#### BOROUGH OF TRAPPE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

#### **BOROUGH OF TRAPPE**

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Borough Council Borough of Trappe Trappe, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Borough of Trappe as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Borough of Trappe, as of December 31, 2019, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared 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. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Matters

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements as a whole that collectively comprise the Borough of Trappe's basic financial statements. The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 12 and 28 through 29, which are the responsibility of management, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

STYER ASSOCIATES
Certified Public Accountants

May 15, 2020 Souderton, Pennsylvania

As management of the Borough of Trappe (the "Borough"), we offer readers of the Borough's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Borough for the year ended December 31, 2019. Please read it in conjunction with the Borough's basic financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The assets of the Borough exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent year by \$6,075,718 (net position). Of this amount, \$2,799,950 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the Borough's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The Borough's total net position increased by \$495,163 for the year ending December 31, 2019.
- As of the close of the current year, the Borough's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$2,930,273, an increase of \$261,950 in comparison with the prior year. 56% of the amount is available for spending at the Borough's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$1,654,933, or 119% of general fund expenditures.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Borough's basic financial statements. The Borough's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements:**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the readers with a broad overview of the Borough's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The statement of net position presents information on all of the Borough's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of how the financial position of the Borough may be changing. Changes in net position may reflect a changing manner in how the Borough may have used previously accumulated funds.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements (Continued):**

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Borough's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year.

The governmental activities of the Borough include general government administration, public safety, and public works. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 13 through 14 of this report.

#### **Fund Financial Statements:**

A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Borough, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the Borough's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balance and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds and governmental activities*.

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements:**

The notes provide basic information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 19 through 27 of this report.

#### Other information:

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents supplementary information concerning budgetary comparisons for the general fund. Supplementary information can be found on pages 28 and 29 of this report.

#### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis:**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the Borough, assets exceeded liabilities by \$6,075,718 at the close of the most recent fiscal year. A large portion of the Borough's net position, \$3,145,445 (52% of total), reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure). The Borough uses these capital assets to provide service to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending (i.e., the Borough's investment in capital assets are of a permanent nature as assets acquired are generally not sold or otherwise disposed of during their useful life).

The following table summarizes the Borough's Statement of Net Position:

### SUMMARY OF NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Governmental <a href="https://doi.org/10.25/10.25/">Activities</a>
Current and other assets	2019 \$ 2,930,273 3,145,445 \$ 6,075,718	2018 \$ 2,668,323 2,912,232 \$ 5,580,555
Net position:		
Invested in capital assets	\$ 3,145,445	\$ 2,912,232
Restricted	130,323	124,307
Unrestricted	2,799,950	<u>2,544,016</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ <u>6,075,718</u>	\$ <u>5,580,555</u>

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Borough is able to report positive balances in all categories of net position.

As noted previously, the Borough's net position increased by \$495,163 for the year ending December 31, 2019.

The following table summarizes the Borough's Statement of Activities:

## CHANGES IN NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Governmental <u>Activities</u>
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 179,291	\$ 151,425
Grants and contributions	164,038	158,970
General revenues:		
Property taxes	114,204	117,573
Earned income taxes	852,445	819,686
Other taxes	288,278	352,903
Investment and miscellaneous earnings	<u>83,910</u>	38,406
Total Revenues	<u>1,682,166</u>	1,638,963
Expenses:		
General government	397,434	419,399
Public safety	159,016	114,898
Refuse	249,174	232,968
Public works	297,391	338,199
Recreation and parks	43,014	34,213
Other expenses	40,974	47,329
Total Expenses	1,187,003	1,187,006
Increase in net position	495,163	451,957
NET POSITION – BEGINNING	<u>5,580,555</u>	5,128,598
NET POSITION – ENDING	\$ <u>6,075,718</u>	\$ <u>5,580,555</u>

#### Financial Analysis of the Borough's Funds

As noted earlier, the Borough uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

#### **Governmental Funds:**

The focus of the Borough's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Borough's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Borough's governmental funds reported an ending fund balance of \$2,930,273 an increase of \$261,950 in comparison with the prior year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$1,654,933. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, the fund balance represents 119% of the total General Fund expenditures.

