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I am reissuing the financial statements of the Village of Dodson as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and updating my auditor's report dated February 17, 2022. The original financial statements were issued on November 2, 2021.

Subsequent to the issuance of the original financial statements, LA DEQ informed the Village of discrepancies in the reporting of their loan balance as of June 30, 2021. They have forgiven a portion of the principal proceeds, \$43,680. They require this forgiven portion to be recorded as Non-Operating Principal Forgiveness. They do not include the \$190,157 payable for work performed as of June 30, 2021 in the loan balance; this has been reclassified to accounts payable. Retainage payable remains \$10,981. That leaves the loan balance to be \$43,680 as restated and agreed to LA DEQ's records.

These changes listed above relate to the Sewer portion of the Proprietary Fund on Fund Financials (pages 13-15) and Business Type Activities on the Government Wide Financial Statements (pages 6-7). They effect the following account types and their flow through totals: Accounts Payable, Loan Payable, Non-Operating (Capital Contribution) Principal Forgiven Proceeds and Net Position: Net Investment in Capital Assets, Restricted and Unrestricted. There are restrictions on cash related to the bond. Those amounts have been restated as described in Note 14 (pages 25-27) and effect Current Cash verses Non-Current Restricted Cash and Restricted vs Unrestricted Net Position. MD&A (pages M-1 through M-5) are affected on the summaries of Government Wide Financial Statements, Financial Highlights, Financial Analysis on Fund Financials, and Economic Factors.

There are findings related to noncompliance with the loan/bond agreement which changes the internal control and compliance report on pages 35-36 and the audit findings schedule on pages 37-38.

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VILLAGE OF DODSON

**FINANCIAL REPORT
JUNE 30, 2021**

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Village of Dodson's (the Village) financial performance presents a narrative overview and analysis of Village of Dodson's financial activities for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. The Village's financial performance is discussed and analyzed within the context of the accompanying financial statements and disclosures following this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Village's net position on June 30, 2021 was \$1,940,182 and \$1,843,913 on June 30, 2020. The net position is made up largely of Capital Assets. The Village has \$1,651,977 in Net Capital Assets as of June 30, 2021 with \$244,818 in debt associated with it (\$43,680 in loan/bond payable, \$190,157 in accounts payable and \$10,981 in retainage payable).

During fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 an increase of \$75,611 over prior year expenses was noted in Governmental Expenditures, the majority being in the public safety function. Personnel and Related Benefits continue to be the highest costs of the General Government. In the Business-type activities Operating Expenses are higher than prior year by \$20,094. These expenses continue to exceed charges for sewer services; however, in the current fiscal year sewer rates were increased. Also a DEQ loan related to a taxable bond was obtained for a sewer improvement project started in the current fiscal year which was ongoing at year end. This loan/bond had \$43,680 in Non-Operating Revenue/Capital Contribution for forgiven principal as of June 30, 2021. The Bond had certain covenants which were not met and resulted in findings 21-01 and 21-02. These noncompliance with covenants were related to debt service coverage ratio which is required to be 125% but appeared to be approximately 14% based on DEQ's instructions for calculation, and for not transferring monies to the separate restricted accounts. As noted in the response by management to the findings, the Village had funds available and subsequently is transferring the required amounts and will continue to do so as required. It is important to note that the Village made their actual debt service payments timely. Also noted in management's response is that the Village will budget transfers necessary to comply with the debt service coverage ratio going forward.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements include government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements. These two types of financial statements present the Village of Dodson's financial position and results of operations from differing perspectives which are described as follows:

GOVERNMENTAL-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—This report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Village as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Village's finances. These statements tell how the services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS (continued)

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—A fund is an accountability unit used to maintain control over resources segregated for specific activities. The Village uses funds to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related laws and regulations. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources at the end of the year.

As the Government-wide Financial Statements includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two views may provide insight into the long-term impact as short-term financing decreases. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund operating statement provide a reconciliation to assist in understanding the difference between these two views.

OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents Other Required Supplementary Information consisting of a comparison of budgeted revenues and expenditures to actual revenues and expenditures.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE VILLAGE'S FUNDS

The Village's Governmental Fund consist of a major fund: General and one Proprietary Fund: Utilities-Water and Sewer. In the current fiscal year, the General fund increased \$88,933 and Proprietary fund increased \$17,596. The increase in General was mainly the result of increased fines along with a full year of sales tax revenue. Also in the General is miscellaneous revenue for the fair market value of two police cars that were donated to the Village. The increase in Proprietary fund was mainly the result of rate increase in sewer charges combined with forgiven loan/bond in the current year exceeding the sewer expenses which also increased. The Village was required to increase the sewer charges to the villagers in order to offset increasing costs and in effort to comply with debt service coverage ratio. A DEQ loan to improve the sewer facilities was in progress during the fiscal year and subsequently. As of June 30, 2021, the fund balance and net position, respectively are as follows: General \$245,945, and Proprietary \$1,328,233.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE VILLAGE AS A WHOLE

Over time, as year-to-year financial information is accumulated on a consistent basis, changes in net position may be observed and used to discuss the changing financial position of the Village as a whole.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS (continued)

A summary of the basic government-wide financial statements is as follows:

