

2023-16

**LOCAL AUTHORITIES
GROUP AFFIDAVIT FORM**

**PRESCRIBED BY
THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL FINANCE BOARD**

AUDIT REVIEW CERTIFICATE

We, the members of the governing body of the Lower Township Fire District #3 being of full age and being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say;

1. We are duly elected members of the Lower Township Fire District #3.
2. We certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17, that we have each reviewed the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, and specifically the sections of the audit report entitled "**General Comments**" and "**Recommendations.**"

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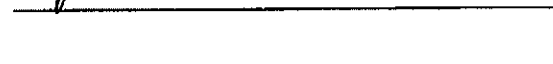
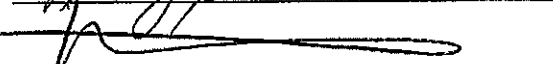
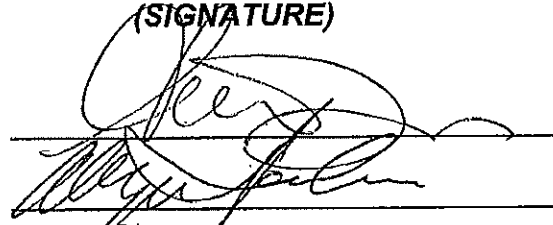
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SWORN to and subscribed before me

this 15TH day of AUGUST, 2023

BY: RONALD J. GELZUMAS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
STATE OF NEW JERSEY


Notary Public of New Jersey

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER FIRE DISTRICT #3
SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF AUDIT REPORT FOR PUBLICATION
AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S. 40A:5A-16.

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER FIRE DISTRICT #3
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2022</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2021</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,330,649.49	1,140,421.27
Other Assets		
Capital Assets, net of Accumulated Depreciation	2,467,832.47	2,688,310.58
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>3,798,481.96</u>	<u>3,828,731.85</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Due to Other Funds	25,168.00	27,060.00
Accounts Payable	20,400.30	51,452.94
Accrued Interest Payable		4,299.70
Reserve for Generator & Signage Upgrades	354,487.00	354,487.00
Long-Term Liabilities:		
Due within one year	110,000.00	220,218.98
Due after one year	640,000.00	750,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>1,150,055.30</u>	<u>1,407,518.62</u>
 <u>NET POSITION</u>		
Invested in Capital Assets	1,717,832.47	1,718,091.60
Restricted for Other Purposes	100,000.33	100,000.33
Unrestricted	830,593.86	603,121.30
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 2,648,426.66</u>	<u>2,421,213.23</u>

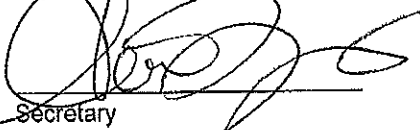
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	<u>Year Ended</u>	
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<u>Functions/Programs</u>		
Net Expenses over Program Revenues		
Governmental Activities:		
Administration	\$ 26,998.00	26,897.85
Cost of Providing Services	354,103.94	469,754.39
Depreciation	269,019.26	428,793.25
Capital	354,487.00	354,487.00
Interest on Long-Term Debt	15,843.83	18,623.80
Total Expenses	<u>1,020,452.03</u>	<u>1,298,556.29</u>
General Revenues:		
Taxes	859,176.00	821,245.00
Fund Balance Appropriated - Capital	354,487.00	
Interest	6,186.59	3,224.52
Other Revenue	27,815.87	33,772.05
Total General Revenues	<u>1,247,665.46</u>	<u>858,241.57</u>
Change in Net Position	227,213.43	(440,314.72)
Net Position January 1	<u>2,421,213.23</u>	<u>2,861,527.95</u>
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

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Secretary

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY, } SS
 COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, }

David Nahan, of full age, being duly sworn according to law, on his oath says that he is the

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 Summary of Synopsis of Audit Report For Publication
 Fiscal Years 2021 & 2022

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Sworn and subscribed before me, this twenty-sixth day of July, A.D. 2023 in Ocean City, New Jersey

Rosanne C Merrick-Borgo

Notary Public



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