

Report of Audit

on the

Financial Statements

of the

Borough of Mountainside

in the

County of Union
New Jersey

for the

Year Ended
December 31, 2024

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Borough Council
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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets - regulatory basis of the various individual funds and account group of the Borough of Mountainside (the "Borough"), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the related statements of operations and changes in fund balance - regulatory basis for the years then ended, and the related statement of revenues - regulatory basis and statement of expenditures - regulatory basis of the various individual funds for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's regulatory financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the regulatory financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the regulatory basis balance sheets of the various individual funds and account group as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the regulatory basis statement of operations and changes in fund balance for the years then ended and the regulatory basis statement of revenues and expenditures and changes in fund balance for the year ended December 31, 2024 in accordance with the basis of financial reporting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey (the "Division") as described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Matter Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the various individual funds and account group of the Borough as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, or the results of its operations and changes in fund balance for the years then ended or the revenues or expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2024.

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Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the audit requirements prescribed by the Division, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 Borough and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Matter Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the regulatory financial statements in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the Division, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of regulatory financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the regulatory financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Borough's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the regulatory financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements prescribed by the Division will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements prescribed by the Division, we:

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

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Borough's regulatory financial statements. The supplementary information, and data listed in the table of contents as required by the Division are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplemental information, and data listed in the table of contents, as required by the Division are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the regulatory financial statements as a whole.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 10, 2025 on our consideration of the Borough's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Borough's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.


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April 10, 2025



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

The Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Borough Committee
Borough of Mountainside
County of Union
Mountainside, New Jersey 07092

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the audit requirements prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the regulatory financial statements of the various individual funds and the account group of the Borough of Mountainside, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's regulatory financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 10, 2025. Our report disclosed that, as described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Borough of Mountainside prepares its financial statements on a basis of accounting prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, that demonstrates compliance with a modified accrual basis and the budget laws of the State of New Jersey, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Borough of Mountainside's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Borough's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Borough of Mountainside's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Borough of Mountainside's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.


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REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANT NO. 419

April 10, 2025

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CURRENT FUND

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>REF.</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>
Cash - Treasurer	A-4	\$ 9,055,515.06	\$ 8,247,170.32
Change Fund	A-7	500.00	500.00
Grants Receivable	A-24	721,939.63	571,652.83
		<u>\$ 9,777,954.69</u>	<u>\$ 8,819,323.15</u>
Receivables and Other Assets with Full Reserves:			
Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable	A-10	\$ 221,896.15	\$ 235,285.16
Tax Title Liens	A-11	27,470.25	27,464.10
Sewer Flow Charges Receivable	A-13	8,582.79	1,403.55
Property Acquired for Taxes-Assessed Valuation	A-6	3,875.00	3,875.00
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-12	6,424.44	5,253.21
	A	<u>\$ 268,248.63</u>	<u>\$ 273,281.02</u>
		<u>\$ 10,046,203.32</u>	<u>\$ 9,092,604.17</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Liabilities:			
Appropriation Reserves	A-3:A-14	\$ 898,853.25	\$ 626,119.90
Due to State of New Jersey:			
Senior Citizens Deductions	A-9	7,869.97	6,119.97
Reserve for:			
Miscellaneous Reserves	A-16	1,373,909.15	1,457,100.17
Grant Programs:			
Unappropriated	A-28	1,976.68	13,891.71
Appropriated	A-25	843,174.58	660,805.06
Accounts Payable	A-22		32,218.10
Encumbrance Payable	A-15	559,904.55	441,300.42
Prepaid Sewer Taxes	A-29		16.60
Prepaid Taxes	A-17	323,918.83	296,838.20
County Taxes Payable	A-20	42,804.28	27,657.54
State Tax Appeals	A-26	595,044.79	445,044.79
		<u>\$ 4,647,456.08</u>	<u>\$ 4,007,112.46</u>
Reserve for Receivables	A	268,248.63	273,281.02
Fund Balance	A-1	<u>5,130,498.61</u>	<u>4,812,210.69</u>
		<u>\$ 10,046,203.32</u>	<u>\$ 9,092,604.17</u>

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

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE
IN FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

<u>REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED</u>	<u>REF.</u>	<u>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>	<u>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>
Fund Balance Utilized	A-2	\$ 2,567,194.00	\$ 2,344,694.00
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated	A-2	3,138,559.36	2,989,777.47
Receipts From Delinquent Taxes	A-2	238,785.16	212,384.32
Receipts From Current Taxes	A-2	39,157,932.06	37,602,232.13
Non-Budget Revenue	A-2	336,637.49	342,972.96
Other Credits to Income:			
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves	A-14	482,815.25	598,958.32
Accounts Payable Canceled	A-22	2,000.00	
<u>Total Income</u>		<u>\$ 45,923,923.32</u>	<u>\$ 44,091,019.20</u>
 <u>EXPENDITURES</u> 			
Budget and Emergency Appropriations:			
Operations Including Contingent (within "CAPS")	A-3	\$ 9,568,305.00	\$ 8,892,770.00
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures-Municipal	A-3	1,470,658.76	1,306,981.32
Budget (Excluded From "CAPS"):			
Operations:			
Other Operations	A-3	2,053,308.17	1,921,218.98
Capital Improvements	A-3	392,500.00	350,000.00
Municipal Debt Service	A-3	1,070,543.33	1,069,971.11
Deferred Charges-Municipal	A-3		40,000.00
County Taxes	A-19	9,379,252.36	8,933,779.03
Due County for Added and Omitted Taxes	A-20	42,804.28	27,657.54
Local District School Tax	A-21	19,057,569.00	18,665,472.00
Refund of Prior Year's Revenues	A-4	0.50	0.45
Prior Year Sen/Vet Disallowed	A-9	3,500.00	250.00
<u>Total Expenditures</u>		<u>\$ 43,038,441.40</u>	<u>\$ 41,208,100.43</u>
Excess in Revenue		\$ 2,885,481.92	\$ 2,882,918.77
 <u>FUND BALANCE</u> 			
Balance, January 1	A	4,812,210.69	4,273,985.92
		<u>\$ 7,697,692.61</u>	<u>\$ 7,156,904.69</u>
Decreased by:			
Utilized as Anticipated Revenue	A-1	2,567,194.00	2,344,694.00
Balance, December 31	A	<u>\$ 5,130,498.61</u>	<u>\$ 4,812,210.69</u>

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

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>ANTICIPATED BUDGET</u>	<u>SPECIAL N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87</u>	<u>REALIZED</u>	<u>EXCESS OR (DEFICIT)</u>
Fund Balance Anticipated	A-1	\$ 2,567,194.00		\$ 2,567,194.00	
Miscellaneous Revenues:					
Licenses:					
Alcoholic Beverages	A-12	\$ 20,000.00	\$	\$ 22,688.00	\$ 2,688.00
Other	A-12	1,700.00		1,625.00	(75.00)
Fees and Permits:					
Other	A-2	22,500.00		40,316.00	17,816.00
Fines and Costs:					
Municipal Court	A-12	85,250.00		98,847.07	13,597.07
Interest and Costs on Taxes	A-12	54,000.00		66,060.66	12,060.66
Interest on Investments	A-12	57,000.00		680,723.61	623,723.61
Recreation Fees	A-2	100,000.00		147,238.76	47,238.76
Sewer Use Charges	A-13	185,000.00		247,347.79	62,347.79
Sale of Municipal Assets	A-16	5,000.00		5,000.00	
Cable TV Franchise Fee	A-12	107,113.25		107,113.25	
Energy Receipts Tax	A-12	776,753.00		776,753.24	0.24
Municipal Relief Funds	A-16	80,065.02		80,065.02	
Construction Code Official	A-2	220,000.00		284,882.00	64,882.00
Recycling Tonnage Grant	A-24		13,928.67	13,928.67	
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	A-24		16,632.21	16,632.21	
Local Recreation Improvement Grant	A-24		65,000.00	65,000.00	
Clean Communities Act	A-24		19,730.98	19,730.98	
Body Armor Replacement Fund	A-24	2,035.71		2,035.71	
Infrastructure Municipal Aid	A-24		40,000.00	40,000.00	
Watts Foundation - Senior Prom	A-24	3,000.00		3,000.00	
Watts Foundation - Senior Fitness	A-24	1,856.00		1,856.00	
Municipal Alliance	A-24	10,160.00		10,160.00	
Emergency Management Performance Grant	A-24	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	
Alcohol, Education & Rehabilitation Grant	A-24		2,574.26	2,574.26	
Union County Heart Grant	A-24	1,000.00		1,000.00	
ARPA - Firefighter Grant	A-24		50,000.00	50,000.00	
Union County Recreation	A-24	40,000.00		40,000.00	
Watts Foundation - Fall Grant	A-24		4,323.00	4,323.00	
Capital Surplus	A-12	50,000.00		50,000.00	
Cell Tower Rents	A-12	20,000.00		239,658.13	219,658.13
	A-1	\$ 1,852,432.98	\$ 222,189.12	\$ 3,138,559.36	\$ 1,063,937.26
Receipts From Delinquent Taxes	A-1	\$ 156,750.00	\$	\$ 238,785.16	\$ 82,035.16
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:					
Local Tax for Municipal Budget	A-2:A-10	\$ 9,976,721.82	\$	\$ 10,832,779.08	\$ 856,057.26
Minimum Library Tax	A-2:A-10	805,527.34		805,527.34	
		\$ 10,782,249.16	\$	\$ 11,638,306.42	\$ 856,057.26
<u>Budget Totals</u>		\$ 15,358,626.14	\$ 222,189.12	\$ 17,582,844.94	\$ 2,002,029.68
Non-Budget Revenue	A-2			336,637.49	336,637.49
		\$ 15,358,626.14	\$ 222,189.12	\$ 17,919,482.43	\$ 2,338,667.17
	<u>REF.</u>	A-3	A-3		

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

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>REF.</u>	
<u>ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUE</u>		
Allocation of Current Tax Collections:		
Revenue from Collections	A-1:A-10	\$ 39,157,932.06
Allocated to:		
School and County Taxes		<u>28,479,625.64</u>
Balance for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations		\$ 10,678,306.42
Add: Appropriation "Reserve for Uncollected Taxes"	A-3	<u>960,000.00</u>
Amount for Support of Municipal Budget Appropriations	A-2	<u>\$ 11,638,306.42</u>
Fees and Permits - Other:		
Clerk/Health	A-12	\$ 11,976.00
Police	A-12	19,340.00
Health Officer	A-12	<u>9,000.00</u>
	A-2	<u>\$ 40,316.00</u>
Uniform Construction Code Fees and Permits:	A-12	\$ <u>284,882.00</u>
	A-2	<u>\$ 284,882.00</u>
Recreation - Fees and Permits:	A-12	\$ 208,225.76
Less: Refunds	A-4	<u>60,987.00</u>
	A-2	<u>\$ 147,238.76</u>

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

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

REF.

ANALYSIS OF NON-BUDGET REVENUE

Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated:

Treasurer:		
Miscellaneous	\$	834.61
Miscellaneous - Clerk		1,600.31
Miscellaneous Reimbursements		70,363.74
Road Opening Excavation Permits		35,000.00
Soil Moving Permits		3,750.00
Pension Reimbursement		46,838.24
Administration Fees Developers Escrow		4,320.92
Zoning		12,305.00
Parking		48,396.64
Sewer Connections		60,594.50
Pool Lot Rental		20,000.00
Fire Prevention Shared Service		6,000.00
Tonnage Rebate		9,391.95
JIF Reimbursement		15,871.00
Community Room Rentals		600.00
Senior Citizen and Veterans Administration Fee		700.00
Duplicate Bills		320.00
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	A-4	\$ 336,886.91
Less: Refunds	A-4	<hr/> 249.42
	A-1:A-2	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 336,637.49

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDED		UNEXPENDED BALANCE CANCELED
	BUDGET	BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION	PAID OR CHARGED	RESERVED	
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>					
Administrative and Executive:					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 147,714.30	\$ 2,285.70	\$
Other Expenses	185,000.00	205,000.00	196,094.18	8,905.82	
Mayor and Council:					
Salaries and Wages	16,500.00	22,700.00	22,621.96	78.04	
Other Expenses	95.00	95.00		95.00	
Borough Clerk:					
Salaries and Wages	185,000.00	185,000.00	175,950.02	9,049.98	
Other Expenses	10,000.00	11,000.00	10,649.71	350.29	
Financial Administration:					
Salaries and Wages	260,000.00	260,000.00	236,009.41	23,990.59	
Other Expenses	1,140.00	1,140.00	25.00	1,115.00	
Audit	70,000.00	70,000.00	67,750.00	2,250.00	
Assessment of Taxes:					
Salaries and Wages	30,000.00	30,000.00	29,708.23	291.77	
Other Expenses	24,000.00	13,000.00	1,538.86	11,461.14	
Legal Services and Costs:					
Salaries and Wages	32,000.00	32,000.00	31,784.22	215.78	
Other Expenses	340,000.00	340,000.00	303,700.00	36,300.00	
Municipal Court:					
Salaries and Wages	200,000.00	200,000.00	190,139.01	9,860.99	
Other Expenses	8,000.00	8,000.00	5,218.68	2,781.32	
Public Defender:					
Salaries and Wages	4,000.00	4,000.00		4,000.00	
Planning Board:					
Salaries and Wages	28,000.00	19,000.00	14,265.64	4,734.36	
Other Expenses-Miscellaneous	49,000.00	39,000.00	33,688.45	5,311.55	
Insurance:					
Group Insurance Plan for Employees	1,035,000.00	1,035,000.00	890,296.57	144,703.43	
Workers Compensation	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00		
Other Insurance	382,000.00	382,000.00	374,268.23	7,731.77	
Group Insurance Health Benefit Waiver	35,000.00	37,000.00	36,735.83	264.17	
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>					
Fire:					
Other Expenses	146,000.00	151,000.00	149,581.75	1,418.25	
Police:					
Salaries and Wages	3,020,000.00	3,020,000.00	2,946,090.55	73,909.45	
Other Expenses - Miscellaneous	245,000.00	245,000.00	213,422.38	31,577.62	
Police Dispatchers:					
Salaries and Wages	265,000.00	265,000.00	227,788.66	37,211.34	
Other Expenses	8,000.00	8,000.00	6,975.32	1,024.68	
First Aid Organization-Contribution	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00		
Emergency Management Services:					
Salaries and Wages	25,000.00	25,000.00	14,103.98	10,896.02	
Other Expenses	15,000.00	15,000.00	9,693.20	5,306.80	
Fire Prevention:					
Salaries and Wages	10.00	10.00		10.00	
Other Expenses	2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00	
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>					
Road Repairs and Maintenance:					
Salaries and Wages	630,000.00	644,000.00	641,158.21	2,841.79	
Other Expenses	286,000.00	286,000.00	280,272.26	5,727.74	
Snow Removal:					
Other Expenses	300,000.00	300,000.00	153,486.06	146,513.94	
Public Buildings and Grounds:					
Other Expenses	140,000.00	140,000.00	122,427.98	17,572.02	
Shade Tree Commission:					
Other Expenses	20,000.00	20,000.00	6,112.58	13,887.42	