Summary of Statement of Net Position

	<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>	
	Governmental	Business-type	Governmental	Business-type
Assets:				
Current	\$ 277,046	\$ 269,239	\$ 164,608	\$ 262,190
Non-Current:				
Restricted Cash	-	29,717	-	-
Capital Assets (Net)	<u>366,004</u>	<u>1,285,973</u>	<u>376,264</u>	<u>1,065,744</u>
Total Assets	<u>643,050</u>	<u>1,584,929</u>	<u>540,872</u>	<u>1,327,934</u>
Liabilities:				
Current:				
Unrestricted	31,101	186,536	7,596	3,078
Restricted	-	15,499	-	14,219
Non-Current	<u>-</u>	<u>54,661</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>31,101</u>	<u>256,696</u>	<u>7,596</u>	<u>17,297</u>
Net Position:				
Net Invested in Capital Assets	366,004	1,041,155	376,264	1,065,744
Restricted	-	14,218	-	-
Unrestricted	<u>245,945</u>	<u>272,860</u>	<u>157,012</u>	<u>244,893</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 611,949</u>	<u>\$ 1,328,233</u>	<u>\$ 533,276</u>	<u>\$ 1,310,637</u>

Village of Dodson
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS (continued)

Rather than present the Statement of Net Activities, this comparative data shows a Summary of Changes in of Net Position:

	2021		2020	
	Governmental	Business-type	Governmental	Business-type
Revenues:				
Program Revenues—				
Charges for Services, Fines, Commissions	\$ 490,399	\$ 136,766	\$ 323,640	\$ 107,538
Operating Grants & Contributions	-	2,893	-	11,557
Capital Grants & Contributions	-	43,680	-	41,169
General Revenues—				
Ad Valorem Taxes	11,703	-	10,620	-
Sales Taxes	52,539	-	18,321	-
Franchise Taxes	7,836	-	7,042	-
Rental Income	2,600	-	4,590	-
Licenses & Fees	14,054	-	16,856	-
Interest & Miscellaneous	7,259	254	6,186	238
Total Revenues	586,390	183,593	387,255	160,502
Expenditures:				
General Government	279,859	-	275,992	-
Public Safety	203,656	-	128,538	-
Public Works	24,624	-	27,998	-
Operating	-	165,575	-	145,481
Total Expenditures	508,139	165,575	432,528	145,481
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	78,251	18,018	(45,273)	15,021
Other Financing Sources Uses:				
Sale of Asset	-	-	-	-
Transfers from Other Funds	422	-	10,765	-
Transfers to Other Funds	-	(422)	-	(10,765)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	422	(422)	10,765	(10,765)
Changes in Net Position	\$ 78,673	\$ 17,596	\$ (34,508)	\$ 4,256

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS (continued)

FUNCTIONS OF EXPENSES

The total functions of the Village include general governmental activities, public safety and public works. In the business-type activities water and sewer services are provided.

GENERAL BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

For the year ended June 30, 2021, total revenues and total expenditures were within the favorable variance allowed by state law. The original budget was not amended. Actual Revenues and Other Financing Sources exceeded Budgeted Revenues and Other Financing Sources by \$78,940 causing a favorable variance. Actual Expenditures exceeded Budgeted Expenditures by \$18,323 which is an unfavorable variance within the legal limits.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The Village has prepared its fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 budget for the General Fund on the assumptions that revenues and expenditures will remain fairly consistent next year. Revenues and expenditures for the Proprietary Fund should also remain consistent during the next fiscal year, with the exception of the large capital project for wastewater/sewer renovation which will require more draws on Department of Environmental Quality loan and related to the issuance of sewer revenue bonds and is expected to have additional forgiven principal. Additional funds may be required to be transferred from Water to Sewer within the Proprietary Funds or from the General Fund to meet rate covenant of the DEQ loan.

CONTACTING THE VILLAGE

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Village's finances, compliance with governmental financial reporting laws and regulations and demonstrate the Village's commitment to public accountability. If you have additional questions about this report or would like to request additional information, contact the Village of Dodson, P. O. Box 86, Dodson, LA 71422.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Mayor & Aldermen
of the Village of Dodson
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Dodson, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, and each major fund of Village of Dodson, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my 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 U.S. and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. Those standards require that I 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. Accordingly, I express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for my audit opinion.

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each

major fund, of the Village of Dodson, Louisiana, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matters

Reissuance of Financial Statements

As Described in Note 14 to the financial statements, the management has restated and reissued the Village's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. My opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. require that Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule on pages M-1 through M-5, and pages 29 through 30 respectively, to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the U.S., which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to my inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on financial statements that collectively comprise the Village of Dodson's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Compensation, Reimbursements, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head, Political Subdivision Head or Chief Executive Officer presented on page 32 and the Justice System Funding Schedule for Collecting/Disbursing Entity presented on page 33 while listed in the Table of Contents as Supplementary Information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not required parts of the basic financial statements but are required by Act 462 of 2015 which amends Act 706 of the Louisiana 2014 Legislative Session and by Act 87 of the Louisiana 2020 Legislative Session. These schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Note that the Justice System Funding Schedule is required to be and is prepared in accordance with cash basis, which is a basis other than auditing standards generally accepted in the U.S. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments and the Justice System Funding Schedules for Collecting/Disbursing and for Receiving Entities are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Governmental Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also reissued the report dated February 17, 2022, on my consideration of the Village of Dodson's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Village's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Village of Dodson's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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February 17, 2022

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VILLAGE OF DODSON
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2021