#### **Capital Assets:**

The Borough's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2019, amounts to \$3,145,445 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure.

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, are illustrated below in the following table:

	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities
	Activities	Activities
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Infrastructure – work in progress	\$ 0	\$ 15,723
Buildings	352,867	377,183
Equipment	132,697	53,699
Infrastructure	2,659,881	2,465,627
Total	\$ <u>3,145,445</u>	\$ <u>2,912,232</u>

Additional information on the Borough's capital assets can be found in Note 3 on pages 24 and 25 of this report.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

#### Revenues

The Real Estate Tax of .47 mills has remained the same since its reintroduction in 2013. The 2019 - 2022 Budget assumes \$118,278 in real estate tax income for 2019 and thereafter increases property value and taxes two percent (2%) annually.

Real Estate Transfer Tax includes a one-half percent (0.5%) tax on the sales price of real estate in the Borough. This tax is assessed against improved properties (possessing structures) and unimproved properties (vacant land), and collected at the time of the sale of same. (Note: Real estate transfers in Trappe are subject to a two percent Real Estate Transfer Tax. One percent is paid to the Commonwealth and one-half percent is paid to the Perkiomen Valley School District.) The amount of tax revenue received is directly related to the health of the local real estate market. This revenue increases in a robust real estate market, and falls in a down real estate market.

The 2019 Budget assumes real estate transfer taxes of \$119,000 for existing development, based on the 2016 budget without additional development (\$99,000) + 3% inflation + \$30,000 for projected Old School sales. The Borough is increasing the projected receipts of this tax by three percent (3%) for 2021 through 2023. Additionally, the 2020 estimates include an increase for the remaining sales of the Old School project.

The real estate market will be monitored and the Real Estate Transfer Tax estimates for future budget years will be revised, as conditions warrant.

The Earned Income Tax is the Borough's primary revenue source. (Note: Trappe Borough residents currently pay 1.4% earned income tax, but 0.9% of that is collected for the Perkiomen Valley School District.) Earned income includes salaries, wages, net business profits and tips. Earned income does <u>not</u> include income received from Social Security, unemployment compensation, interest, dividends, pension plans, disability payments and distributions from 401(k) and like retirement accounts. The \$840,000 budgeted for 2019 is derived by increasing the 12 months ending November 30, 2018 annualized. The 2020 budget assumes an increase of 2% over 2019 plus \$9,000 from Old School Residents. The budget for 2021-2023 assumes an annual two percent (2%) increase in earned income tax for the following three years.

As required by Act 32, earned income tax paid by a majority of County residents was collected by a single entity (the "Tax Collection Officer") beginning January 1, 2012. Due to economies of scale, the commission rate paid to the Tax Collection Officer decreased effective January 1, 2015 from 1.39% to 1.3%.

The Local Services Tax includes funds received from a \$52 per year tax paid by persons who work within the Borough limits. Individuals earning less than \$12,000 per year, and certain military personnel, are exempt from paying this tax. The \$78,000 budgeted for 2019 is approximately equal to the actual collections for the 12 months ended November 30, 2018. The budget for the subsequent four years allows for a half a percent (.005%) annual increase. The 2019 - 2023 Budget assumes a collection fee of one and three-quarter percent (1.75%), plus postage costs, pursuant to the Montgomery County Tax Collection Committee's Agreement with Berkheimer