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		<u>EXPENDED</u>		<u>UNEXPENDED BALANCE CANCELED</u>
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION</u>	<u>PAID OR CHARGED</u>	<u>RESERVED</u>	
<u>HEALTH AND WELFARE</u>					
Board of Health:					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,728.04	\$ 3,271.96	\$
Other Expenses	51,000.00	52,000.00	51,299.40	700.60	
Dog Regulation:					
Other Expenses	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00		
<u>RECREATION AND EDUCATION</u>					
Board of Recreation Commissioners (R.S. 40:12-1 et. seq.):					
Salaries and Wages	300,000.00	276,800.00	254,946.25	21,853.75	
Other Expenses	88,750.00	92,750.00	88,539.24	4,210.76	
Senior Citizen Services:					
Salaries and Wages	65,000.00	65,000.00	61,075.77	3,924.23	
Other Expenses	14,000.00	14,000.00	11,891.81	2,108.19	
<u>STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE</u>					
Construction Code Official:					
Salaries and Wages	175,000.00	175,000.00	138,693.59	36,306.41	
Other Expenses	13,000.00	13,000.00	12,063.50	936.50	
<u>ZONING ENFORCEMENT</u>					
Other Expenses	10.00	10.00		10.00	
<u>UNCLASSIFIED</u>					
Salary Adjustment	70,000.00	70,000.00		70,000.00	
Utilities:					
Fire Hydrant	195,000.00	195,000.00	177,151.16	17,848.84	
Street Lighting	60,000.00	60,000.00	54,712.23	5,287.77	
Telephone	40,000.00	40,000.00	38,295.56	1,704.44	
Electricity	97,000.00	97,000.00	75,690.01	21,309.99	
Water	17,000.00	17,000.00	15,499.67	1,500.33	
Natural Gas	27,000.00	27,000.00	20,218.90	6,781.10	
Gasoline	95,000.00	95,000.00	71,764.13	23,235.87	
	<u>\$ 9,568,005.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,568,005.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,720,840.49</u>	<u>\$ 847,164.51</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>CONTINGENT</u>					
	<u>\$ 300.00</u>	<u>\$ 300.00</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 300.00</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>TOTAL OPERATIONS (INCLUDING CONTINGENT) WITHIN "CAPS"</u>					
	<u>\$ 9,568,305.00</u>	<u>\$ 9,568,305.00</u>	<u>\$ 8,720,840.49</u>	<u>\$ 847,464.51</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>DEFERRED CHARGES AND STATUTORY EXPENDITURES-MUNICIPAL</u>					
Deferred Charges:					
Contribution to Swim Pool Deficit	\$ 65,500.00	\$ 65,500.00	\$	\$	\$ 65,500.00
Statutory Expenditures:					
Contribution to:					
Public Employees Retirement System	338,933.40	338,933.40	338,933.40		
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	240,000.00	240,000.00	225,937.15	14,062.85	
DCRP	10,000.00	10,000.00	7,767.41	2,232.59	
Police and Firemen's Retirement System of N.J.	881,725.36	881,725.36	881,725.36		
	<u>1,536,158.76</u>	<u>1,536,158.76</u>	<u>1,454,363.32</u>	<u>16,295.44</u>	<u>\$ 65,500.00</u>
<u>TOTAL DEFERRED CHARGES AND STATUTORY EXPENDITURES - MUNICIPAL WITHIN "CAPS"</u>					
	<u>\$ 1,536,158.76</u>	<u>\$ 1,536,158.76</u>	<u>\$ 1,454,363.32</u>	<u>\$ 16,295.44</u>	<u>\$ 65,500.00</u>
<u>TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES WITHIN "CAPS"</u>					
	<u>\$ 11,104,463.76</u>	<u>\$ 11,104,463.76</u>	<u>\$ 10,175,203.81</u>	<u>\$ 863,759.95</u>	<u>\$ 65,500.00</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		<u>EXPENDED</u>		<u>UNEXPENDED BALANCE CANCELED</u>
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION</u>	<u>PAID OR CHARGED</u>	<u>RESERVED</u>	
<u>OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</u>					
Maintenance of Free Public Library	\$ 805,527.34	\$ 805,527.34	\$ 805,527.34	\$	\$
Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority: Share of Costs	880,000.00	880,000.00	851,286.02	28,713.98	
Tax Appeals Pending: Other Expenses	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00		
<u>STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES</u>					
Municipal Alliance on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse: State Aid	10,160.00	10,160.00	10,160.00		
Local Match	2,540.00	2,540.00	2,540.00		
Emergency Management Performance Grant (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$10,000.00)	10,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00		
Clean Communities (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$19,730.98)		19,730.98	19,730.98		
Alcohol, Ed and Rehabilitation State Aid (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$2,574.26)		2,574.26	2,574.26		
Kids Recreation Trust - Match	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00		
UC Kids Recreation Trust Grant 2024	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00		
Body Armor Replacement Fund	2,035.71	2,035.71	2,035.71		
Union County Heart Grant	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Recycling Tonnage Grant (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$13,928.67)		13,928.67	13,928.67		
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + 16,632.21)		16,632.21	16,632.21		
Local Recreation Improvement Grant (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$65,000.00)		65,000.00	65,000.00		
Infrastructure Municipal Aid (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + 40,000.00)		40,000.00	40,000.00		
American Rescue Plan Firefighter Grant (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$50,000.00)		50,000.00	50,000.00		
Watts Community Foundation (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 + \$4,323.00)	4,856.00	9,179.00	9,179.00		
<u>TOTAL OPERATIONS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</u>	<u>\$ 1,831,119.05</u>	<u>\$ 2,053,308.17</u>	<u>\$ 2,024,594.19</u>	<u>\$ 28,713.98</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</u>					
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$	\$
Purchase of Police Equipment	132,000.00	132,000.00	131,578.65	421.35	
Purchase of Construction Code SUV	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,623.00	877.00	
Purchase of DPW Equipment	78,000.00	78,000.00	77,961.21	38.79	
Purchase of Computer Equipment	10,000.00	10,000.00	9,610.04	389.96	
Purchase of Vehicles	60,000.00	60,000.00	55,347.78	4,652.22	
<u>TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</u>	<u>\$ 392,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 392,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 386,120.68</u>	<u>\$ 6,379.32</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE - EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</u>					
Payment of Bond Anticipation Notes	\$ 763,000.00	\$ 763,000.00	\$ 763,000.00	\$	\$
Interest on Notes	307,543.33	307,543.33	307,543.33		
<u>TOTAL MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"</u>	<u>\$ 1,070,543.33</u>	<u>\$ 1,070,543.33</u>	<u>\$ 1,070,543.33</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES-REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		<u>EXPENDED</u>		<u>UNEXPENDED BALANCE CANCELED</u>
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION</u>	<u>PAID OR CHARGED</u>	<u>RESERVED</u>	
TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"	\$ 3,294,162.38	\$ 3,516,351.50	\$ 3,481,258.20	\$ 35,093.30	\$
SUB-TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 14,398,626.14	\$ 14,620,815.26	\$ 13,656,462.01	\$ 898,853.25	\$ 65,500.00
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES	960,000.00	960,000.00	960,000.00		
<u>TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>\$ 15,358,626.14</u>	<u>\$ 15,580,815.26</u>	<u>\$ 14,616,462.01</u>	<u>\$ 898,853.25</u>	<u>\$ 65,500.00</u>
	<u>REF.</u>	A-2	A-1	A:A-1	
Budget	A-3	\$ 15,358,626.14			
Appropriation by 40A:4-87	A-2	222,189.12			
		<u>\$ 15,580,815.26</u>			
Reserve for Tax Appeals	A-26		\$ 50,000.00		
Federal and State Programs Appropriated	A-25		317,780.83		
Accounts Payable	A-15		559,904.55		
Disbursed	A-4		13,368,846.13		
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	A-2		960,000.00		
			\$ 15,256,531.51		
Less: Refunds	A-4		640,069.50		
			<u>\$ 14,616,462.01</u>		

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TRUST FUND

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Dog License Fund:			
Cash	B-1	\$ 3,850.13	\$ 6,089.93
		<u>\$ 3,850.13</u>	<u>\$ 6,089.93</u>
Other Funds:			
Cash	B-1	\$ 1,055,717.78	\$ 914,556.46
Petty Cash - County Law Enforcement		250.00	250.00
Community Development Block Grants Receivable	B-7	14,000.00	12,250.00
		<u>\$ 1,069,967.78</u>	<u>\$ 927,056.46</u>
		<u>\$ 1,073,817.91</u>	<u>\$ 933,146.39</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Dog License Fund:			
Reserve for Dog Fund Expenditures	B-5	\$ 3,847.53	\$ 6,087.33
Due To State of New Jersey	B-6	2.60	2.60
		<u>\$ 3,850.13</u>	<u>\$ 6,089.93</u>
Other Funds:			
Reserve for Unemployment Compensation Insurance	B-8	\$ 44,383.29	\$ 41,374.69
Reserve for Community Development Block Grant Fund	B-9	6,876.00	3,500.00
Various Reserves and Deposits	B-3	1,018,708.43	882,181.77
Payroll Deductions Payable	B-2	0.06	
		<u>\$ 1,069,967.78</u>	<u>\$ 927,056.46</u>
		<u>\$ 1,073,817.91</u>	<u>\$ 933,146.39</u>

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GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

"C"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>DECEMBER</u> <u>31, 2024</u>	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>DECEMBER</u> <u>31, 2023</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	C-2:C-3	\$ 3,036,245.93	\$ 4,224,522.06
State Aid Receivable	C-9	726,196.75	1,141,321.75
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation: Unfunded	C-5	<u>6,355,000.00</u>	<u>6,168,000.00</u>
		\$ <u>10,117,442.68</u>	\$ <u>11,533,843.81</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-10	\$ 6,355,000.00	\$ 6,168,000.00
Improvement Authorizations:			
Funded	C-8	368,951.00	2,071,100.38
Unfunded	C-8	423,605.01	91,444.97
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	587,430.33	637,430.33
Contracts Payable	C-7	1,546,707.28	1,268,469.02
Reserve for Preliminary Expenses - Levi Cory Park	C-11	16,286.28	16,286.28
Reserve for Lady Lourdes	C-12	43,762.00	16,271.25
Reserve for Preliminary Charges - Pool Renovation	C-13	9,075.02	9,075.02
Reserve for DPW Garage	C-4	675,799.64	1,123,456.14
Fund Balance	C-1	<u>90,826.12</u>	<u>132,310.42</u>
		\$ <u>10,117,442.68</u>	\$ <u>11,533,843.81</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE-REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	C	\$ 132,310.42
Increased by:		
Premium on Bond Anticipation Notes Issued	C-2	8,515.70
		\$ <u>140,826.12</u>
Decreased by:		
Fund Balance Anticipated as Current Fund Revenue	C-2	<u>50,000.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C	\$ <u><u>90,826.12</u></u>

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SWIMMING POOL UTILITY FUND

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

SWIMMING POOL UTILITY FUND

BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Operating Fund:			
Cash	D-5	\$ 112,797.16	\$ 135,732.93
Change Fund	D-10	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
<u>Total Operating Fund</u>		<u>\$ 112,847.16</u>	<u>\$ 135,782.93</u>
Capital Fund:			
Fixed Capital	D-9	<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>
<u>Total Capital Fund</u>		<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>
		<u>\$ 1,245,802.26</u>	<u>\$ 1,268,738.03</u>
<u>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Operating Fund:			
Liabilities:			
Appropriation Reserves	D-4:D-7	\$ 58,375.95	\$ 33,646.27
Accounts Payable	D-6	35,648.84	51,034.19
Fund Balance	D-1	<u>18,822.37</u>	<u>51,102.47</u>
<u>Total Operating Fund</u>		<u>\$ 112,847.16</u>	<u>\$ 135,782.93</u>
Capital Fund:			
Reserve for Amortization	D-8	<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>
<u>Total Capital Fund</u>		<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>	<u>\$ 1,132,955.10</u>
		<u>\$ 1,245,802.26</u>	<u>\$ 1,268,738.03</u>

