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Missouri State Auditor

June 15, 2007

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Ross, Spinner & Kummer, P.C.
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St. Louis, MO 63126

RE: DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District of Jefferson County

Fiscal Period: One Year Ended December 31, 2006 ✓

Dear Mr. Spinner:

In accordance with Section 105.145, RSMo, we acknowledge receipt of the financial report of your political subdivision for the above-described fiscal period.

Thank you for your cooperation in sending this information.

Sincerely,

SUSAN MONTEE, CPA
STATE AUDITOR

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Buerky".

Judy Buerky
Local Government Analyst

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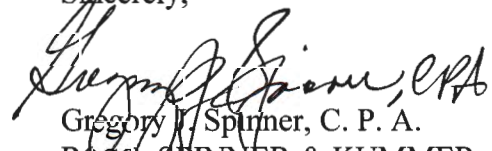
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State Auditor of Missouri
P. O. Box 869
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Dear State Official:

In accordance with Section 105.145, RSMo1978, we are submitting on behalf of our client, Desoto Rural Fire Protection District, Desoto, Missouri, their financial report for the year ended December 31, 2006. If you have any questions regarding the report, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,



Gregory J. Spinner, C. P. A.
ROSS, SPINNER & KUMMER, P. C.

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Enclosure (1)

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors
DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District
201 East Miller
DeSoto, Missouri 63020

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, and each major fund of

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

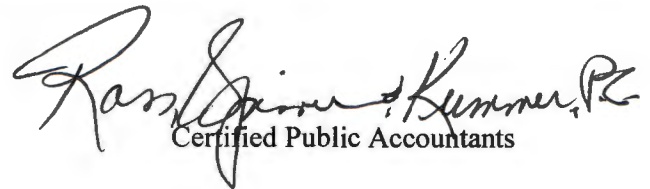
as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note 1(C), DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District prepares its financial statements on the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position - modified cash basis of the governmental activities and the major fund of DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District as of December 31, 2006 and the respective changes in financial position - modified cash basis thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1(C).

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the modified cash basis of accounting. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.



Certified Public Accountants

April 27, 2007
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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

An objective and easily readable analysis of the District's financial activities. The Management's Discussion and Analysis presents an analytical overview of both short-term and long-term financial information.

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS DECEMBER 31, 2006

The discussion and analysis of the DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District's financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2006, within the limitations of the District's modified cash basis of accounting. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for 2006 are as follows:

- The net assets for the Governmental Activities increased by \$77,420.
- Governmental Activities revenue was \$1,312,426.
- Property taxes represented \$1,079,510 of the Governmental Activities revenue or 82%.
- Expenses for the Governmental Activities were \$1,235,007.

USING THIS ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, as applicable to the District's modified cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

This annual report consists of four parts as follows:

Government-wide Financial Statements: The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the District's government-wide (or "as a whole") and present a longer-term view of the District's finances.

Fund Financial Statements: Fund financial statements focus on the individual parts of the District's government. Fund financial statements also report the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the District's most significant ("major") funds. For *governmental activities*, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.

Notes to the Financial Statements: The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Required Supplementary Information: This Management Discussion and Analysis and the General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule represent financial information required to be presented by the GASB. Such information provides users of this report with additional data that supplements the government-wide statements, fund financial statements, and notes (referred to as "the basic financial statements").

Basis of Accounting

The District has elected to present its financial statements on a modified cash basis of accounting. This modified cash basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Basis of accounting is a reference to *when* financial events are recorded, such as the timing for recognizing revenues, expenses and their related assets and liabilities. Under the District's modified cash basis of accounting, revenues and expenses and related assets and liabilities are recorded when they result from cash transactions, except for the recording of depreciation expense on capital assets in the government-wide financial statements for all activities.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (*such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected*) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (*such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities*) are not recorded in these financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the modified cash basis of accounting.

Reporting the District as a Whole

The District's Reporting Entity Presentation

This annual report includes all activities for which the DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District is fiscally responsible.