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets:			
Current Assets:			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 134,224	\$ 251,192	\$ 385,416
Receivables	139,513	18,047	157,560
Prepaid Expenses	<u>3,309</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,309</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>277,046</u>	<u>269,239</u>	<u>546,285</u>
Non-Current Assets:			
Restricted Assets—Cash	-	29,717	29,717
Capital Assets			
Non-Depreciable	5,500	297,934	303,434
Depreciable (Net)	<u>360,504</u>	<u>988,039</u>	<u>1,348,543</u>
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>366,004</u>	<u>1,315,690</u>	<u>1,681,694</u>
Total Assets	643,050	1,584,929	2,227,979
Liabilities:			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	15,540	195,916	211,456
Payroll & Related Liabilities	6,181	-	6,181
Due to/from	9,380	(9,380)	-
Restricted Liabilities—Customers’			
Deposits	<u>-</u>	<u>15,499</u>	<u>15,499</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>31,101</u>	<u>202,035</u>	<u>233,136</u>
Non-Current Liabilities:			
Retainage Payable	-	10,981	10,981
DEQ Loan	<u>-</u>	<u>43,680</u>	<u>43,680</u>
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>54,661</u>	<u>54,661</u>
Total Liabilities	31,101	256,696	287,797
Net Position:			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	366,004	1,041,155	1,407,159
Restricted	-	14,218	14,218
Unrestricted	<u>245,945</u>	<u>272,860</u>	<u>518,805</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 611,949</u>	<u>\$ 1,328,233</u>	<u>\$ 1,940,182</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

VILLAGE OF DODSON
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Program Activities	Expenses	Program Revenue			Net (Expense) Revenue & Changes in Net Position			
		Fines, Fees, Commissions & Charges for Services	Grants & Contributions Operating	Capital	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	
Governmental Activities:								
General & Admin	\$ 279,859	\$ 7,556	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (272,303)		\$ (272,303)	
Public Safety	203,656	482,843			279,187		279,187	
Public Works	24,624	-			(24,624)		(24,624)	
Total Governmental	508,139	490,399	-	-	(17,740)		(17,740)	
Business-type Activities:								
Water	64,334	75,408	-	-		\$ 11,074	11,074	
Sewer	101,241	61,358	2,893	43,680		6,690	6,690	
Total Business-type	\$ 165,575	\$ 136,766	\$ 2,893	43,680		17,764	17,764	
General Revenues:								
Taxes:								
					11,703		11,703	
					52,539		52,539	
					7,836		7,836	
					14,054		14,054	
					2,600		2,600	
					93	254	347	
					7,166		7,166	
					422	(422)	-	
					96,413	(168)	96,245	
						78,673	17,596	96,269
					533,276	1,310,637	1,843,913	
					\$ 611,949	\$ 1,328,233	\$ 1,940,182	

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VILLAGE OF DODSON
BALANCE SHEET—GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2021

	<u>Major Fund General</u>
Assets:	
Current Assets:	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 134,224
Receivables	139,513
Prepaid Expenses	<u>3,309</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>277,046</u></u>
Liabilities:	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	15,540
Payroll & Related Liabilities	6,181
Due to Proprietary Fund	<u>9,380</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>31,101</u>
Fund Balances:	
Nonspendable	3,309
Unassigned	<u>242,636</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>245,945</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	<u><u>\$ 277,046</u></u>

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VILLAGE OF DODSON
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2021

Total Fund Balances for the Governmental Funds at June 30, 2021		\$ 245,945
Total Net Position reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position is different because:		
Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund. Those assets consist of:		
Non-Depreciable	5,500	
Depreciable	1,157,590	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(797,086)</u>	<u>366,004</u>
Total Net Position of Governmental Activities at June 30, 2021		<u>\$ 611,949</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

VILLAGE OF DODSON
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES—GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	<u>Major Fund General</u>
Revenues:	
Taxes:	
Ad Valorem	\$ 11,703
Sales	52,539
Franchise	7,836
Licenses & Permits	14,054
Fines & Forfeitures	482,843
Charges for Services	7,556
Miscellaneous:	
Interest Earned	93
Rent	2,600
Other	<u>7,166</u>
 Total Revenues	 <u>586,390</u>
 Expenditures:	
Current:	
General Government	274,065
Public Safety	202,811
Public Works	5,284
Capital Outlay	<u>15,719</u>
 Total Expenditures	 <u>497,879</u>
 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	 <u>88,511</u>
 Other Financing Sources/(Uses):	
Transfers In	<u>422</u>
 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Financing Sources over Expenditures & Other Financing Uses	 <u>88,933</u>
 Fund Balances—Beginning of Year	 <u>157,012</u>
 Fund Balances—End of Year	 <u>\$ 245,945</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

VILLAGE OF DODSON
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balances—Governmental Funds	\$	88,933
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Governmental Funds report Capital Outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. The cost of Capital Assets recorded in the current period is		
		15,719
Governmental Funds report the entire amount received from the Sales of Assets as Revenues, but the undepreciated cost of the assets reduces the gain from the sale in the Statement of Activities.		
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Depreciation expense on Capital Assets is reported in the Government-wide Financial Statements, but does not require the use of current financial resources and is not reported in the Fund Financial Statements. Current year depreciation expense is		
	<u>(</u>	<u>25,979)</u>
Net Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities per Statement of Activities	<u>\$</u>	<u>78,673</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

VILLAGE OF DODSON
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION—PROPRIETARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2021

Assets:

Current Assets:

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 251,192
Receivables, Net	18,047
Due from General Fund	<u>9,380</u>
Total Current Assets	278,619

Non-Current Assets:

Restricted—Cash & Cash Equivalents	29,717
Capital Assets:	
Nondepreciable	297,934
Depreciable (Net of Depreciation)	<u>988,039</u>
Total Non-Current Assets	1,315,690