Another source of income is from fees paid by cable television providers for the use of the public right-of-ways (i.e., underground trenches in the roadway and overhead wires at utility poles) needed to transmit service to homes and businesses in the Borough. This fee is not assessed to satellite television providers, as these companies do not utilize public rights-of-way. Since 2009. Verizon and Comcast have offered service in the Borough. The Borough has a franchise agreement with each provider, and each franchise agreement requires the provider to pay a fee equal to five percent of certain revenues, which include basic and premium subscription rates, equipment rentals and installation charges. Internet services are not subject to the fee. The Comcast Franchise Agreement was renewed in 2011 for an additional 12 years and will expire on December 28, 2022. The Borough joined an eleven-member consortium of Montgomery County communities to negotiate the new 12-year agreement. By joining forces, the municipalities gained bargaining strength, and as such were able to secure more favorable agreement terms. The Verizon Franchise Agreement expires in 2021. The 2019 Budget of \$90,000 is equal to the actual receipts for 2018. It is anticipated that cable revenues, and the franchise fees paid to the Borough will not increase over the upcoming four years due to cord cutting.

In addition to permitting the construction of new residential and non-residential developments, Trappe Borough requires a permit to install residential plumbing and accessory structures, including decks, spas and pools. In 2012 the Borough implemented electrical, mechanical and roof permits. The permitting process ensures these improvements are both constructed to applicable building codes and installed pursuant to all other Borough regulations. The Borough believes most of the expense to review and issue a building or zoning permit should be assumed by the individual requesting a permit. In 2008, the Borough studied costs related to permits issued during the previous twelve months, then established permit fees to recapture at least 90% of these expenses. Because a sound permitting program offers recognized benefits to the entire community (i.e., the protection of property values, a reduced demand for emergency services), the Borough believes permit fees need not recover all expected permit costs. Permit fees are reviewed periodically and fee adjustments are made, when warranted.

The actual results for the ten months ended October 31, 2018 were generally assumed to be indicative of the fees for the 2019 Budget. The 2019 - 2022 amounts are generally based on the 2015 budget as activity levels are projected to decrease because of the completion of several developments in the Borough.

Interest earned on Trappe Borough funds is another source of income. To protect the Borough, public funds are invested in Pennsylvania approved securities. As a result, the interest rate earned is relatively modest. The budgets assume the following interest rates on opening balances in the general fund: 2019 3.0%, 2020 3.5% and 2021 - 2023 4%. The Borough officials continually assess interest rates and the availability of investment vehicles acceptable to Borough standards.

The Liquor License fee includes a \$200 annual fee assessed for each retail alcohol license in the Borough. Wholesale alcohol licenses (i.e., beer distributors) are not assessed for this fee. The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board levies and collects the fee, and remits the funds to the Borough. As of 2019, there were two retail alcohol licenses in the Borough. The number of retail licenses, and the fee, are not expected to change in the upcoming five years.

The Borough receives an annual contribution made by the Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Department from revenues generated by telecommunication equipment leases at the West First and West Seventh Avenue water towers. The contribution is estimated to be \$60,000 per year in 2019 - 2023.

In April of 2019, the Borough received the 2017 DEP Recycling Grant for \$3,804. In October of 2019, the Borough received the 2018 Grant in the amount of \$5,119. The 2019 - 2023 Budget reflects \$3,300 per year in DEP Recycling Grants, which has been reduced based on what the Borough anticipated receiving for the 2017 grant, this will be evaluated based on current and future receipts. Other grants are generally applied for, but not budgeted until awarded and approved by Trappe Council. A grant for LED street light replacement in the amount of \$72,710 was included in the 2019 budget. The grant required a 30% match. The work was not completed in 2019 and was carried over to the 2020 budget. The 2019 budget also included grants totaling \$284,400 for the replacement of traffic signals at Route 113 and Trappe Center that had a Borough match of \$64,000. This work was also not completed in 2019 and has been carried over to 2020.

#### **Expenditures**

The major capital expenditures budgeted for 2019 were:

Florenz, E. First, Heritage Park Blvd, Linden, Marian, Sugar Hill Ursinus, and some shoulder on W. Fifth	\$195,832
Stormwater Repairs	\$173,612
New carpet at Borough Hall	\$ 12,000
LED Street Light Replacement	\$103,871
Main Street Traffic light upgrades	\$316,000
Fire Company and EOC radios	\$ 59,660

The 2019 actual capital expenditures are \$402,989 versus the budgeted \$860,975. The roadwork and storm sewer repairs were \$61,099 less than budgeted, the carpet was only 50% completed in 2019, and the street light and traffic light work was carried over until 2020.