The primary government includes the following legal entity:

- The DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District

The Government-wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is "Is the District as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the District as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all of the District's assets and liabilities resulting from the use of the modified cash basis of accounting.

These two statements report the District's net assets and changes in them. Keeping in mind the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting, you can think of the District's net assets - the difference between assets and liabilities - as one way to measure the District's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the District's real estate tax base.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, we have one kind of activity:

Governmental activities - All of the District's basic services are reported here. Property taxes and permit fees finance most of the activities.

Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds

The Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds - not the District as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Board of Directors establishes certain other funds to help control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money.

Governmental fund - All of the District's basic services are reported in the governmental fund, which focuses on how money flows into and out of this fund and the balance left at year-end that is available for spending. This fund reports the acquisition of capital assets and payments for debt principal as expenditures and not as changes to asset and debt balances. The governmental fund statement provides a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine (through a review of changes to fund balance) whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's program. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation at the bottom of the fund financial statements. The District considers the General Fund to be its significant or major governmental fund.

The District currently has no fiduciary funds. *Fiduciary funds* are often used to account for assets that are held in a trustee or fiduciary capacity such as pension plan assets, assets held per trust agreements and similar arrangements.

A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis

The District's net assets, resulting from modified cash basis transactions, increased from approximately \$656,327 to \$733,746 between fiscal years 2006 and 2005.

	Governmental Activities 2006
Current and other assets	\$ 412,456.
Capital assets	<u>928,683.</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>1,341,139.</u>
Long-term debt outstanding	\$ 159,167.
Other liabilities	<u>448,226.</u>
Total liabilities	\$ <u>607,393.</u>
Net assets	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 769,516.
Unrestricted	<u>(35,770.)</u>
Total net assets	\$ <u>733,746.</u>

Since this is the first year to report all activities using this new approach, a comparison of assets, liabilities and net assets to the prior year is not possible (with the exception of the above comparison of net assets). However, in the future years, this section will explain the differences between the components of current and prior year assets, liabilities, and changes in net assets.

Changes in Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis

For the year ended December 31, 2006, net assets of the primary government (resulting from modified cash basis transactions) changed as follows:

	Governmental Activities 2006
<u>Revenues -</u>	
Program revenues	
Permits	\$ 200.
Grant revenue	220,646.
General revenues	
Taxes	1,079,510.
Interest revenue	4,059.
Miscellaneous revenue	<u>8,011.</u>
Total revenues	<u>\$ 1,312,426.</u>
<u>Expenses -</u>	
Public safety - fire protection:	
Personal services - wages and fringe benefits	\$ 603,407.
Materials, supplies & maintenance	129,383.
Depreciation	142,075.
Interest	9,197.
Insurance	231,896.
Communications - dispatching, telephone and paging	34,780.
General and administrative	<u>84,268.</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 1,235,006.</u>
Increase in net assets	<u>\$ 77,420.</u>

Governmental Activities

To aid in the understanding of the Statement of Activities, some additional explanation is given. Of particular interest is the format that is significantly different from a typical Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Balance. You will notice that expenses are listed first with revenues from that particular program reported below it. The result is a Net (Expense)/Revenue. This type of format highlights the relative financial burden of each of the functions on the District's taxpayers. It also identifies how much each function draws from the general revenues or if it is self-financing through fees and grants or contributions. All other governmental revenues are reported as general. It is important to note that all taxes are classified as general revenue, even if restricted for a specific purpose.

Again, because this is the first year to report governmental activities using the new GASB 34 approach, a comparison to the prior year is not possible. However, in next year's discussion, this section will show a condensed financial comparison of revenues and expenses and provide explanations for significant differences.

Net Cost of DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District's Governmental Activities - Modified Cash Basis

	<u>Total Cost of Services 2006</u>	<u>Net Cost of Services 2006</u>
Public safety	<u>\$1,235,007.</u>	<u>\$1,014,160.</u>

A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

Certain funds experienced noteworthy changes from the prior year and are highlighted as follows:

- The General Fund reported revenues of \$1,312,426 and expenditures of \$1,381,856, resulting in a decrease in fund balance of \$69,430.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the Board of Directors revised the General Fund budget at various times. The final adjusted budget, however, was consistent with the prior year budget.