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SWIMMING POOL UTILITY FUND

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES
IN OPERATING FUND BALANCE-REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>REF.</u>	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER <u>31, 2024</u>	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER <u>31, 2023</u>
<u>REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED</u>			
Fund Balance Utilized	D-3	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 65,000.00
Membership Fees	D-3	281,522.74	264,810.50
Miscellaneous	D-3	43,711.45	45,751.77
Other Credits to Income:			
Unexpended Balance of Appropriation Reserves	D-7	<u>32,985.71</u>	<u>48,486.22</u>
<u>Total Income</u>		\$ <u>403,219.90</u>	\$ <u>424,048.49</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Operating	D-4	\$ 330,000.00	\$ 320,000.00
Capital Improvements	D-4	48,000.00	48,000.00
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	D-4	<u>12,500.00</u>	<u>12,000.00</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>		\$ <u>390,500.00</u>	\$ <u>380,000.00</u>
Excess in Revenue		\$ 12,719.90	\$ 44,048.49
<u>Fund Balance</u>			
Balance, January 1	D	<u>51,102.47</u>	<u>72,053.98</u>
		\$ <u>63,822.37</u>	\$ <u>116,102.47</u>
Decreased by:			
Utilization by Swimming Pool Operating Budget	D-1:D-3	\$ <u>45,000.00</u>	\$ <u>65,000.00</u>
		\$ <u>45,000.00</u>	\$ <u>65,000.00</u>
Balance, December 31	D	\$ <u><u>18,822.37</u></u>	\$ <u><u>51,102.47</u></u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

SWIMMING POOL UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023	D	\$ <u>0.00</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES - REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>ANTICIPATED</u>	<u>REALIZED</u>	<u>EXCESS OR (DEFICIT)</u>
Fund Balance Utilized	D-1	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$
Membership Fees	D-1:D-5	250,000.00	281,522.74	31,522.74
Anticipated Deficit from Current Fund	D-1:D-5	65,500.00		(65,500.00)
Miscellaneous	D-1:D-3	<u>30,000.00</u>	<u>43,711.45</u>	<u>13,711.45</u>
		<u>\$ 390,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 370,234.19</u>	<u>\$ (20,265.81)</u>

REF. D-4

ANALYSIS OF REALIZED REVENUE

Fees:

Memberships D-5 \$ 281,522.74

MISCELLANEOUS

Interest on Investments \$ 8,344.96
Miscellaneous 35,366.49
D-5 \$ 43,711.45

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

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		<u>EXPENDED</u>	
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET AFTER MODIFICATION</u>	<u>PAID OR CHARGED</u>	<u>RESERVED</u>
Operating:				
Salaries and Wages	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 158,990.13	\$ 11,009.87
Other Expenses - Miscellaneous	140,000.00	140,000.00	136,297.61	3,702.39
Other Expenses - Material and Supplies	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>20,000.00</u>		<u>20,000.00</u>
<u>Total Operating</u>	<u>\$ 330,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 330,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 295,287.74</u>	<u>\$ 34,712.26</u>
Capital Improvements:				
Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 48,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 48,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,336.31</u>	<u>\$ 23,663.69</u>
<u>Total Capital Improvements</u>	<u>\$ 48,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 48,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,336.31</u>	<u>\$ 23,663.69</u>
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures:				
Statutory Expenditures:				
Contribution to:				
Social Security System (O.A.S.I.)	<u>\$ 12,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,500.00</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>Total Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures</u>	<u>\$ 12,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,500.00</u>	<u>\$</u>
	<u>\$ 390,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 390,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 332,124.05</u>	<u>\$ 58,375.95</u>
REF.		D-3		D
Accounts Payable	D-6		\$ 35,648.84	
Disbursements	D-5		301,029.21	
Less: Refunds	D-5		<u>4,554.00</u>	
			<u>\$ 332,124.05</u>	

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

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT GROUP

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
GENERAL FIXED ASSET ACCOUNT GROUP
BALANCE SHEETS - REGULATORY BASIS

	BALANCE DECEMBER <u>31, 2024</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER <u>31, 2023</u>
General Fixed Assets:		
Buildings	\$ 12,972,700.00	\$ 12,972,700.00
Equipment	6,092,565.99	5,923,668.30
Land	<u>5,001,400.00</u>	<u>5,001,400.00</u>
<u>Total General Fixed Assets</u>	<u>\$ 24,066,665.99</u>	<u>\$ 23,897,768.30</u>
Investment in General Fixed Assets	<u>\$ 24,066,665.99</u>	<u>\$ 23,897,768.30</u>

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

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The Borough of Mountainside is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey established to function as a municipality. The Borough Council consists of elected officials and is responsible for the fiscal control of the Borough.

As defined by GAAP established by the GASB, the financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, as well as component units, which are legally separate organizations for which elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. The Borough is financially accountable for an organization if the Borough appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Borough is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organizations; or (2) the Borough is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Borough is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Borough is obligated for the debt of the organization. Except as noted below, the financial statements of the Borough include every board, body, officer or commission supported and maintained wholly or in part by funds appropriated by the Borough, as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-5. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Borough do not include the operations of the local school district, first aid organization, volunteer fire organization or library, inasmuch as their activities are administered by a separate board.

B. Description of Funds

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. GASB codification establishes three fund types and two account groups to be used by general purpose governmental units when reporting financial position and results of operations in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. Description of Funds (Continued)

The accounting policies of the Borough of Mountainside conform to the accounting principles applicable to municipalities which have been prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such principles and practices are designed primarily for determining compliance with legal provisions and budgetary restrictions and as a means of reporting on the stewardship of public officials with respect to public funds. Under this method of accounting, the financial transactions and accounts of the Borough of Mountainside are organized on the basis of funds and an account group which is different from the fund structure required by GAAP. A fund or account group is an accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts established to record the financial position and results of operation of a specific governmental activity. As required by the Division of Local Government Services, the Borough accounts for its financial transactions through the following individual funds and account group:

Current Fund - resources and expenditures for governmental operations of a general nature, including federal and state grant funds.

Trust Fund - receipts, custodianship and disbursements of funds in accordance with the purpose of which each reserve was created.

General Capital Fund - receipt and disbursement of funds for the acquisition of general capital facilities, other than those acquired in the Current Fund.

Swimming Pool Operating and Capital Funds - account for the operations and acquisition of capital facilities of the municipally-owned swimming pool.

General Fixed Assets Account Group - utilized to account for property, land, buildings and equipment that have been acquired by other governmental funds.

C. Basis of Accounting

The accounting principles and practices prescribed for municipalities by the State of New Jersey differ in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local governmental units. The more significant accounting policies and differences in the State of New Jersey are as follows:

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

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Revenues - are recorded when received in cash except for certain amounts which are due from other governmental units. Federal and state grants are realized as revenue when anticipated in the Borough's budget. Receivables for property taxes are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the Borough's Current Fund; accordingly, such amounts are not recorded as revenue until collected. Other amounts that are due the Borough which are susceptible to accrual are also recorded as receivables with offsetting reserves and recorded as revenue when received. GAAP requires revenues to be recognized in the accounting period when they become susceptible to accrual, reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts.

Expenditures are recorded on the "budgetary" basis of accounting. Generally expenditures are recorded when an amount is encumbered for goods or services through the issuance of a purchase order in conjunction with the Encumbrance Accounting System.

Outstanding encumbrances at December 31 are reported as a cash liability in the financial statements and constitute part of the Borough's regulatory Appropriation Reserve balance. Appropriation reserves covering unexpended appropriation balances are automatically created at December 31st of each year and recorded as liabilities except for amounts which may be canceled by the governing body. Appropriation reserves are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year. Lapsed appropriation reserves are recorded as income. Appropriations for principal payments on outstanding general capital and utility bonds and notes are provided on the cash basis; interest on general capital indebtedness is on the cash basis, whereas interest on utility indebtedness is on the accrual basis.

Encumbrances - Contractual orders, at December 31, are reported as expenditures through the establishment of encumbrances payable. Under GAAP, encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balance because they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

Foreclosed Property is recorded in the Current Fund at the assessed valuation when such property was acquired and is fully reserved. GAAP requires such property to be recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group at its market value.

Sale of Municipal Assets - The proceeds from the sale of municipal assets can be held in a reserve until anticipated as revenue in a future budget. GAAP requires such proceeds to be recorded as revenue in the year of sale.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Interfunds - Interfund receivables in the Current Fund are recorded with offsetting reserves which are created by charges to operations. Income is recognized in the year the receivables are liquidated. Interfund receivables in the other funds are not offset by reserves. GAAP does not require the establishment of an offsetting reserve.

General Fixed Assets - New Jersey Administrative Code (NJAC 5:30-5.6), Accounting for Governmental Fixed Assets, which differs in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles, requires the inclusion of a statement of general fixed assets of the Borough as part of its basic financial statements. General fixed assets are defined as nonexpendable personal property having a physical existence, a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of \$5,000.00 or more per unit.

Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, such as roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks and drainage systems are not capitalized. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets or reported in the financial statements.

The Borough has developed a fixed assets accounting and reporting system based on an inspection and valuation prepared by an independent appraisal firm. Fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Land is stated at the assessed value contained in the Borough's most recent property revaluation. Buildings are stated at the most recent insurance replacement value. General Fixed Assets that have been acquired and are utilized in a governmental fund operation are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group rather than in a governmental fund.

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

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

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Fixed Capital - Swimming Pool Utility

Accounting for utility fund "fixed capital" remains unchanged under the requirements of NJAC 5:30-5.6.

Property and equipment purchased by the Swimming Pool Utility Fund are recorded in the capital account at cost and are adjusted for disposition and abandonment. The amounts shown do not purport to represent reproduction cost or current value. The fixed capital reported is taken from the municipal records and does not necessarily reflect the true condition of such fixed capital. Contributions in aid of construction are not capitalized. The balance in the Reserve for Amortization account in the utility capital fund represent charges to operations for the cost of acquisitions of property, equipment and improvements. The utility does not record depreciation on fixed assets.

Inventories of Supplies - The cost of inventories of supplies for all funds are recorded as expenditures at the time individual items are purchased. The costs of inventories are not included on the various balance sheets. GAAP requires the cost of inventories to be reported as a current asset and equally offset by a fund balance reserve.

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - Under GAAP, municipalities are required to record their distributive shares of net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources in the statement of Net Position and total pension related expense in Statements of Revenues, Expenses, Changes in Net Position and Notes to the Financial Statements in accordance with GASB 68.

New Jersey's municipalities and counties do not follow GAAP accounting principles and, as such, do not follow GASB requirements with respect to recording the net pension liability as a liability on their balance sheets. However, N.J.A.C. 5:30 6.1(c)(2) requires municipalities to disclose GASB 68 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements. The disclosure must meet the requirements of GASB 68 however, local units are permitted to disclose the most recently available information as it relates to the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits reporting on GASB 68. As of the date of this report the information for the period ended June 30, 2024 was not available, therefore the information dated June 30, 2023 is disclosed.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - Under GAAP, municipalities required to record their distributive shares of OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources in the statement of Net Position and total OPEB related expense in Statements of Revenues, Expenses, Changes in Net Position and Notes to the Financial Statements in accordance with GASB 75.

New Jersey's municipalities and counties do not follow GAAP accounting principles and, as such, do not follow GASB requirements with respect to recording the OPEB liability as a liability on their balance sheets. However, N.J.A.C. 5:30 6.1(c) (2) requires municipalities to disclose GASB 75 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements. The disclosure must meet the requirements of GASB 75, however, local units are permitted to disclose the most recently available information as it relates to the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits reporting on GASB 75. As of the date of this report the information for the period ended June 30, 2024 was not available, therefore the information dated June 30, 2023 is disclosed.

Leases

Lease receivables are measured at the present value of the lease payments expected to be received during the lease term. The Borough may receive variable lease payments that are dependent upon the lessee's revenue. The variable payments are recorded as an inflow of resources in the period the payment is received. The deferred inflow of resources is recorded at the initiation of the lease in an amount equal to the initial recording of the lease receivable. The deferred inflow of resources is amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the lease term.

New Jersey's municipalities and counties do not follow GAAP accounting principles and, as such, do not follow GASB requirements with respect to recording the lease receivable as an asset on their balance sheets or the Statement of Revenues. However, N.J.A.C. 5:30 6.1(c) (2) requires municipalities to disclose GASB 87 information in the Notes to the Financial Statements. The disclosure must meet the requirements of GASB 87.

D. Basic Financial Statements

The GASB codification also defines the financial statements of a governmental unit to be presented in the general purpose financial statements to be in accordance with GAAP. The Borough presents the financial statements listed in the table of contents of the "Requirements of Audit and Accounting Revision of 1987" as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey and which differ from the financial statements required by GAAP.

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Borough considers petty cash, change funds, cash in banks and certificates of deposit as cash and cash equivalents.

A. Deposits

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in institutions which are located in New Jersey and which meet the requirements of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA) or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. GUDPA requires a bank that accepts public funds to be a public depository. A public depository is defined as a state bank, a national bank, or a savings bank, which is located in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The statutes also require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed certain insurance limits. All collateral must be deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank 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 Borough of Mountainside had the following cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2024:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Cash on Deposit</u>	<u>Deposits in Transit</u>	<u>Outstanding Checks</u>	<u>Petty Cash/ Change Funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Current Fund	\$ 9,268,732.55	\$ 12,229.90	\$ 225,447.39	\$	\$ 9,055,515.06
Animal Control Trust Fund	3,850.13				3,850.13
Trust Other Fund	1,081,819.10		26,101.32		1,055,717.78
General Capital Fund	3,321,975.05		285,729.12		3,036,245.93
Swim Pool Utility Operating Fund	114,813.22		2,016.06		112,797.16
Change Funds (All Funds)				800.00	800.00
<u>Total December 31, 2024</u>	<u>\$ 13,791,190.05</u>	<u>\$ 12,229.90</u>	<u>\$ 539,293.89</u>	<u>\$ 800.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,264,926.06</u>

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the deposits may not be returned. The Borough does not have a specific deposit policy for custodial credit risk other than those policies that adhere to the requirements of statute. As of December 31, 2024, based upon the coverage provided by FDIC and NJGUDPA, no amount of the bank balance was exposed to custodial credit risk. Of the cash on balance in the bank of \$-13,791,190.05, \$337,509.99 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance, \$13,453,680.06 was covered under the provisions of NJGUDPA.

