

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR

JEFF A. McMAHAN
State Auditor and Inspector

November 27, 2006

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT

Transmitted herewith is the audit of the Okeene Emergency Medical Service District's financial statement for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. The audit was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

A report of this type is critical in nature; however, we do not intend to imply that our audit failed to disclose commendable features in the present accounting and operating procedures of the Okeene Emergency Medical Service District.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the assistance and cooperation extended to our office during the course of our audit.

The Office of the State Auditor and Inspector is committed to serving the public interest by providing independent oversight and by issuing reports that serve as a management tool to the state to ensure a government which is accountable to the people of the State of Oklahoma.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff A. McMahan".

JEFF A. McMAHAN
State Auditor and Inspector

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**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
JUNE 30, 2006**

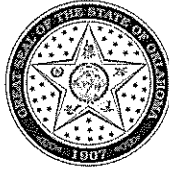
INTRODUCTION

Article 10, § 9C of the Oklahoma Constitution authorized the formation of emergency medical service districts and authorized a tax levy not to exceed 3 mills for the purpose of providing funds to support, organize, operate, and maintain district ambulance services. District voters approved the formation of the district and 3 mills levy to support the operation of the district. Per Article 10, § 8A, with the repeal of personal property tax, the millage with the adjustment factor is 3.16 mills. The Okeene Emergency Medical Service District is comprised of Okeene School District I-9 in Blaine County and was created to provide ambulance service in the school district.

Emergency medical service districts are governed by a board of trustees. The board of trustees (the board) has the power to hire a manager and other personnel, contract, organize, maintain, or otherwise operate the emergency medical service district. The trustees must act as a board when entering into contracts or other agreements affecting the district's welfare. Thus, actions taken by the board are voted on and approved by a majority of the trustees. The board of trustees' business meetings are open to the public. The board shall have the capacity to sue and be sued but shall enjoy immunity from civil suits for actions or omissions arising from the operation of the district. Such districts have the authority to charge fees for services, and accept gifts, funds, or grants.

The Oklahoma Constitution also provides that the district shall be audited by the State Auditor and Inspector.

FINANCIAL SECTION



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR

JEFF A. McMAHAN
State Auditor and Inspector

Independent Auditor's Report

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances—General Fund of Okeene Emergency Medical Service District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, listed in the table of contents as the basic financial statement. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Okeene Emergency Medical Service District. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. 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 opinion.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying basic financial statement was prepared using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Oklahoma state law, which practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statement of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

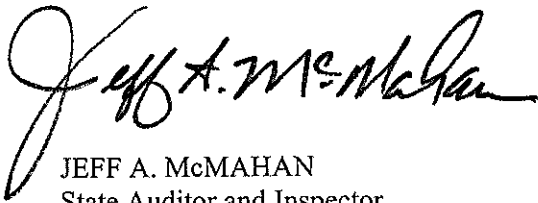
In our opinion, because of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Okeene Emergency Medical Service District as of June 30, 2006, or changes in its financial position for the year then ended.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash balances of the Okeene Emergency Medical Service District, for the year ended June 30, 2006, on the basis of accounting described in Note. 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 9, 2006, on our consideration of Okeene Emergency Medical Service District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, and contracts and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal

control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances—General Fund of Okeene Emergency Medical Service District, taken as a whole. The accompanying Comparative Schedule of Receipts, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balances—Budget and Actual—Budgetary Basis—General Fund is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statement. The Comparative Schedule of Receipts, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balances—Budget and Actual—Budgetary Basis—General Fund has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statement and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statement taken as a whole.

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JEFF A. McMAHAN
State Auditor and Inspector

October 9, 2006

Basic Financial Statement

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES—GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

	General Fund
Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 37,998
Receipts:	
Ad Valorem Taxes	33,133
Charges for Services	4,932
Miscellaneous	724
Total Receipts	38,789
Disbursements:	
Warrants Paid	68,656
Total Disbursements	68,656
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 8,131

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

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying basic financial statement presents the receipts, disbursements, and changes in cash balances of Okeene Emergency Medical Service District (the District). The financial activity presented is established under statutory authority, and its operation is under the control of the District Board of Trustees. The more significant accounting policies and practices are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The District is a special unit of government and does not possess political or governmental powers other than those necessary to carry out the specific purposes for which it was created. The District is not subject to federal or state income taxes.

The accompanying basic financial statement includes all District functions and activities over which the District Board exercises significant influence. Significant influence or accountability is based primarily on the oversight exercised by the District Board. The District is not a component unit of another government and does not have any component units.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses only a general fund to account for its cash balances.

C. Basis of Accounting

The basic financial statement is prepared on a basis of accounting wherein amounts are recognized when received or disbursed. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require revenues to be recognized when they become available and measurable, or when they are earned, and expenditures or expenses to be recognized when the related liabilities are incurred. This cash basis financial presentation is not a comprehensive measure of economic condition or changes therein.