For the year ended December 31, 2006, General Fund expenditures were \$6,477 below final appropriations, while actual resources available for appropriation were \$1,590 below the final budgeted amount.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets - Modified Cash Basis

At December 31, 2006, the District had \$928,683 invested in capital assets, net of depreciation, including buildings, equipment and vehicles.

Primary Government Capital Assets - Modified Cash Basis
(Net of accumulated depreciation)

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
	<u>Year Ended December 31, 2006</u>
Land	\$ 118,787.
Buildings and improvements	338,288.
Vehicles	316,880.
Equipment	<u>154,728.</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$ 928,683.</u>

This year's more significant capital asset additions included:

Land - House 4	\$ 32,287.
1993 Ford Rescue Truck	\$ 88,900.
Equipment	\$ 126,850.

Long-Term Debt - Modified Cash Basis

At December 31, 2006, the District had \$159,167 in long-term debt arising from modified cash basis transactions, compared to \$181,399 at December 31, 2005. This represents a decrease of 12%. All of the debt is related to governmental activities.

Primary Government Long-Term Debt - Modified Cash Basis

	<u>Balance at December 31, 2006</u>
Capitalized Lease Obligation	\$ 159,167.
TOTAL	<u>\$ 159,167.</u>

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

For the year ending December 31, 2007, the budget is fairly consistent with the December 31, 2006 budget.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions concerning this report or need additional information, contact Paul Mayer, Fire Chief, at 201 East Miller, DeSoto, MO 63020.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements include integrated sets of financial statements as required by the GASB. The sets of statements include:

- Government-wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements
 - Governmental funds

In addition, the notes to the financial statements are included to provide information that is essential to a user's understanding of the basic financial statements.

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
DECEMBER 31, 2006**

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 412,455.98
Capital assets:	
Land	118,787.20
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>809,895.67</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>1,341,138.85</u>

LIABILITIES

Payroll withholdings	\$ 2,489.63
Deferred tax revenue	442,983.41
Credit card payables	2,752.71
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year	135,807.61
Due in more than one year	<u>23,359.10</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ <u>607,392.46</u>

NET ASSETS

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 769,516.16
Unrestricted	<u>(35,769.77)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ <u>733,746.39</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

EXPENSES

Public safety - fire protection:

Personal services - wages and fringe benefits	\$ 603,407.31
Materials, supplies and maintenance	129,383.45
Depreciation	142,075.16
Interest	9,196.91
Insurance	231,896.39
Communications - dispatching, telephone and paging	34,779.87
General and administrative	<u>84,267.79</u>

TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES \$ 1,235,006.88

PROGRAM REVENUES

Charges for services	\$ 200.00
Grant revenue	<u>220,646.40</u>

\$ 220,846.40

NET PROGRAM EXPENSE \$ 1,014,160.48

GENERAL REVENUES

Property taxes	\$ 1,079,509.50
Interest earned	4,059.51
Miscellaneous	<u>8,010.97</u>

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES \$ 1,091,579.98

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS \$ 77,419.50

NET ASSETS - Beginning of year 656,326.89

NET ASSETS - End of year \$ 733,746.39

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**BALANCE SHEET - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2006**

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 412,455.98
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 412,455.98

LIABILITIES

Payroll withholdings	\$ 2,489.63
Deferred tax revenue	442,983.41
Credit card payables	<u>2,752.71</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 448,225.75

FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance - unreserved	\$ (35,769.77)
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RECONCILIATION TO STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of the net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities of \$2,599,921.20 are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,671,238.33.	928,682.87
Long-term liabilities of \$159,166.71 are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds.	<u>(159,166.71)</u>
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ <u>733,746.39</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

REVENUES

Taxes, penalties and interest (less fees)	\$ 1,079,509.50
Permit and fees	200.00
Interest revenue	4,059.51
Miscellaneous revenue	8,010.97
Grant revenue	<u>220,646.40</u>

