ROCKFORD TOWNSHIP

SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

Financial Statement

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Rockford Township

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors
Rockford Township
Sedgwick County, Kansas

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying fund summary statement of regulatory basis receipts, expenditures, and unencumbered cash balances of Rockford Township, Sedgwick County, Kansas (Township), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related disclosures to the financial statement.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the accompanying financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2023, or changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the aggregate cash and unencumbered cash balance of the Township as of December 31, 2023, and the aggregate receipts and expenditures for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* described in Note 1.

Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Township, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Matter Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As discussed in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Township on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statement 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 Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* as described in Note 1; this includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statement, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township'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 Statement

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, 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 statement.
- 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 Township's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statement.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Township's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the 2023 fund summary statement of regulatory basis receipts, expenditures, and unencumbered cash balances (basic financial statement) as a whole. The summary of regulatory basis expenditures-actual and budget, and individual fund schedules of regulatory basis receipts and expenditures-actual and budget (Schedules 1 and 2 as listed in the table of contents) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the 2023 basic financial statement, but are required to be presented under the provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*. 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 2023 basic financial statement. The 2023 information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 2023 basic financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2023 basic financial statement or to the 2023 basic financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the 2023 basic financial statement as a whole, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

We also previously audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the basic financial statement of the Township as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022 (not presented herein), and have issued our report thereon dated May 22, 2023, which contained an unmodified opinion on the basic financial statement. The 2022 basic financial statement and our accompanying report are not presented herein, but are available in electronic form from the web site of the Kansas Department of Administration at the following link https://admin.ks.gov/offices/accounts-reports/local-government/municipal-services. The 2022 actual column (2022 comparative information) presented in the individual fund schedules of regulatory basis receipts and expenditures-actual and budget for the year ended December 31, 2023 (Schedule 2 as listed in the table of contents) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the 2023 basic financial statement. Such 2022 comparative information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2022 basic financial statement. The 2022 comparative information was subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 2022 basic financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2022 basic financial statement or to the 2022 basic financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the 2022 comparative information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statement as a whole for the year ended December 31, 2022, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Knudsen, Monroe & Company, LLC

Certified Public Accountants
Newton, Kansas
March 26, 2024

Rockford Township

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES AND UNENCUMBERED CASH

Regulatory Basis

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Funds	Beginning Unencumbered Cash Balance	Prior Year Cancelled Encumbrances	Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Unencumbered Cash Balance	Add Encumbrances and Accounts Payable	Ending Cash Balance
Special Purpose Funds							
Road	$ 24,139	7,500	363,468	370,000	25,107	7,449	32,556
Special Machinery	63,953	-	68,344	-	132,297	-	132,297
Total Reporting Entity	$ 88,092	7,500	431,812	370,000	157,404	7,449	164,853

Composition of Cash	
Carson Bank, Checking	$ 164,853

The notes to the financial statement are an integral part of this statement.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Municipal Financial Reporting Entity

Rockford Township (Township) is a municipal corporation governed by an elected three-member board. This regulatory financial statement presents the Township, a municipality.

Regulatory Basis Fund Type

Special Purpose Fund – used to account for the proceeds of specific tax levies and other specific regulatory receipt sources (other than Capital Project and tax levies for long-term debt) that are intended for specified purposes.

Regulatory Basis of Accounting and Departure from Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America

The *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* (KMAAG) regulatory basis of accounting involves the recognition of cash, cash equivalents, marketable investments, and certain accounts payable and encumbrance obligations to arrive at a net unencumbered cash and investments balance on a regulatory basis for each fund, and the reporting of changes in unencumbered cash and investments of a fund resulting from the difference in regulatory basis receipts and regulatory basis expenditures for the fiscal year. All recognized assets and liabilities are measured and reported at cost, unless they have been permanently impaired and have no future cash value or represent no future obligation against cash. The KMAAG regulatory basis does not recognize capital assets, long-term debt, accrued receivables and payables, or any other assets, liabilities or deferred inflows or outflows, other than those mentioned above.

The Township has approved a resolution that is in compliance with K.S.A. 75-1120a(c) waiving the requirement for application of generally accepted accounting principles and allowing the Township to use the regulatory basis of accounting.