One of the most costly projected expenses of the Borough over the next five years is road maintenance. These expenditures are provided for in the General Fund, with some of the funding coming from the Liquid Fuels Fund. Some of the significant annual projected construction costs are as follows:

2020 - W. First Avenue \$351,980.

2021 – Bronson Circle, N. Borough Line Road, Meadowview Drive, Kelso Circle, Neborlea Way, Pacer Lane, and Paddock Way \$401,490.

2022 - Harvard Drive, Yale Court, Laurel Drive, Lilac Circle, Michelle Lane, Silver Leaf Circle, Williams Way \$483,690.

Roads are evaluated at least annually and the five-year plan is modified based on noted road condition changes.

Additionally, in 2020 the Borough has budgeted \$103,871 and \$316,000 for the 2019 projects that have carried over into 2020.

The Borough has budgeted snow removal and related salt costs at \$101,533 for 2019, \$122,088 for 2020, \$53,251 for 2021, \$53,251 for 2022 and \$53,858 for 2023. As we cannot predict which years will be significantly lower in cost, we show lower costs only in the three outer years of the planning horizon.

The Borough contracts with a private vendor for the collection and disposal of waste and recyclable materials at residential properties possessing four or fewer units. The Borough has a solid waste disposal contract through June 30, 2019. Projected expenses are as follows: \$249,386 for 2019, and a ten percent (10%) increase in projected costs for the last half of 2019 and five percent (5%) in 2020-2022. The budget reflects a change to biweekly recycling in the new contract to help reduce costs.

Salaries and Benefits include a Full time Borough Manager, Secretary and a part time independently contracted Treasurer. Projected expenses are as follows: \$192,605 for 2019, and annual increase of 3% for salaries and 13% for medical benefits for 2020 - 2023.

Trappe Borough is the prime cash-funding source of Trappe Fire Company No. 1's volunteer fire division. The average annual Trappe funding planned is as follows: 2020-2023 \$102,500, this includes \$38,000 contribution + \$37,000 transfer to capital + \$27,500 average Fire Relief Funds.

The 2019 budget total of \$150,243 includes the purchase of radios in the amount of \$59,660 from the municipal capital fund, a \$38,000 direct contribution to the fire company, the annual Fire Relief Association contribution funded by state taxes on insurance premiums of \$27,000 and \$25,633 of workers' compensation and vehicle liability insurance premiums.

#### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION:

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Borough's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Borough of Trappe, 525 West Main Street, Trappe, PA 19426.

#### BOROUGH OF TRAPPE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS Cash Capital Assets: Other capital assets, net of depreciation	\$ 2,930,273 <u>3,145,445</u>
Total Capital Assets  TOTAL ASSETS	3,145,445
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>6,075,718</u>
NET POSITION	
Invested in capital assets	\$ 3,145,445
State liquid fuels funds	19,558
Open space	110,765
Unrestricted	2,799,950
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ <u>6,075,718</u>

# BOROUGH OF TRAPPE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in	•	8	(44,094) $(240,251)$	(155,398)	$ \begin{array}{c} (34,939) \\ (29,142) \\ \hline 0 \\ (843,674) \end{array} $			114.204	852,445	76,955	123,124	88,199	78,443	1,338,837	495,163	5,580,555	\$6,075,718
	Capital Grants and	\$															
Program Revenues	Operating Grants and	\$ 1,485	27,101 8,923	106,622	8,075 11,832 164,038												
	Charges for Services	\$ 56,099	8/,821	35,371	179,291												
	Expenses	\$ 397,434	139,016 249,174	297,391	40,974												
	Functions/Programs	General government	Refuse collection	Public works	Insurance and miscellaneous  Total Activities	General Revenues	Taxes:	rroperty taxes, levied for general purposes	Earned income taxes	Local services taxes	Real estate transfer taxes	Franchise rees	myesunent eannigs	Total General Revenues	Change in Net Position	Net Position – Beginning	Net Position – Ending