TOTAL REVENUES \$ 1,312,426.38

EXPENDITURES

Current:

General and administration \$ 1,083,734.81

Capital outlay:

Current expenditures 266,692.20

Debt Service:

Lease payments - principal 22,231.94
Interest and fees 9,196.91

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 1,381,855.86

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE \$ (69,429.48)

FUND BALANCE - Beginning of year 33,659.71

FUND BALANCE - End of year \$ (35,769.77)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

Reconciliation to the Statement of Net Assets

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND \$ (69,429.48)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense as to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:

Capital asset purchases capitalized	266,692.20
Depreciation expense	(142,075.16)

Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.	<u>22,231.94</u>
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CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES \$ 77,419.50

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DESOTO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2006**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 1(C), these financial statements are presented on a modified cash basis of accounting. This modified basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the modified cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The District's financial reporting entity is comprised of the following:

Primary Government:	DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District
Component Units:	None

In determining the financial reporting entity, the District complies with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds. The statements represent the District's governmental activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other non-exchange revenues.

Fund Financial Statement

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts, which constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. An emphasis is placed on major funds. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the District or meets the following criteria:

- a. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund are at least 10% of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and
- b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund are at least 5% of the corresponding total for all governmental funds combined.

The funds of the financial report entity are described as follows:

Governmental Funds

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the District and always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all activities except those legally or administratively required to be accounted for in other funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term used to describe “how” transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to “when” transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Measurement Focus

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus, within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting, as defined in item (b) following.

In the fund financial statements, the “current financial resources” measurement focus or the “economic resources” measurement focus, as applied to the modified cash basis of accounting, is used as appropriate:

- a. All governmental funds utilize a “current financial resources” measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.
- b. Governmental activities utilize an “economic resources” measurement focus in the Statement of Net Assets and in the Statement of Activities. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net assets (or cost recovery), financial position and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current, financial or non-financial) associated with their activities are reported.

Basis of Accounting

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities and the fund financial statements, governmental activities are presented using a modified cash basis of accounting. This basis recognizes assets, liabilities, net assets/fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses when they result from cash transactions with a provision for depreciation in the government-wide statements. Property tax revenues are recognized when collected after the year of assessment. Those revenues collected before that time, are deferred until the following year. This basis is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) *are not recorded* in these financial statements.

If the District utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financials would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Equity

Cash and Cash Equivalents

“Cash and cash equivalents” includes all demand and savings accounts, and certificates of deposit.

Capital Assets

The District’s modified cash basis of accounting reports capital assets resulting from cash transactions and reports depreciation where appropriate. The accounting treatment over property, plant and equipment (capital assets) depends on whether the assets are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

Government-Wide Statements

In the government-wide financial statements, capital assets arising from cash transactions are accounted for as assets in the Statement of Net Assets. All capital assets are valued at historical cost, or estimated historical cost if actual is unavailable, except for donated capital assets, which are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets arising from cash transactions is recorded as an allocated expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets’ estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. A capitalization threshold of \$5,000 is used to report capital assets. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

- Buildings & improvements	30 years
- Equipment	5 - 10 years
- Vehicles	7 years

Fund Financial Statements

In the fund financial statements, capital assets arising from cash transactions acquired for use in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

Long-Term Debt

All long-term debt arising from cash basis transactions to be repaid from governmental resources are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statements.

Long-term debt arising from cash basis transactions of governmental funds is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. The debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources and payment of principal and interest reported as expenditures.

Compensated Absences

As a result of the use of the modified cash basis of accounting, liabilities related to accrued compensated absences are not recorded in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

Expenditures/expenses related to compensated absences are recorded when paid. Employees must use accrued vacation leave. If not used during the year, the vacation time will be lost. Employees are paid 100% of their accumulated vacation pay when they terminate their employment for any reason. Accumulated sick leave is not paid upon termination of employment.

Equity Classification

Government-Wide Statements:

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- a. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets.
- b. Restricted net assets - Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net assets - All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

It is the District's policy to first use restricted net assets prior to the use of unrestricted net assets when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

Fund Financial Statements:

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance.