Total Assets	<u>1,594,309</u>
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Liabilities:

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	195,916
Restricted Liabilities—Customer Deposits	<u>15,499</u>
Total Current Liabilities	211,415

Non-Current Liabilities:

Retainage Payable	10,981
DEQ Loan/Bond	<u>43,680</u>
Total Non-Current Liabilities	54,661

Total Liabilities	<u>266,076</u>
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Net Position:

Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,041,155
Restricted	14,218
Unrestricted	<u>272,860</u>

Total Net Position	<u>\$ 1,328,233</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

VILLAGE OF DODSON
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION—PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Operating Revenues:

Charges for Services	
Water	\$ 75,408
Sewer	<u>61,358</u>
Total Operating Revenues	<u>136,766</u>

Operating Expenses:

Water	
Operating Supplies	9,414
Repairs & Maintenance	9,432
Telephone & Utilities	7,754
Depreciation	37,734
Sewer	
Operating Supplies	6,847
Repairs & Maintenance	36,513
Telephone & Utilities	17,785
Depreciation	<u>39,971</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>165,450</u>
Net Operating Income/(Loss)	<u>(28,684)</u>

Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):

Investment Interest	254
Principal Forgiveness DEQ Loan/Bond	43,680
Interest Expense—Sewer Project	<u>(125)</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	<u>43,809</u>
Net Income before Transfers	<u>15,125</u>

Contributions & Transfers:

Grant Income—Sewer	2,893
Transfers Out	<u>(422)</u>
Total Contributions and Transfers	2,471
Change in Fund Net Position	17,596
Fund Net Position—Beginning of Year	<u>1,310,637</u>
Fund Net Position—End of Year	<u>\$ 1,328,233</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS—PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Cash Flows from Operating Activities:

Receipts from Customers	\$ 132,601
Payments to Suppliers	115,794
Payments, Netted for Interfund Borrowing, General Fund	<u>(9,101)</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>239,294</u>

Cash Flows from Non-Capital & Related Financing Activities:

Grant Proceeds Not Restricted for Capital	2,893
Transfers (to)/from Other Funds	<u>(422)</u>
Net Cash Provided by Non-Capital & Related Financing Activities	<u>2,471</u>

Cash Flows from Capital & Related Financing Activities:

Capital Financing (DEQ)	43,680
Principal Forgiveness on Capital Financing (DEQ)	43,680
Interest Payments on Capital Debt	(125)
(Increase) in Construction in Progress	<u>(297,933)</u>
Net Cash (Used) by Capital & Related Financing Activities	<u>(210,698)</u>

Cash Flows from Investing Activities:

Interest Earned on Operating Accounts	<u>254</u>
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	<u>254</u>

Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents 31,321

Cash & Cash Equivalents—Beginning of Year 249,588

Cash & Cash Equivalents—End of Year \$ 280,909

Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:

Operating Activities:	
Operating Income/(Loss)	\$ (28,684)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to	
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:	
Depreciation	77,705
Changes in Assets & Liabilities:	
(Increase)/Decrease in Accounts Receivable, Net	(5,446)
(Increase)/Decrease in Due from General Fund	(9,101)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts & Other Payables	<u>204,820</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u><u>\$ 239,294</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

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NOTE 1—INTRODUCTION

The Village of Dodson, Louisiana, is incorporated under the Lawrason Act with a Mayor-Board of Aldermen form of government. The executive branch of government is headed by the Mayor and the legislative branch consists of three Aldermen.

This report includes all funds which are controlled by or dependent on the Village of Dodson, Louisiana's executive and legislative branches (the Mayor and Aldermen). Control by or dependence on the Village of Dodson, Louisiana was determined on the basis of budget adoption, taxing authority, authority to issue debt, election or appointment of government body, and other general oversight responsibility.

The Village's operations include police protection, fire protection, and general and administrative services. In addition, the Village operates a Utility System which provides water and sewer services.

NOTE 2—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Village is the basic level of government which has financial accountability and control over all activities related to the Village operations and services provided. The Village is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined by GASB pronouncements, since the Village Mayor and Board of Aldermen are elected by the public and have decision making authority to levy taxes, the power to designate management, the ability to significantly influence operations and primary accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, there are no component units as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 61, which are included in the Village's reporting entity.

Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS):

GASB Statement No. 63 changed the title of Net Assets to Net Position along with standardizing the presentation of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources and their effects on a government's net position. As required the Village has implemented GASB Statement No. 63.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities report information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods and services.

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The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Village's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipient for goods or services offered by the program, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements (FFS):

The accounts of the Village are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The various funds of the Village are classified into two categories: governmental and proprietary. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Village or meets the following criteria: a) total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental or proprietary fund are at least 10 percent 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 or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The funds of the Village are described as follows:

Governmental Funds:

General Fund—The General Fund, is the principal fund and is used to account for the operations of the Village's office. The Village's primary source of revenue is fines and forfeitures. Other major sources of revenue include ad valorem taxes levied by the Village, franchise taxes, licenses and state grants. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

The Village voted to have a one percent sales tax collected beginning in January of 2020 to assist in the operations of the general fund. These monies would be collected by the parish sales tax collector, the Winn Parish School Board, for a fee. The tax is set to expire in 10 years.

Proprietary Fund:

Enterprise Fund—The enterprise fund is used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or

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(b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. Operating expenses for the proprietary funds include the cost of personal and contractual services, supplies and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The Village reports the general fund and the proprietary fund as major.