D. Cash and Investments

State statutes require financial institutions with which the District maintains funds to deposit collateral securities to secure the District's deposits. The amount of collateral securities to be pledged is established by the District Treasurer; this amount must be at least the amount of the deposit to be secured, less the amount insured (by, for example, the FDIC).

State statutes authorize the District to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, certificates of deposit, or savings accounts of banks, savings and loans, and trust companies if secured by acceptable collateral where the collateral has been deposited with a trustee or custodian bank.

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

E. Risk Management

The District 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 District continues to carry commercial insurance for these types of risk. The District carries workers' compensation on its employees. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the 2006 fiscal year.

F. Compensated Absences

The District is a volunteer and part-time service; therefore, there are no compensated absences.

2. Stewardship Policies

On or before June 1 of each year, a budget for each fund, as required by the Board, is completed. The budget is approved by fund and object. The District Board may approve changes of appropriations within the fund by object. To increase or decrease the budget by fund requires approval by the Excise Board.

Cash disbursements of the District are presented only in total in the *Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances – General Fund*; however, a breakdown of disbursements by category is included in the *Comparative Schedule of Receipts, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balances – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis – General Fund* of the supplementary information along with a reconciliation of actual cash activity to budgetary cash activity.

3. Detailed Notes on Fund Balances

A. Ad Valorem Tax

The property tax is levied each October 1 on the assessed value listed as of January 1 of the same year for all real and personal property located in the District, except certain exempt property. Assessed values are established by the County Assessor within the prescribed guidelines established by the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the State Equalization Board. The tax is collected by the County Treasurer and remitted to the District.

Blaine County voted to repeal the personal property tax. The initiative provided that real property tax levies would be increased to make up for the loss of taxable personal property; hence the levy is now 3.16 mills. The assessed property value as of January 2005 was approximately \$12,648,269 after deducting homestead exemptions.

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

Taxes are due on November 1 following the levy date, although they may be paid in two equal installments. If the first half is paid prior to January 1, the second half is not delinquent until April 1.

Unpaid delinquent personal property taxes are published usually in May. If the taxes are not paid within 30 days from publication, they are placed on the personal tax lien docket.

Current year tax collections for the year ended June 30, 2006, were approximately 91.2 percent of the tax levy.

B. Notes Payable

The District entered into an agreement with the Town of Okeene to assume the note payable due to the Myron Andrews Trust. The debt was to partially fund the lease-purchase of an ambulance. The District agreed to reimburse the Town of Okeene \$37,000 at a rate of \$1,000 per month as funds are available. There is no interest being accrued on the balance. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, the District reimbursed the Town of Okeene \$12,000, which left a balance of \$14,000 to be reimbursed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES—
BUDGET AND ACTUAL—BUDGETARY BASIS—GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

	General Fund			
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Beginning Cash Balances	\$ 39,154	\$ 39,154	\$ 37,998	\$ (1,156)
Less: Beginning Outstanding Warrants			(352)	(352)
Beginning Cash Balances, Budgetary Basis	<u>39,154</u>	<u>39,154</u>	<u>37,646</u>	<u>(1,508)</u>
Receipts:				
Ad Valorem Taxes	36,335	36,335	33,133	(3,202)
Charges for Services	1,084	1,084	4,932	3,848
Miscellaneous Revenues	273	273	724	451
Total Receipts, Budgetary Basis	<u>37,692</u>	<u>37,692</u>	<u>38,789</u>	<u>1,097</u>
Expenditures:				
Personal Services	1	1		1
Part-time help	41,847	39,700	31,385	8,315
Travel	1	1		1
Maintenance and Operations	33,705	34,924	34,678	246
Capital Outlay		1		1
Audit Budget Account	1,292	2,551	2,551	
Total Expenditures, Budgetary Basis	<u>76,846</u>	<u>77,178</u>	<u>68,614</u>	<u>8,564</u>
Excess of Receipts and Beginning Cash Balances Over Expenditures, Budgetary Basis	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (332)</u>	7,821	<u>\$ 8,153</u>
Reconciliation to Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances				
Add: Ending Outstanding Warrants			310	
Ending Cash Balance			<u>\$ 8,131</u>	

See independent auditor's report.

The accompanying notes to the supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
NOTES TO SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

Oklahoma Statutes require the District to prepare a formal budget for the general fund and other funds as the Board of Trustees may require. The budget presented for the general fund includes the originally approved budgeted appropriations for expenditures and final budgeted appropriations as adjusted for supplemental appropriations and approved transfers between budget categories.

The Comparative Schedule of Receipts, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balances—Budget and Actual—Budgetary Basis—General Fund presents comparisons of the legally adopted budget with actual data. The "actual" data, as presented in the comparison of budget and actual, may differ from the data as presented in the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances because of adopting certain aspects of the budgetary basis of accounting and the adjusting of encumbrances and outstanding warrants to their related budget year.

INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE SECTION



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR AND INSPECTOR

JEFF A. McMAHAN
State Auditor and Inspector

**Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and
Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With
*Government Auditing Standards***

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT

We have audited the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances—General Fund of Okeene Emergency Medical Service District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which comprises the Okeene Emergency Medical Service District's basic financial statement, prepared using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Oklahoma state law, and have issued our report thereon dated October 9, 2006. The report on the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances was adverse because the statement is not a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Okeene Emergency Medical Service District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statement and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the District's ability to initiate, record, process, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statement. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 1999-1, 2005-2, and 2005-3.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statement being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we consider 1999-1 to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Okeene Emergency Medical Service District's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, and contracts, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2005-1, 2005-4, and 2006-1.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Okeene Emergency Medical Service District and should not be used for any other purpose. This report is also a public document pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Records Act (51 O.S., section 24A.1 et seq.), and shall be open to any person for inspection and copying.



JEFF A. McMAHAN
State Auditor and Inspector

October 9, 2006

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

Findings related to the Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

Finding 1999-1 - Segregation of Duties (Repeat Finding)

Criteria: Segregation of duties over asset custody, transaction authorization, bookkeeping, and reconciliation are important elements of effective internal control over government assets and resources.

Condition: The limited number of office personnel within the District office prevents a proper segregation of accounting functions, which is necessary to assure adequate internal control structure.

Recommendation: We recommend management be aware of this condition and realize the concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desired from a control point of view. The most effective controls lie in management's knowledge of office operations and a periodic review of operations.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: We concur with the State Auditor's comments and will conduct periodic reviews of office operations.

Finding 2005-1 – Fixed Assets (Repeat Finding)

Criteria: Title 19 O.S. § 1718 states, "A district shall maintain, according to its own accounting needs some or all of the funds and account groups in its system of accounts that are consistent with legal and operating requirements and as prescribed by the State Auditor and Inspector. The required funds may include, but not be limited to . . .

5. A ledger or group of accounts in which to record the details relating to the general fixed assets of the district."

Condition: The District does not maintain a detailed listing of fixed assets. Fixed asset records are not updated when new purchases are made.

Recommendation: We recommend a control total of all District owned assets (such as equipment, land, buildings, and improvements) be compiled and maintained by the District.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: We concur with the State Auditor's finding and will implement policy and procedures to include fixed assets information.

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

Finding 2005-2 – Pre-numbered Duplicate Receipts (Repeat Finding)

Criteria: Effective internal controls include pre-numbered duplicate receipts issued for all funds collected.

Condition: Receipts were not issued for the items deposited for the fiscal year.

Recommendation: We recommend that all items collected and deposited be receipted with pre-numbered duplicate receipts.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: We concur with the State Auditor's finding and will implement policy and procedures to ensure pre-numbered duplicate receipts are issued for all funds collected.

Finding 2005-3 – Accounts Receivable for Charges for Services (Repeat Finding)

Criteria: Effective internal controls include billing for services performed on a timely basis in order to ensure adequate funding to meet the obligations of the District.

Condition: While performing analytical review procedures in the Cash/Revenue portion of the audit, it was noted that the revenue for charges for services was significantly lower in the current years as opposed to previous years. This is a result of the billing not being performed on a timely basis.

Recommendation: We recommend that the District concentrate their efforts in collecting the most current accounts receivable and as time permits, bill for the older accounts, to provide effective internal controls of collections.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The District is considering alternative billing procedures.

Finding 2005-4 – Appropriation Ledger (Repeat Finding)

Criteria: According to 19 O.S. § 1717(A), "No expenditure may be authorized or made by any employee or member for the board...which exceeds the appropriation for any fund of the budget as adopted or amended." The budget can be amended as circumstances require and as provided by the procedures.

Condition: The District has not had an appropriation ledger to account for budgeted appropriations for personnel services, maintenance and operations, capital outlay or audit, or to compare actual expenditures to the appropriations.

**OKEENE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

Recommendation: We recommend that an appropriation ledger be established to include the original budget appropriations, any amendments or transfers of budgeted appropriations, monthly expenditures and remaining balances of appropriations in accordance with 19 O.S. § 1717(A). The Board should be aware that the District's budget is a legally binding document that is designed to provide a guideline for the financial operation of the District and limit the amount of expenditures by appropriation category.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The District has plans to establish an appropriation ledger.

Finding 2006-1 – Final Budgeted Expenditures

Criteria: In accordance with 19 O.S. § 1709(C), the budget expenditures for each fund shall not exceed the estimated revenues for each fund. No more than ten percent (10%) of the total budget for any fund may be budgeted for miscellaneous purposes.

Condition: The budgeted expenditures as reported on the final budget were \$332 more than the estimated revenue plus the beginning cash balance.

Recommendation: We recommend the District closely review the budget and any adjustments to expenditures in order to remain in compliance with 19 O.S. § 1709(C).

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The District will strive to remain within the budgets estimations.