E. Property Tax

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are levied on October 15 and payable by December 31. Taxes paid after December 31 are subject to penalties. Jefferson County bills, collects and remits the taxes to the District. The District records the revenues from property taxes when they are received, since the District uses the modified cash basis of accounting.

F. Revenues, Expenditures and Expenses

Program Revenues

In the Statement of Activities, modified cash basis revenues that are derived directly from each activity or from parties outside the District's taxpayers are reported as program revenues. The District has the following program revenues in each activity:

Public Safety

Permits and inspections; operating and capital grants

All other governmental revenues are reported as general. All taxes are classified as general revenue even if restricted for a specific purpose.

Expenditures/Expenses

In the government-wide financial statements, expenses are reported on the modified cash basis and are classified by function for governmental-type activities.

In the fund financial statements, expenditures are classified as follows:

Governmental Funds - By Character:	Current
	Capital Outlay
	Debt Service

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report expenditures of financial resources.

G. Use of Estimates

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

H. Post - Employment Health Care Benefits

The District provides health care benefits to eligible former employees and eligible dependents as required by Missouri Statute. There is no associated cost to the District under this program, and there are no participants in this program as of December 31, 2006.

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District has determined that interest-bearing checking accounts, certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, United States Government Obligations, bonds, notes or other obligations of the State of Missouri, and any other securities or investments that are lawful for the investment of monies held in such funds or accounts under the law of the State of Missouri are appropriate types of deposits and investments for its needs.

<u>Depository Account</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
Insured	\$ 100,000.00
Collateralized:	
Collateral held by District's agent in the District's name	0.00
Collateral held by pledging bank's trust department in the District's name	323,918.03
Collateral held by pledging bank's trust department not in the District's name	0.00
Uninsured and uncollateralized	<u>0.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 423,918.03</u>

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2006, \$0.00 of the District's bank balance of \$423,918.03 was exposed to credit risk as follows:

<u>Type of Deposit</u>	<u>Custody Credit Risk Amount</u>
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	\$ 0.00
Uninsured and collateralized by pledging bank's trust department not in the District's name	<u>0.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity resulting from modified cash basis transactions for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006 was as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Balance Jan. 1, 2006</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2006</u>
Land	\$ 86,500.00	\$ 32,287.20	\$ 0.00	\$ 118,787.20
Buildings & improvements	778,500.00	0.00	0.00	778,500.00
Vehicles	1,378,879.00	107,555.00	0.00	1,486,434.00
Equipment	<u>89,350.00</u>	<u>126,850.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>216,200.00</u>
Totals at historical cost	<u>\$ 2,333,229.00</u>	<u>\$ 266,692.20</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,599,921.20</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings & improvements	\$ 420,562.50	\$ 19,650.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 440,212.50
Vehicles	1,059,530.67	110,023.24	0.00	1,169,553.91
Equipment	<u>49,070.00</u>	<u>12,401.92</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>61,471.92</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 1,529,163.17</u>	<u>\$ 142,075.16</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,671,238.33</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 804,065.83</u>	<u>\$ 124,617.04</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 928,682.87</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to the public safety function in the Statement of Activities.

Depreciation expense totaled \$142,075.16 for fiscal year end December 31, 2006.

4. LONG-TERM DEBT

Governmental Activities

As of December 31, 2006, the long-term debt, arising from cash transactions, payable from general revenue fund resources consisted of the following:

- Lease purchase agreement - National City, payable in annual installments, with interest at 5.07%, final payment due January 5, 2012.

