrease (6.00%)	At current discount rate (7.00%)	At 1% increase (8.00%)
2021	\$ 49,102	\$ 40,250	\$ 32,602

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Note 4. PENSION (Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pension.

Although the Division administers one cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, separate (sub) actuarial valuations are prepared to determine the actuarially determined contribution rate by group. Following this method, the measurement of the collective net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions are determined separately for each individual employer of the State and local groups.

To facilitate the separate (sub) actuarial valuations, The Division maintains separate accounts to identify additions, deductions, and fiduciary net position applicable to each group. The allocation percentages presented for each group in the schedule of employer allocations are applied to amounts presented in the schedules of pension amount by employer. The allocation percentages for each group as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, are based on the ratio of each employer's contributions to total employer contributions of the group for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pension (Continued).

GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers in PERS to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collected deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources and collective pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions. The employer allocation percentage presented in the PERS and PFRS schedule of employer allocations and applied to amounts presented in the PERS schedule of pension amounts by employer are based on the ratio of the contributions as an individual employer to total contributions to the PERS during the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. The District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability as of December 31, 2021 was 0.0003%.

At December 31, 2021 & 2020, the amount recognized as the District's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$ 40,250 and \$53,411 respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2021 & 2020, the District recognized PERS pension expense of (\$17,683) & \$(9,811), respectively.

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Note 4. PENSION (Continued)

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Agency's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the PERS pension are from the following sources:

	<u>2021</u>							
		ferred flows		ferred aflows		Deferred Outflows	1	Deferred Inflows
Difference Between Expected And Actual Experience Changes of Assumptions Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		635 210		288 1,329	\$	973 1,733	\$	189 22,364
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between District Contributions and Proportional Share of Contributions	te 	4,311		0,776		5,02 <u>6</u>		1,826 56,346
Total	\$	5,156	\$ 6	5,996	\$	9,558	Ş	78,899

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

rear	
Ended	
December 31,	Total
2021	\$ (23,521)
2022	(17,321)
2023	(10,847)
2024	(7,373)
2025	(1,778)
	\$ (60,840)

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements of the PERS and PFRS pension fund are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Employer contributions are recognized when payable to the fund. Benefits or refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the fund.

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INVESTMENT VALUATION

Investments are reported at fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Mortgages are valued on the basis of future principal and interest payments, and are discounted at prevailing interest rates for similar instruments. The fair value of real estate investments is based on independent appraisals. Investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair values.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements of the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund, Common Pension Fund A, Common Pension Fund B, Common Pension Fund D and Common Pension Fund E. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, P.O. Box 290, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0290. More information on mortality rates and other assumptions, and investment policies, can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrprts.shtml.

Note 6. LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP)

The Fire District offers its employees a Length of Service Awards Program in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The deferred compensation is not available to participants until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

All amounts of compensation deferred under the Program and all income attributed to those amounts are the exclusive property of the Fire District, subject to the claims of its general creditors. Participants' rights under the Program are equal to those of a general creditor of the Fire District in an amount equal to the fair market value of the deferred account for each participant. It is unlikely that the Fire District would use Program assets to satisfy claims of the general creditors in the future.

Note 7. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In Management's opinion, there are no material events subsequent to December 31, 2021, which would require recognition in the financial statements.

ROSTER OF OFFICIALS

Board of Commissioners

Thomas Mayoros

President

Robert Gillespie

Vice President

Dennis Petrick

Treasurer

Joseph Natole

Secretary

Daniel Aquino

Financial Secretary

Other Officials

Maria Bucsanszky

Accountant

Richard Braslow

Attorney

Surety Company

Employee Dishonesty coverage for \$500,000 on each employee and \$25,000 on the Treasurer.

WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #8

Comments and Recommendations

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

NONE