CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH

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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers of the Corporation of the Township of Amaranth

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Corporation of the Township of Amaranth, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2012 and the consolidated statements of operations, change in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Corporation of the Township of Amaranth as at December 31, 2012 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Fergus, Ontario May 15, 2013

Chartered Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

PLB LLP

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2012

	2012	2011
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash Taxes receivable Accounts receivable Notes receivable (note 2) Long term receivables (note 3)	\$ 870,811 800,049 175,398 145,016 147,821 2,139,095	\$ 1,356,593 783,581 217,617 173,161
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Tile drainage loan payable (note 3) Deferred taxation revenue Deferred revenue - Obligatory reserve funds (schedule 3) Long term debt (note 4) Landfill site closure and post-closure liability (note 5)	1,059,185 147,821 57,394 419,228 158,574 120,816 1,963,018	1,587,566 134,481 25,964 323,098 178,574 120,816 2,370,499
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	<u> 176,077</u>	294,934
NON-FINANCIAL ASSE	TS	
Tangible capital assets (schedule 2) Inventory	16,727,816 1.067,844 17,795,660	16,921,740
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (schedule 4)	\$ <u>17,971,737</u>	\$ <u>18,362,432</u>

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

		2012 Budget		2012 Actual		2011 Actual
REVENUE						
Taxation revenue	\$	2,724,728	\$	2,705,556	\$	2,668,083
Fees and user charges		290,365		397,358		340,383
Canada grants		0		242		4,474
Ontario grants		353,935		395,076		395,337
Other income (note 6)		203,600		207,188		167,241
Obligatory reserve fund revenue				0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000		
recognized (schedule 3)		182,086	=	182,586	-	125,901
	-	3,754,714	_	3,888,006	-	3,701,419
EXPENSES						
General government		703,189		646,603		683,420
Protection services		804,069		736,478		682,275
Transportation services		2,211,752		2,065,735		1,949,134
Environmental services		179,836		351,532		388,545
Health services		6,100		7,583		6,240
Recreation and cultural services		259,675		263,268		251,027
Planning and development	-	198,430	-	207,502	-	227,489
	-	4,363,051		4,278,701	10	4,188,130
ANNUAL DEFICIT	\$_	(608,337)	\$_	(390,695)	\$_	(486,711)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, beginning of year			\$	18,362,432	\$	18,849,143
Annual deficit			=	(390,695)	? <u>-</u>	(486,711)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, end of year			\$_	17,971,737	\$_	18,362,432

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	2012 Budget	2012 Actual	2011 Actual
Annual deficit	\$(608,337)	\$ (390,695)	\$ (486,711)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of assets Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets Consumption of gravel inventory	(428,087) 952,140 0 0 65,000 589,053	(858,900) 1,012,666 21,889 18,269 77,914 271,838	(580,233) 952,140 67,232 0 <u>97,392</u> 536,531
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	\$ <u>(19.284</u>)	(118,857)	49,820
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, beginning of year		294,934	245,114
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, end of year		\$ <u>176,077</u>	\$ 294,934

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	2012	2011
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ (390,695)	\$ (486,711)
Items not requiring an outlay of cash Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of assets Consumption of gravel inventory	1,012,666 21,889 77,914 721,774	952,140 67,232 <u>97,392</u> 630,053
Net changes in non-cash working capital Taxes receivable Accounts receivable Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Landfill site closure and post-closure liability Deferred revenue Deferred revenue - Obligatory reserve funds	(16,468) 42,219 (528,381) 0 31,430 96,130 (375,070) 346,704	(81,828) 83,925 1,200,456 7,852 (496,855) 92,173 805,723 1,435,776
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) CAPITAL ACTIVITIES Acquisition of tangible capital assets Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	(858,900) 18,269 (840,631)	(580,233) 0 (580,233)
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES Long term debt Tile drainage payable	(20,000) 13,340 (6,660)	(20,000) 60,984 40,984
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES Change in long-term receivables Change in notes receivable	(13,340) <u>28,145</u> 14,805	(60,984) 25,534 (35,450)
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(485,782)	861,077
CASH (BANK OVERDRAFT), beginning of year	1.356,593	495.516
CASH, end of year	\$ <u>870,811</u>	\$ <u>1,356,593</u>

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements of the Corporation of the Township of Amaranth are the representation of management, prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for governments as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board. Since precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent upon future events, the preparation of periodic financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates and approximations. These have been made using careful judgments.