# BOROUGH OF TRAPPE STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCE – MODIFIED CASH BASIS – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2019

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	19,558 110,765	19,558 110,765
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#### BOROUGH OF TRAPPE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Revenues: Taxes, penalties, and interest	General \$ 1,166,728	Capital Projects Funds \$	Other Governmental Funds \$ 106,622 22,000	Total Governmental Funds \$ 1,166,728 \$ 88,199 7,790 155,963 34,792 83,694
Interest and rents Fines and forfeitures Miscellaneous Total Revenues	$   \begin{array}{r}     103,703 \\     3,014 \\     \underline{10,807} \\     1,526,068   \end{array} $	23,406	1,335	128,444 3,014 <u>13,541</u> <u>1,682,165</u>
Expenditures: General government Public safety Refuse collection Public works Recreation and parks Capital outlays Insurance and miscellaneous Total Expenditures	371,178 152,625 249,174 139,895 36,706 402,989 40,973 1,393,540		26,675 <u>26,675</u>	371,178 152,625 249,174 166,570 36,706 402,989 40,973 1,420,215
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	132,528	23,406	106,016	261,950
Other Financing Sources (Uses): Operating transfers in	100,000 (37,000) 63,000	37,000	(100,000) (100,000)	137,000 (137,000) 0
Net Change in Fund Balances	195,528	60,406	6,016	261,950
FUND BALANCES – BEGINNING	1,459,405	1,084,611	_124,307	2,668,323
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ <u>1,654,933</u>	\$ <u>1,145,017</u>	\$ <u>130,323</u>	\$ <u>2,930,273</u>

#### **BOROUGH OF TRAPPE**

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Net change in fund balances – total governmental funds

\$ 261,950

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays (\$402,990) exceeded depreciation (\$169,777) in the current period.

233,213

Change in net position of governmental activities

\$495,163

#### BOROUGH OF TRAPPE STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2019

Assets:	Agency Fund
Cash	\$_20,149
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>20,149</u>
Liabilities:	
Escrow deposits	\$_20,149
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ <u>20,149</u>

#### Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

The Borough of Trappe is a municipal corporation incorporated under Article II of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Municipal Code Act of 1966, as amended. The Borough operates under a Borough Council form of government and provides such services as are authorized by its charter to advance the welfare, health, comfort, safety, and convenience of the Borough and its inhabitants.

The Borough's financial statements are prepared in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing regulations for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant accounting policies used by the Borough are discussed below.

#### Basis of Accounting:

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### Modified Cash Basis:

The records of the Borough are maintained on the modified cash basis of accounting and the accompanying financial statements have been prepared on that basis. Except for capital asset purchases, all transactions are recognized as either revenues or expenses. Noncash transactions, except depreciation, are not recognized. The modified cash basis differs from generally accepted accounting principles primarily because certain revenues are recognized as received rather than when earned and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred.

#### Reporting Entity:

The financial statements of the Borough of Trappe include all governmental activities, organizations, and functions for which the Borough exercises significant oversight responsibility. The criteria considered in determining governmental activities to be reported within the Borough's financial statements include the degree of oversight responsibility exercised by the Borough Council over a government organization, activity, or function, the Borough's accountability for the activity's fiscal matters, its scope of public service, and the nature of any special financing relationships which may exist between the Borough and a given government activity. There are no agencies or organizations that require reporting in the Borough financial statements.

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

#### Related Organizations:

The Borough of Trappe appoints members to the governing boards of the following:

- 1. Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Department three of the six members of the governing board are appointed by Trappe. The Department provides water service and public works service to the residents of Trappe and Collegeville Boroughs.
- 2. Collegeville-Trappe Municipal Authority three of the six members of the governing board are appointed by Trappe. The Authority provides sewer service to residents of Trappe and Collegeville Boroughs.