Budgetary Information

Kansas statutes require that an annual operating budget be legally adopted for the Special Purpose Funds (unless specifically exempted by statute). Although directory rather than mandatory, the statutes provide for the following sequence and timetable in the adoption of the legal annual operating budget:

1. Preparation of the budget for the succeeding calendar year on or before August 1st.
2. Publication in local newspaper on or before August 5th of the proposed budget and notice of public hearing on the budget.
3. Public hearing on or before August 15th, but at least ten days after publication of notice of hearing.
4. Adoption of the final budget on or before August 25th.

If the Township is holding a revenue neutral rate hearing, the budget timeline for adoption of the final budget has been adjusted to on or before September 20th. The Township did not hold a revenue neutral rate hearing for this year.

The statutes allow for the governing body to increase the originally adopted budget for previously unbudgeted increases in regulatory receipts other than ad valorem property taxes. To do this, a notice of public hearing to amend the budget must be published in the local newspaper. At least ten days after publication, the hearing may be held and the governing body may amend the budget at that time. There were no such budget amendments for this year.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The statutes permit transferring budgeted amounts between line items within an individual fund. However, such statutes prohibit expenditures in excess of the total amount of the adopted budget of expenditures of individual funds. Budget comparison schedules are presented for each fund showing actual receipts and expenditures compared to legally budgeted receipts and expenditures.

All legal annual operating budgets are prepared using the regulatory basis of accounting, in which regulatory receipts are recognized when cash is received and expenditures include disbursements, accounts payable, and encumbrances, with disbursements being adjusted for the prior year's accounts payable and encumbrances. Encumbrances are commitments by the Township for future payments and are supported by a document evidencing the commitment, such as a purchase order or contract. Any unused budgeted expenditure authority lapses at year end.

A legal operating budget is not required for the Special Machinery Fund.

Spending in funds which are not subject to the legal annual operating budget requirement is controlled by federal regulations, other statutes, or by the use of internal spending limits established by the governing body.

Reimbursements

The Township records reimbursable expenditures in the fund that makes the disbursement and records reimbursements as a receipt to the fund that receives the reimbursement. For purposes of budgetary comparisons, the expenditures are properly offset by the reimbursements under the KMAAG regulatory basis of accounting.

2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

K.S.A. 9-1401 establishes the depositories which may be used by the Township. The statute requires banks eligible to hold the Township's funds have a main or branch bank in the county in which the Township is located, or in an adjoining county if such institution has been designated as an official depository, and the banks provide an acceptable rate of return on funds. In addition, K.S.A. 9-1402 requires the banks to pledge securities for deposits in excess of FDIC coverage. The Township has no other policies that would further limit interest rate risk.

K.S.A. 12-1675 limits the Township's investment of idle funds to time deposits, open accounts, and certificates of deposit with allowable financial institutions; U.S. government securities; temporary notes; no-fund warrants; repurchase agreements; and the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool. The Township has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

Concentration of Credit Risk

State statutes place no limit on the amount the Township may invest in any one issuer as long as the investments are adequately secured under K.S.A. 9-1402 and 9-1405.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned to it. State statutes require the Township's deposits in financial institutions to be entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held under a joint custody receipt issued by a bank within the State of Kansas, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, or the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka. The Township's deposits were legally secured at December 31, 2023.

2. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

At December 31, 2023, the Township's carrying amount of deposits was $164,853 and the bank balance was $263,080. The bank balance was held by one bank resulting in a concentration of credit risk. Of the bank balance, $250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and $13,080 was collaterized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agents in the Township's name.

3. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Compliance with Kansas Statutes

K.S.A. 10-1116b requires that lease purchase agreements specifically state that the Township is obligated only to pay periodic payments under the agreement as may be lawfully made from funds budgeted and appropriated for that purpose during the Township's current budget year. The Township's current agreement does not appear to contain this clause.

Per K.S.A. 9-1402, the Township's financial institution is required to pledge securities for deposits in excess of FDIC coverage. The Township's deposits were not adequately secured for approximately 39 days during the year ended December 31, 2023.