\$ 159,166.71
<u>\$ 159,166.71</u>

Changes in Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended December 31, 2006:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Balance Jan. 1, 2006</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance Dec. 31, 2006</u>	<u>Amount Due Within One Year</u>
Capital Lease Obligation - National City	\$ 181,398.65	\$ 0.00	\$ 22,231.94	\$ 159,166.71	\$ 23,359.10
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 181,398.65	\$ 0.00	\$ 22,231.94	\$ 159,166.71	\$ 23,359.10

Capitalized Lease Obligation

The District has a lease agreement with National City for two 2002 Pierce Dash Pumpers at an interest rate of 5.07%. The lease payments are as follows:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Lease Date</u>	<u>Lease Payment</u>	<u>Interest Portion</u>	<u>Principal Portion</u>	<u>Purchase Option Payment</u>
5	01/05/07	\$ 31,428.85	\$ 8,069.75	\$ 23,359.10	\$ 138,523.76
6	01/05/08	31,428.85	6,885.45	24,543.40	113,489.49
7	01/05/09	31,428.85	5,641.10	25,787.75	87,185.99
8	01/05/10	31,428.85	4,333.66	27,095.19	59,548.90
9	01/05/11	31,428.85	2,959.93	28,468.92	30,510.60
10	01/05/12	31,428.85	1,516.50	29,912.35	0.00
	TOTALS	\$ 188,573.10	\$ 29,406.39	\$ 159,166.71	

Annual payments are subject to annual appropriation. The lease has been accounted for as an acquisition of an asset. The minimum lease payment is the payment amount.

Interest Expense Allocated By Function

Interest expense, including fiscal agent fees, on long-term debt was charged to functions in the Statement of Activities as follows:

Governmental-Type Activities:

General Fund	\$ 9,196.91
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5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employees' health and life; and natural disasters.

The District manages these various risks of loss as follows:

<u>Type of Loss</u>	<u>Method Managed</u>	<u>Risk of Loss Retained</u>
a. Torts, errors, and omissions	Purchased commercial insurance	None
b. Workers compensation, health and life	Purchased commercial insurance	None
c. Physical property loss and natural disasters	Purchased commercial insurance	None

Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

6. ASSESSED VALUATION AND TAX LEVY

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Aggregate Assessed Valuation	\$ <u>165,978,582.00</u>	\$ <u>158,965,100.00</u>
	Tax Levy Per \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation _____	Tax Levy Per \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation _____
General Fund	<u>0.6787</u>	<u>0.6787</u>
Total taxes assessed	\$ 1,126,496.64	\$ 1,078,896.13
Less - 1.6% collection fee	<u>(18,023.95)</u>	<u>(17,262.34)</u>
	\$ <u>1,108,472.69</u>	\$ <u>1,061,633.79</u>
Total tax collections (including delinquent taxes and interest, and net of fees) for the year ended December 31, 2006	\$ <u>442,983.41</u>	\$ <u>1,079,509.50</u>

The receipts of current and delinquent property taxes during the year ended December 31, 2006 aggregated approximately 39.96% of the 2006 assessed taxes and 101.68% of the 2005 assessed taxes.

7. DISTRICT OFFICIALS

	<u>2 0 0 6</u>
Director/Chairman	Mark S. Mahn
Director/Vice-Chairman	Thomas E. Muzzey
Director/Treasurer	Mark E. Landau
Director/Secretary	Joseph Valle
Director	Catherine Jones
Fire Chief	Paul Mayer
Fire Marshal	Bud Srnith

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Required supplementary information (RSI) includes financial information and disclosures that are required by the GASB but are not considered a part of the basic financial statements. Such information includes:

- Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Modified Cash Basis - General Fund
- Notes to RSI - Budgetary Comparison Schedule