The provisions have not been met regarding component units, therefore, the above organizations are not included in the financial statements of the Borough of Trappe.

#### <u>Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide Statements:</u>

The Borough's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Borough as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Borough's major funds). The Borough's public safety, parks and recreation, public works, and general administrative services are classified as governmental activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, the governmental activities (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column and (b) are reported on the modified cash basis of accounting, which recognizes all long term assets as well as long term debt and obligations. The Borough's net position is reported in three parts – Invested in capital assets; Restricted for state liquid fuels funds and open space funds; and Unrestricted net position.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Borough's functions (fire, public works, etc.). The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property and earned income taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits and charges, etc.). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating, and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function (public works, etc.).

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (property and earned income taxes, franchise fees, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

The Borough does not allocate indirect costs.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Borough as an entity and the change in the Borough's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

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

#### Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements:

The financial transactions of the Borough are reported in individual fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Borough:

- 1. <u>Governmental Funds</u> The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Borough:
  - a. **General fund** is the general operating fund of the Borough. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
  - b. Capital projects funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition of capital assets and equipment or construction of major capital facilities.
  - c. **Special revenue funds** are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than capital projects) that are legally or administratively restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The Borough only has one **Special revenue fund** which is used to account for state liquid fuel funds and specific expenditures related to that revenue.
  - d. **Open space fund** is used to account for financial resources to be used for the purchase of open space or improvements to the parks of the Borough.

The Special revenue and Open space funds of the Borough are not major funds and are reported in the Other governmental funds column in the fund financial statements.

- 2. <u>Fiduciary Funds</u> These funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and, therefore, are not available to support Borough programs.
  - a. **Agency fund** is used to account for funds posted by developers who have projects in progress in the Borough. The funds are used to pay legal, engineering, and administrative costs incurred by the Borough relating to those projects.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents:

The Borough considers cash and cash equivalents to include cash on hand, demand deposits, and bank savings and money market accounts.

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

#### Budget:

The Borough Council adheres to the following procedures in establishing the budgets reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. Beginning at least 30 days prior to adoption of the budget, a proposed budget for the ensuing year shall be prepared in a manner designated by Council. The proposed budget shall be kept on file with the borough secretary and made available for public inspection for a period of 10 days.
- 2. Notice that the proposed budget is available for inspection must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Borough and posted during the 10 day period noted in item 1.
- 3. After 10 days, Council shall adopt the budget no later then December 31 and file it with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.
- 4. Annual budgets are generally adopted for the general fund.
- 5. For budgetary purposes, appropriations lapse at the end of each year.
- 6. The budget is prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting.
- 7. The budget was not amended during 2019.

#### Use of Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting used by the Borough requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures (such as estimated useful lives in determining depreciation expense); accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Date of Management Evaluation of Subsequent Events:

Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 15, 2020, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### Note 2 – Deposits:

Pennsylvania statutes provide for investment of Governmental Funds into certain authorized investment types including U.S. Treasury bills, other short-term U.S. and Pennsylvania government obligations, insured or collateralized time deposits and certificates of deposit, and qualifying commercial paper, bankers' acceptances, negotiable certificates of deposit, and insured bank deposit reciprocal arrangements. The statutes do not prescribe regulations related to demand deposits; however, they do allow the pooling of governmental funds for investment purposes.

The Borough does not have a formal deposit and investment policy but adheres to state statutes and prudent business practice. Governmental funds' amounts are maintained in demand deposits and highly liquid money market funds. They are captioned as "cash" in the statement of net position. These amounts are stated at cost which approximates market. There were no deposit or investment transactions during the year that were in violation of either the state statutes or the policy of the Borough.