Eliminating Internal Activity—Interfund receivables and payables are eliminated in the Statements of Net Position and Balance Sheet except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities where they are presented as internal balances. The allocation of overhead expenses from one function to another or within the same function is eliminated in the Statement of Activities. Allocated expenses are reported by the function to which they are allocated.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made.

Accrual Basis—Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the Village as a whole. Both of these statements have been prepared using the economic measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the exchange.

Modified Accrual Basis—Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The Village considers all revenues available if they are collected 60 days after year end. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

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Assets Liabilities and Equity

Cash and Cash Equivalents—The Village’s cash is considered to be the cash in demand deposits and interest bearing deposits. Cash equivalents include all short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of interest rates.

Capital Assets—The Village reports property and equipment in the governmental activities column in the GWFS. Capital assets are carried at historical or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The Village maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of that asset or materially extend the life of that asset are not capitalized. In the FFS, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund as acquired. Capital assets in the proprietary fund are accounted for in the same manner as in GWFS.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets’ estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The assets estimated useful lives are as follows:

Equipment and Vehicles	5 - 20 years
Utility System and Improvements	40 years
Buildings and Improvements	40 years
New Infrastructure (Road Overlay, Asphalt)	20 years

Compensated Absences—Employees are not allowed to carry leave forward from year to year, therefore, there is no entry made for compensated absences. In addition, the Village does not provide employee benefits beyond employment.

Equity Classifications—In the Government-Wide Financial Statements, equity is classified as Net Position and displayed in three components as applicable. The components are as follows:

Invested in Capital Assets—Capital assets including restricted capital assets, when applicable, net of accumulated depreciation and related debt.

Restricted Net Position—Net position with constraints placed on their use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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Unrestricted Net Position—All other net position that does not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets.”

When an expense is incurred for the purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available, management applies restricted resources first, unless a determination is made to use unrestricted net resources. The policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use and legal requirements. This decision is typically made by management at the incurrence of the expense.

In the Fund Financial Statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. The Village has implemented GASB Statement 54 “Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions”. This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government’s fund balance more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- a. Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact;
- b. Restricted fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation;
- c. Committed fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint;
- d. Assigned fund balance - amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority;
- e. Unassigned fund balance - amounts that are available for any purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

As of June 30, 2021, the General Fund, the Village’s only major governmental fund, has a nonspendable fund balance of \$3,309 which represents prepaid expenses. The remaining fund balance of \$242,636 is classified as unassigned. If applicable, the Village would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources and assigned resources as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first and to defer the use of these other classified funds.

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Budget—Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the Village adopts a budget for the next fiscal year. The budget is open for public inspection. All budgeted appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year. The current year budget appears to be prepared on a cash basis of accounting.

Estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3—AD VALOREM TAXES

The Village levies taxes on real and business personal property located within the boundaries of the Village. Property taxes are levied by the Village on property values assessed by the Winn Parish Tax Assessor and approved by the State of Louisiana Tax Commission.

The Village levied the following ad valorem taxes for 2020:

	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Levied</u>
General Corporate Purposes	6.37	6.37

The Village recognizes property tax revenues when levied. The property tax calendar is as follows:

<u>Property Tax Calendar</u>	
Assessment Date	January 1
Levy Date	August 31
Tax Bills Mailed	October 15
Total Taxes Due	December 31
Penalties & Interest Added	January 31 of ensuing year
Lien Date	January 31 of ensuing year

NOTE 4—CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the Village’s cash and cash equivalents of governmental and enterprise funds (collected bank balances) totaled approximately \$418,216. Under state law, these deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent banks. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agents. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent banks in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

At June 30, 2021, the Village’s deposits were secured from risk by federal deposit insurance of \$250,000 and the remainder by securities pledged in the Village’s name by the fiscal agent bank with a market value greater than the remaining amount.

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NOTE 5—REVENUES RECEIVABLE

The following is a summary of receivables as of June 30, 2021:

	General Fund	Proprietary Fund
Fines & Forfeitures (Net)	\$ 128,703	
Ad Valorem Taxes	405	
Sales Taxes (Net of related fees)	8,652	
Miscellaneous	1,753	
Water Charges	-	\$ 8,174
Sewer Charges	-	9,873
Total	\$ 139,513	\$ 18,047

The Fines and Forfeitures had an allowance for doubtful accounts in the amount of \$341,956, which has been netted against total receivable above. Historically, bad debts for other receivables have not been significant; therefore, no allowance for bad debts was recorded.

NOTE 6—CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 are as follows:

Governmental Activities	Balance <u>07/01/20</u>	Additions	Deletions	Balance <u>06/30/21</u>
Capital Assets—NonDepreciable:				
Land	\$ 5,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,500
Capital Assets—Depreciable:				
Furniture and Equipment	473,446	15,719	-	489,165
Land Improvements	398,807	-	-	398,807
Buildings	<u>269,618</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>269,618</u>
Total Depreciable Assets	<u>1,141,871</u>	<u>15,719</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,157,590</u>
Total Capital Assets	<u>1,147,371</u>	<u>15,719</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,163,090</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Furniture and Equipment	471,694	2,814	-	474,508
Land Improvements	86,362	19,940	-	106,302
Buildings	<u>213,051</u>	<u>3,225</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>216,276</u>
Total Accum. Depreciation	<u>771,107</u>	<u>25,979</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>797,086</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$ 376,264</u>			<u>\$ 366,004</u>

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Business-type Activities	Balance <u>07/01/20</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>06/30/21</u>
Capital Assets—NonDepreciable:				
Construction in Progress	\$ -	\$ 297,934	\$ -	\$ 297,934
Capital Assets—Depreciable:				
Water System Equipment	254,932	-	-	254,932
Water Plant	775,220	-	-	775,220
Sewer System Equipment	89,592	-	-	89,592
Sewer Plant	<u>1,598,833</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,598,833</u>
Total Depreciable Assets	<u>2,718,577</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,718,577</u>
 Total Capital Assets	 <u>2,718,577</u>	 <u>297,934</u>	 <u>-</u>	 <u>3,016,511</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Water Equipment	119,576	18,353	-	137,929
Water Plant	283,825	19,381	-	303,206
Sewer System Equipment	89,592	-	-	89,592
Sewer Plant	<u>1,159,840</u>	<u>39,971</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,199,811</u>
Total Accum. Depreciation	<u>1,652,833</u>	<u>77,705</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,730,538</u>
 Net Capital Assets	 <u>\$1,065,744</u>			 <u>\$1,285,973</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2021 of \$25,979 is charged for Governmental activities. These charges went to the General Government function in the amount of \$5,794, Public Safety \$845 and \$19,340 for Public Works. Depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2021 of \$77,705 for the Business-type Activities the Utility Fund had \$37,734 charged to the Water expenditures and \$39,971 charged to Sewer expenditures. Construction in progress had \$288,498 related to the wastewater project and the remainder related to a generator install.

NOTE 7—PENSION PLAN

All employees of the Village of Dodson, Louisiana are covered by the Social Security System. Employees contribute 6.2 percent of their total salary to the System, while the Village also contributes 6.2 percent. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Village's portion contributed was approximately \$15,985. Any future deficit in this System will be financed by the United States Government.

NOTE 8—OTHER POST EMPLOYEMENT BENEFITS

All employees of the Village of Dodson, Louisiana are covered by the Medicare System. Employees contribute 1.45 percent of their total salary to the System, while the Village also contributes 1.45 percent. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Village's portion contributed was approximately \$3,740. Any future deficit in this System will be financed by the United States Government.

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NOTE 9—PENDING LITIGATION

At June 30, 2021, there were no outstanding suits noted as seeking damages against the management of the Village of Dodson.

NOTE 10—RELATED PARTIES

The Village had one identified related party with transactions for the year ended June 30, 2021. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the Village purchased approximately \$9,153 of parts and a mower for \$9,380 from Dodson Equipment Co., Inc. after receiving permission from the ethics board.

NOTE 11—COOPERATIVE ENDEAVORS

The Village was party to a cooperative endeavor with the State of Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to perform certain maintenance including mowing and litter pick up along the state roadways located within the Village of Dodson for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

NOTE 12—COMPENSATION PAID TO THE MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 the following compensation was earned by the Village's management:

Richard Broomfield—Mayor	\$ 45,000
Karla Shively	3,900
Gary Robertson	3,900
Waymon Payne	<u>3,900</u>
Total	<u>\$ 56,700</u>

NOTE 13—NEW STANDARDS IMPLEMENTED

GASB issued Statement No. 89 which changed how interest on construction project was recognized. With this change, interest is expensed as spent rather than adding to the construction asset. This is a more consistent approach as interest after project is completed is expensed. The Village elected to early implement this Statement as encouraged by GASB. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, approximately \$125 in interest/administrative fees on the Sewer DEQ project was expensed.

NOTE 14—SEWER REVENUE BOND

During the fiscal year ended, the Village authorized the issuance of Taxable Sewer Revenue Bond, Series 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$793,000; to sell said Bond to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund; authorizing execution of a Loan and Pledge Agreement and other loan

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documents with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (“DEQ”). The proceeds of which were for the purpose of a wastewater treatment plant renovation.

According to the Agreements, Net Revenues as defined in the loan are pledged against the debt. The Bond is entitled to principal forgiveness up to the lessor of \$396,500 or 50% of the total draws on the Bond. Per DEQ the forgiveness is reclassified as Non-Operating Income at the time of forgiveness. Note that the bond/loan will be paid out in draws as construction progresses rather than the Village receiving a lump sum of the total amount. Beginning on the Closing Date the bond shall bear interest (and administrative fees) only payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1. Principal payments in annual installments will be due 3 years after closing or 1 year after completion of the project, whichever occurs first. Interest rate is listed as .45% with an additional administrative fee of .5% over 20 year term.

Separate accounts are required related to the Bond and project. A Construction account is required to handle the receipt and payments related to the construction of the wastewater treatment renovation. A Debt Service Fund sufficient to pay promptly and fully the principal and interest of the Bond as it becomes due, which restated as of June 30, 2021, appeared to be a restriction of \$11,349, \$11,474 sum of monthly transfers less the \$125 paid in interest on the bond. Monthly transfers are required and only a few were noted, see finding 21-01. A Reserve Fund to commence with the month following delivery of the Bond equal to at least 25% of the amount to be paid to Debt Service Fund, totaling \$2,869 in restricted funds for the fiscal year. A Depreciation and Contingencies Fund paid monthly, equal to 5% of the Net Revenues of the preceding month (provided funds are available after paying necessary expenses and to the previous 2 accounts), until \$100,000 is accumulated. Monies from this account may be utilized for principal and interest on the Bond or for emergency repairs as long as this account remains \$25,000 or more. Then monies will be redeposited until the hundred thousand dollars is accumulated. Otherwise monies are restricted for Debt Service.

A Debt Service Coverage Ratio is also listed in the Bond Covenants. It states that the Village as Issuer covenants to fix, establish and maintain such rates and collect such charges for services necessary to provide revenues in each year sufficient to pay reasonable and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System, to pay principal and interest maturing on the bonds each year, and to make all payments required for the reserves and sinking funds mentioned above. The Net Revenues must be at least equal to 125% of the largest amount of principal and interest maturing on the bonds in any future bond year. In the event the revenues are insufficient the Village may take into account other available sources of funding provided they are budgeted for such purpose at the beginning of the fiscal year. Based on the figures of the audit report they do not appear to meet this covenant. See finding 21-02.

As of June 30, 2021 DEQ loan/bond proceeds summary as restated below:

Beginning Balance—Bond/Loan Payable	\$ -
Funds borrowed as of 6/30/21	87,360
Funds forgiven-principal as of 6/30/21	<u>(43,680)</u>
Total Bond/Loan Balance as of 6/30/21	<u>\$ 43,680</u>

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Amounts not yet borrowed on loan/bond for work performed through through 6/30/21 added to the following accounts:

Accounts payable	\$ 190,157
Retainage payable (\$1,263 plus \$9,718)	10,981

NOTE 15—SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated events through February 17, 2022, the date which the financial statements were available for issue. There were no items to be reported as subsequent events, other than the following: The DEQ bond and related construction for the Wastewater Treatment/Sewer Plant Renovation Project was ongoing and related transfers were being made.

OTHER REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF DODSON
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE—GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	<u>Budget</u>		Cash Basis <u>Actual</u>	Variance
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Amended</u>		Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad Valorem	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 11,714	\$ 2,714
Sales	-	44,500	50,826	6,326
Franchise	10,500	10,500	7,504	(2,996)
Licenses & Permits	7,000	7,000	14,054	7,054
Fines & Forfeitures	325,000	395,000	454,755	59,755
Charges for Services	4,000	4,000	7,556	3,556
Miscellaneous:				
Interest & Other	6,650	6,650	7,259	609
Rent	<u>3,100</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>1,500</u>
 Total Revenues	 <u>365,250</u>	 <u>477,750</u>	 <u>556,268</u>	 <u>78,518</u>
 Expenditures:				
General Government	272,260	272,260	272,733	(473)
Public Safety	125,000	185,000	193,047	(8,047)
Public Works	1,200	1,200	5,284	(4,084)
Capital Outlay	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>15,719</u>	<u>(5,719)</u>
 Total Expenditures	 <u>408,460</u>	 <u>468,460</u>	 <u>486,783</u>	 <u>(18,323)</u>
 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	 (43,210)	 9,290	 69,485	 60,195
 Other Financing Sources/(Uses):				
Transfers In	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>422</u>	<u>422</u>
 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Financing Sources over Expenditures & Other Financing Uses	 (43,210)	 9,290	 69,907	 60,617
 Fund Balance—Beginning of Year	 <u>157,012</u>	 <u>157,012</u>	 <u>157,012</u>	 <u>-</u>
 Fund Balance—End of Year	 <u>\$ 113,802</u>	 <u>\$ 166,302</u>	 <u>\$ 226,919</u>	 <u>\$ 60,617</u>

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE—GENERAL FUND (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Reconciliation from Cash Basis to Accrual Basis (GAAP):

Total Revenues—Cash Basis	\$ 556,268
Adjustments for receivables:	
Ad valorem	(11)
Sales	1,713
Franchise	332
Fines and Forfeitures	<u>28,088</u>
Total adjustments	30,122
Total Revenues—Accrual (GAAP) Basis	<u>\$ 586,390</u>
Total Expenditures—Cash Basis	\$ 486,783
Adjustments for payables/prepaid expense:	
General Government	1,332
Public Safety	9,764
Public Works	-
Capital Outlay	<u>-</u>
Total adjustments	11,096
Total Expenditures —Accrual (GAAP) Basis	<u>\$ 497,879</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Financing Sources over Expenditures & Other Financing Uses—Cash Basis	\$ 69,907
Adjustments for GAAP	
Receivables:	30,122
Payables	<u>(11,096)</u>
Total GAAP adjustments	<u>19,026</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Financing Sources over Expenditures & Other Financing Uses—Accrual (GAAP) Basis	88,933
Fund Balance—Beginning of Year	<u>157,012</u>
Fund Balance—End of Year	<u>\$ 245,945</u>

See Independent Auditor's Report.

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OTHER
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF DODSON
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION FOR AGENCY HEAD
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

In accordance with Act 706 of 2014 as amended by Act 462 of the 2015 Legislative Session the following Schedule of Compensation, Reimbursements, Benefits and Other Payment to the Political Subdivision Head or Chief Executive Officers is presented.

The Village of Dodson is governed by a Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Their compensation as such is noted in the Note Disclosures. The additional payments noted to each of these as required per Act 706 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, are as follows.

Payee	Purpose	Amount
Richard Broomfield	None Additional Noted	N/A
Gary Robertson	None Additional Noted	N/A
Karla Shively	None Additional Noted	N/A
Waymon Payne	None Additional Noted	N/A

Justice System Funding Schedule - Collecting/Disbursing Entity		
As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session		
Identifying Information		
Entity Name	Village of Dodson	
LLA Entity ID # (This is the ID number assigned to the entity by the Legislative Auditor for identification purposes.)	2363	
Date that reporting period ended (mm/dd/yyyy)	Wednesday, June 30, 2021	
	First Six Month Period Ended 12/31/20	Second Six Month Period Ended 6/30/21
Cash Basis Presentation		
Beginning Balance of Amounts Collected (i.e. cash on hand)	1,662	8,275
Add: Collections		
Criminal Court Costs/Fees	30,408	64,223
Criminal Fines - Other	168,043	192,080
Service/Collection Fees (e.g. credit card fees , report fees, 3rd party service fees)	4,682	9,269
Subtotal Collections	203,133	265,572
Less: Disbursements To Governments & Nonprofits:		
<i>8th JDC Office of Public Defender-Court Costs</i>	7,590	12,280
<i>CMIS-Court Costs</i>	769	1,272
<i>North LA Criminalistics Lab-Court Costs</i>	60	21,060
<i>LA Supreme Court-Court Costs</i>	386	620
<i>LA Commission on Law Enforcement-Court Costs</i>	1,329	2,267
<i>Central LA Juvenile Detention Center-Court Costs</i>	5,768	9,150
<i>DHH-TH/SCITF-Court Costs</i>	3,760	5,395
Less: Amounts Retained by Collecting Agency		
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Percentage of Collection	37	34
Collection Fee for Collecting/Disbursing to Others Based on Fixed Amount-Court Costs	2,479	9,638
Self-Disbursed-Criminal Fines-Other	168,043	192,080
Self-Disbursed-Court Costs	1,617	1,959
Less: Disbursements to Individuals/3rd Party Collection or Processing Agencies		
Payments to 3rd Party Collection/Processing Agencies (credit card fees)	4,682	9,269
Subtotal Disbursements/Retainage	196,520	265,024
Total: Ending Balance of Amounts Collected but not Disbursed/Retained (i.e. cash on hand)	8,275	8,823
Ending Balance of "Partial Payments" Collected but not Disbursed	-	-
Other Information:	AVERAGE ESTIMATE	AT FYE
Ending Balance of Total Amounts Assessed but not yet Collected (<i>i.e. receivable balance</i>)	114,659	128,703
Total Waivers During the Fiscal Period (<i>i.e. non-cash reduction of receivable balances, such as time served or community service</i>)	263	-

See Independent Auditor's Report.

COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

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

Mayor & Board of Aldermen
Village of Dodson
P.O. Box 86
Dodson, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of Village of Dodson, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated February 17, 2022. I conducted my 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 U.S. and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during my audit I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses. I did identify certain deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be material weaknesses described in the accompanying schedule of findings as 21-01 and 21-02.

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Compliance and Other Matters

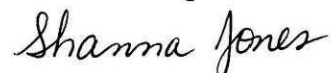
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Village of Dodson's financial statements are free from material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as 21-01 and 21-02.

Village of Dodson, Louisiana's Response to Findings

Village of Dodson, Louisiana's response to the findings identified in my audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. The Village's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of my testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. This report is intended for the information and use of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, management of the Village of Dodson and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, under Louisiana R. S. 24:513 this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.



Shanna Jones, CPA
Winnfield, Louisiana
February 17, 2022

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VILLAGE OF DODSON
SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

1. The Auditor's Report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Village of Dodson as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021.
2. There were two significant deficiencies noted during the audit of the financial statements which were deemed to be material weaknesses.
3. The audit disclosed two instances of noncompliance required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

B. FINDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING STANDARDS*

Material Weaknesses

Noncompliance with Bond/Loan Covenants

21-01 Noncompliance with Debt Service Sinking and Reserve Account Transfers

Criteria-Bond/Loan Covenants require monthly transfers to three separate bank accounts.

Condition-The Village set up two of the four separate accounts as required: Construction (for funds in and out related to the construction of the wastewater treatment), Debt Service Sinking Fund (reserved to ensure funds for principal and interest payments on the debt). Monies were originally transferred to sinking but then they did not continue. A third and fourth account was also required: Reserve (at 25% of the Debt Service Fund) and Depreciation/Contingency (5% of net revenues as available after funding other accounts up to \$100,000, which can be used for repairs necessary to operate system).

Effect-Lack of monthly transfers to the separate accounts is noncompliance. However, it is important to note that the actual debt payments were made timely.

Cause-The cause of the condition is unknown.

Recommendation- I recommend that the Village transfer monies monthly as required.

Views of Responsible Officials-The Village of Dodson was not late on any actual debt service payments. We began transferring monies but then thought we were to wait until the end of the loan to transfer. Now that we are aware, we have transferred the applicable amounts required to date.

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VILLAGE OF DODSON
SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS AND RESPONSES (continued)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

21-02 Noncompliance with Debt Service Coverage Ratio

Criteria-Bond/Loan Covenants require a Debt Service Coverage Ratio to be met.

Condition- Bond/Loan Covenants require a Debt Service Coverage Ratio of 125% of the largest amount of principal and interest maturing on the bonds in any future year. DEQ calculates this based on Sewer Fund only. They require taking Net Operating Income (after adding back Depreciation, and for 2021 the grant for operating expenditures) and dividing this by the highest principal and interest to be paid. This appears to be related to net revenues being pledged against the debt.

Effect-It appears this required percentage was not met as of June 30, 2021.

Cause-The cause of the condition appears to be less net revenue than required.

Recommendation- I recommend that the Village budget transfers from other funds at the beginning of the year as that is an acceptable remedy listed monies monthly as required and if there is not enough funding to do that another acceptable remedy listed is to again raise the rates.

Views of Responsible Officials-The Village of Dodson did raise the rates in anticipation of this requirement. We anticipate being able to transfer funds to meet this requirement. Going forward we will budget such transfer at the beginning of the period as required.

C. PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

None

Concluded