(a) BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

- (i) These consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, sources of financing and expenditures for the revenue fund, capital fund, reserve funds and reserves and include the activities of all committees of Council and the boards and municipal enterprises which are under the control of Council. The following boards and municipal enterprises owned or controlled by Council have been consolidated:
 - (a) The Shelburne District Fire Board
 Proportionate consolidation: 14.0% in 2012; 14.9% in 2011.
 - (b) The Grand Valley and District Fire Board
 Proportionate consolidation: operating 26.00% in 2012; 25.78% in 2011,
 capital 29.00% in 2012; 28.75% in 2011.

All interfund assets and liabilities and sources of financing and expenditures have been eliminated with the exception of the interest income and expenditures on loans or advances between reserve funds and any other fund of the municipality.

- (ii) The taxation, other revenues, expenditures, assets and liabilities with respect to the operations of the school boards and the County of Dufferin are not reflected in the municipal fund balances of these financial statements.
- (iii) Trust funds and their related operations administered by the municipality are not consolidated, but are reported separately on the Trust Funds Statement of Continuity and Statement of Financial Position.

(b) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

- (i) Sources of financing and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis of accounting with the exception of principal and interest on long term liabilities which are charged against operations in the periods in which they are paid. The principal and interest charges are not accrued for the periods from the dates of the latest instalment payments to the end of the financial year.
- (ii) The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they become available and measurable. Expenditures are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay.
- (iii) Capital outlay to be recovered in future years, which represents the outstanding principal portion of unmatured long term liabilities for municipal expenditures or capital funds transferred to other organizations, is reported on the Schedule of Accumulated Surplus.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(c) DEFERRED REVENUE

The revenue is reported on the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the year in which it is used for the specified purpose.

(d) AMOUNTS TO BE RECOVERED

Amounts to be recovered are reported in the municipal position on the Schedule of Accumulated Surplus. The balance represents the outstanding principal portion of unmatured long term liabilities, liabilities not yet due, and other future expenditures not yet levied on the ratepayers.

(e) TRUST FUNDS

Funds held in trust by the municipality, and their related operations, are not included in these financial statements. The financial activity and position of the trust funds are reported separately on the Trust Funds Statement of Continuity and Statement of Financial Position.

(f) NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenues over expenses, provides the Change in Net Financial Assets for the year.

(i) Tangible capital assets

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Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes all amounts that are directly attributed to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital asset are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life as follows:

Land improvements	15 to 20 years
Buildings	25 to 50 years
Vehicles	6 to 20 years
Furniture and equipment	2 to 20 years
Road bases	60 years
Road surfaces	2 to 15 years
Bridges and infrastructure	25 to 100 years

Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

(ii) Contributions of tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at their fair value at the date received and also are recorded as revenue.

(iii) Leases

Leases are classified as capital or operating leases. Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as capital leases. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related lease payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

2.	NOTES RECEIVABLE		2242		
	Water loan receivable for the capital costs of upgrades to provide		2012		2011
	water service to users of the system as set out in By-Law Number 50-2006	\$_	145,016	\$_	<u> 173,161</u>

The loan receivable in the amount of \$93,749 (2011 - \$117,326) is due from 68 ratepayers, bears interest at 6% per annum and is recoverable in annual instalments of \$398, which commenced in April 2007 and will mature in April 2017. The loan receivable in the amount of \$51,267 (2011 - \$55,835) is due from 21 ratepayers, bears interest at 7.5% per annum and is recoverable in annual instalments of \$287, which commenced in April 2007 and will mature in April 2027.

TILE DRAINAGE LOANS 3.