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Investments

The purchases of investments by the Borough are strictly limited by the express authority of the New Jersey Local Fiscal Affairs Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1. Permitted investments include any of the following type of securities:

1. Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
2. Government money market mutual funds which are purchased from an investment company or investment trust which is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq., and operated in accordance with 17 C.F.R. § 270.2a-7 and which portfolio is limited to U.S. Government securities that meet the definition of an eligible security pursuant to 17 C.F.R. § 270.2a-7 and repurchase agreements that are collateralized by such U.S. Government securities in which direct investment may be made pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of N.J.S.A. 5-15.1. These funds are also required to be rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.
3. Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor.
4. Bonds or other obligations of the Local Unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the Local Unit is a part or within which the school district is located.
5. Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from date of purchase, approved by the Division of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs for investment by Local Units;
6. Local government investment pools that are fully invested in U.S. Government securities that meet the definition of eligible security pursuant to 17 C.F.R. § 270a-7 and repurchase agreements that are collateralized by such U.S. Government securities in which direct investment may be made pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of N.J.S.A. 5-15.1. This type of investment is also required to be rated in the highest category by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.
7. Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C. 52:18A-90.4); or

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Investments (Continued)

8. Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - a. the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection;
 - b. the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - c. the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - d. the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.236 (C. 17:19-41); and
 - e. a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

The Borough of Mountainside had no investments outstanding at December 31, 2024. Based upon the limitations set forth by New Jersey Statutes 40A:5-15.1 and existing investment practices, the Borough is generally not exposed to credit risk, custodial credit risk, concentration of credit risk and interest rate risk for its investments, nor is it exposed to foreign currency risk for its deposits and investments.

NOTE 3: MUNICIPAL DEBT

The Local Bond Law, Chapter 40A:2, governs the issuance of bonds to finance general municipal capital expenditures. All bonds are retired in annual installments within the regulatory period of usefulness. All bonds issued by the Borough are general obligation bonds, backed by the full faith and credit of the Borough. Bond Anticipation Notes, which are issued to temporarily finance capital projects, shall mature and be paid off within ten years or financed by the issuance of bonds.

NOTE 3: MUNICIPAL DEBT (CONTINUED)

CALCULATION OF "SELF-LIQUIDATING PURPOSE"
SWIM POOL UTILITY PER N.J.S.40A:2-45

Surplus Anticipated and Total Cash Receipts from Fees, Rents, or Other Charges for the Year	\$ 370,234.19
Deductions:	
Operating and Maintenance Cost	\$ <u>342,500.00</u>
Excess in Revenue - Self Liquidating	\$ <u><u>27,734.19</u></u>

SCHEDULE OF ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE FOR PRINCIPAL
FOR BONDED DEBT ISSUED AND OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE

	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Issue and Maturity Dates</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Capital	4.250%	07/19/24 to 07/18/25	\$ <u><u>6,355,000.00</u></u>

NOTE 4: FUND BALANCES APPROPRIATED

Fund balances at December 31, 2024, which were appropriated and included as anticipated revenue in their own respective funds for the year ending December 31, 2025 were as follows:

Current Fund	\$2,734,194.00*
Swim Pool Utility Operating	\$ 10,500.00*

*Per introduced 2025 budget

NOTE 5: PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied based on the final adoption of the current year municipal budget, and are payable in four installments on February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. The Borough bills and collects its own property taxes and also the taxes for the County and the Local School District. The collections and remittance of county and school taxes are accounted for in the Current Fund. Borough property tax revenues are recognized when collected in cash and any receivables are recorded with offsetting reserves on the balance sheet of the Borough's Current Fund.

NOTE 5: PROPERTY TAXES (CONTINUED)

Taxes Collected in Advance - Taxes collected in advance and recorded as cash liabilities in the financial statements are as follows:

	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, <u>2024</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, <u>2023</u>
Prepaid Taxes	<u>\$323,918.83</u>	<u>\$296,838.20</u>

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS

Substantially all eligible employees participate in the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), or the Police, Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) or the Defined Contribution Retirement System (DCRP), which have been established by state statute and are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirement System, Police and Firemen's Retirement System and Consolidated Police and Firemen's Pension Fund. These reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625 or are available online at www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/annrpts.shtml.

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - The Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A, to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The PERS is a cost-sharing multiple employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially, all full-time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, school district or public agency, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pension fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund.

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) - The Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) was established as of July 1, 1944, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:16A. to provide retirement, death, and disability benefits to its members. The PFRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially, all full-time county and municipal police or firemen or officer employees with police powers appointed after June 30, 1944.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program (DCRP) was established July 1, 2007, under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, and was expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2009. The DCRP provides eligible employees and their beneficiaries with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance coverage and disability coverage.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Vesting and Benefit Provisions

The vesting and benefit provisions for PERS are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and 43:36. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service. Members may seek early retirement after achieving 25 years of service credit or they may elect deferred retirement after achieving ten years of service credit, in which case, benefits would begin the first day of the month after the member attains normal retirement age.

The vesting and benefit provisions for PFRS are set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and 43:36. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for disability benefits, which vest after four years of service. Retirement benefits for age and service are available at age 55. Members may seek special retirement after achieving 25 years of creditable service or they may elect deferred retirement after achieving ten years of service.

Newly elected or appointed officials that have an existing DCRP account, or are a member of another State-administered retirement system are immediately vested in the DCRP. For newly elected or appointed officials that do not qualify for immediate vesting in the DCRP. Employee and employer contributions are held during the initial year of membership. Upon commencing the second year of DCRP membership, the member is fully vested. However, if a member is not eligible to continue in the DCRP for a second year of membership, the member may apply for a refund of the employee contributions from the DCRP, while the employer contributions will revert back to the employer. Employees are required to contribute 5.5% of their base salary and employers contribute 3.0%.

Funding Policy

The contribution policy is set by PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and contributions are required by active members and contributing employers. Plan members and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. PERS provides for employee contributions of 7.50% of base salary. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The actuarially determined contribution includes funding for cost-of-living adjustments, noncontributory death benefits, and post-retirement medical premiums.

The contribution policy for PFRS is set by N.J.S.A. 43:16A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Plan member and employer contributions *may* be amended by State of New Jersey legislation. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The annual employer contribution includes funding for basic retirement allowances, cost-of-living adjustments and noncontributory death benefits. PFRS members contributed at a rate of 10.00% of base salary.

Certain portions of the costs are contributed by the employees. The Borough's share of pension costs, which is based upon the annual billings received from the State, amounted to \$1,220,658.76 for 2024, \$1,069,981.32 for 2023, and \$1,078,465.40 for 2022.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Funding Policy (Continued)

All contributions were equal to the required contributions for each of the three years, respectively. Certain Borough employees are also covered by Federal Insurance Contribution Act.

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – GASB 68

As discussed in Note 1, as of the date of this report the information for the period ended June 30, 2024, for PERS and PFRS was not available, therefore the information dated June 30, 2023 is disclosed per N.J.A.S.C. 5:30-6.1(c).

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

At June 30, 2023, the State reported a net pension liability of \$3,560,797.00 for the Borough's proportionate share of the total net pension liability. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The Borough's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the Borough's proportion was 0.0245837111 percent, which was an increase of 0.0000898778 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the State recognized an actuarially determined pension expense of \$66,644.00 for the Borough's proportionate share of the total pension expense. The pension expense recognized in the Borough's financial statements based on the April 1, 2023 billing was \$308,879.00.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

At June 30, 2023, the State reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflow of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflow of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 34,046.00	\$ 14,555.00
Changes of assumptions	7,822.00	215,800.00
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	16,398.00	
Changes in proportion and differences between Borough contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>302,196.00</u>	<u>128,972.00</u>
	<u>\$ 360,462.00</u>	<u>\$ 359,327.00</u>

Other local amounts reported by the State as the Borough's proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in the State's actuarially calculated pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	(\$153,352.20)
2025	(70,288.20)
2026	181,280.80
2027	8,402.80
2028	<u>35,091.80</u>
	<u>\$1,135.00</u>

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which rolled forward to June 30, 2023. These actuarial valuations used the following assumptions:

Inflation	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases	2.75-6.55%
	Based on
	Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

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

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

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Long-Term Rate of Return

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

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

Discount Rate

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

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Sensitivity of the Borough's proportionate share of net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2023 respectively, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2023		
	1% Decrease <u>6.00%</u>	At Current Discount Rate <u>7.00%</u>	1% Increase <u>8.00%</u>
Borough's proportionate share of the pension liability	\$4,635,400.00	\$3,560,797.00	\$2,646,167.00

Special Funding Situation

In accordance with 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. For PERS, the legislation which legally obligates the State is found in Chapter 133, P.L. 2001. This special funding situation is due to the State paying the additional normal cost related to benefit improvements from Chapter 133. Previously, this additional normal cost was paid from the Benefit Enhancement Fund (BEF). As of June 30, 2023, there is no net pension liability associated with this special funding situation as there was no accumulated difference between the annual additional normal cost under the special funding situation and the actual State contribution through the valuation date.

The amounts contributed by the State on behalf of the Borough 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 nonemployer contributing entity. Since the Borough does 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 disclose in the notes to the financial statements of the Borough related to this legislation.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Special Funding Situation (Continued)

The non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the non-employer contribution that is associated with the Borough as of December 31, 2023 was 0.0246770481% which was an increase of 0.0000853581 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022. The non-employer contributing entities' contribution and employer pension expense and related revenue for the years ended June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 was \$11,105.00 and \$7,777.00, respectively.

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). The report may be obtained at State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits P.O. Box 295 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295 <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions>

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS)

At June 30, 2023, the State reported a net pension liability of \$6,999,114.00 for the Borough's proportionate share of the total PFRS net pension liability. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The Borough's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Borough's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined.

At June 30, 2023, the Borough's proportion was 0.0633473800 percent, which was an increase of 0.0083035800 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the State recognized an actuarially determined pension expense of \$13,771.00. The pension expense recognized in the Borough's financial statements based on the April 1, 2023, billing was \$715,874.00.

At June 30, 2023, the State reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PFRS from the following sources:

		<u>Deferred Outflow of Resources</u>		<u>Deferred Inflow of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	299,688.00	\$	333,796.00
Changes of assumptions		15,107.00		472,608.00
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		356,452.00		
Changes in proportion and differences between Borough contributions and proportionate share of contributions		<u>949,461.00</u>		<u>1,345,397.00</u>
	\$	<u>1,620,708.00</u>	\$	<u>2,151,801.00</u>

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended		<u>Amount</u>
<u>June 30</u>		
2024	\$	(351,568.20)
2025		(340,585.20)
2026		341,375.80
2027		(115,359.20)
2028		(66,276.20)
Thereafter		<u>1,320.00</u>
	\$	<u>(531,093.00)</u>

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Police and Firemen’s Retirement System (PFRS) (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2023 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022, which rolled forward to June 30, 2023. This actuarial valuation used the following assumptions:

Inflation	
Price	2.75%
Wage	3.25%
Salary Increases	All future years 3.25-16.25% Based on years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%

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

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

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Police and Firemen’s Retirement System (PFRS) (Continued)

Long-Term Rate of Return

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

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

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Continued)

Discount Rate

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

Sensitivity of the Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2023, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the Borough's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1- percentage point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2023		
	1% Decrease <u>6.00%</u>	At Current Discount Rate <u>7.00%</u>	1% Increase <u>8.00%</u>
Borough's proportionate share of the PFRS pension liability	\$9,752,040.00	\$6,999,114.00	\$4,706,585.00

NOTE 6: PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - GASB 68 (Continued)

Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) (Continued)

Special Funding Situation

In accordance with 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.c. 2001, Chapter 86, P.L. 2001, Chapter 511, P.L. 1991, Chapter 109, P.c. 1979, Chapter 247, P.L. 1993 and Chapter 201, P.L. 2001. The amounts contributed by the State on behalf of the Borough 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 nonemployer contributing entity. Since the Borough does 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 disclose in the notes to the financial statements of the Borough related to this legislation.

The non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the Borough as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 is 0.0633472200% and 0.0550437500% respectively, the non-employer contributing entities' contribution for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$147,488.00 and \$139,597.00, respectively and the employer pension expense and related revenue for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$146,697.00 and \$129,369.00, respectively.

At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributable to the Borough for the PFRS special funding situation is \$1,289,668.00 and \$1,121,306.00, respectively.

At June 30, 2023, the Borough's and State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the PFRS net pension liability were as follows:

Borough's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$6,999,114.00
State of New Jersey Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability Associated with the Borough	<u>1,289,668.00</u>
	<u><u>\$8,288,782.00</u></u>

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS). The report may be obtained at State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits P.O. Box 295 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295 <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions>.

NOTE 7: COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Under existing policy of the Borough, employees are allowed to accumulate unused sick leave. Management has estimated that the current cost of unused sick leave for Police personnel would approximate \$353,255.54 and for all other personnel would approximate \$22,145.00.