#### Deposits:

Concentration of Credit Risk – At December 31, 2019, 18% of the balances shown as cash on the Borough's statement of net position – modified cash basis were held by Customers Bank and 82% were held by PLGIT.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> – Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Borough's deposits may not be returned to it. The Borough follows state statutes as they relate to custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2019, the Borough's total bank balances of \$3,041,508 were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Balances subject to FDIC Insurance	\$ 250,000
Balances uninsured and collateralized with letter of	
credit provided by Customers Bank issued by Federal	
Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh	361,027
Balances uninsured and uncollateralized PLGIT funds	<u>2,430,481</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u>3,041,508</u>

#### Note 3 – Capital Assets:

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$2,000 or more and infrastructure construction of \$25,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical costs. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Capital assets are reported in the government-wide statement of net position, but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets are expensed in the fund financial statement.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	15-30 years
Equipment	5-15 years
Infrastructure	25 years

#### Changes in Capital Assets:

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2019:

	Primary Government			
	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	<u>Increases</u>	Decreases	_Balance_
Capital assets not being				
depreciated:				
Infrastructure-work in progress	\$ <u>15,723</u>	\$0	\$ <u>(15,723)</u>	\$0
Capital assets:				
Buildings	703,579	2,240		705,819
Equipment	121,122	94,045		215,167
Infrastructure	2,885,893	322,428	***************************************	3,208,321
Total Capital Assets at			•	
Historical Cost	3,710,594	418,713	0	4,129,307
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Building	(326,396)	(26,556)		(352,952)
Equipment	(67,423)	(15,047)		(82,470)
Infrastructure	(420,266)	(128,174)		(548,440)
Total Accumulated				
Depreciation	(814,085)	<u>(169,777</u> )	0	(983,862)
Other capital assets, net	2,896,509	_248,936	0	3,145,445
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ <u>2,912,232</u>	\$ <u>248,936</u>	\$ <u>(15,723)</u>	\$ <u>3,145,445</u>

#### Note 3 – Capital Assets(Continued):

#### Depreciation Expense:

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the Borough as follows:

General government	\$ 26,255
Public safety	6,392
Public works	130,822
Recreation and parks	 6,308
<del>-</del>	169,777

#### Note 4 – Government-Wide Net Position:

Government-wide net position is divided into three components:

- Net investment in capital assets consist of the historical cost of capital assets less
  accumulated depreciation and less any debt that remains outstanding that was used to
  finance those assets plus deferred outflows of resources less deferred inflows of resources
  related to those assets.
- Restricted net position consist of assets that are restricted by the Borough's creditors (for example, through debt covenants), by state enabling legislation (through restrictions on shared revenues), by grantors (both federal and state), and by other contributors.
- Unrestricted all other net position is reported in this category.

#### Note 5 – Fund Balance:

In accordance with GASB 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, the Borough classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

Non-spendable – includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints. The Borough has no non-spendable fund balances.

Restricted – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors, grantors, or amounts constrained due to enabling legislation.

Committed – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the Borough through formal action of the Council. Presently the Borough has no committed fund balances.

#### Note 5 - Fund Balance (Continued):

Assigned – includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund balance may be assigned by Borough Council.

Unassigned – includes positive fund balances within the General Fund which have not been classified within the above-mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

#### Note 6 - Use of Restricted Resources:

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources (net position), the Borough's policy is to first apply the expense toward restricted resources and then toward unrestricted resources. In governmental funds, the Borough's policy is to first apply the expenditure toward restricted fund balance and then to other less restrictive classifications (committed and then assigned fund balances) if there are any before using unassigned fund balances.

#### Note 7 – Real Estate Taxes:

Real estate taxes are levied in January at .47 mills. Liens are placed on uncollected taxes by January 15<sup>th</sup> of the following year. The Borough uses a tax collector to make collections throughout the year. Due to the Borough being on the modified cash basis, real estate taxes are recognized when collected.

#### **Note 8 – Earned Income Taxes:**

The Borough's main source of tax revenue is from earned income taxes. Borough residents currently pay a 1.4% earned income tax, but .9% of that is collected for the Perkiomen Valley School District.