THE BITTHE ESTATE		2012		2011
The township is contingently liable for long term liabilities with respect to tile drainage loans. The total amount of loans outstanding at the end of the year is The responsibility of the tile drainage loans for payment of principal and interest charges has been assumed by individuals. At the end of the year, the outstanding principal receivable from	\$	147,821	\$	134,481
individuals is	_	<u> 147,821</u>	_	134,481
	\$_	0	\$_	0
Future principal payments and recoveries from individuals are as follo	ws:			

2012	Φ.	46.700
2013	\$	16,766
2014		17,772
2015		18,838
2016		10,784
2017		10,784
Thereafter	_	72,877
	\$	147,821

4. **LONG TERM DEBT**

The balance of long term debt on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position is made up of the following:

	2012		2011
Water operating loan - demand instalment loan			
maturing by December 2021, bearing			
interest at bank prime	\$ 158,57 <u>4</u>	\$_	178,574

5. LANDFILL SITE CLOSURE AND POST-CLOSURE LIABILITY

2012 2011

Landfill closure and post-closure liability

\$ 120,816

\$<u>120,816</u>

Landfill closure and post-closure care requirements have been defined in accordance with industry standards and include final covering and landscaping of this landfill, removing of ground water and leachates, and ongoing environmental monitoring, site inspections and maintenance.

The liability is expected to be funded through budget allocations over the remaining life of the landfill, however during the year, the County of Dufferin assumed garbage collection and disposal responsibility and the landfill site ceased to be used for a significant volume of garbage. At year end the township was undertaking a process of considering various options for the site, which would impact the timeline to close the site. Accordingly, the liability has not been adjusted, due to the uncertainty of the outcome of this process.

6. OTHER INCOME

	2012	2011
Penalties and interest on taxation Licenses, permits and rents Other fines and penalties Investment income Donations Gain (loss) on sale of tangible capital assets Annual turbine amenities agreement Other	\$ 111,213 2,600 1,578 20,707 4,979 (21,889) 88,000 0	\$ 104,688 2,600 1,752 21,467 3,070 (67,232) 88,000 12,896
	\$ 207.188	\$ 167.241

7. OPERATIONS OF THE SCHOOL BOARDS AND THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

During the year, the following taxation revenue was raised and remitted to the school boards and the County of Dufferin:

	2012	2011
School boards County of Dufferin	\$ 1,323,125 	\$ 1,298,410 1,824,322
	\$_3,212,117	\$ <u>3,122,732</u>

8. TRUST FUNDS

The trust funds administered by the municipality amounting to \$12,661 (2011 - \$12,184) have not been included in the consolidated statement of financial position, nor have the operations been included in the consolidated statement of financial activities. At December 31, 2012, the trust fund balances are as follows:

	2012	2011
Cemetery care funds	\$ <u>12,661</u>	\$ <u>12,184</u>

9.	TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	Net 2012	Net 2011
	General Land and land improvements Buildings Vehicles Furniture and equipment	\$ 1,176,403 1,215,400 939,347 228,510	\$ 1,200,298 1,277,007 715,861 224,851
	Infrastructure Roads Bridges and infrastructure	5,638,940 7,529,216 \$_16,727,816	5,864,796 7,638,927 \$_16,921,740

10. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Corporation of the Township of Amaranth is a diversified municipal government institution that provides a wide range of services to its citizens, including Government and Administration services, Protective Services (i.e. building inspection, fire and emergency services, bylaw enforcement, animal control), Public Works (i.e. roadways, streetlighting, sidewalks, and municipal drinking water), Environmental Services (i.e. stormwater management and source water protection), Recreation and Parks, and Planning and Community Development Services. For management reporting purposes, the government's operations and activities are organized and reported by fund. Funds were created for the purpose of recording specific activities to attain certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions or limitations. Municipal services are provided by departments and their activities are reported in these funds.

CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF SEGMENTED DISCLOSURE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	9 8	General Government	tc an	Protection to Persons and Property	Trar	ransportation Services	Envi	Environmental Services	Ser	Health Services	Re and S	Recreation and Cultural Services	Pla De	Planning and Development	2012		2011
EXPENSES																	
Salaries and benefits	ક્ર	311,341	(A)	70,570	↔	631,845	↔	24,294	€	720	€9	6,539	↔	63,321	\$ 1,108,630	↔	982,896
Materials		34,818		31,961		438,992		890		0		15,912		1,685	524,258		558,725
Contracted services		142,586		503,139		70,572		177,083		6,863		44,871		136,578	1,081,692		1,131,973
Rents and financial																	
expenses		118,386		10,252		113,044		32,771		0		6,447		2,478	283,378		329,827
Interest on long term																	
debt		0		0		0		5,125		0		0		3,440	8,565		8,273
Amortization		39,472		44,148		811,282		111,369		0		6,395		0	1,012,666		952,140
Other	Ţ	0	Ĩ	76,408	Ţ	0	Ţ	0		0		183,104	I	0	259,512	1	224,296
	₩	\$ 646,603 \$ 736,478	ω	736,478	8	\$ 2,065,735	ωl	\$ 351,532	€	7,583	ωl	\$ 7,583 \$ 263,268	↔	\$ 207,502	\$ 4,278,701		\$ 4,188,130