Effective January 1, 1999, employees of the Police Department hired prior to September 1, 1990 shall be entitled to receive, upon retirement, an amount equivalent to one hour's pay (at the rate in effect at the time of employee retirement) for each three hours of unused accumulated sick leave up to a maximum of \$18,000.00. Employees of the Police Department hired after September 1, 1990 shall be entitled to receive, upon retirement, an amount equivalent to one hour's pay (at the rate in effect at the time of retirement) for each two hours of unused accumulated sick leave up to a maximum of thirty thousand (\$30,000) dollars, which sum shall be paid to the employee in equal amounts over three years.

Borough employees are also allowed to accumulate unused vacation days. Accumulated vacation days that are not used by the third month of the succeeding year will expire. However, if the employees' employment with the borough ends within the first three months of the succeeding year, the employees may be compensated for the unused vacation days.

Management has estimated that the current cost of unused vacation days, for Police personnel would approximate \$76,327.41 and for all other personnel would approximate \$28,118.21. Police personnel are allowed to accumulate compensatory time. Upon retirement, an Officer may only "buy back" a maximum of one hundred hours of unused compensatory time. Management has estimated that the current cost of unused compensatory time is \$123,082.00.

Under accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the accumulated cost of such unpaid compensation is not required to be reported in the financial statements as presented and any amounts required to be paid are raised in that year's budget and no liability is accrued on December 31, 2024.

NOTE 8: LITIGATION

The Borough Attorney's letter did not indicate any litigation, claims or contingent liabilities that are not covered by the Borough's insurance carrier or would have a material financial impact on the Borough.

NOTE 9: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Borough participates in several federal and state financial assistance grant programs. Entitlement to the funds is generally conditional upon compliance with terms and conditions of the grant agreements and applicable regulations, including the expenditures of funds for eligible purposes. These programs are subject to compliance and financial audits by the grantors or their representatives. As of December 31, 2024, the Borough does not believe that any material liabilities will result from such audits.

NOTE 10: TAX APPEALS

There are several tax appeals filed requesting a reduction of assessments for 2024 and prior years. Any reduction in assessed valuation will result in a refund of prior year's taxes in the year of settlement, which may be funded from tax revenues through the establishment of a reserve or by the issuance of refunding bonds per N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51, if not paid through normal operations. The Borough has made provision, from budget appropriations, in the amount of \$595,044.79 for these appeals in the event tax reductions are granted.

NOTE 11: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Borough is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Borough participates in a self-insurance program through the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund covering each of those risks of loss. The Fund is operated in accordance with regulations of the New Jersey Department of Insurance and the Division of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs. The Borough's contribution to the Fund for claim payments is based on actuarial assumption determined by the Fund's actuary. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Borough.

New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance - The Borough has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance under the "Benefit Reimbursement Method". Under this plan, the Borough is required to reimburse the New Jersey Unemployment Trust Fund for benefits paid to its former employees and charged to its account with the State. The Borough is billed quarterly for amounts due to the State. Below is a summary of Borough contributions, employee contributions, reimbursements to the State for benefits paid, and the ending balance of the Borough's expendable trust fund for the current and previous two years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Borough Contributions and Interest</u>	<u>Employee Contributions</u>	<u>Amount Reimbursed</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
2024	\$2,293.33	\$9,364.18	\$8,648.91	\$44,383.29
2023	1,826.00	8,903.72	3,116.58	41,374.69
2022	376.73	8,439.15	6,248.78	33,761.55

NOTE 12: INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

There were no interfund balances recorded on the balance sheets at December 31, 2024.

NOTE 13: DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

The Borough offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all Borough employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salaries until future years. The Borough does not make any contribution to the plan. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until retirement, death, disability, termination or financial hardship.

In accordance with the requirements of the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996 and the funding requirements of Internal Revenue Code Section 457(g), the Borough's Plan was amended to require that all amounts of compensation deferred under the Plan are held for the exclusive benefits of plan participants and beneficiaries. All assets and income under the Plan are held in trust, in annuity contracts or custodial accounts.

The Plan is administered by Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc., and Lincoln National Corporation.

The accompanying financial statements do not include the Borough's Deferred Compensation Plan Activities. The Borough's Deferred Compensation Plan financial statements are contained in a separate review report.

NOTE 14: ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS – GASB 75

As discussed in Note 1, as of the date of this report the information for the period ended June 30, 2024, for OPEB was not available, therefore the information dated June 30, 2023 is disclosed.

Plan Description and Benefits Provided

The State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. The Plan meets the definition of an equivalent arrangement as defined in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*; therefore, assets are accumulated to pay associated benefits.

NOTE 14: ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS – GASB 75 (CONTINUED)

Plan Description and Benefits Provided (Continued)

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug coverage to retirees and their covered dependents of the employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L. 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees.

Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations' agreement.

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

The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

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

NOTE 14: ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS – GASB 75 (CONTINUED)

Special Funding Situation

The Borough, by resolution of the governing body, has elected to provide postretirement medical coverage to certain employees under the provisions of Chapter 330, P.L. 1997.

Under Chapter 330, P.L. 1997, the State shall pay the premium or periodic charges for the qualified local police and firefighter retirees and dependents equal to 80 percent of the premium or periodic charge for the category of coverage elected by the qualified retiree under the State managed care plan or a health maintenance organization participating in the program providing the lowest premium or periodic charge.

The State also provides funding for retiree health benefits to survivors of local police officers and firefighters who die in the line of duty under Chapter 271, P.L.1989.

Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No 75 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute under this legislation directly to the plan, there is no net Net OPEB Liability, deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers related to this legislation.

At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributable to the Borough for the special funding situation is \$7,088,756.00 and \$8,208,782.00 respectively.

At June 30, 2023, the Borough's and State of New Jersey's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability were as follows:

Borough's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$0.00
State of New Jersey's proportionate share of Net OPEB Liability associated with the Borough	<u>7,088,756.00</u>
	<u><u>\$7,088,756.00</u></u>

NOTE 14: ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS – GASB 75 (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The actuarial assumptions vary for each plan member depending on the pension plan the member is enrolled in. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Salary Increases:

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS):

Initial fiscal Year Applied	
Rate for All Future Years	2.75% to 6.55%

Police and Firemen’s Retirement System (PFRS):

Rate for All Future Years	3.25% to 16.25%
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Mortality:

PERS	Pub-2010 General classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using scale MP-2021
PFRS	Pub-2010 Safety classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using scale MP-2021

* Salary increases are based on years of service within the respective plan.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2022 valuation were based on the results of the PFRS and PERS experience studies prepared for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

100% of active members are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

Discount Rate

The discount rate for June 30, 2023 was 3.65%. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

NOTE 14: ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS – GASB 75 (CONTINUED)

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan. The report may be obtained at State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits P.O. Box 295 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295 <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions>.

NOTE 15: LEASE RECEIVABLES

The Borough, as lessor, has entered into the following leases:

- Cell Tower – Dish Wireless LLC. The current lease term expires 5/1/27 with three (3) available five (5) year consecutive extensions. The tenant shall pay the lessor rent in the amount of \$3,090.00 per month automatically increasing by 3% of the then current rate yearly. The tenant shall retain the right to terminate the agreement without further liability upon thirty days written notice. Payments in 2024 totaled \$37,914.30.
- Cell Tower – Verizon. The current lease term expires 5/31/28 with two (2) available five (5) year consecutive extensions. The tenant may exercise the option to terminate the lease with 30 days notice to the landlord should premises become reasonably determined to be unsuitable for the tenant's intended use or operation. Monthly rent increases by 3% per annum of the previous year. Payments in 2024 totaled \$61,395.18.
- Cell Tower – AT&T. The current lease term expires 9/30/25 with two (2) available five (5) year consecutive extensions. If the tenant remains in possession of the premises after the expiration of the agreement, the tenant will be deemed to be occupying the premises on a month to month basis, subject to terms and conditions of the original agreement. The lessee must provide notice of intention to terminate to the lessor not less than sixty days prior to the expiration of any subsequent renewal term, so long as the tenant pays the lessor a termination fee equal to six months' rent at the current monthly rate. Monthly rent increases by 3% per annum of the previous year. Payments in 2024 totaled \$57,996.25.
- Cell Tower – T-Mobile. The current lease term expires 8/31/25 with an option for another five (5) year renewal term expiring 8/31/30. Tenant shall have the right to not extend the lease for the second renewal term by notifying the landlord in writing of the tenant's intention not to extend at least twelve months prior to expiration of the current term. Monthly rent increases by 3% per annum of the previous year. Payments in 2024 totaled \$82,352.40.

NOTE 16: FIXED ASSETS

Below is a summary of the General Fixed Assets Account Group for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Balance December 31, <u>2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	Balance December 31, <u>2024</u>
Land	\$ 5,001,400.00	\$	\$ 5,001,400.00
Buildings	12,972,700.00		12,972,700.00
Machinery and Equipment	<u>5,923,668.30</u>	<u>168,897.69</u>	<u>6,092,565.99</u>
	<u>\$ 23,897,768.30</u>	<u>\$ 168,897.69</u>	<u>\$ 24,066,665.99</u>

NOTE 17: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Borough has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the financial statement date through April 10, 2025 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based upon the evaluation, the Borough has determined that there are no subsequent events needed to be disclosed.

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES – ALL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF CASH - TREASURER

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>CURRENT FUND</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$	8,247,170.32
Increased by Receipts:			
Collector	A-5	\$	39,737,788.74
Revenue Accounts Receivable	A-12		2,510,832.06
Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	A-2		336,886.91
State of New Jersey - Senior Citizens and Veterans Deductions (Chapter 20, P.L. 1971)	A-9		31,750.00
Petty Cash Funds Returned	A-8		500.00
2024 Appropriations - Refunds	A-3		640,069.50
Miscellaneous Receivable	A-27		456,765.61
Various Reserves	A-16		24,755.00
Interfunds	A-23		728,105.48
Grants Receivable	A-24		125,622.69
Grants Programs - Unappropriated	A-28		1,976.68
			<u>44,595,052.67</u>
		\$	<u>52,842,222.99</u>
Decreased by Disbursements:			
2024 Appropriations	A-3	\$	13,368,846.13
Appropriation Reserves	A-14		484,605.07
Accounts Payable	A-22		30,218.10
Refund of Tax Overpayments	A-18		34,099.04
Local District School Tax	A-21		19,057,569.00
County Taxes	A-19		9,379,252.36
County Share of Added Taxes	A-20		27,657.54
Petty Cash Fund Advances	A-8		500.00
Various Reserves	A-16		22,881.00
Refund of Recreation Fees	A-2		60,987.00
Refund of Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated	A-2		249.42
Refund of Prior Years Revenue	A-1		0.50
Miscellaneous Receivable	A-27		456,765.61
Interfunds	A-23		728,105.48
Grants Programs Appropriated	A-25		134,971.68
			<u>43,786,707.93</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$	<u><u>9,055,515.06</u></u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FUND

	BALANCE DECEMBER <u>31, 2024</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER <u>31, 2023</u>
Collector	\$ 100.00 \$	100.00
Municipal Court	200.00	200.00
Clerk - Dog License Account	75.00	75.00
Construction and Zoning Department	25.00	25.00
Recreation Department	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ <u><u>500.00</u></u> \$	<u><u>500.00</u></u>
<u>REF.</u>	A	A

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SCHEDULE OF PETTY CASH FUNDS

	RECEIVED FROM <u>TREASURER</u>	RETURNED TO <u>TREASURER</u>
Treasurer	\$ 100.00 \$	100.00
Police Department	100.00	100.00
Construction & Zoning Department	100.00	100.00
Recreation Department	100.00	100.00
Senior Services	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ <u><u>500.00</u></u> \$	<u><u>500.00</u></u>
<u>REF.</u>	A-4	A-4

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF DUE TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY
FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND VETERANS DEDUCTIONS

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023 (Due To)	A		\$ 6,119.97
Increased by:			
Received From State of New Jersey	A-4	\$ 31,750.00	
Prior Years' Veterans Deductions Disallowed by State	A-1	3,500.00	
Current Year Senior Citizens Deductions Disallowed		<u>1,500.00</u>	
Received From State of New Jersey			<u>36,750.00</u>
			\$ <u>42,869.97</u>
Decreased by:			
Senior Citizens Deductions Per Tax Billing		\$ 1,000.00	
Veterans Deductions Per Tax Billing		<u>34,000.00</u>	
			<u>35,000.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024 (Due To)	A		\$ <u><u>7,869.97</u></u>

ANALYSIS OF STATE SHARE OF 2024 SENIOR
CITIZENS AND VETERANS DEDUCTIONS

Senior Citizens Deductions Per Tax Billing		\$ 1,000.00
Veterans Deductions Per Tax Billing		<u>34,000.00</u>
		\$ <u>35,000.00</u>
Less: Deductions Disallowed by Tax Collector:		
Senior Citizens		<u>1,500.00</u>
	A-10	\$ <u><u>33,500.00</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE AND ANALYSIS OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>	<u>2024 LEVY</u>	<u>CASH COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>CANCELED</u>	<u>TRANSFERRED TO TAX TITLE LIENS</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>
2023	\$ 235,285.16	\$	\$ 238,785.16	\$	\$	\$
2024		39,406,840.03	296,838.20	27,005.67	6.15	221,896.15
	<u>\$ 235,285.16</u>	<u>\$ 39,406,840.03</u>	<u>\$ 296,838.20</u>	<u>\$ 27,005.67</u>	<u>6.15</u>	<u>\$ 221,896.15</u>
	<u>A</u>		<u>A-2-A-17</u>		<u>A-11</u>	<u>A</u>

REF.