4. LONG TERM DEBT

Changes in long-term liabilities for the Township for the year ended December 31, 2023, were as follows:

Issue	Interest Rate	Date of Issue	Amount of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions	Reductions /Payments	Balance End of Year	Interest Paid
Finance Lease									
John Deere Motor Grader	3.50%	06/20/18	$ 139,783	04/20/25	$ 63,556	-	20,449	43,107	2,261

Current maturities of long-term debt and interest for the next two years are as follows:

	2024	2025	Total
Finance Lease			
Principal	$ 21,176	21,931	43,107
Interest	1,534	778	2,312
Total principal and interest	$ 22,710	22,709	45,419

5. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Operating transfer was as follows:

From	To	Regulatory Authority	Amount
Road	Special Machinery	K.S.A. 68-141g	$ 68,344

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township 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 Township has purchased commercial insurance for these potential risks. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from 2022 to 2023 and there were no settlements that exceeded commercial insurance coverage in the past three years.

During the ordinary course of its operations, the Township is a party to various claims, legal actions and complaints. It is the opinion of the Township's management that any current matters are not anticipated to have a material financial impact on the Township.

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Township rented land owned by the Township's treasurer. Total rental payments made during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 were $8,000 and $6,000, respectively.

8. DATE OF MANAGEMENT'S REVIEW

Management has performed an analysis of the activities and transactions subsequent to December 31, 2023, to determine the need for any adjustments to and/or disclosures within the audited financial statement. Management has performed their analysis through March 26, 2024, which is the date at which the financial statement was available to be issued.

ROCKFORD TOWNSHIP

SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

REGULATORY – REQUIRED

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

SCHEDULE 1

Rockford Township

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES – ACTUAL AND BUDGET

Regulatory Basis

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Fund	Certified Budget	Adjustment for Qualifying Budget Credits	Total Budget for Comparison	Expenditures Chargeable to Current Year	Variance Over (Under)
SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND					
Road	$ 370,000	-	370,000	370,000	-

Rockford Township

Special Purpose Funds

SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES – ACTUAL

Regulatory Basis

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023
(With Comparative Actual Totals for the Prior Year Ended December 31, 2022)

		Current Year		
	Prior Year Actual	Actual	Budget	Variance Over (Under)
ROAD				
RECEIPTS				
Ad valorem property tax	$ 266,693	265,423	270,106	(4,683)
Delinquent tax	4,347	3,031	500	2,531
Motor vehicle tax	35,384	35,890	32,588	3,302
Recreational vehicle tax	869	973	1,016	(43)
16/20M vehicle tax	512	453	491	(38)
Commercial vehicle tax	405	194	322	(128)
Watercraft tax	255	243	288	(45)
County gasoline tax	42,454	42,510	40,000	2,510
Interest income	83	81	-	81
Other income	6,029	14,670	-	14,670
Total receipts	357,031	363,468	345,311	18,157
EXPENDITURES				
Officers pay	19,500	19,500	17,000	2,500
Salaries and wages	51,933	68,571	75,000	(6,429)
Employee benefits	3,878	6,737	18,000	(11,263)
Contractual services	3,714	-	15,000	(15,000)
Insurance	12,210	15,261	15,000	261
Operating expenses	30,455	52,787	65,000	(12,213)
Materials and supplies	95,623	55,890	95,000	(39,110)
Machines and equipment	57,142	60,200	70,000	(9,800)
Lease purchase - interest	2,963	2,261	-	2,261
Lease purchase - principal	19,747	20,449	-	20,449
Transfer to Special Machinery	75,593	68,344	-	68,344
Total expenditures	372,758	370,000	370,000	-
Receipts over (under) expenditures	(15,727)	(6,532)		
UNENCUMBERED CASH, beginning	39,866	24,139		
Prior Year Cancelled Encumbrances	-	7,500		
UNENCUMBERED CASH, ending	$ 24,139	25,107		

Rockford Township

Special Purpose Funds

SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES – ACTUAL

Regulatory Basis

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023
(With Comparative Actual Totals for the Prior Year Ended December 31, 2022)

	2022	2023
SPECIAL MACHINERY		
RECEIPTS		
Transfer from Road	$ 75,593	68,344
EXPENDITURES		
Machinery and equipment	108,090	-
Receipts over (under) expenditures	(32,497)	68,344
UNENCUMBERED CASH, beginning	96,450	63,953
UNENCUMBERED CASH, ending	$ 63,953	132,297