see accompanying notes

CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Land and Land Improvements	l Buildings	Vehicles	Roads	Furniture and Bridges and Equipment Infrastructure	urniture and Bridges and Equipment Infrastructure	Assets under Construction	2012	2011
Balance, beginning of year Additions during the year Disposals during the year Other Balance, end of year	\$ 1,887,215 0 0 0 0 1,887,215	\$ 1,887,215 \$ 2,466,909 0 5,318 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	\$ 2,686,326 414,923 (287,600) 0 2,813,649	\$ 11,627,359 365,062 (278,839) 0 11,713,582	\$ 817,309 45,382 (8,052) 0 854,639	\$ 10,343,813 28,215 (899) 0 10,371,129	99	\$ 29,828,931 858,900 (575,390) 0 30,112,441	\$ 29,601,071 580,233 (352,373) 0 29,828,931
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION Balance, beginning of year Amortization Accumulated amortization on disposals Balance, end of year	686,917 23,895 710,812	1,189,902 66,925 0 0 1,256,827	1,970,465 191,437 (287,600) 1,874,302	5,762,563 552,069 (239,990) 6,074,642	592,458 40,414 (6,743) 626,129	2,704,886 137,926 (899) 2,841,913	0 0 0	12,907,191 1,012,666 (535,232) 13,384,625	12,240,192 952,140 (285,141) 12,907,191
NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	\$ 1,176,403	\$ 1,176,403 \$ 1,215,400 \$	\$ 939,347	\$ 5,638,940 \$ 228,510 \$ 7,529,216	\$ 228,510	\$ 7,529,216	9	0 \$ 16,727,816	\$ 16,921,740

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED REVENUE - OBLIGATORY RESERVE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

		Dec.31, 2011		ntributions Received		vestment Income		Revenue ecognized		Dec.31, 2012
Obligatory Reserve Funds Development charges Federal gas tax funding Recreational land	\$	290,286 25,417 7,395	\$	153,824 117,945 1,250	\$	5,467 191 39	\$	(63,900) (118,186) (500)	\$	385,677 25,367 8,184
	\$_	323,098	\$_	273,019	\$_	5,697	\$_	(182,586)	\$_	419,228

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF ACCUMULATED SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	2012	2011
SURPLUSES		
Invested in tangible capital assets	\$ 16,727,816	\$ 16,921,740
Waterworks systems	(59,652)	(36,740)
Shelburne and District Fire Department	7,234	6,434
Grand Valley and District Fire Department	5,718	(6,795)
General revenue fund	923,914	960,590
Unfunded		
Landfill closure and post-closure costs (note 5)	<u>(120.816</u>)	(120,816)
	17,484,214	<u> 17,724,413</u>
RESERVES		
Working Capital Reserves		
Working funds	221,430	328,998
Capital Reserves		
Capital purposes	210,651	<u> 186,366</u>
	432,081	<u>515,364</u>
RESERVE FUNDS		
Capital purposes	55,442	122,655
Capital parpooce		
	\$ <u>17,971,737</u>	\$ <u>18,362,432</u>



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers of the Corporation of the Township of Amaranth

Report on the Financial Statements

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Opinion

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Fergus, Ontario May 15, 2013

Chartered Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH TRUST FUNDS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2012

	10.	2012	2011
	ASSETS		
Cash		\$12,661	\$ 12,184
	FUND BALANCE		
Fund balance		\$ <u>12,661</u>	\$ <u>12,184</u>

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH

TRUST FUNDS

STATEMENT OF CONTINUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	2012	2011
BALANCE, beginning of year	\$ 12,184	\$ 11,625
Plot sales	400	400
Interest earned	77	59
Care and maintenance fees	0	100
BALANCE, end of year	\$ <u>12,661</u>	\$ <u>12,184</u>

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF AMARANTH - TRUST FUNDS NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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