Collector
Senior Citizens Deductions

\$ 39,066,379.02
33,500.00
\$ 39,099,879.02

ANALYSIS OF 2024 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

<u>TAX YIELD</u>			
General Purpose Tax	\$	39,226,038.65	
Added Taxes (54:4-63.1 et. seq.)		<u>180,801.38</u>	
	\$	<u>39,406,840.03</u>	
<u>TAX LEVY</u>			
Local District School Tax (Abstract)	A-21	\$ 19,057,569.00	
County Taxes:			
County Tax (Abstract)	A-19	\$ 9,379,252.36	
Due County for Added Taxes (54:4-63.1 et. seq.)	A-20	<u>42,804.28</u>	9,422,056.64
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes (Abstract)	A-2	\$ 9,976,721.82	
Minimum Library Tax	A-2	805,527.34	
Add: Additional Tax Levied		<u>144,965.23</u>	
Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Levied		<u>10,927,214.39</u>	
			<u>\$ 39,406,840.03</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF TAX TITLE LIENS RECEIVABLE

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$ 27,464.10
Increased by:		
Transfer from Taxes Receivable	A-10	<u>6.15</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$ <u>27,470.25</u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

REF.	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023	ACCRUED IN 2024	COLLECTED BY		BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024
			COLLECTOR	TREASURER	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
A-2		22,688.00		22,688.00	
A-2		1,625.00		1,625.00	
A-2		11,976.00		11,976.00	
A-2		9,000.00		9,000.00	
A-2		284,882.00		284,882.00	
A-2		208,225.76		208,225.76	
A-2	5,253.21	100,018.30		98,847.07	6,424.44
A-2		19,340.00		19,340.00	
A-2		107,113.25		107,113.25	
A-2		66,060.66	66,060.66		
A-2		680,723.61		680,723.61	
A-2		776,753.24		776,753.24	
A-2		50,000.00		50,000.00	
A-2		239,658.13		239,658.13	
	\$ 5,253.21	\$ 2,578,063.95	\$ 66,060.66	\$ 2,510,832.06	\$ 6,424.44
REF.	A		A-5	A-4	A

Clerk:
 Licenses:
 Alcoholic Beverage
 Other
 Fees and Permits
 Health Officer:
 Fees and Permits
 Construction Code Official:
 Fees and Permits
 Recreation:
 Fees and Permits
 Municipal Court:
 Fines and Costs
 Police:
 Fees and Permits
 Cable T.V. Franchise Fee
 Interest and Costs on Taxes
 Interest on Investments
 Energy Receipts Tax
 Capital Surplus
 Cell Tower Rents

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF SEWER FLOW CHARGES RECEIVABLE

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$	1,403.55
Increased by:			
Levy			<u>254,527.03</u>
		\$	255,930.58
Decreased by:			
Collections:			
Collector	A-5	\$	247,331.19
Prepaid Applied	A-29		<u>16.60</u>
			<u>247,347.79</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$	<u><u>8,582.79</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF 2023 APPROPRIATION RESERVES

	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	BALANCE AFTER TRANSFERS	PAID OR CHARGED	BALANCE LAPSED
SALARIES AND WAGES:					
Administrative and Executive	\$ 1,070.41	\$	\$ 1,070.41	\$	\$ 1,070.41
Mayor and Council	52.92		52.92		52.92
Borough Clerk	2,946.25		1,946.25		1,946.25
Financial Administration	2,051.10		2,051.10		2,051.10
Assessment of Taxes	590.47		590.47		590.47
Legal Services and Costs	290.62		290.62		290.62
Planning Board	7,759.19		7,759.19		7,759.19
Police Dispatchers	19,569.70		19,569.70		19,569.70
Police	27,832.24		7,832.24		7,832.24
Road Repair and Maintenance	5,090.03		5,090.03		5,090.03
Emergency Management Services	10,872.88		10,872.88		10,872.88
Fire Prevention	10.00		10.00		10.00
Board of Health	3,403.95		3,403.95		3,403.95
Administration of Public Assistance	10.00		10.00		10.00
Board of Recreation Commissioners	5,571.69		5,571.69		5,571.69
Senior Citizen Services	2,706.26		2,706.26		2,706.26
Construction Code Official	6,087.69		6,087.69		6,087.69
Municipal Court	7,281.70		7,281.70		7,281.70
Public Defender	3,856.00		3,856.00		3,856.00
TOTAL SALARIES AND WAGES	\$ 107,053.10	\$	\$ 86,053.10	\$	\$ 86,053.10
OTHER EXPENSES:					
Administrative and Executive	\$ 5,199.34	\$ 11,182.49	\$ 16,381.83	\$ 13,212.43	\$ 3,169.40
Mayor and Council	95.00		95.00		95.00
Borough Clerk	100.57		100.57		100.57
Financial Administration	1,040.00		1,040.00		1,040.00
Assessment of Taxes	4,715.39	14.85	4,730.24	14.85	4,715.39
Legal Services and Costs	43,463.17	57,218.77	100,681.94	50,064.98	50,616.96
Planning Board	8,739.27	2,260.00	10,999.27	4,226.25	6,773.02
Group Insurance Plan for Employees	104,799.70	7,699.95	112,499.65	8,659.73	103,839.92
Other Insurance	4,547.98	83,182.25	87,730.23	83,182.25	4,547.98
Group Insurance Health Benefit Waiver	3,257.33		3,257.33		3,257.33
Fire	1,105.05	46,027.59	47,132.64	43,706.61	3,426.03
Police	4,715.49	67,428.62	72,144.11	66,780.82	5,363.29
Police Dispatchers	1,161.44		1,161.44		1,161.44
Emergency Management Services	9,306.75	569.91	9,876.66	569.91	9,306.75
Fire Prevention	500.00		500.00		500.00
Road Repairs and Maintenance	3,925.69	41,146.45	65,072.14	64,992.40	79.74
Snow Removal	26,658.19	11,541.00	38,199.19	26,658.19	11,541.00
Public Buildings and Grounds	9,819.22	53,351.14	63,170.36	51,796.88	11,373.48
Shade Tree Commission	12,734.00	140.00	12,874.00	140.00	12,734.00
Board of Health	172.00		172.00		172.00
Administration of Public Assistance	10.00		10.00		10.00
Board of Recreation Commissioners	389.23	29,859.54	30,248.77	22,077.39	8,171.38
Senior Citizen Services	2,226.05	1,238.98	3,465.03	1,100.00	2,365.03
Construction Code Official	69.05	500.00	569.05	500.00	69.05
Zoning Enforcement	10.00		10.00		10.00
Salary Adjustment	70,000.00		70,000.00		70,000.00
Fire Hydrant	47,064.03		47,064.03	14,800.74	32,263.29
Street Lighting	2,777.15	80.12	2,857.27	80.12	2,777.15
Telephone	4,465.08		4,465.08	193.25	4,271.83
Electricity	17,054.64	5,437.87	22,492.51	9,455.67	13,036.84
Water	710.99	295.43	2,006.42	1,133.20	873.22
Gas	5,801.42		5,801.42		5,801.42
Gasoline	7,998.09		7,998.09		7,998.09
Contingent	300.00		300.00		300.00
Municipal Court	62.95	1,326.96	1,389.91	460.90	929.01
Contribution to Social Security System	10,100.23		10,100.23		10,100.23
DCRP	2,831.85		2,831.85		2,831.85
Purchase of Police Pickup Truck		20,798.50	20,798.50	20,798.50	
Tax Appeal Pending	100,000.00		100,000.00	100,000.00	
Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority - Share of Costs	1,140.46		1,140.46		1,140.46
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$ 519,066.80	\$ 441,300.42	\$ 981,367.22	\$ 584,605.07	\$ 396,762.15
	\$ 626,119.90	\$ 441,300.42	\$ 1,067,420.32	\$ 584,605.07	\$ 482,815.25
REF.	A	A-15			A-1
Disbursed	A-4			\$ 484,605.07	
Reserve for Tax Appeals	A-26			100,000.00	
				<u>\$ 584,605.07</u>	

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF ENCUMBRANCES PAYABLE

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$	441,300.42
Increased by:			
Charges to 2024 Appropriations	A-3	\$	<u>559,904.55</u>
		\$	1,001,204.97
Decreased by:			
Transferred to Appropriation Reserves	A-14		<u>441,300.42</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$	<u><u>559,904.55</u></u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF MISCELLANEOUS RESERVES

	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023	INCREASED	DECREASED	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024
Sale of Municipal Assets	\$ 1,352,996.98	\$ 1,724.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,349,720.98
Revaluation Program	23,988.17			23,988.17
Municipal Relief Funds	80,065.02		80,065.02	
Property Maintenance, DCA Fees - Due State of New Jersey		18,446.00	18,446.00	
Marriage License Fees - Due State of New Jersey	50.00	550.00	400.00	200.00
RVSA		4,035.00	4,035.00	
	<u>\$ 1,457,100.17</u>	<u>\$ 24,755.00</u>	<u>\$ 107,946.02</u>	<u>\$ 1,373,909.15</u>

REF.

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Cash Receipts

\$ 24,755.00

Cash Disbursements
Anticipated Revenue

\$ 22,881.00
85,065.02
\$ 107,946.02

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF PREPAID TAXES

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$ 296,838.20
Increased by:		
Collection - 2025 Taxes	A-5	323,918.83
		\$ <u>620,757.03</u>
Decreased by:		
Applied to 2024 Taxes Receivable	A-10	<u>296,838.20</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$ <u><u>323,918.83</u></u>

"A-18"

SCHEDULE OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

Increased by:		
Overpayments in 2024:		
Collector	A-5	\$ <u>34,099.04</u>
Decreased by:		
Refunds	A-4	\$ <u><u>34,099.04</u></u>

"A-19"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TAXES PAYABLE

	<u>REF.</u>	
Increased by:		
2024 Tax Levy	A-1:A-10	\$ <u>9,379,252.36</u>
Decreased by:		
Payments	A-4	\$ <u><u>9,379,252.36</u></u>

"A-20"

SCHEDULE OF DUE COUNTY FOR ADDED TAXES

Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$ 27,657.54
Increased by:		
County Share of 2024 Levy:		
Added Taxes (R.S. 54:4-63.1 et. seq.)	A-1:A-10	\$ <u>42,804.28</u>
		\$ <u>70,461.82</u>
Decreased by:		
Payments	A-4	<u>27,657.54</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$ <u><u>42,804.28</u></u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF LOCAL DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX

REF.

Increased by:		
Levy Calendar Year	A-1:A-10	\$ <u>19,057,569.00</u>
Decreased by:		
Disbursements	A-4	\$ <u><u>19,057,569.00</u></u>

"A-22"

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Balance, December 31, 2023	A		\$ 32,218.10
Decreased by:			
Disbursements	A-4	\$ 30,218.10	
Canceled	A-1	<u>2,000.00</u>	
			\$ <u><u>32,218.10</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF INTERFUNDS

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TRUST OTHER FUND</u>	<u>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</u>
Receipts	A-4	\$ 728,105.48	\$ 312,980.48	\$ 415,125.00
Disbursements	A-4	\$ 728,105.48	\$ 312,980.48	\$ 415,125.00

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
CURRENT FUND
SCHEDULE OF GRANTS RECEIVABLE

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$	571,652.83
Increased by:			
2024 Anticipated Revenues	A-2		290,240.83
		\$	<u>861,893.66</u>
Decreased by:			
Cash Receipts	A-4	\$	125,622.69
Unappropriated Reserves	A-28		13,891.71
Grants Receivables Canceled	A-25		<u>439.63</u>
			<u>139,954.03</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A	\$	<u><u>721,939.63</u></u>

ANALYSIS OF BALANCE

Municipal Alliance	\$	10,160.00
Union County Recreation '23		35,000.00
Union County Kids Recreation '24		23,647.42
Local Recreation Improvement Grant		65,000.00
NJ Green Acres		478,000.00
2024 Infrastructure Municipal Aid Grant		40,000.00
Bulletproof Vest Program		3,500.00
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund		16,632.21
ARPA - Firefighter Grant		<u>50,000.00</u>
	\$	<u><u>721,939.63</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF GRANTS - APPROPRIATED

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>	<u>TRANSFERRED FROM 2024 BUDGET</u>	<u>DECREASED</u>	<u>CANCELED</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>
Clean Communities	\$ 8,964.00	\$ 19,730.98	\$ 16,212.51		\$ 12,482.47
Local Recreation Improvement Grant		65,000.00			65,000.00
County of Union - Recreation Trust Grant Match	38,751.85	25,000.00	1,900.00		61,851.85
County of Union - HEART Grant		1,000.00	1,000.00		
County of Union - Recreation Trust Grant '23	35,000.00	40,000.00	4,900.00		70,100.00
Municipal Alliance 2024		10,160.00	3,200.06		6,959.94
Municipal Alliance 2023	10,160.00		9,720.37	439.63	
Municipal Alliance 2024 Match		2,540.00	2,540.00		
Body Worm Camera Grant	13,896.80		13,896.80		
DMHAS Youth Leadership	3,464.00		3,464.00		
Federal Bulletproof Vest Program	3,500.00				
NJ Green Acres	478,000.00				3,500.00
Body Armor Replacement Fund	3,607.47	2,035.71	650.00		478,000.00
Watts Foundation - Senior Prom		3,000.00	2,792.44		4,993.18
Watts Foundation - Senior Fitness		1,856.00			207.56
Watts Foundation - Fall Grant		4,323.00	4,322.00		1,856.00
Watts Foundation	233.74				1.00
Infrastructure Muni Aid Grant		40,000.00	40,000.00		233.74
Watts Foundation	1,227.83		1,227.83		
Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund	11,607.53	16,632.21			28,239.74
Alcohol, Education and Rehabilitation	12,174.84	2,574.26			14,749.10
Recycling Tonnage Grant		13,928.67	13,928.67		
Highway Safety / Safe Corridors	15,217.00		15,217.00		
Emergency Management Performance Grant	10,000.00	20,000.00			30,000.00
ARPA - Firefighter Grant		50,000.00			50,000.00
NJ DEP - Stormwater Assistance Grant	15,000.00				15,000.00
	<u>\$ 660,805.06</u>	<u>\$ 317,780.83</u>	<u>\$ 134,971.68</u>	<u>\$ 439.63</u>	<u>\$ 843,174.58</u>
	REF. A	A-3			A
Cash Disbursements			<u>\$ 134,971.68</u>		
	A-4				
Canceled to Receivable				<u>\$ 439.63</u>	
	A-24				

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF TAX APPEALS

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	A		\$ 445,044.79
Increased by:			
2023 Budget Appropriation	A-14	\$ 100,000.00	
2024 Budget Appropriation	A-3	<u>50,000.00</u>	
			<u>150,000.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	A		\$ <u>595,044.79</u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF MISCELLANEOUS RECEIVABLE

	<u>REF.</u>	
Increased by:		
Cash Disbursements	A-4	\$ <u>456,765.61</u>
Decreased by:		
Cash Receipts	A-4	\$ <u><u>456,765.61</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF GRANTS - UNAPPROPRIATED

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>	<u>CASH RECEIPTS</u>	<u>UTILIZED AS ANTICIPATED REVENUE</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>
Emergency Management Performance Grant	\$ 10,000.00	\$	10,000.00	\$
Body Armor Replacement Fund	2,035.71	1,976.68	2,035.71	1,976.68
Watts Foundation Grant	1,856.00		1,856.00	
	<u>\$ 13,891.71</u>	<u>\$ 1,976.68</u>	<u>\$ 13,891.71</u>	<u>\$ 1,976.68</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

CURRENT FUND

SCHEDULE OF PREPAID SEWER TAXES

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	A	\$	16.60
Decreased by:			
Applied to 2024 Sewer Taxes Receivable	A-13	\$	<u>16.60</u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF TRUST CASH

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>ANIMAL CONTROL</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
Balance, December 31, 2023	B	\$ 6,089.93	\$ 914,556.46
Increased by Receipts:			
Dog License Fees	B-5	\$ 7,459.20	
State Registration Fees	B-6	724.80	
2024 Budget Appropriation	B-5	10,000.00	
Development Block Grants	B-7		12,250.00
Various Reserves and Deposits	B-3		694,715.59
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	B-8		11,657.51
Due Current Fund	B-4	0.00	35,465.18
Payroll Deductions Payable	B-2		6,697,035.76
		<u>18,184.00</u>	<u>7,451,124.04</u>
		\$ 24,273.93	\$ 8,365,680.50
Decreased by Disbursements:			
Expenditures Under R.S. 4:19-15.11	B-5	\$ 19,699.00	
State Registration Fees	B-6	724.80	
Various Reserves and Deposits	B-3		558,188.93
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	B-8		8,648.91
Due Current Fund	B-4	0.00	35,465.18
Community Development Block Grant	B-9		10,624.00
Payroll Deductions Payable	B-2		6,697,035.70
		<u>20,423.80</u>	<u>7,309,962.72</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	B	\$ 3,850.13	\$ 1,055,717.78

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS PAYABLE

	<u>REF.</u>	
Increased by:		
Cash Receipts	B-1	\$ 6,697,035.76
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements	B-1	\$ <u>6,697,035.70</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	B	\$ <u><u>0.06</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF VARIOUS RESERVES AND DEPOSITS

	BALANCE DECEMBER <u>31, 2023</u>	CASH <u>RECEIPTS</u>	CASH <u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER <u>31, 2024</u>
Street Opening Deposits	\$ 40,173.00	\$	3,500.00	\$ 36,673.00
Construction Code State Training Fees	3,302.00	18,446.00	17,991.00	3,757.00
Forfeited Property	53,787.70	2,796.38		56,584.08
Parking Offense Adjudication Act	1,027.60	80.00		1,107.60
Swim Team	3,217.88	4,640.00	5,895.30	1,962.58
Recycling	13,188.31			13,188.31
Pickleball Tennis		39,307.00	39,307.00	
Municipal Alliance-Donations	370.35			370.35
Security Deposits	5,678.88			5,678.88
Escrow/Performance Deposits	116,000.15		40,000.00	76,000.15
Builders Escrow	97,096.25	43,207.96	52,794.22	87,509.99
Public Defender	12,612.18	4,076.50	3,875.04	12,813.64
Fire Fines and Penalties	4,247.93	8,065.22	3,349.56	8,963.59
Police Donations	7,094.81			7,094.81
Insurance Damages		86,990.00	9,000.00	77,990.00
Police Outside Overtime	7,860.28	11,787.46	7,860.28	11,787.46
Mens Softball		21,450.00	1,701.82	19,748.18
National Night Out		7,350.00	6,414.46	935.54
Police Vests	2,770.00			2,770.00
Accumulated Absences	98,523.92			98,523.92
Federal Confiscated Funds	10,944.76	571.66		11,516.42
Recreation/Commission	0.02	331,320.00	331,320.00	0.02
Snow Removal	285,570.93	26,658.19		312,229.12
Barnes Tract Sale	642.79	1,400.00	1,321.58	721.21
Flexible Spending Administrative Fee	739.34	8,977.92	9,328.47	388.79
JIF Safety	2,002.16	1,350.00	200.30	3,151.86
Affordable Housing	115,330.52	76,241.30	24,329.90	167,241.92
Green Acres	0.01			0.01
	<u>\$ 882,181.77</u>	<u>\$ 694,715.59</u>	<u>\$ 558,188.93</u>	<u>\$ 1,018,708.43</u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF DUE CURRENT FUND-TRUST OTHER FUNDS

	<u>REF.</u>	
Increased by:		
Cash Receipts	B-1	\$ <u>35,465.18</u>
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements	B-1	\$ <u><u>35,465.18</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL FUND EXPENDITURES

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	B	\$	6,087.33
Increased by:			
2024 Budget Appropriations	B-1	\$	10,000.00 ^o
License Fees Collected	B-1		<u>7,459.20^o</u>
		\$	<u>17,459.20</u>
		\$	<u>23,546.53</u>
Decreased by:			
Expenditures Under R.S. 4:19-15.11	B-1		<u>19,699.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	B	\$	<u><u>3,847.53</u></u>

LICENSE FEES COLLECTED

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2023	\$ 7,635.80
2022	<u>7,808.80</u>
	\$ <u><u>15,444.60</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF STATE REGISTRATION FEES
ANIMAL CONTROL FUND

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023 (Due To)	B	\$	2.60
Increased by:			
Registration Fees	B-1	\$	<u>724.80</u>
			727.40
Decreased by:			
Cash Disbursements	B-1		<u>724.80</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024 (Due To)	B	\$	<u><u>2.60</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS RECEIVABLE

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>PROGRAM NUMBER</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>	<u>ALLOTMENTS</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>
Senior Citizen Program	024-241	\$ 12,250.00	14,000.00 \$	12,250.00	14,000.00
Senior Citizens Program	023-241	12,250.00			
		<u>\$ 12,250.00 \$</u>	<u>14,000.00 \$</u>	<u>12,250.00 \$</u>	<u>14,000.00</u>
	<u>REF.</u>	B	B-9	B-1	B

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INSURANCE

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	B	\$	41,374.69
Increased by:			
Employee Contributions		\$	9,364.18
Interest on Investments			<u>2,293.33</u>
	B-1		11,657.51
		\$	<u>53,032.20</u>
Decreased by:			
Cash Disbursements	B-1		<u>8,648.91</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	B	\$	<u><u>44,383.29</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

TRUST FUND

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>PROGRAM NUMBER</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023</u>	<u>ALLOTMENTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024</u>
Senior Citizens Programs	024-241	\$ 3,500.00	14,000.00 \$	7,124.00 \$	6,876.00
Senior Citizens Programs	023-241			3,500.00	
		\$ 3,500.00	14,000.00 \$	10,624.00 \$	6,876.00
<u>REF.</u>		B	B-7	B-1	B

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF GENERAL CAPITAL CASH

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	C		\$ 4,224,522.06
Increased by Receipts:			
Budget Appropriations:			
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	\$ 110,000.00	
Refunds	C-7	9,610.04	
State Aid Receivable	C-9	415,125.00	
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-10	6,355,000.00	
Premium on Bond Anticipation Notes	C-1	<u>8,515.70</u>	
			\$ <u>6,898,250.74</u>
			\$ <u>11,122,772.80</u>
Decreased by Disbursements:			
Contracts Payable	C-7	\$ 2,176,361.12	
Fund Balance Anticipated as Current Fund Revenue	C-1	50,000.00	
Bond Anticipation Notes	C-10	5,405,000.00	
Reserve for Lady Lourdes	C-12	7,509.25	
Reserve for DPW Garage	C-4	<u>447,656.50</u>	
			\$ <u>8,086,526.87</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C		\$ <u><u>3,036,245.93</u></u>

"C-3"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

ANALYSIS OF GENERAL CAPITAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS

BALANCE
DECEMBER
31, 2024

Fund Balance	\$	90,826.12
Capital Improvement Fund		587,430.33
Improvement Authorizations Funded as Set Forth on "C-8"		368,951.00
Contracts Payable		1,546,707.28
Reserve for Preliminary Expenses - Levi Cory Park		16,286.28
Reserve for Lady Lourdes		43,762.00
Reserve for DPW Garage		675,799.64
Reserve for Preliminary Charges - Pool Renovation		9,075.02
State Aid Receivable		(726,196.75)
Unexpended Proceeds of Bond Anticipation Note - Listed on "C-5"		<u>423,605.01</u>
	\$	<u><u>3,036,245.93</u></u>

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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR DPW GARAGE

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	C	\$ 1,123,456.14
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements	C-2	\$ <u>447,656.50</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C	\$ <u><u>675,799.64</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED CHARGES TO FUTURE TAXATION-UNFUNDED

ORDINANCE NUMBER	IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2023	2024 AUTHORIZATIONS	NOTES PAID BY BUDGET APPROPRIATION	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2024	ANALYSIS OF BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2024	
						BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE	UNEXPENDED IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS
	<u>General Improvements:</u>						
1256-17	Various Public Improvements	\$ 333,578.00	\$	333,578.00	\$		\$
1264-18	Various Infrastructure Improvements	767,304.00		264,388.00	502,916.00	502,916.00	
1273-19	Various Infrastructure Improvements	487,088.00		35,554.00	451,534.00	451,534.00	
1281-20	Various Public Improvements	851,246.00		49,377.00	801,869.00	801,869.00	
1288-20	Acquisition of New Equipment and a New Pumper Fire Truck	818,422.00		46,360.00	772,062.00	772,062.00	
1294-21	Various Public Improvements & New Communication & Signal Equip.	821,289.00		33,743.00	787,546.00	787,546.00	
1308-22	Various Public Improvements	1,042,073.00			1,042,073.00	1,042,073.00	
1321-23	Various Public Improvements	1,047,000.00			1,047,000.00	1,047,000.00	
1328-24	Various Public Improvements		950,000.00		950,000.00	950,000.00	
		<u>\$ 6,168,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 950,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 763,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,355,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,355,000.00</u>	<u>\$</u>
		REF.	C	C-10	C	C-10	
	Improvement Authorizations Unfunded						\$ 423,605.01
	Less: Unexpended Proceed of Bond Anticipation Note -						<u>\$ 423,605.01</u>

"C-6"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	C		\$ 637,430.33
Increased by:			
2024 Budget Appropriation	C-2		110,000.00
			<u>\$ 747,430.33</u>
Decreased by:			
2024 Improvement Authorizations	C-8	\$ 125,000.00	
Reserve for Lady Lourdes	C-12	<u>35,000.00</u>	
			<u>160,000.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C		<u>\$ 587,430.33</u>

"C-7"

SCHEDULE OF CONTRACTS PAYABLE

Balance, December 31, 2023	C		\$ 1,268,469.02
Increased by:			
Refunds	C-2	\$ 9,610.04	
Charges to Improvement Authorizations	C-8	<u>2,444,989.34</u>	
			<u>2,454,599.38</u>
			<u>\$ 3,723,068.40</u>
Decreased by:			
Cash Disbursements	C-2		<u>2,176,361.12</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C		<u>\$ 1,546,707.28</u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF STATE AID RECEIVABLE

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	C	\$ 1,141,321.75
Decreased by:		
Received	C-2	<u>415,125.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C	<u>\$ 726,196.75</u>

ANALYSIS OF BALANCE

New Jersey Department of Transportation:		
Ordinance #1267-18		\$ 61,131.25
Ordinance #1278-20		147,902.33
Ordinance #1289-21		101,436.17
Ordinance #1305-21		96,250.00
Ordinance #1325-23		42,125.00
Ordinance #1325-23		<u>277,352.00</u>
		<u>\$ 726,196.75</u>

"C-11"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR PRELIMINARY EXPENSES - LEVI CORY PARK

REF.

Balance, December 31, 2024 and
December 31, 2023

C

\$ 16,286.28

"C-12"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR LADY LOURDES

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2023	C	\$ 16,271.25
Increased by:		
Capital Improvement Fund	C-6	<u>35,000.00</u>
Decreased by:		
Cash Disbursements	C-2	<u>7,509.25</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	C	<u><u>\$ 43,762.00</u></u>

"C-13"

SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR PRELIMINARY CHARGES - POOL RENOVATION

Balance, December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023	C	\$ <u><u>9,075.02</u></u>
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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

SWIMMING POOL UTILITY FUND

SCHEDULE OF SWIMMING POOL UTILITY CASH

	<u>REF.</u>	<u>OPERATING</u>
Balance, December 31, 2023	D	\$ 135,732.93
Increased by Receipts:		
Membership Fees	D-3	\$ 281,522.74
Miscellaneous	D-3	43,711.45
Appropriation Refunds	D-4	4,554.00
		\$ <u>329,788.19</u>
Decreased by Disbursements:		
2024 Appropriations	D-4	\$ 301,029.21
2023 Appropriation Reserves	D-7	51,694.75
		\$ <u>352,723.96</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	D	\$ <u><u>112,797.16</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND
SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

	<u>REF.</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2023	D	\$	51,034.19
Increased by:			
Charges to 2024 Budget	D-4		<u>35,648.84</u>
		\$	86,683.03
Decreased by:			
Transferred to Appropriation Reserves	D-7		<u>51,034.19</u>
Balance, December 31, 2024	D	\$	<u><u>35,648.84</u></u>

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND
SCHEDULE OF 2023 APPROPRIATION RESERVES

	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>DECEMBER</u> <u>31, 2023</u>	<u>ACCOUNTS</u> <u>PAYABLE</u>	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>AFTER</u> <u>TRANSFERS</u>	<u>PAID OR</u> <u>CHARGED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>LAPSED</u>
Operating:					
Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,411.37 \$		1,411.37 \$	\$	1,411.37
Other Expenses - Miscellaneous	935.43	30,174.19	31,109.62	26,179.86	4,929.76
Other Expenses - Materials and Supplies	<u>20,000.00</u>		<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>10,014.89</u>	<u>9,985.11</u>
<u>Operating Total</u>	<u>\$ 22,346.80 \$</u>	<u>30,174.19 \$</u>	<u>52,520.99 \$</u>	<u>36,194.75 \$</u>	<u>16,326.24</u>
Capital Improvements:					
Capital Outlay	<u>11,299.47</u>	<u>20,860.00</u>	<u>32,159.47</u>	<u>15,500.00</u>	<u>16,659.47</u>
<u>Capital Improvements Total</u>	<u>\$ 11,299.47 \$</u>	<u>20,860.00 \$</u>	<u>32,159.47 \$</u>	<u>15,500.00 \$</u>	<u>16,659.47</u>
	<u>\$ 33,646.27 \$</u>	<u>51,034.19 \$</u>	<u>84,680.46 \$</u>	<u>51,694.75 \$</u>	<u>32,985.71</u>

REF. D D-6 D-5 D-1

"D-8"

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE
SWIMMING POOL UTILITY CAPITAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF RESERVE FOR AMORTIZATION

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023	D	\$ <u>1,132,955.10</u>

"D-9"

SCHEDULE OF FIXED CAPITAL

Balance, December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023	D	\$ <u>1,132,955.10</u>
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BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND

SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FUNDS

	<u>REF.</u>	
Balance, December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023	D	\$ <u>50.00</u>

PART II

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAINSIDE

STATISTICAL DATA

LIST OF OFFICIALS

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - CURRENT FUND

	<u>YEAR 2024</u>		<u>YEAR 2023</u>	
	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>%</u>
<u>REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED</u>				
Fund Balance Utilized	\$ 2,567,194.00	5.59%	\$ 2,344,694.00	5.32%
Miscellaneous - From Other Than Local				
Property Tax Levies	3,960,012.10	8.62%	3,931,708.75	8.92%
Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens	238,785.16	0.52%	212,384.32	0.48%
Collection of Current Tax Levy	<u>39,157,932.06</u>	<u>85.27%</u>	<u>37,602,232.13</u>	<u>85.28%</u>
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$ 45,923,923.32</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 44,091,019.20</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Budget Expenditures:				
Municipal Purposes	\$ 14,555,315.26	33.82%	\$ 13,580,941.41	32.96%
County Taxes	9,422,056.64	21.89%	8,961,436.57	21.75%
Local School Taxes	19,057,569.00	44.28%	18,665,472.00	45.30%
Other Expenditures	<u>3,500.50</u>	<u>0.01%</u>	<u>250.45</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>\$ 43,038,441.40</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 41,208,100.43</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Excess in Revenue	\$ 2,885,481.92		\$ 2,882,918.77	
Fund Balance, January 1	<u>4,812,210.69</u>		<u>4,273,985.92</u>	
	\$ 7,697,692.61		\$ 7,156,904.69	
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	<u>2,567,194.00</u>		<u>2,344,694.00</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 5,130,498.61</u>		<u>\$ 4,812,210.69</u>	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE
IN FUND BALANCE - SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND

	<u>YEAR 2024</u>		<u>YEAR 2023</u>	
	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>%</u>
<u>REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED</u>				
Fund Balance Utilized	\$ 45,000.00	11.16%	\$ 65,000.00	15.33%
Membership Fees	281,522.74	69.82%	264,810.50	62.45%
Miscellaneous From Other Than Membership Fees	<u>76,697.16</u>	<u>19.02%</u>	<u>94,237.99</u>	<u>22.22%</u>
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$ 403,219.90</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 424,048.49</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Budget Expenditures:				
Operating	\$ 330,000.00	84.51%	\$ 320,000.00	84.21%
Capital Improvement	48,000.00	12.29%	48,000.00	12.63%
Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures	<u>12,500.00</u>	<u>3.20%</u>	<u>12,000.00</u>	<u>3.16%</u>
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>\$ 390,500.00</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 380,000.00</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Excess in Revenue	\$ 12,719.90		\$ 44,048.49	
Fund Balance:				
Balance, January 1	<u>51,102.47</u>		<u>72,053.98</u>	
	\$ 63,822.37		\$ 116,102.47	
Decreased by:				
Utilized by Swimming Pool Operating Budget	<u>45,000.00</u>		<u>65,000.00</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 18,822.37</u>		<u>\$ 51,102.47</u>	

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF TAX RATE INFORMATION

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Tax Rate	<u>\$2.050</u>	<u>\$1.988</u>	<u>\$1.997</u>
Appointment of Tax Rate:			
Municipal	0.522	0.496	0.488
Municipal Library	0.042	0.038	0.035
County	0.471	0.453	0.471
County Open Space	0.019	0.017	0.016
Local School	<u>0.996</u>	<u>0.984</u>	<u>0.987</u>

Assessed Valuation:

Year 2024	\$ <u>1,913,465,300.00</u>		
Year 2023		\$ <u>1,898,285,219.00</u>	
Year 2022			\$ <u>1,893,980,896.00</u>

COMPARISON OF TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTION CURRENTLY

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

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>CURRENTLY</u>	
		<u>CASH</u> <u>COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u> <u>OF</u> <u>COLLECTION</u>
2024	\$ 39,406,840.03	\$ 39,157,932.06	99.37%
2023	\$ 37,859,596.72	\$ 37,602,232.13	99.32%
2022	\$ 37,880,801.30	\$ 37,635,633.69	99.35%

DELINQUENT TAXES AND TAX TITLE LIENS

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

<u>DECEMBER 31, YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAX TITLE LIENS</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF DELINQUENT TAXES</u>	<u>TOTAL DELINQUENT</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE OF TAX LEVY</u>
2024	\$ 27,470.25	\$ 221,896.15	\$ 249,366.40	0.63%
2023	\$ 27,464.10	\$ 235,285.16	\$ 262,749.26	0.69%
2022	\$ 27,458.13	\$ 212,134.32	\$ 239,592.45	0.63%

PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY TAX TITLE LIEN LIQUIDATION

The value of property acquired by liquidation of tax title liens on December 31st on the basis of the last assessed valuations of such properties was as follows:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2024	\$ 3,875.00
2023	\$ 3,875.00
2022	\$ 3,875.00

EQUALIZED VALUATIONS – REAL PROPERTY

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2024	\$ 2,547,904,870.00
2023	\$ 2,415,187,420.00
2022	\$ 2,160,396,347.00

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF FUND BALANCES

	<u>YEAR</u>		<u>BALANCE</u> <u>DECEMBER 31</u>		<u>UTILIZED IN</u> <u>BUDGET OF</u> <u>SUCCEEDING</u> <u>YEAR</u>
Current Fund	2024	\$	5,130,498.61	\$	2,734,194.00*
	2023	\$	4,812,210.69	\$	2,567,194.00
	2022	\$	4,273,985.92	\$	2,344,694.00
	2021	\$	4,902,532.92	\$	3,082,000.00
	2020	\$	3,702,633.70	\$	2,329,490.71
Swim Pool Utility Operating Fund	2024	\$	18,822.37	\$	10,500.00*
	2023	\$	51,102.47	\$	45,000.00
	2022	\$	72,053.98	\$	65,000.00
	2021	\$	122,829.50	\$	118,357.00
	2020	\$	157,275.35	\$	147,786.34

*per introduced 2025 budget

OFFICIALS IN OFFICE AND SURETY BONDS

The following officials were in office during the period under audit:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF BOND</u>	<u>NAME OF SURETY</u>
Paul N. Mirabelli	Mayor		
Donna Pacifico	Council President		
Steven Matejek	Councilman		
Deanna Andre	Councilwoman (resigned 4/10/24)		
Valerie Wass	Councilwoman (appointed 5/7/24)		
Rachel Pater	Councilwoman		
Robert W. Messler	Councilman (resigned 8/1/24)		
Alex Van Deusen	Councilman (appointed 8/20/24)		
Rene Dierkes	Councilman		
Glenn Mortimer	Business Administrator	*	MEL JIF
Martha Lopez	Borough Clerk, Registrar of Vital Statistics	*	MEL JIF
Jill Goode	Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Tax Collector (retired 5/1/24)	\$1,000,000.00	MEL JIF
Justyna Zagorska-Diaz	Chief Financial Officer (beginning 5/1/24)	\$1,000,000.00	MEL JIF
Sandy Bruns	Part Time Tax Collector (hired 5/1/24)	\$1,000,000.00	MEL JIF
Cynthia West	Court Administrator	\$1,000,000.00	MEL JIF
Frank Sahaj	Municipal Judge	\$1,000,000.00	MEL JIF
James Foerst	Municipal Prosecutor	**	MEL JIF
Joseph Giannuzzi	Police Chief	*	MEL JIF
John N. Post, Esq.	Borough Attorney	*	MEL JIF
Matthew Deanna	DPW Manager	*	MEL JIF
Joseph Ehrhardt	Construction Official (left 2/6/24)	*	MEL JIF
Michael Juzefyk	Construction Official (2/6/24 – 7/31/24)	*	MEL JIF
Jerry Eger	Construction Official (hired 7/31/24)	*	MEL JIF
Jennifer Sherman	Tax Assessor	*	MEL JIF
Frank Masella	Recreation Director	*	MEL JIF

All of the Bonds were examined and were properly executed.

*Public employees bonded by blanket position bond, from the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund, in force covering each employee for \$1,000,000.

**Municipal Court employees bonded by blanket position bond, from the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund, in force covering each employee for \$1,000,000.

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COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

GENERAL COMMENTS

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE ADVERTISED FOR N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4

"Every contract or agreement, for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the cost or the contract price whereof is to be paid with or out of public funds not included within the terms of Section 3 of this act, shall be made or awarded only by the governing body of the contracting unit after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this act or specifically by any other law. No work, materials or supplies shall be undertaken, acquired or furnished for a sum exceeding in the aggregate the amount set forth in, or the amount calculated by the Governor pursuant to Section 3 P.L. 1971 C. 198 (C. 40A:11-3), except by contract or agreement."

Effective July 1, 2020, the bid threshold in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 is \$17,500.00 or up to \$44,000.00 if the entity has a Qualified Purchasing Agent. The Borough has a Qualified Purchasing Agent and has elected to increase its bid threshold to \$44,000.00.

The governing body of the Municipality has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed \$44,000.00 within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Borough Counsel's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

The minutes indicate that bids were requested by public advertising for the following items:

- Resurfacing of Various Roads
- Television Inspection & Cleaning of 18" Sanitary Sewer Trunkline
- Paving Improvements to Bayberry Lane

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

Our audit of expenditures did not reveal any individual payments, contracts or agreements in excess of \$44,000.00 "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any material or supplies," other than those where bids had been previously sought by public advertisement or where resolution had been previously adopted under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.

The minutes indicate that resolutions authorizing contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 were advertised during 2024 for the following professional services:

- Auditor
- Attorney
- Engineer

In addition, purchases utilizing state contracts were made for the following:

- Purchase of Firefighter Protective Clothing & Equipment
- Purchase of Police Vehicles

COLLECTION OF INTEREST ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

The statute provides the method for authorizing interest and the maximum rate to be charged for the non-payment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquent.

The governing body on January 2, 2024 adopted the following resolution authorizing interest to be charged on delinquent taxes and assessments:

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside that the rate of interest on delinquent taxes and assessments owed to the said Borough of Mountainside, be and it hereby is set at eight percent (8%) on the first One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) of taxes due and eighteen percent (18%) of any amount in excess of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Such interest shall not be charged, however, on payments made within ten (10) days from the due date."

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED there will be a six percent (6%) penalty on delinquency of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or more at the end of the calendar year."

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

DELINQUENT TAXES AND TAX TITLE LIENS

The last tax sale was held on December 7, 2021 and was complete. There were no tax sales held in 2022, 2023, or 2024.

Inspection of Tax Sale Certificates on file revealed that all Tax Sale Certificates were available for audit.

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

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER OF LIENS</u>
2024	3
2023	3
2022	3

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

VERIFICATION OF DELINQUENT TAXES AND OTHER CHARGES

A test verification of delinquent charges and current payments was made in accordance with the regulations of the Division of Local Government Services, consisting of the mailing of verification notices as follows:

<u>TYPE</u>	
Payments of 2025 Taxes	25
Payments of 2024 Taxes	25
Delinquent Taxes	25

RECOMMENDATIONS

NONE