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	
<u>BEGINNING BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE</u>	\$ 36,784.00	\$ 36,784.00	\$ 33,659.71
<u>RESOURCES (inflows):</u>			
Taxes, penalties and interest (less fees)	1,064,797.00	1,064,797.00	1,079,509.50
Permits and fees	5,000.00	200.00	200.00
Interest revenue	17,000.00	17,000.00	4,059.51
Miscellaneous revenue	650.00	7,606.00	8,010.97
Grant revenue	<u>12,891.00</u>	<u>221,289.00</u>	<u>220,646.40</u>
AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION	\$ <u>1,137,122.00</u>	\$ <u>1,347,676.00</u>	\$ <u>1,346,086.09</u>
<u>CHARGES TO APPROPRIATIONS (outflows):</u>			
Current:			
Accounting expense	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,865.00	\$ 2,726.57
Attorney fees	500.00	1,885.00	1,412.50
Bank service charges	750.00	375.00	543.59
Building maintenance	13,000.00	9,400.00	8,388.17
Deferred compensation	10,771.00	10,771.00	10,204.29
Directors fees	6,000.00	6,000.00	5,100.00
Dispatching fees	13,800.00	13,650.00	13,649.00
Dues, subscriptions and travel	10,000.00	9,000.00	5,994.77
Election expense	4,750.00	0.00	134.00
Emergency medical services	6,400.00	7,465.00	5,561.15
Firefighting supplies	4,600.00	4,300.00	5,908.65
Fire Marshal's office	3,275.00	1,843.00	1,770.34
Fuel expense	25,000.00	33,290.00	28,604.72
Household repairs	10,000.00	100.00	47.83
Household supplies	0.00	5,070.00	5,019.97
Insurance	169,700.00	224,287.00	231,896.39
Miscellaneous expense	500.00	500.00	872.48
Office supplies	13,000.00	8,050.00	8,243.38
Payroll tax expense	41,480.00	46,500.00	39,912.14
Public relations/education	2,000.00	4,375.00	4,214.39
Radio expense	8,060.00	4,810.00	4,431.18
Salaries and wages	541,898.00	550,081.00	514,222.49
Telephone expense	12,300.00	16,700.00	16,579.60
Training expense	14,000.00	10,110.00	9,307.49
Turnout gear and protective clothing	17,043.00	12,600.00	13,742.11
Uniform	6,000.00	8,100.00	6,114.94

See accompanying notes to the Budgetary Comparison Schedule.

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	
<u>CHARGES TO APPROPRIATIONS (outflows) cont:</u>			
Firefighting equipment expense	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 24,974.88
Utilities	24,300.00	28,975.00	22,209.44
Vehicle maintenance	30,000.00	38,000.00	36,303.46
Volunteer expense	27,250.00	25,370.00	25,336.49
Computer expense	0.00	13,500.00	11,542.72
Medical reimbursement benefit	0.00	8,200.00	7,296.88
Pagers	0.00	4,750.00	4,551.27
Professional services	0.00	4,500.00	4,750.00
Education allowance	0.00	2,000.00	1,335.02
Small tools	0.00	700.00	832.51
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>700.00</u>	<u>832.51</u>
TOTAL CURRENT	\$ 1,017,377.00	\$ 1,118,122.00	\$ 1,083,734.81
Capital outlay:			
New equipment	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 238,782.15	\$ 234,405.00
Land purchase	0.00	0.00	32,287.20
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>32,287.20</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 238,782.15	\$ 266,692.20
Debt service:			
Lease payments - principal	\$ 22,231.94	\$ 22,231.94	\$ 22,231.94
Interest and fees	45,618.06	9,196.91	9,196.91
	<u>67,850.00</u>	<u>31,428.85</u>	<u>31,428.85</u>
TOTAL CHARGES TO APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 1,095,727.00	\$ 1,388,333.00	\$ 1,381,855.86
<u>ENDING BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE</u>	\$ 41,395.00	\$ (40,657.00)	\$ (35,769.77)

See accompanying notes to the Budgetary Comparison Schedule.

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**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
DECEMBER 31, 2006**

Budgets and Budgetary Practices

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. Prior to October 1, the Board of Directors prepares a proposed operating budget for the upcoming year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. Open meetings of the Board of Directors are held to obtain taxpayer comments.
- c. Prior to December 31, the budget for the upcoming year is adopted by the Board of Directors.
- d. Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with the modified cash basis of accounting.
- e. Any revisions that alter the total expenditures must be approved by the Board of Directors.
- f. Prior to year-end, the Board of Directors adopts an amended budget approving any additional expenditures.
- g. The amended budget for the District is presented in the Budgetary Comparison Schedule-General Fund.
- h. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

Basis of Accounting

The budget is prepared on the same modified cash basis of accounting as applied to the governmental funds in the basic financial statements. Revenues and expenditures are reported when they result from cash transactions.