#### Note 9 – Interfund Activity:

Interfund activity is reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements, or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental funds are netted as part of the reconciliations to the government-wide financial statements.

Interfund receivables and payables at December 31, 2019 were as follows:

#### Note 9 – Interfund Activity (Continued):

	Due From	Due To
Funds	Other Funds	Other Funds
General Fund	\$	\$1,145,017
Capital Projects Funds	1,145,017	
<b>Total All Funds</b>	\$ <u>1,145,017</u>	\$ <u>1,145,017</u>

The above interfund receivable and payable between the General and Capital Projects Funds is a result of pooling of cash in the General Fund to maximize investment earnings.

Individual fund operating transfers for the year ended December 31, 2019 were as follows:

	Transfer	•	Transfer
Fund	In		Out
General Fund	\$ 100,000	\$	37,000
Special Revenue Fund			100,000
Capital Projects Fund	<u>37,000</u>		
Total All Funds	\$ <u>137,000</u>	\$_	137,000

Transfers were made to move funds to the Capital Project Funds for future use and to reimburse the General Fund for capital expenditures.

### <u>Note 10 - Contingent Liability: Collegeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Department</u> (CTJPWD) Pension:

In December, 2010, the Boroughs of Trappe and Collegeville entered into an agreement which includes a provision whereby each Borough agrees to assume 50% of the financial responsibility for the pension liability of each CTJPWD employee in the event Collegeville's pension plan, which includes the CTJPWD employees, becomes "financially insolvent to make payments as required". In addition, the agreement provides that in the event Collegeville's pension plan is liquidated, any overfunded balance attributed to CTJPWD employees shall be paid equally to the Boroughs of Trappe and Collegeville.

As of the most recent measurement date of December 31, 2018, Collegeville's pension plan had an unfunded liability of \$347,300. The Borough's obligation if the plan were liquidated is estimated to be \$120,691.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### BOROUGH OF TRAPPE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Budget Original and Final	Actual Amounts	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:	<b>#1 170 070</b>	Ф 1 166 700	Φ 16.450
Taxes, penalties, and interest	\$1,150,278	\$ 1,166,728	\$ 16,450
Franchise taxes	90,000	88,199	(1,801)
Charges for services	3,671	7,790	4,119
Intergovernmental revenues	399,560	49,341	(350,219)
Special assessments	~0.120	12,792	12,792
Licenses and permits	52,132	83,694	31,562
Interest and rents	103,050	103,703	653
Fines and forfeitures	2,800	3,014	214
Miscellaneous	<u>13,200</u>	10,807	(2,393)
Total Revenues	<u>1,814,691</u>	1,526,068	(288,623)
Expenditures:			
General government	424,577	371,178	53,399
Public safety	117,192	152,625	(35,433)
Refuse collection	249,396	249,174	222
Public works	285,820	139,895	145,925
Recreation and parks	33,900	36,706	(2,806)
Capital outlays	565,594	402,989	162,605
Insurance and miscellaneous	45,500	40,973	4,527
Total Expenditures	1,721,979	1,393,540	328,439
<b>Excess of Revenues Over</b>			
Expenditures	92,712	<u>132,528</u>	<u>39,816</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Operating transfers in		100,000	100,000
Operating transfers out	(37,000)	(37,000)	100,000
Total Other Financing Sources	(37,000)	(37,000)	
(Uses)	(37,000)	63,000	100,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	55,712	195,528	139,816
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	1,459,405	1,459,405	0
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$ <u>1,515,117</u>	\$ <u>1,654,933</u>	\$ <u>139,816</u>

(See note to budgetary comparison schedule.)

#### BOROUGH OF TRAPPE NOTE TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – GENERAL FUND DECEMBER 31, 2019

#### Note 1 - Funds and Basis of Accounting:

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule is presented for the General Fund of the Borough, the main governmental operating fund. It is prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting.