Madison Parish Police Jury Tallulah, Louisiana

Annual Financial Report As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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Independent Auditor's Report

Police Jurors Madison Parish Police Jury Tallulah, Louisiana

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Madison Parish Police Jury, Tallulah, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Police Jury's primary government's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Adverse Opinion on Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the accompanying financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the aggregate discretely presented component units of the Police Jury as of December 31, 2024, or the changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions on Government Activities, Each Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Police Jury as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Police Jury, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

The financial statements do not include financial data for all of the Police Jury's legally separate component units. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for those component units to be reported with the financial data of the Police Jury's primary government unless the Police Jury also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component units. The Police Jury has not issued such reporting entity financial statements. Because of this departure from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the amount by which this departure would affect the assets, liabilities, deferred inflows/outflows of resources, net position, revenues and expenses of the aggregate discretely presented component units has not been determined.

Responsibilities of Management 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, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Police Jury's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we

- exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- •identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- •obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Police Jury's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- •conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Police Jury's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Emphasis of Matters

As disclosed in Note 9 to the financial statements, the net pension liability for the Police Jury was \$294,601 at December 31, 2024, as determined by the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana. The related actuarial valuation was performed by the Retirement System's actuary using various assumptions. Because actual experience may differ from the assumptions used, there is a risk that this amount at December 31, 2024, could be under or overstated. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

As disclosed in Note 15 to the financial statements, the other post-employment benefit (OPEB) liability for the Police Jury was \$343,125 at December 31, 2024, as determined by the Police Jury's actuary. The related actuarial valuation was performed using various assumptions. Because actual experience may differ from the assumptions used, there is a risk that this amount at December 31, 2024, could be under or overstated. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset), Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension Plans, Budgetary Comparison Schedules, and notes to the required supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Police Jury's primary government. The accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by *Title 2* U.S. Code of Federal Regulations *Part 200*, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information, as listed in the table of contents, is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The 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 basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit requirements for Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information, as listed in the table of contents, does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 30, 2025, on our consideration of the Police Jury's internal control over financial reporting and on our 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 our 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 Police Jury'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 the Police Jury's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

ALLEN, GREEN & WILLIAMSON, LLP

Monroe, Louisiana June 30, 2025

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Management's Discussion And Analysis (MD&A)

Our discussion and analysis of Madison Parish Police Jury's financial performance provides an overview of the Police Jury's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The Police Jury adopted the following in the current year:

In the current fiscal year, the Police Jury implemented Statement No. 100 – Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an amendment of GASB statement No. 62. This statement provides guidance to enhance accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The adoption of this standard had no impact on the Police Jury's financial statements or notes to the financial statements.

Additionally, in the current fiscal year, the Police Jury implemented Statement No. 101- Compensated Absences. This statement requires that liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not been paid in cash or settled through noncash means. The adoption of this standard had no impact on the Police Jury's financial statements or notes to the financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS Our financial statements provide these insights into the results of this year's operations:

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Police Jury exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of 2024 by \$27,994,864 Of this amount, the Police Jury reported \$(347,945) in unrestricted deficit net position.
- The Police Jury's net position increased by \$3,427,770, or 14%.
- The Police Jury's total general and program revenues were \$10,832,669 in 2024 which is an increase of \$788,282 over 2023. This increase was due to an increase in the following areas of revenue; ad valorem taxes, sales taxes and capital grant contribution.
- During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Police Jury had total expenses of \$7,404,899, which
 includes depreciation expense. Expenses for 2023 totaled \$8,621,494. Expenses decreased in 2024 by
 \$1,216,595. This decrease was due to a decrease in culture administration, public works, capital outlay and
 public safety.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT The Police Jury's annual report consists of a series of financial statements that show information for the Police Jury as a whole, and its funds. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Police Jury as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Police Jury's finances. Our fund financial statements are included later in this report. For our governmental activities, these statements tell how we financed our services in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund statements also may give you some insights into the Police Jury's overall financial health. Fund financial statements also report the Police Jury's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the Police Jury's most significant funds - General fund, Criminal Court fund, Library fund, Garbage Maintenance fund, Health Unit fund, Courthouse & Jail fund, Public Works fund, American Rescue Fund, and Grant fund.

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Other Information

Our auditor has provided assurance in the independent auditor's report, located immediately preceding this Management's Discussion and Analysis, that the Basic Financial Statements, after considering the fact that certain component units are not included, are fairly stated for the primary government. Varying degrees of assurance are being provided by the auditor regarding the Required Supplementary Information (RSI) and the Supplementary Information. A user of this report should read the independent auditor's report carefully to ascertain the level of assurance being provided for each part of this report. The Police Jury's report does not include the discretely presented component units; therefore, separate financial statements may be obtained from the component units.

Reporting the Police Jury as a Whole

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities One of the most important questions asked about the Police Jury is, "Is the Police Jury as a whole better off or worse off financially as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, which appear first in the Police Jury's financial statements, report information on the Police Jury as a whole and its activities in a way that helps you answer this question. We prepare these statements to include all assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources, using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Police Jury's net position - the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources, as reported in the Statement of Net Position as one way to measure the Police Jury's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Police Jury's net position - as reported in the Statement of Activities - are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. The relationship between revenues and expenses is the Police Jury's operating results. However, the Police Jury's goal is to provide services to our citizens, not to generate profits as commercial entities do. One must consider many other nonfinancial factors, such as the quality of health and welfare services provided to parish citizens and the condition of roads, bridges, and drainage systems to assess the overall health of the Police Jury.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities report the following activity for the Police Jury:

Governmental activities - All of the Police Jury's services are reported here, including public works and health and welfare services. Property taxes, and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Reporting the Police Jury's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements The Police Jury's fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds - not the Police Jury as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Police Jury establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes (like the Criminal Court fund) or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money. The Police Jury's governmental funds use the following accounting approach:

Governmental funds - All of the Police Jury's services are reported in governmental funds. Governmental fund reporting focuses on showing how money flows into and out of funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. They are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Police Jury's operations and the services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Police Jury's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in reconciliations on Statements D and F.

THE POLICE JURY AS A WHOLE The Police Jury's net position was \$27,994,864 at December 31, 2024. Of this amount, \$(347,945) was unrestricted. Restricted net position is reported separately to show legal constraints from debt covenants and enabling legislation that limits the Police Jury's ability to use that net position for day-to-day operations. Our analysis below of the primary government focuses on the net position (Table 1) and change in net position (Table 2) of the Police Jury's governmental activities.

Table 1 Net Position December 31,

Governmental Activities

\$ (1,357,087)
\$ (1,337,007)
2,207,312
850,225
(695,112)
(2,063,156)
(1,227,765)
(3,290,921)
18,264
2,491,795
633,625
302,350
\$ 3,427,770

The \$(347,945) in unrestricted net position of governmental activities represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations. It means that, if we had to pay off all of our bills today including all of our noncapital liabilities (compensated absences for example), we would have a deficit of \$347,945.

The results of this year's operations for the primary government as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities. Table 2 takes the information from that Statement and rearranges them slightly so you can see our total revenues for the year.

Table 2
Changes in Net Position
For the Years Ended December 31,

Revenues:	2024			2023	Increase (Decrease)		
Program revenues:	· ·			7			
Charges for services	\$	647,349	\$	626,864	\$	20,485	
Operating grants & contributions		202,492		451,471		(248,979)	
Capital grants & contributions		2,802,771		1,903,141		899,630	
General revenues:							
Ad valorem taxes		5,174,337		5,144,805		29,532	
Sales taxes		403,315		394,761		8,554	
Other revenues		1,602,405		1,523,345		79,060	
Total revenues		10,832,669		10,044,387		788,282	
Functions/Program Expenses:						-3/18 13	
General government		1,312,104		1,478,987		(166,883)	
Public safety		1,364,219		1,440,085		(75,866)	
Public works		3,621,720		4,302,896		(681,176)	
Health & welfare		321,170		437,805		(116,635)	
Culture & recreation		659,367		830,602		(171,235)	
Economic development and assistance		97,093		109,261		(12,168)	
Interest on long-term debt		29,226		21,858		7,368	
Total expenses		7,404,899		8,621,494		(1,216,595)	
Increase (decrease) in net position		3,427,770		1,422,893		2,004,877	
Net position - beginning		24,567,094		23,144,201		1,422,893	
Net position - ending	\$	27,994,864	\$	24,567,094	\$	3,427,770	

Governmental Activities As reported in the Statement of Activities, the cost of all of our governmental activities this year was \$7,404,899. However, the amount that our taxpayers and unrestricted grants ultimately financed for these activities through Police Jury taxes was only \$3,752,287 because some of the cost was paid by those who benefited from the programs \$647,349 or by other governments and organizations who subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions \$3,005,263.

In the table below, we have presented the cost of each of the Police Jury's six largest functions - judicial, finance and administrative, public safety, public works, health and welfare, and culture and recreation, as well as each program's net cost (total cost less revenues generated by the activities). As discussed above, net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the Police Jury's taxpayers by each of these functions. Providing this information allows our citizens to consider the cost of each function in comparison to the benefits they believe are provided by that function.

Years Ended December 31, Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services		Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	2024		2024		2023		2023	
Judicial	\$ 812,130	\$	791,845	\$	950,713	\$	784,821	
Finance & administrative	373,955		373,955		365,768		365,768	
Public safety	1,364,219		1,364,219		1,440,085		1,440,085	
Public works	3,621,720		913,284		4,302,896		2,078,759	
Health & welfare	321,170		195,910		437,805		221,251	
Culture & recreation	659,367		(137,764)		830,602		464,959	
All others	252,338		250,838		293,625		284,375	
Totals	\$ 7,404,899	\$	3,752,287	\$	8,621,494	\$	5,640,018	

THE POLICE JURY'S FUNDS As we noted earlier, the Police Jury uses funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes. Looking at funds helps you consider whether the Police Jury is being accountable for the resources taxpayers and others provide to it but may also give you more insight into the Police Jury's overall financial health.

As the Police Jury completed this year, our governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$17,224,623 which is an increase of \$795,627 from last year. The primary reasons for this difference are as follows:

Our General fund is our principal operating fund. The fund balance in the General fund increased \$121,654 to \$899,381. When compared to the prior year, the fund balance increased due to an increase in ad valorem, sales and use tax and a decrease in judicial expense, and finance administration.

The Criminal Court fund accounts for the activities performed in the parish criminal court system. The main source of revenue is fines and forfeitures. This fund showed an increase of \$41,616 to \$(1,021,766). This increase is due to a net decrease partially offset by operating transfers in.

The Library fund accounts for funds used for maintenance and operation of the parish library. This fund showed an increase of \$138,874 to \$2,140,491. Compared to last year, revenues increased by \$88,638 and expenditures decreased by \$200,544. In the prior year, the fund reported a decrease of \$150,078. The decrease in expenditures in the current fiscal year is due to a decrease in culture and recreation and capital outlay.

The Garbage Maintenance fund accounts for the parish garbage collection services. The main sources of revenue are ad valorem tax and collection fees. Revenue decreased \$13,765 and expenditures increased \$27,305 resulting in an increase in fund balance of \$116,025 to \$2,535,487. The decrease in revenue is due

mainly to a decrease of use of money and property. The increase in expenditures is due mainly to public safety.

The Health Unit accounts for funds for the parish health center. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax. Ending fund balance of the Health Unit was \$2,507,725 which is an increase of \$133,977. This increase is due mainly to an increase in ad valorem taxes.

The Courthouse & Jail fund accounts for the operations and maintenance of the courthouse and jail. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax. This fund had an increase of \$327,712 to an ending fund balance of \$7,948,740. This increase in fund balance is due to ad valorem taxes and federal grant.

The Public Works fund accounts for funds used to maintain parish roads and streets. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax. The change in fund balance for Public Works was (\$28,864) with an ending fund balance of \$1,903,924. The decrease in fund balance is due mainly to the increase in materials, supplies and leases used by the Public Works Department.

The American Rescue Plan fund accounts for grant funding from the Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Fund authorized by American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The fund reported an increase in fund balance of \$1,098 which is due to changing bank account to an interest-bearing account. Unearned revenue of \$297,197 was recorded until expenditures of grant funds are incurred.

The Grant fund accounts for federal and state funds restricted for specific purposes. This fund has an ending deficit fund balance of (\$21,879) which is due to receipts not being cleared timely.

The Nonmajor Governmental funds are comprised of the LCDBG, Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund, Opioid Abatement, FEMA, Building and Miscellaneous funds. The combined funds showed a decrease of \$55,197 to \$331,422. These fund balances are reported as follows: LCDBG \$5,100, LATCA \$16,521, Opioid Abatement \$253, FEMA \$1, Building \$229,785, Miscellaneous \$79,762.

FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS Over the course of the year, the Police Jury revises its budget as it attempts to deal with unexpected changes in revenues and expenditures. (A schedule showing the Police Jury's original and final budget amounts compared with amounts actually paid and received is provided later in this report).

General fund The final budgeted amount available for appropriations was increased from the original budgeted amount by \$498,610, which was due to primarily the timing of the revenues received during the fiscal year. The charges to appropriations were increased \$791,982 mainly due to capital outlay expenses.

The actual amounts available for appropriations were more than the final budget by \$17,905. The final budgeted charges to appropriations exceeded actual by \$41,946. These variances are due mainly to the final estimated expenditures and the timing of the amendments.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets At December 31, 2024, the Police Jury had \$11,549,372 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including land, construction in progress, buildings, furniture and equipment, leased assets, and infrastructure assets such as roads and bridges. This amount represents a net increase (including additions, deductions, and depreciation) of \$2,207,312 or 23.63% from last year. The major additions for 2024 were a wheel loader, motor grader, trucks, equipment shed, and improvements.

Capital Assets at Year-end

	Governmental Activities				
	2024		2023		
Land	\$ 188,7	50 \$	188,750		
Construction in progress	1,308,9	72	1,692,720		
Buildings and improvements	8,714,0	39	8,060,442		
Infrastructure	5,757,6	85	3,771,405		
Furniture, equipment & vehicles	4,005,9	05	3,322,094		
Leased assets	1,268,5	57	1,268,557		
Library books and information materials	808,2	.87	771,525		
Total cost of capital assets	22,052,1	95	19,075,493		
Less: accumulated depreciation	(10,502,8	23)	(9,733,433)		
Total net capital assets	\$ 11,549,3	72 \$	9,342,060		

For further information on capital assets, see Note 7 of the Notes to the Financial Statements.

Debt Administration At December 31, 2024, the Police Jury had the following debt obligations.

Outstanding Debt, at Year-end

Governmental Activities					
	2023				
\$	575,450	\$	859,933		
\$	575,450	\$	859,933		
	<u>\$</u> \$	\$ 575,450	\$ 575,450 \$		

Other obligations include accrued vacation pay, other post-employment benefits and net pension liability. We present more detailed information about our long-term liabilities in Note 11 of Notes to the Financial Statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES Our elected and appointed officials and citizens consider many factors when setting the Police Jury's 2025 budget and tax rates. A budget has been prepared anticipating changes in the various departments, including acquisitions, that the Police Jury has to fund.

CONTACTING THE POLICE JURY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT Our financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, parents, students, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Police Jury's finances and to show the Police Jury's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or wish to request additional financial information, contact the Secretary-Treasurer, at the Madison Parish Police Jury, 100 North Cedar St, Tallulah, Louisiana, 71282, telephone number (318) 574-3451.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Government-wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2024

Statement A

	PRIMARY GOVERNMENT
	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
ASSETS Cash and equivalents Investments Receivables Capital assets not being depreciated Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 2,082,253 10,496,875 5,629,543 1,497,722 10,051,650
TOTAL ASSETS	29,758,043
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred outflows related to pensions	844,705
LIABILITIES Accounts and other payables Unearned revenue Long-term liabilities:	574,060 308,666
Long-term debt due within one year: Leases, compensated absences, and claims Long-term debt due in more than one year: Leases, compensated absences, and claims OPEB liability Net pension liability	399,861 515,729 343,125 294,601
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,436,042
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred inflows related to pensions	171,842
NET POSITION Net investment in capital assets Restricted for:	10,973,922
Library Garbage Maintenance Health Unit Courthouse and jail Public Works	2,152,325 2,540,491 2,511,008 7,969,633 1,955,142
American Rescue Plan Other Grants Unrestricted	1,098 331,422 (440,177)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 27,994,864

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

		10.	ine rear	Ended Decemb		AM REVENUE	S		GOVI GOVI	ratement B RIMARY VERNMENT ERNMENTAL CTIVITIES (EXPENSE)
					OP	ERATING		CAPITAL	REV	ENUE AND
				GES FOR		ANTS AND		ANTS AND		IANGES IN
	E	XPENSES	SI	ERVICES	CON	TRIBUTIONS	CON	TRIBUTIONS	NET	POSITION
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS										
Primary Government: Governmental Activi	ties:									
General Government:										600.000
Legislative	\$	96,867	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(96,867)
Judicial		812,130		20,285		-		-		(791,845)
Elections		29,152		-		-		-		(29,152)
Finance and administrative		373,955		-		-		-		(373,955)
Public safety		1,364,219		-		-				(1,364,219)
Public works		3,621,720		555,737		142,993		2,009,706		(913,284)
Health and welfare		321,170		65,761		59,499		-		(195,910)
Culture and recreation		659,367		4,066		-		793,065		137,764
Economic development and assistance		97,093		1,500		-		-		(95,593)
Interest on long-term debt		29,226		-				-		(29,226)
Total governmental activities	\$	7,404,899	\$	647,349	\$	202,492	\$	2,802,771		(3,752,287)
	Genera	l revenues:								
	Tax									
		roperty taxes, lev								5,174,337
		ales taxes, levied		al purposes						403,315
		te revenue sharin	g							56,835
		erance tax								14,511
		ints and contribu		estricted to spec	ific prog	rams				441,342
		es and forfeiture								350,810
		enses and permit								141,566
		erest and investm	ent earnir	igs						533,949
	Mis	scellaneous								63,392
	T	otal general reve	nues							7,180,057
	C	hange in net posi	tion							3,427,770
	Net pos	sition - beginning								24,567,094
	Net pos	sition - ending							\$	27,994,864

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Balance Sheet December 31, 2024

		ENERAL		RIMINAL COURT	LIBRARY		GARBAGE MAINTENANCE	
ASSETS	_		-		-		-	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	735,014	\$	9,289	\$	49,266	\$	11,015
Investments		-		-		1,487,656		2,129,664
Receivables		648,348		37,540		612,418		1,015,304
Interfund receivables		1,193,938	_	2,784		13,153		7,632
TOTAL ASSETS		2,577,300		49,613		2,162,493		3,163,615
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:								
Accounts and other payables		344,878		12,304		10,168		5,595
Interfund payables		1,323,951		1,059,075		10,100		617,529
Unearned revenue		1,323,331		1,039,073		-		017,329
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,668,829		1,071,379		10,168		623,124
Deferred Inflows of Resources:								
Unavailable revenue - property taxes		9,090		-		11,834		5,004
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		9,090	_		_	11,834		5,004
Fund balances:								
Restricted		-		-		2,140,491		2,535,487
Unassigned		899,381	_	(1,021,766)	_	-		-
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	_	899,381	_	(1,021,766)	_	2,140,491		2,535,487
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	2,577,300	\$	49,613	\$	2,162,493	\$	3,163,615

Statement C

HEALTH UNIT	COURTHOUSE & JAIL	PUBLIC WORKS	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN	GRANT FUND	NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL	TOTAL
\$ 102,927 1,952,651 300,314 221,691	\$ 564,009 4,926,904 1,082,695 1,432,153	\$ 18,102 - 1,918,484 576,048	\$ 349,284 - -	\$ - - -	\$ 243,347 - 14,440 - 169,757	\$ 2,082,253 10,496,875 5,629,543 3,617,156
2,577,583	8,005,761	2,512,634	349,284		427,544	21,825,827
2,150 64,425	36,128	28,185 529,307	50,989 - 297,197	21,879	83,663 990 11,469	574,060 3,617,156 308,666
66,575	36,128	557,492	348,186	21,879	96,122	4,499,882
3,283	20,893	51,218				101,322
3,283	20,893	51,218				101,322
2,507,725	7,948,740	1,903,924	1,098	(21,879)	331,422	17,368,887 (144,264)
2,507,725	7,948,740	1,903,924	1,098	(21,879)	331,422	17,224,623
\$ 2,577,583	\$ 8,005,761	\$ 2,512,634	\$ 349,284	\$ -	\$ 427,544	\$ 21,825,827

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position December 31, 2024

Statement D

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Total fund balances - governmental funds	\$	17,224,623
The cost of capital assets (land, buildings, furniture and equipment and infrastructure) purchased or constructed is reported as an expenditure in governmental funds. The Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets among the assets of the Police Jury as a whole. The cost of those capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives (as depreciation expense) to the various programs reported as governmental activities in the Statement of Activities. Because depreciation expense does not affect financial resources, it is not reported in governmental funds.		
Costs of capital assets \$ 22,052,195		
Accumulated depreciation (10,502,823)		11,549,372
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as deferred inflows of resources - unavailable revenue in the governmental funds.		101,322
Deferred outflows of resources are not available to pay current period expenditures and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		844,705
Deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported in the governmental funds.		(171,842)
Long-term liabilities applicable to the Police Jury's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. All liabilities - both current and long term - are reported in the Statement of Net Position.		
Balances at December 31, 2024 are:		
Long-term liabilities and related items		
Leases payable \$ (575,450)		
Compensated absences payable (162,640)		
Claims payable (177,500)		
OPEB liability (343,125)		
Net pension liability (294,601)		(1 552 216)
		(1,553,316)
Net position of governmental activities	\$	27,994,864

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

REVENUES Local sources: Taxes: Ad Valorem Sales and use Licenses and permits Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	\$ 410,339 403,315 185,692 681,597 7,448 14,511 338,709 2,467 20,276	\$	\$ 614,764 	\$	503,834 - 11,858 - 4,340
Taxes: Ad Valorem Sales and use Licenses and permits Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	403,315 185,692 681,597 7,448 14,511 338,709		7,222 - 6,131 - 1,000	\$	11,858
Ad Valorem Sales and use Licenses and permits Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	403,315 185,692 681,597 7,448 14,511 338,709		7,222 - 6,131 - 1,000	\$	11,858
Sales and use Licenses and permits Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	403,315 185,692 681,597 7,448 14,511 338,709		7,222 - 6,131 - 1,000	\$	11,858
Licenses and permits Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	185,692 681,597 7,448 14,511 338,709	348 112	6,131 - 1,000		
Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	681,597 7,448 14,511 338,709	348 112	6,131 - 1,000		
Federal grants State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	7,448 14,511 338,709 - 2,467	348 112	6,131 - 1,000		
State funds: Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	7,448 14,511 338,709 - 2,467	348 112	6,131 - 1,000		
Parish transportation funds State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	14,511 338,709 - 2,467	348 112	1,000		4,340
State revenue sharing Severance taxes Other	14,511 338,709 - 2,467	348 112	1,000		4,340
Severance taxes Other	14,511 338,709 - 2,467	348 112	1,000		4,340
Other	338,709 - 2,467	348 112			-
	2,467	348 112			
E 1 1 ' C '		348 112	4,066		-
Fees, charges, and commissions for services		348 112			555,139
Fines and forfeitures			231		-
Use of money and property		528	135,782		33,184
Other revenues	3,030		280		-
TOTAL REVENUES	2,067,384	348,640	769,476		1,108,355
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government:					
Legislative	105,980	4 2			_
Judicial	205,476	556,192	_		_
Elections	31,035	-	_		-
Finance and administrative	292,241	_			_
Public safety	124,727		_		
Public works	8,188	_			992,330
Health and welfare	36,474				772,330
Culture and recreation	50,474		630,602		
Economic development and assistance	91,572		050,002		
Capital outlay	706,603				
Debt service:	700,003				
Principal retirement	41,723				
	1,204		-		-
Interest and bank charges	1,204			_	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,645,223	556,192	630,602		992,330
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES	422,161	(207,552)	138,874		116,025
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers in	-	249,168	-		
Transfers out	(300,507)	-	-		-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(300,507)	249,168			
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	121,654	41,616	138,874		116,025
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	777,727	(1,063,382)	2,001,617		2,419,462
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 899,381	\$ (1,021,766)	\$ 2,140,491	\$	2,535,487

HEALTH UNIT COURTHOUSE & JAIL PUBLIC WORKS AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN GRANT FUND NONMARKS \$ 233,608 \$ 1,085,334 \$ 2,416,016 \$ - \$ - \$ -	
\$ 233.608 \$ 1.085.334 \$ 2.416.016 \$ - \$ - \$	
	- \$ 5,263,895
	- \$ 3,203,893
	6,198 191,890
56,159 12,751 72,877 1,492,156 6,859	585,978 2,927,457
- 142,993	- 142,993
3,461 - 35,455	- 56,835
	- 14,511
24,971 - 7,650	3,825 376,155
- 598	87,546 647,349
	- 350,810
9,845 298,481 22,929 1,098 -	11,826 533,949
	9,758 13,068
303,073 1,396,566 2,715,839 1,493,254 14,509	705,131 10,922,227
	- 105,980
- 92 - 20,000 -	50 781,810
	- 31,035
1000 700	3,785 296,026
- 1,068,762	133,186 1,326,675
2,385,288 - 7,650 169,096	- 3,393,456 63,804 269,374
109,090	- 630,602
	5,521 97,093
- 160,483 1,472,156 -	541,598 2,880,840
- 242,760	- 284,483
	- 29,226
169,096 1,068,854 2,816,553 1,492,156 7,650	747,944 10,126,600
133,977 327,712 (100,714) 1,098 6,859	(42,813) 795,627
- 71,850	85,043 406,061
	(97,427) (406,061)
- 71,850 - (8,127)	(12,384)
133,977 327,712 (28,864) 1,098 (1,268)	(55,197) 795,627
2,373,748 7,621,028 1,932,788 - (20,611)	386,619 16,428,996
\$ 2,507,725 \$ 7,948,740 \$ 1,903,924 \$ 1,098 \$ (21,879) \$	331,422 \$ 17,224,623

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

		St	atement F
Total net change in fund balances - governmental fun	nds	\$	795,627
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the	Statement of Activities are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds a Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over expense. This is the amount by which depreciation	r their estimated useful lives as depreciation		
Capital outlay	\$ 2,992,476		
Depreciation expense	(785,164)		2 207 212
			2,207,312
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not p	provide current financial resources are		
not reported as revenues in the funds.			(89,558)
In the Statement of Activities, certain operating experience are measured by the amounts earned during the year expenditures for these items are measured by the a (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This year vacation used.	ar. In the governmental funds, however, mount of financial resources used		(32,464)
The recognition of pension expense in the Statement			
benefit payments discounted to actuarial present va			
service. Pension expenditures in the fund financia	l statements are the amounts actually paid.		164,549
Other post-employment benefits are reported in the g	governmental funds as expenditures when		
paid. The unfunded annual contributions is reported			97,821
	l resources of governmental funds, while the repayment vernmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any		
Principal payments on leases			284,483
Change in net position of governmental activities.		\$	3,427,770

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NOTE 1-SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES The Madison Parish Police Jury (the Police Jury) is the governing authority for Madison Parish and is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. The Police Jury is governed by five jurors representing the various districts within the parish who are elected to serve four-year terms.

Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1236 gives the Police Jury various powers in regulating and directing the affairs of the parish and its inhabitants. The more notable of those are the powers to make regulations for their own government; to regulate the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges; to regulate the construction and maintenance of drainage systems; to regulate the sale of alcoholic beverages; and to provide for the health and welfare of the poor, disadvantaged, and unemployed in the parish. Funding to accomplish these tasks is provided by ad valorem taxes, beer and alcoholic beverage permits, state revenue sharing, and various other state and federal grants.

In accomplishing its objectives, the Police Jury also has the authority to create special districts (component units) within the parish. The districts perform specialized functions, such as fire protection, water system services, and health care facilities.

A. REPORTING ENTITY As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Madison Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Madison Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (Police Jury), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

GASB Statements establish criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be considered part of the Madison Parish Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and:
 - a. The ability of the Police Jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Police Jury.
- 2. Organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Police Jury and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Police Jury.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Based on the previous criteria, the Police Jury has determined that the following component units are part of the reporting entity:

Component Unit	Method of <u>Inclusion</u>	Fiscal <u>Year End</u>	Criteria <u>Used</u>
Not included within the reporting entity:			
Madison Parish Hospital Service District		December 31	1 and 3
Madison Parish Port Commission		December 31	1 and 3
Madison Parish Recreation District		December 31	1 and 3
Afton Fire Protection		December 31	1 and 3
Mound Fire Protection		December 31	1 and 3
Bear Lake Fire Protection District No 1		December 31	1 and 3
Tallulah Fire Protection District		December 31	1 and 3
Delta Fire Protection District		December 31	1 and 3
Madison Parish Tax Assessor		December 31	2 and 3
Madison Parish Clerk of Court		June 30	2 and 3
Madison Parish Sheriff		June 30	2 and 3
Madison Parish Tourism Commission		December 31	1 and 3
Madison Parish Communications District		December 31	1 and 3

The Police Jury has chosen not to include the component units above in its basic financial statements; however, these are necessary in order for the Police Jury to be reporting in conformity with GAAP. Separate financial statements for the component units can be obtained by contacting the component unit. If these component units were included, it would be through discrete presentation.

B. FUNDS The accounts of the Police Jury are organized and operated on the basis of funds. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

The governmental funds are divided into separate "fund types." Governmental funds are used to account for government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus of attention is on the recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. The Police Jury's current operations require the use of governmental funds. The fund types and major funds of the Police Jury are described as follows:

Governmental Funds

General fund - is the general operating fund of the Police Jury. It accounts for all activities except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Criminal Court – accounts for the activities performed in the parish criminal court system. The main source of revenue is fines and forfeitures.

Library fund - accounts for the activities performed for the public library. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax restricted for the library.

Garbage Maintenance - accounts for the parish garbage collection services. The main sources of revenue are ad valorem tax and collection fees.

Health Unit – accounts for funds for the parish health center. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax

Courthouse & Jail – accounts for the operations and maintenance of the courthouse and jail. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax.

Public Works – accounts for funds used to maintain parish roads and streets. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax.

American Rescue Plan - accounts for grant funding from the Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Fund authorized by American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Grant Fund – accounts for federal and state funds restricted for specific purposes.

C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Government-wide Financial Statements (GWFS) The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities displays information about the reporting government as a whole. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities was prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, liabilities, and deferred inflow/outflows of resources resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions." Fiduciary funds are not included in the government-wide financial statements.

<u>Program revenues</u> Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities derive directly from the program itself or from parties outside the Police Jury's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the Police Jury's general revenues.

Allocation of indirect expenses The Police Jury reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Depreciation expense is specifically identified by function and is included in the direct expense of each function. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

Governmental Funds The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Governmental fund types use the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they are "measurable and available"). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The government considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for unmatured principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

With this measurement focus, only current assets, current liabilities, and current deferred inflows and outflows of resources are generally included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases and decreases in net current assets. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues Ad valorem taxes and the related state revenue sharing are recorded in the year they are assessed. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar-year basis and become due on November 15 of each year and become delinquent on December 31. Ad valorem taxes become delinquent if not paid by December 31. The taxes are normally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the ensuing year.

Interest income on investments is recorded when earned and the income is available.

Substantially all other revenues are recorded when they become available to the Police Jury.

Based on the above criteria, ad valorem taxes, federal and state grants, fines, forfeitures, and court costs have been treated as susceptible to accrual.

Expenditures Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term obligations, which are recognized when due.

Other Financing Sources (Uses) Sale of capital assets, increases in leased assets, and transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid are accounted for as other financing sources (uses) and are recognized when the underlying events occur.

D. ENCUMBRANCES Outstanding encumbrances lapse at year-end. Authorization for the eventual expenditure will be included in the following year's budget appropriations. Encumbrance accounting is not employed in governmental funds.

Encumbrance accounting (e.g., purchase orders, contracts) is not recognized within the accounting records for budgetary control purposes.

- E. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash includes amounts petty cash, in demand deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits, and time deposit accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the Police Jury may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, money market accounts or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state in the United States or under the laws of United States.
- **F. INVESTMENTS** Investments are limited by R.S. 33:2955 and the Police Jury's investment policy. If the original maturities of investments exceed 90 days they are classified as investments; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

The investments are reflected at fair value except for the following which are required/permitted as per GASB Statement No. 31:

- 1. Investments in *nonparticipating* interest-earning contracts, such as nonnegotiable certificates of deposit with redemption terms that do not consider market rates, are reported using a cost-based measure.
- 2. The Police Jury reported at amortized cost money market investments and <u>participating</u> interest-earning investment contracts that have a remaining maturity at time of purchase of one year or less.

Short-term investments are reported at amortized cost which approximates fair value. Long-term investments, those with original maturities greater than one (1) year, are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

Definitions:

Interest-earning investment contracts include time deposits with financial institutions (such as certificates of deposit), repurchase agreements, and guaranteed investment contracts.

Money market investments are short-term, highly liquid debt instruments that include U. S. Treasury obligations.

- **G. SHORT-TERM INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES (FFS)** During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as interfund receivables/payables on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are also classified as interfund receivables/payables.
- **H. ELIMINATION AND RECLASSIFICATIONS** In the process of aggregating data for the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified. Interfund receivables and payables were eliminated to minimize the "grossing up" effect on assets and liabilities within the governmental activities column.
- I. INVENTORY AND PREPAID ITEMS Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items. All inventory items are valued at cost using first-in, first-out method. Inventory is recorded using the consumption method.
- J. CAPITAL ASSETS Capital assets for the Police Jury purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$2,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at their acquisition value as of the date received. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Straight line depreciation is used based on the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and Improvements	20-40 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 15 years
Books and Periodicals	10 years
Infrastructure	20-40 years

GASB No. 34 requires the Police Jury to report and depreciate new infrastructure assets. Infrastructure assets include roads, bridges, traffic signals, etc. These infrastructure assets are likely to be the largest asset class of the Police Jury. The Police Jury does not and is not required to retroactively report infrastructure constructed before January 1, 2004. The Police Jury's policy is to capitalize infrastructure construction or improvements of \$2,000 or more.

K. COMPENSATED ABSENCES All full-time employees of the Police Jury earn annual leave at rates varying from 10 to 20 days per year, depending on length of service. Employees may accumulate up to a maximum of 90 days of annual leave. Employees may carry forward 5 days. No more than 30 days of annual leave will be paid out due to termination, retirement, or death of the employee. Sick leave may accumulate to a maximum of 90 days. Upon retirement, unused sick leave is used in the retirement benefit computation as earned service. Employees are not compensated for accumulated sick leave upon separation of service.

The cost of leave privileges, computed in accordance with the previous codification, is recognized as current-year expenditure within the various funds when leave is actually taken or when employees are paid for accrued vacation leave upon retirement.

The Police Jury's recognition and measurement criterion for compensated absences follows:

GASB Statement No. 101 provides that vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics should be accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned by the employees if all of the following conditions are met:

The leave accumulates.

The employees' right to receive compensation is attributable to services already rendered.

It is more likely than not to be either paid or settled through other means.

- L. LIABILITIES For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the retirement systems and additions to/deductions from the retirements systems fiduciary net position have been determined on the accrual basis, the same basis as they are reported by the retirement systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.
- M. RESTRICTED NET POSITION For the government-wide Statement of Net Position, net position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on net position use are either:
 - Externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations
 of other governments.
 - Imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

It is the Police Jury's policy to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available. Net position restricted because of enabling legislation is net position restricted for garbage collection, library, health unit, courthouse & jail, and public works.

N. FUND EQUITY OF FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Fund balances are reported in the following categories:

<u>Non-spendable</u>: Fund balance that is not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. This category includes items that are not easily converted to cash such as inventories and prepaid items.

<u>Restricted</u>: Fund balance that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by the constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.

<u>Committed</u>: Fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes determined by the Police Jury's highest level of decision-making authority. The Jury is the highest level of decision-making authority of the Police Jury that can, by adoption of a resolution prior to fiscal year, commit fund balance. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Jury removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action it employed to previously commit the funds.

<u>Assigned</u>: Fund balance that is constrained by the Police Jury's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed.

<u>Unassigned</u>: Fund balance that is the residual classification for the General fund or a deficit fund balance in other funds.

The Police Jury reduces committed amounts, followed by assigned amounts and then unassigned amounts when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used. The Police Jury considers restricted amounts have been spent first when an expenditure has incurred for purpose for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available.

O. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures, or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or non-routine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

- P. SALES TAXES The voters of the parish approved a ½ percent sales tax which is split 50/50 between the Police Jury and the Hospital Service District.
- **Q. UNEARNED REVENUE** Unearned revenues arise when assets are recognized before the revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied, as when grant monies are received prior to the occurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when the Police Jury has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed and revenue is recognized.
- **R. USE OF ESTIMATES** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and deferred inflows and outflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statement and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- **S. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS** In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as a liability in the applicable governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position.
- **T. RISK MANAGEMENT** The Police Jury is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destructions of assets; error and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Police Jury maintains insurance to cover such risk. In the past, the insurance has been sufficient to cover any settlements. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in the past three fiscal years.
- **U. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES** In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow or resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Police Jury does have an item that qualifies as deferred outflows of resources, which is related to pension obligations.

In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenues) until that time. The Police Jury has items that qualify for reporting in this category. One of the items arise under the modified accrual basis of accounting, *unavailable revenue*, which is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet as unavailable property taxes. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The other items that qualify as deferred inflow of resources related to pension obligations.

NOTE 2-STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY These funds had actual expenditures over budgeted expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2024 as detailed below:

Fund	Budget		Actual	Variance		
General	\$ 1,903,784	\$ 1,945,730		\$	(41,946)	
Library	595,579		630,602		(35,023)	
Health Unit	168,734		169,096		(362)	
Courthouse & Jail	996,717		1,068,854		(72,137)	
American Rescue Plan	426,578		1,492,156		(1,065,578)	
Grant Fund	-		15,777		(15,777)	

Deficit fund balances: The Criminal Court fund has an ending deficit fund balance of \$1,021,766. This will be addressed by the Police Jury in the future. The Grant fund has a deficit fund balance of \$21,879 which will be cleared by receipts in the next fiscal year.

NOTE 3 - LEVIED TAXES The Police Jury levies taxes on real and business personal property located within Madison Parish's boundaries. Property taxes are levied by the Police Jury on property values assessed by the Madison Parish Tax Assessor and approved by the State of Louisiana Tax Commission.

The Madison Parish Sheriff's Office bills and collects property taxes for the Police Jury. Collections are remitted to the Police Jury monthly.

Property Tax Calendar

Millage rates adopted/levied	May 23, 2024
Tax bills mailed	On or about November 30, 2024
Due date	December 31, 2024
Collection dates	December 31, 2024 through April 2025
Penalty and interest accrues	January 1, 2025
Tax sale – 2024 property	May 21, 2025

Assessed values are established by the Madison Parish Tax Assessor each year on a uniform basis at the following ratios of assessed value to fair market value:

10% land	15% industrial improvements
15% machinery	15% commercial improvements
10% residential improvements	25% public service properties, excluding land

A revaluation of all property is required after 1978 to be completed no less than every four years. The last revaluation was completed for the roll of January 1, 2022. Total assessed value was \$113,926,659 in calendar year 2024. Louisiana state law exempts the first \$75,000 of assessed value of a taxpayer's primary residence from parish property taxes. This homestead exemption was \$14,763,028 of the assessed value in calendar year 2024.

State law requires the sheriff to collect property taxes in the calendar year in which the assessment is made. Property taxes become delinquent January 1 of the following year. If taxes are not paid by the due date, taxes bear interest at the rate of 1.25% per month until the taxes are paid. After notice is given to the delinquent taxpayers, the sheriff is required by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana to sell the least quantity of property necessary to settle the taxes and interest owed.

The calendar year tax roll is prepared by the parish tax assessor in November of each year. The amount of property taxes to be collected occurs in December 2024 and January and February 2025. All property taxes are recorded in the general, library, garbage maintenance, health unit, courthouse & jail, and public works funds. The Police Jury considers the lien date (January 1, 2025) as the date an enforceable legal claim occurs for 2024 property taxes. Property tax revenue is recognized in the period for which the taxes are levied (budgeted).

Estimated uncollectible taxes are those taxes based on past experience which will not be collected in the subsequent year and are primarily due to subsequent adjustments to the tax roll. Historically, virtually all ad valorem taxes receivable were collected since they are secured by property. Therefore, there is no allowance for uncollectible taxes.

The following is a summary of authorized and levied (tax rate per \$1,000 assessed value) ad valorem taxes:

	Maximum	Authorized/
Parish-wide taxes:	Millage Rate	Levied Rate
General fund inside	1.73	1.63
General fund outside	3.46	3.27
Library maintenance and operation	3.56	3.56
Library 2002	1.94	1.94
Garbage collection	9.03	9.03
Roads, bridges, drainage	17.10	17.10
Courthouse & jail	2.71	2.71
Courthouse & jail 2007	7.00	7.00
Council on Aging	1.00	1.00
Public transportation	1.00	1.00
Fire protection	2.00	2.00

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS At December 31, 2024, the Police Jury had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) as follows:

Deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits, or the resulting bank balances, must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits: At year-end the bank balance for the Police Jury was \$3,872,229 and the book balance was \$2,082,253. Of the bank balance, \$1,000,000 was covered by federal depository insurance. The

remaining balance was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the Police Jury's name.

Even though the pledged securities are considered uncollateralized under the provisions of GASB Statement No. 3, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the Police Jury that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. The Police Jury's policy does not address custodial credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk-Deposits: The Police Jury's policy does not address interest rate risk.

NOTE 5 - INVESTMENTS The Police Jury measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by generally accepted accounting principles. These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy as follows: Level 1 inputs are quoted prices for identical investments in active markets; Level 2 inputs are other observable inputs other than level 1: and Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs.

At year end, the Police Jury investment balances were as follows:

Investment	Hierarchy	Maturities	Credit Rating		Fair Value ying Amount	% of Investments
US Treasury	Level I	< 3 years	N/A	\$	4,236,016	40%
Federal Home Mortgage	Level I	< 3 years	AA+		4,378,363	42%
Federal Home Mortgage	Level I	3-5 years	AA+))	79,976	
Total investments				-	8,694,355	
Time deposits reported as investments					1,802,520	17%
Total investments reported as Statement A				\$	10,496,875	

Custodial Credit Risk-Investments: The time deposits reported as investment of \$1,802,520 were covered by federal depository insurance and the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

NOTE 6 - RECEIVABLES The following is a summary of receivables at December 31, 2024:

Class of Receivables	_	General	Crin	ninal Court	_	Library	Garbage laintenance	<u>H</u>	ealth Unit	Co	ourthouse & Jail	Public Works	onmajor vernmental	_	Total
Ad valorem taxes	\$	564,711	\$		\$	612,418	\$ 991,051	\$	295,927	\$	1,081,193	\$ 1,918,484	\$	\$	5,463,784
Sales and use taxes		31,604		-					-		-	-	-		31,604
Intergovernmental		16,337				-			4,387				10,965		31,689
Fees, charges, and commissions for services				37,540			24,253						3,475		65,268
Other		35,696		-		-					1,502				37,198
Total	S	648,348	\$	37,540	\$	612,418	\$ 1,015,304	\$	300,314	S	1,082,695	\$ 1,918,484	\$ 14,440	\$	5,629,543

Historically, virtually all ad valorem taxes receivable were collected since they are secured by property; therefore, no allowance for doubtful accounts has been established for ad valorem taxes. The balance of remaining classes of accounts receivable is also expected to be collected in full; therefore, no allowance for doubtful accounts has been established.

NOTE 7 - **CAPITAL ASSETS** The following schedule presents changes in capital assets for governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Balance at			Balance at	
	Beginning	Additions	Deletions	Ending	
Governmental activities					
Capital assets, not being depreciated					
Land	\$ 188,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 188,750	
Construction in progress	1,692,720	2,076,440	2,460,188	1,308,972	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	1,881,470	2,076,440	2,460,188	1,497,722	
Capital assets, being depreciated					
Buildings and improvements	8,060,442	653,597	_	8,714,039	
Infrastructure	3,771,405	1,986,280		5,757,685	
Furniture, equipment & vehicles	3,322,094	683,811	-	4,005,905	
Leased assets	1,268,557	-	-	1,268,557	
Library books and information materials	771,525	52,536	15,774	808,287	
Total capital assets, being depreciated	17,194,023	3,376,224	15,774	20,554,473	
Less accumulated depreciation:	- 77				
Buildings and improvements	5,914,034	150,446	,	6,064,480	
Infrastructure	196,427	126,407		322,834	
Furniture, equipment & vehicles	2,523,073	195,572	-	2,718,645	
Leased assets	405,188	293,042	-	698,230	
Library books and information materials	694,711	19,697	15,774	698,634	
Total accumulated depreciation	9,733,433	785,164	15,774	10,502,823	
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	7,460,590	2,591,060		10,051,650	
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 9,342,060	\$ 4,667,500	\$ 2,460,188	\$ 11,549,372	

Depreciation expense was charged to the governmental activities as follows:

\$	86,368
	94,220
	47,110
4	00,434
	62,813
	94,219
\$ 7	85,164
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NOTE 8 - ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES The accounts and other payables at December 31, 2024 are as follows:

							G	arbage			Cou	ırthouse &			Ame	rican Rescue	N	onmajor	
	Ge	neral Fund	Crin	inal Court	I	ibrary	Mai	ntenance	Hea	lth Unit		Jail	Pub	olic Works		Plan	Gov	ernmental	Total
Vendors	\$	340,803	\$	6,678	\$	6,260	\$	4,451	\$	574	\$	34,301	\$	5,352	\$	50,989	S	83,663	\$ 533,071
Wages		4,075		5,626		3,908		1,144		1,576		1,827		22,833					40,989
	\$	344,878	\$	12,304	\$	10,168	\$	5,595	\$	2,150	\$	36,128	\$	28,185	\$	50,989	\$	83,663	\$ 574,060

NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN The Police Jury is a participating employer in a statewide, public employee retirement system, the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (System). The System has a separate board of trustees and administers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The System is composed of two plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate asset and benefit provisions. All employees of the Police Jury are members of Plan A. The authority to establish and amend the benefit terms of the System was granted to the Board of Trustees and the Louisiana Legislature by Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes. The System issues a public report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. Copies of the report for the System may be obtained at www.persla.org.

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description/Benefits Provided:

The System administers a plan to provide retirement, disability, and survivor's benefits to employees of taxing districts of a parish or any branch or section of a parish within the state which does not have their own retirement system, and which elect to become members of the System. The age and years of creditable service (service) required in order for a member to receive retirement benefits are established by R.S. 11:1901 and vary depending on the member's hire date.

A member who joined the system on or before January 1, 2007, is eligible for normal retirement if the member has at least 30 years of creditable service regardless of age, 25 years of creditable service and is at least age 55, 10 years of creditable service and is at least age 60, or 7 years of creditable service and is at least age 65. A member who joined the System on or after January 1, 2007, is eligible for normal retirement if the member has at least 30 years of creditable service and is at least age 62, or 7 years of creditable service and is at least age 67.

Generally, the monthly amount of the retirement allowance shall consist of an amount equal to 3% of the member's final average compensation multiplied by the member's years of creditable service. However, under certain conditions as outlined in the statutes the benefits are limited to specified amounts.

A member hired prior to January 1, 2007, is eligible to retire and receive disability benefits if the member has at least 5 years of creditable service, is not eligible for normal retirement and has become totally and permanently disabled and is certified as disabled by the State Medical Disability Board. A member who joins the System on or after January 1, 2007, must have at least 7 years of service to qualify for disability benefits.

Upon the death of a member with five or more years of creditable service who is not eligible for retirement, the plan provides benefits for surviving spouses and minor children.

Deferred Retirement Option Plan

In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a service retirement, any member who is eligible to retire may elect to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) in which they are enrolled for 3 years and defer the

receipt of benefits. During participation in the plan, employer contributions are payable, but employee contributions cease. The monthly retirement benefits that would be payable, had the person elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement allowance, are paid into the DROP fund. Upon termination of employment prior to or at the end of the specified period of participation, a participant in the DROP may receive, at the participant's option, a lump sum from the account equal to the payments into the account, a true annuity based upon the account balance in that fund or roll over the fund to an individual retirement account.

Cost of Living Adjustments

The Board is authorized to provide a cost-of-living allowance for those retirees who retired prior to July 1973. The adjustment cannot exceed 2% of the retiree's original benefit for each full calendar year since retirement and may only be granted if sufficient funds are available from investment income in excess of normal requirements. In addition, the Board may provide an additional cost of living increase to all retirees and beneficiaries who are over age 65 equal to 2% of the member's benefit paid on October 1, 1977, (or the member's retirement date, if later). Also, the Board may provide a cost of living increase up to 2.5% for retirees 62 and older. (RS 11:1937). Lastly, Act 270 of 2009 provided for further reduced actuarial payments to provide an annual 2.5% cost of living adjustment commencing at age 55. These ad hoc COLAs are not considered to be substantively automatic.

Contributions

Contributions for all members are established by statute at 9.5% of compensation and are deducted from the member's salary and remitted by the participating employer. According to state statute, contributions for all employers are actuarially determined each year. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the actuarially determined contribution rate was 7.49% of member's compensation. However, the actual rate for fiscal year ending December 31, 2024 was 11.50% or \$227,889. According to state statute, the System also receives \(^{1}4\) of 1% of ad valorem taxes collected within the respective parishes except for Orleans and East Baton Rouge parishes. The System also receives revenue sharing funds each year as appropriated by the Legislature. Tax monies and revenue sharing monies are apportioned between Plan A and Plan B in proportion to the member's compensation. These additional sources of income are used as additional employer contributions and are considered support from non-contributing entities. The Police Jury's proportionate share of non-employer contributions was \$30,598 and was recognized as revenue by the Police Jury.

<u>Pension Liabilities (Assets), Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

At December 31, 2024, the Police Jury reported a liability of \$294,601 for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability (NPL). The NPL was measured as of December 31, 2023, and the total pension assets and liabilities used to calculate the NPL were determined by actuarial valuations as of that date. This liability will be liquidated by the General fund and special revenue funds with recorded salaries. The Police Jury's proportions of the NPL were based on projections of the Police Jury's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contribution of all participating employers, actuarially determined. As of December 31, 2023, the most recent measurement date, the Police Jury's proportions and the changes in proportion from the prior measurement date were .309220%, or an increase of .004572%.

The following reflects the changes in the net pension liability (asset):

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Police Jury recognized a total pension expense of \$63,340. The Police Jury reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions as components of unrestricted net position from the following sources:

	Defer	red Outflows	Defer	red Inflows
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	139,502	\$	79,077
Change in assumptions		-		51,326
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		474,792		
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		2,522		41,439
Employer contributions after measurement date		227,889		_
Total	\$	844,705	\$	171,842

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Police Jury's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the NPL (NPA) in the year ended December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

2025 \$	25,699
2026	223,166
2027	389,097
2028	(192,988)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for PERS in the December 31, 2023, actuarial valuations were determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurements:

Valuation Date December 31, 2023

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal Cost

Expected Remaining Service Lives 4 year

Investment Rate of Return 6.40%, net of investment expense, including inflation

Inflation Rate 2.30%

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Healthy Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females with full

generational projection using the MP2021 scale for annuitant and

Mortality - Non-disabled beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement

Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using

MP2021 scale.

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled

Mortality - Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with

full generational projection using MP2021 scale.

Salary Increases 4.75% (2.45% Merit/2.30% Inflation)

Cost of Living Adjustments Not substantively automatic

Termination, Disability, Retirement

Projected based on a 5 year (January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2022)

experience study

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the capital asset pricing model (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations are projected on a forward-looking basis in equilibrium, in which best-estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.40% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.50% for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2023, are summarized in the following table:

	Target Allocation	LT Expected Real Rate of Return
Asset Class		
Fixed income	33%	1.12%
Equity	51%	3.20%
Alternatives	14%	0.67%
Real assets	2%	0.11%
Total	100%	5.10%
Inflation		2.40%
Expected arithmetic nominal return		7.50%

Discount Rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability (asset) was 6.40%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions from participating employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the proportionate share of the NPL (NPA) to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the Police Jury's proportionate share of the NPL (NPA) using the current discount rate as well as what the Police Jury's proportionate share of the NPL (NPA) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower or one percentage-point higher than the current rate:

		(Current		
		Disc	count Rate		
1.09	% Decrease		6.40%	1.0	0% Increase
\$	2,102,030	\$	294,601	\$	(1,222,556)

Pension plan fiduciary net position Detailed information about fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report referenced above.

Payables to the Pension Plan. At December 31, 2024, the Police Jury had \$133,529 in payables for the December 2024 employee and employer legally required contributions.

NOTE 10 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES At December 31, 2024, employees of the Police Jury, Library, and Criminal Court had accumulated and vested \$162,640 of employee leave benefits. The liability for compensated absences includes salary related benefits.

NOTE 11 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES The following is a summary of the long-term liabilities' transactions and balances for the year ended December 31:

1	Beginning Balance	Additions Deletions				_	Amounts Due Within One year		
						-			
\$	859,933	\$	-	\$	284,483	\$	575,450	\$	237,221
	130,176		188,691		156,227		162,640		162,640
	177,500		-		-		177,500		-
\$	1,167,609	\$	188,691	\$	440,710	\$	915,590	\$	399,861
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The compensated absence liability will be liquidated by the funds where the salary is recorded.

The Police Jury leases heavy equipment under lease terms that range from three to five years. Interest rates range from 4.00% to 4.25%. The annual requirement to amortize leases payable outstanding as of December 31, 2024, including interest payments are as follows:

Principal Payments		Interest Payments	Total		
	\$ 237,221	\$ 18,550	\$	255,771	
	232,241	9,301		241,542	
	105,988	1,258		107,246	
	\$ 575,450	\$ 29,109	\$	604,559	
	\$ 575,450	\$ 29,109	_	\$	

NOTE 12 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS (FFS LEVEL ONLY)

Transfers In/Out

Transferred In	Transferred Out	ž	Amount	
Criminal Court	General Fund	\$	223,591	
Criminal Court	Nonmajor Governmental		25,577	
Public Works	Nonmajor Governmental		71,850	
Nonmajor Governmental	General Fund		76,916	
Nonmajor Governmental	Grant Fund		8,127	
Total		\$	406,061	

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them.

Interfund Receivables/Payables

General Fund Criminal court Garbage maintenance \$ 1,056,464 Health unit 6,453 Health unit 64,425 Public works 43,727 Grant fund 21,879 Nonmajor governmental 990 Criminal court Garbage maintenance 2,784 Library General fund 13,153 Garbage maintenance Public works 7,632 Health unit General fund 44,722 Garbage maintenance 58,421 Public works 118,548 Courthouse & jail General fund 1,160,393 Criminal court 2,611 Garbage maintenance 56,848 Public works 212,301 Public works 212,301 Public works 212,301 Nonmajor Governmental General fund 83,025 Garbage maintenance 493,023 Nonmajor Governmental General fund 22,658 Public works 147,099 Total 3,6617,156	Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	<u>Amount</u>
Health unit	General Fund	Criminal court	\$ 1,056,464
Public works 43,727 Grant fund 21,879 Nonmajor governmental 990 Criminal court Garbage maintenance 2,784 Library General fund 13,153 Garbage maintenance Public works 7,632 Health unit General fund 44,722 Garbage maintenance 58,421 Public works 118,548 Courthouse & jail General fund 1,160,393 Criminal court 2,611 Garbage maintenance 56,848 Public works 212,301 Public works General fund 83,025 Garbage maintenance 493,023 Nonmajor Governmental General fund 22,658 Public works 147,099		Garbage maintenance	6,453
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Nonmajor Governmental General fund 22,658 Public works 147,099	Public works	General fund	83,025
Public works 147,099		Garbage maintenance	493,023
	Nonmajor Governmental	General fund	22,658
Total \$ 3,617,156		Public works	147,099
	Total		\$ 3,617,156

The purpose of the receivable to the General fund was to reimburse for expenses paid at year end. The general fund receivable from Criminal Court of \$1,056,464 is not expected to be paid back in the next year. The Courthouse & Jail receivable from the General fund of \$1,160,393 is not expected to be paid back in the next year.

NOTE 13 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

<u>Litigation</u> At December 31, 2024, the Police Jury was involved in a litigation. It is the opinion of legal counsel for the Policy Jury that ultimate resolution of the litigation would not materially affect the financial statements. The Police Jury has recorded \$177,500 as a claims liability.

<u>Grant Disallowances</u> The Police Jury participates in a number of state and federally assisted grant programs. The programs are subject to compliance audits under the single audit approach based on the total received in the fiscal year. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant.

<u>Construction Commitments</u> The Police Jury had several ongoing construction projects as of December 31, 2024, which include Brushy Bayou Dam and Parks & Recs Improvement projects. As of December 31, 2024, the Police Jury had approximately \$5,198 remaining on Brushy Bayou Dam project and \$43,397 remaining on the Parks & Recs project.

NOTE 14 - RISK MANAGEMENT The Police Jury is at risk for property damage, liability and theft which are covered by commercial insurance. The Police Jury is responsible only for the payment of premiums. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE 15 - OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

<u>Plan description</u> - The Police Jury provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees on a pay-as-you-go basis. The Police Jury's OPEB plan is a single employer defined benefit "substantive plan" as understood by past practices of the Police Jury and its employees. Although no written plan or trust currently exists or is sanctioned by law, the OPEB plan is reported based on communication to plan members. Only employees hired prior to January 1, 2001, are eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the Police Jury. The benefits and similar benefits for active employees are provided through an insurance program, whose monthly premiums are paid jointly by the employee and the Police Jury. The OPEB plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report. Additionally, no assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

<u>Benefits Provided and Funding Policy</u> - The insurance for retired individuals is provided through the Police Jury's group plan, which covers both active and retired members. Employees do not contribute to their post-employment benefits cost until they become retirees and begin receiving those benefits. Contribution amounts are approximately 50% retiree/50% employer of the stated costs of healthcare coverage. The retiree pays 50% of any elected dependent medical coverage.

<u>Employees Covered by Benefit Terms</u> - At December 31, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit	4
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	0
Active employees	3
Total	7

<u>Total OPEB Liability</u> - The Police Jury's total OPEB liability of \$343,125 was measured as of December 31, 2024 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2024. The OPEB liability will be liquidated by the General fund. The total OPEB liability is based on census information as of December 31, 2024, and benefit payments and salary information as of December 31, 2024.

<u>Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs</u> - The total OPEB liability for December 31, 2024, using the December 31, 2024, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial method	Individual Entry Age Normal
Discount rate	4.08% -GO Bond 20 year index
Heathcare trend	Level 5.50% trend rate
Active Mortality Rates	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans mortality table for general employees, headcount weighted, multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP-2021 scale.
Annuitant and Beneficiary Mortality Rates	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans mortality table for general healty retirees, headcount weighted, multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP-2021 scale.
Turnover	Turnover rates for employees eligible to retire are assumed to be zero. All active members are eligible to retire; therefore, no withdrawal rates have been assumed.
Retirement rates	100% at retirement eligibility
Salary increase	4.75%

No salary experience studies were conducted. The discount rate increased from 3.26% in the prior year to 4.08% in the current year. The Police Jury contributed \$28,928 utilizing the pay-as-you-go basis.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability:

		otal OPEB Liability
Balance at January 1, 2024	\$	440,946
Changes for the year:		
Service cost		-
Interest		13,907
Difference between expected and actual experience		(48,672)
Changes in assumptions and other inputs		(34,128)
Benefit payments		(28,928)
Net changes	-	(97,821)
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$	343,125

<u>Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate</u> – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Police Jury, as well as what the Police Jury's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower and one percentage point higher than the current discount rate.

	1% Decrease (3.08%)	Discount Rate (4.08%)	1% Increase (5.08%)	
Total OPEB liability	\$ 373,286	\$ 343,125	\$ 316,935	

<u>Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</u> - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Police Jury, as well as what the Police Jury's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower and one percentage point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates.

	1% Decrease (3.08%)	Trend Rate (4.08%)	1% Increase (5.08%)	
Total OPEB liability	\$ 318,466	\$ 343,125	\$ 370,907	

OPEB Expense - For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Police Jury recognized OPEB expense of \$(68,893).

NOTE 16 - FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATION DETAILS The following are details of the fund balance classifications as of December 31, 2024.

	General 1	Fund	Criminal Court	Library	Garbage Maintenance	Health Unit	Courthouse & Jail	Public Works	American Rescue Plan	Grant Fund	Nonmajor Governmental	Total
Restricted for:												
Roads	\$		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,903,924	\$ 1,098	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,905,022
Library				2,140,491		-					-	2,140,491
Operations & maintenance												
of courthouse & jail						-	7,948,740					7,948,740
Parish garbage collection												
services					2,535,487							2,535,487
Parish health unit												
operations						2,507,725						2,507,725
Grants											21,622	
Opiod Abatement						-		-			253	
Building license &												
permit operations											229,785	229,785
Economical & industrial												
development											5,161	5,161
Airport operations										•	11,867	11,867
Memorial fund						120					10,312	10,312
Recreation						4					9,451	9,451
Coroner's operations											19,046	19,046
Witness fees											23,925	23,925
Jnassigned:												
General fund	899	,381	(1,021,766)					-		(21,879)	-	(144,264
Total	\$ 899	,381	\$ (1,021,766)	\$ 2,140,491	\$ 2,535,487	\$ 2,507,725	\$ 7,948,740	\$ 1,903,924	\$ 1,098	\$ (21,879)	\$ 331,422	\$ 17,202,748

NOTE 17-NEW GASB STANDARDS In the current fiscal year the Police Jury implemented Statement No. 100 – *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections* – *an amendment of GASB statement No. 62*. This statement provides guidance to enhance accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. The adoption of this standard had no impact on the Police Jury's financial statements or notes to the financial statements.

Additionally, in the current fiscal year, the Police Jury implemented Statement No. 101- Compensated Absences. This statement requires that liabilities for compensated absences be recognized for (1) leave that has not been used and (2) leave that has been used but not been paid in cash or settled through noncash means. The adoption of this standard had no impact on the Police Jury's financial statements or notes to the financial statements.

NOTE 18 - OPIOID SETTLEMENT The State of Louisiana and participating local governments have reached settlement agreements with certain opioid pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors that resolved opioid litigation brought by states, local political subdivisions, and special districts against opioid pharmaceutical supply chain participants. As provided under the settlement agreements, the amounts distributed are net of amounts attributable to prior settlements between the defendants and certain states/subdivisions, including amounts for attorneys' fees and costs.

Louisiana settlement proceeds are to be distributed directly to parish governments and sheriffs. The Louisiana Opioid Litigation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) established guidelines and details regarding the limitations on expenditures and amounts to be received by each entity. According to the MOU, Madison Parish is to receive 0.12% of current and future settlement amounts over an 18-year projected settlement period. Madison Parish Police Jury received \$45,811 in fiscal year 2024 for the 4th year of collected settlements. Future settlement amounts are contingent upon the solvency of the settling defendants.

Madison Parish Police Jury	
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Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios Last Seven Years

Exhibit 1

Total OPEB Liability	_	2024	_	2023		2022	_	2021	_	2020	_	2019	_	2018
Service costs	\$		\$		\$		\$	٠.	\$		\$		\$	
Interest		13,907		15,807		9,956		11,088		10,815		14,893		13,998
Experience (Gain)/Loss		(48,672)		-		36,781		(11,618)		59,002		(2,134)		(11,279)
Changes in assumptions and other inputs		(34,128)		17,002		(72,781)		3,066		83,664		44,285		(22,178)
Benefit payments		(28,928)		(33,283)		(31,548)		(26,554)		(25,170)		(25,563)		(24,230)
Net change in total OPEB liability		(97,821)		(474)		(57,592)		(24,018)		128,311		31,481		(43,689)
Total OPEB liability - Beginning		440,946		441,420		499,012		523,030		394,719		363,238		406,927
Total OPEB liability - Ending	\$	343,125	\$	440,946	\$	441,420	\$	499,012	\$	523,030	\$	394,719	\$	363,238
Covered employee payroll	\$	328,994	\$	312,549	\$	298,376	\$	292,704	\$	284,179	\$	278,770	\$	270,650
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered e	r	104.30%		141.08%		147.94%		170.48%		184.05%		141.59%		134.21%
Changes of Assumptions														
The discount rate used:		4.08%		3.26%		3.72%		2.06%		2.12%		2.74%		4.10%
The annual medical trend rate used:		5.50%		5.50%		4.50%		4.50%		4.50%		5.00%		5.00%
The mortality projection assumption was updated using the RPH-2014 Total table with Projection using the:	Pı	ъG.H-2010	Pu	ьG.Н-2010	P	ubG.H-2010		RP-2014		RP-2014		RP-2000		RP-2000

Notes:

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10 year trend is compiled, only information for those years for which information is available is presented.

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in GASB 75, paragraph 4, to pay related benefits.

Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) Last Ten Years

Exhibit 2-1

					Employer's	
	Employer's				Proportionate Share	Plan Fiduciary
	Proportion of	E	Employer's		of the Net Pension	Net Position as
	the Net	Pr	oportionate		Liability as a	a Percentage
	Pension	Sha	re of the Net	Employer's	Percentage of its	of the Total
	Liability	Pens	sion Liability	Covered	Covered Employee	Pension
Fiscal Year	(Asset)		(Asset)	Payroll	Payrol1	Liability
Parochial Emplo	yees' Retirement S	System (of Louisiana			
2015	0.338971%	\$	92,678	\$ 1,922,942	5%	99.15%
2016	0.335608%		883,417	1,835,600	48%	92.23%
2017	0.305684%		629,560	1,798,356	35%	94.15%
2018	0.292171%		(216,863)	1,857,231	-12%	101.98%
2019	0.290264%		1,288,296	1,892,115	68%	88.86%
2020	0.316527%		14,900	1,961,033	1%	99.89%
2021	0.295862%		(519,501)	1,905,203	-27%	104.00%
2022	0.286297%		(1,348,583)	2,066,696	-65%	110.46%
2023	0.304648%		1,172,526	2,237,447	52%	91.74%
2024	0.309220%		294,601	2,284,632	13%	98.04%

Notes:

The amounts presented have a measurement date of the previous fiscal year end.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

See accompanying notes to required supplementary information for pensions.

Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension Plans Last Ten Years

Exhibit 2-2

Fiscal Year	F	ntractually Required ntribution	Re Cor R	ributions in elation to ntractually equired ntributions	Contri Defic (Exc	iency	Employer's Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll
Parochial Employees	' Retir	ement Systen	n of Lou	isiana				
2015	\$	278,827	\$	278,827	\$	-	\$ 1,922,942	14.50%
2016		238,628		238,628		-	1,835,600	13.00%
2017		224,795		224,795		-	1,798,356	12.50%
2018		213,582		213,582		-	1,857,231	11.50%
2019		217,593		217,593		-	1,892,115	11.50%
2020		240,227		240,227		-	1,961,033	12.25%
2021		245,637		245,637		-	1,905,203	12.89%
2022		237,670		237,670		-	2,066,696	11.50%
2023		257,306		257,306		-	2,237,447	11.50%
2024		262,733		262,733		-	2,284,632	11.50%

Notes:

The amounts presented were determined as of fiscal year end.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

See accompanying notes to required supplementary information for pensions.

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information for Pensions December 31, 2024

Change in Assumptions Changes in actuarial assumptions are as follows:

Report Date	Valuation Date	Investment Rate of	Inflation Rate	Mortality Rate - Annuitant	Mortality Rate - Employees	Mortality Rate - Disabled Annuitants	Salary Increases
Decen	nber 31,	Return	Aute	and Beneficiary		7 mainte	THE CHISCS
2015	2014	7.25%	3.00%	RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table set back 1 year for males and RP-2000 Combined Healthy Female Table for females	RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table set back 1 year for males and females	RP-2000 Disabled Lives Mortality Table	5.75%
2016 & 2017	2015 & 2016	7.00%	2.50%	RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Sex Distinct Tables set forward 2 years for males and set forward 1 year for females projected to 2031 using Scale AA	RP-2000 Employees Sex Distinct Tables set back 4 years for males and 3 years for females	RP-2000 Disabled Lives Mortality Table set back 5 years for males and 3 years for females	5.25%
2018	2017	6.75%	2.50%	RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Sex Distinct Tables set forward 2 years for males and set forward 1 year for females projected to 2031 using Scale AA	RP-2000 Employees Sex Distinct Tables set back 4 years for males and 3 years for females	RP-2000 Disabled Lives Mortality Table set back 5 years for males and 3 years for females	5.25%
2019 & 2020	2018 & 2019	6.50%	2.40%	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Healthy Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale	4.75%
2021, 2022, & 2023	2020, 2021, & 2022	6.40%	2.30%	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Healthy Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale	4.75%
2024	2023	6.40%	2.30%	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Healthy Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2021 scale	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2021 scale	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2021 scale	4.75%

Budgetary Comparison Schedules

General Fund and Any Major Special Revenue Funds With a Legally Adopted Annual Budget

General fund - is the general operating fund of the Police Jury. It accounts for all activities except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Library fund - accounts for the activities performed for the public library. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax restricted for the library.

Garbage Maintenance - accounts for the parish garbage collection services. The main sources of revenue are ad valorem tax and collection fees.

Health Unit – accounts for funds for the parish health center. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax.

Courthouse & Jail – accounts for the operations and maintenance of the courthouse and jail. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax.

Public Works – accounts for funds used to maintain parish roads and streets. The main source of revenue is ad valorem tax.

American Rescue Plan - accounts for grant funding from the Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Fund authorized by American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Grant Fund – accounts for federal and state funds restricted for specific purposes.

GENERAL FUND

Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-1

		BUDGETE	D AMO	OUNT	A	CTUAL	VARIANCE FINAL POSITIVE	
	OI	RIGINAL		FINAL	Al	MOUNTS	(NE	GATIVE)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$	777,727	\$	777,727	\$	777,727	\$	-
Resources (inflows)								
Local sources:								
Taxes:		505 220		227.212		410 220		70.107
Ad Valorem		585,330		337,213		410,339		73,126
Sales and use		360,000		375,000		403,315		28,315
Licenses and permits		32,655		485,500		185,692		(299,808)
Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants		7,850		656 115		691 507		25 492
State funds:		7,030		656,115		681,597		25,482
State revenue sharing		8,000		11,000		7,448		(3,552)
Severance taxes		11,300		11,000		14,511		14,511
Other		289,580				338,709		338,709
Fines and forfeitures		200,300		3,500		2,467		(1,033)
Use of money and property		7,850		7,975		20,276		12,301
Other revenues		7,400				3,030		3,030
Transfers from other funds		240,704		173,176	1 <u> </u>			(173,176)
Amounts available for appropriations		2,328,596		2,827,206		2,845,111		17,905
Charges to appropriations (outflows)								
Current:								
General government:								
Legislative		128,066		117,000		105,980		11,020
Judicial		230,440		104,500		205,476		(100,976)
Elections		28,601		45,502		31,035		14,467
Finance and administrative		323,163		283,000		292,241		(9,241)
Other general government		75		-		-		-
Public safety		143,100		141,000		124,727		16,273
Public works		14,770		-		8,188		(8,188)
Health and welfare		35,256		41,650		36,474		5,176
Economic development and assistance		118,331		136,000		91,572		44,428
Capital outlay		-		648,733		706,603		(57,870)
Debt service:								
Principal retirement		_		-		41,723		(41,723)
Interest and bank charges		-		-		1,204		(1,204)
Transfers to other funds		90,000		386,399		300,507		85,892
Total charges to appropriations		1,111,802		1,903,784		1,945,730		(41,946)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$	1,216,794	\$	923,422	\$	899,381	\$	(24,041)

LIBRARY Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-2

VARIANCE **FINAL** BUDGETED AMOUNT POSITIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS (NEGATIVE) ORIGINAL FINAL \$ \$ 2,001,617 \$ 2,001,617 2,001,617 \$ BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING Resources (inflows) Local sources: Taxes: 602,168 Ad Valorem 567,700 614,764 12,596 Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants 7,500 7,222 7,222 State funds: State revenue sharing 6,000 5,891 240 6,131 5.109 1.000 Other (4,109)4,066 Fees, charges, and commissions for services 4,500 3,211 855 Fines and forfeitures 350 140 231 91 134,701 Use of money and property 2,200 1,081 135,782 Other revenues 280 280 2,620,788 2,589,867 2,771,093 Amounts available for appropriations 150,305 Charges to appropriations (outflows) Current: Culture and recreation 743,495 595,579 630,602 (35,023)Capital outlay 22,000 Total charges to appropriations 765,495 595,579 630,602 (35,023)BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING 1,824,372 2,025,209 2,140,491 115,282

GARBAGE MAINTENANCE Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-3

	BUDGETED AMOUNT ORIGINAL FINAL					ACTUAL	VARIANCE FINAL POSITIVE	
	_0	RIGINAL		FINAL	AMOUNTS		(NEGATIVE)	
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$	2,419,462	\$	2,419,462	\$	2,419,462	\$	-
Resources (inflows) Local sources: Taxes:								
Ad Valorem		466,000		478,887		503,834		24,947
Intergovernmental revenues:								
Federal grants		12,500		11,858		11,858		-
State funds:								
State revenue sharing		4,600		2,909		4,340		1,431
Fees, charges, and commissions for services		535,300		469,664		555,139		85,475
Use of money and property		51,000		13,262		33,184		19,922
Amounts available for appropriations	_	3,488,862	_	3,396,042		3,527,817	_	131,775
Charges to appropriations (outflows)								
Public works		885,998	_	1,047,680		992,330		55,350
Total charges to appropriations	_	885,998		1,047,680		992,330		55,350
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$	2,602,864	\$	2,348,362	\$	2,535,487	\$	187,125

HEALTH UNIT Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-4

		BUDGETE	D AM	OUNT				RIANCE INAL SITIVE
	ORIGINAL		FINAL		A	MOUNTS	(NEGATIVE)	
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$	2,373,748	\$	2,373,748	\$	2,373,748	\$	-
Resources (inflows) Local sources: Taxes:								
Ad Valorem Intergovernmental revenues:		215,500		222,055		233,608		11,553
Federal grants State funds:		56,340		38,613		56,159		17,546
State revenue sharing		3,700		11,093		3,461		(7,632)
Use of money and property		4,600		1,856		9,845		7,989
Amounts available for appropriations		2,653,888		2,647,365		2,676,821		29,456
Charges to appropriations (outflows)								
Health and welfare		160,166		168,734		169,096		(362)
Total charges to appropriations	_	160,166	_	168,734		169,096		(362)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$	2,493,722	\$	2,478,631	\$	2,507,725	\$	29,094

COURTHOUSE & JAIL Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-5

	BUDGETED AMOUNT					ACTUAL	VARIANCE FINAL POSITIVE	
	0	RIGINAL	FINAL		_A	MOUNTS	(NEGATIVE)	
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$	7,621,028	\$	7,621,028	\$	7,621,028	\$	_
Resources (inflows)								
Local sources:								
Taxes: Ad Valorem		1 000 000		1 021 660		1 005 224		52 666
Intergovernmental revenues:		1,000,000		1,031,668		1,085,334		53,666
Federal grants		13,500		12,751		12,751		_
Use of money and property		10,350		7,600		298,481		290,881
Amounts available for appropriations		8,644,878		8,673,047		9,017,594		344,547
Charges to appropriations (outflows)								
Current:								
General government:								
Judicial		16,050		•		92		(92)
Public safety		1,178,611		996,717		1,068,762		(72,045)
Capital outlay		6,000		-		-		-
Total charges to appropriations	_	1,200,661		996,717	_	1,068,854		(72,137)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$	7,444,217	\$	7,676,330	\$	7,948,740	\$	272,410

PUBLIC WORKS

Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-6

		ETED AMOUNT	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FINAL POSITIVE
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	AMOUNTS	(NEGATIVE)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$ 1,932,78	88 \$ 1,932,78	\$ 1,932,788	\$ -
Resources (inflows)				
Local sources:				
Taxes:				
Ad Valorem	2,200,00	2,296,56	51 2,416,016	119,455
Intergovernmental revenues:				
Federal grants	24,00	00 72,87	72,877	
State funds:				
Parish transportation funds	190,00			(14,590)
State revenue sharing	38,00	00	35,455	35,455
Other		-	- 24,971	24,971
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	60			154
Use of money and property	20,00	,		74
Transfers from other funds		- 71,85		
Amounts available for appropriations	4,405,38	4,554,95	58 4,720,477	165,519
Charges to appropriations (outflows)				
Current:				
Public works	2,826,73	36 2,908,32	2,385,288	523,035
Capital outlay		-	- 160,483	(160,483)
Debt service:				
Principal retirement		-	- 242,760	(242,760)
Interest and bank charges		<u>-</u>	- 28,022	(28,022)
Total charges to appropriations	2,826,73	2,908,32	2,816,553	91,770
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$ 1,578,65	<u>\$ 1,646,63</u>	<u>\$ 1,903,924</u>	\$ 257,289

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-7 VARIANCE **FINAL** ACTUAL **POSITIVE BUDGETED AMOUNT AMOUNTS** (NEGATIVE) ORIGINAL FINAL \$ \$ \$ \$ BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING Resources (inflows) Intergovernmental revenues: Federal grants 1,492,156 1,108,500 425,480 1,066,676 Use of money and property 1,098 1,098 Amounts available for appropriations 1,108,500 426,578 1,066,676 1,493,254 Charges to appropriations (outflows) Current: General government: Judicial 20,000 (20,000)Capital outlay 1,108,500 426,578 1,472,156 (1,045,578)Total charges to appropriations 1,108,500 426,578 1,492,156 (1,065,578)BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING 1,098 1,098

GRANT FUND Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the year ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 3-8

	BUDGETED AMOUNT ORIGINAL FINAL				CTUAL MOUNTS	VARIANCE FINAL POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)	
					 _		
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING	\$	(20,611)	\$	(20,611)	\$ (20,611)	\$	-
Resources (inflows) Intergovernmental revenues:							
Federal grants		-		-	6,859		6,859
State funds:							
Other		109,600		7,650	7,650		_
Amounts available for appropriations		88,989		(12,961)	(6,102)		6,859
Charges to appropriations (outflows) Current:							
Public works		109,600		-	7,650		(7,650)
Transfers out				-	 8,127	-	(8,127)
Total charges to appropriations		109,600			 15,777		(15,777)
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, ENDING	\$	(20,611)	\$	(12,961)	\$ (21,879)	\$	(8,918)

Notes to the Budgetary Comparison Schedules For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

A. BUDGETS

General Budget Policies Preliminary budgets for the ensuing year are prepared by the Secretary-Treasurer prior to December 31 of each year. The availability of the proposed budgets for public inspection and the date of the public hearing on the proposed budgets are then advertised in the official journal. During its regular December meeting, the Police Jury holds a public hearing on the proposed budgets in order to receive comments from residents of the parish. Changes are made to the proposed budgets based on the public hearing and the desires of the Police Jury as a whole. The budgets are then adopted during the Police Jury's regular December meeting, and a notice of the adoption is then published in the official journal.

The Secretary-Treasurer presents necessary budget amendments to the Police Jury during the year when, in her judgment, actual operations are differing materially from those anticipated in the original budget. During a regular meeting, the Police Jury reviews the proposed amendments, makes changes as it deems necessary, and formally adopts the amendments. The adoption of the amendments is included in Police Jury minutes published in the official journal.

The Police Jury exercises budgetary control at the functional level. Within functions the Secretary-Treasurer has the discretion to make changes as she deems necessary for proper control. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year end and must be re-appropriated in the next year's budget to be expended. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, modified accrual basis budgets were adopted for the General fund and all special revenue funds, except the criminal court special revenue fund, which is exempt from the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1301-1314 (Local Government Budget Act).

Encumbrances Encumbrance accounting is not recognized within the accounting records for budgetary control purposes. Authorization for the eventual expenditure will be included in the following year's budget appropriations.

Budget Basis of Accounting All governmental funds' budgets are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Police Jury. Legally, the Police Jury must adopt a balanced budget; that is, total budgeted revenues and other financing sources including fund balance must equal or exceed total budgeted expenditures and other financing uses. State statutes require the Police Jury to amend its budgets when revenues plus projected revenues within a fund are expected to be less than budgeted revenues by five percent or more and/or expenditures within a fund are expected to exceed budgeted expenditures by five percent or more.

Notes to the Budgetary Comparison Schedules For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

B. BUDGET TO GAAP RECONCILIATION - EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN BUDGETARY INFLOWS AND OUTFLOWS AND GAAP REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Sources/inflows of resources:	General	Library	Garbage Maintenance	Health Unit	Courthouse & Jail	Public Works	American Rescue Plan	Grant Fund
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "available for appropriations" from the Budgetary Comparison Schedule Adjustment to revenue for transfers in are inflows of budgetary resources but are not revenues for financial statement purposes	\$ 2,845,111	\$ 2,771,093	\$ 3,527,817	\$ 2,676,821	\$ 9,017,594	\$ 4,720,477	\$ 1,493,254	\$ (6,102)
The fund balance at the beginning of the year is a budgetary resource but is not a current-year revenue for financial reporting purposes	, 4 ,				•	(71,850)		
	(777,727)	(2,001,617)	(2,419,462)	(2,373,748)	(7,621,028)	(1,932,788)		20,611
Total revenues as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	0 20/7294	£ 7(0.47(¢ 1100255	£ 202.072	£ 120(5((0 2715 020	© 1.402.254	¢ 14500
	\$ 2,067,384	\$ 769,476	\$ 1,108,355	\$ 303,073	\$ 1,390,300	\$ 2,715,839	\$ 1,493,254	\$ 14,509
<u>Uses/Outflows of resources:</u> Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total charges to appropriations" from the Budgetary Comparison Schedule	\$ 1,945,730	\$ 630,602	\$ 992,330	\$ 169,096	\$ 1,068,854	\$ 2,816,553	\$ 1,492,156	\$ 15,777
Transfers to other funds classified as expenditures for budgetary purposes and as an operating transfer for financial reporting								
	(300,507)							(8,127)
Total expenditures as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 1,645,223	\$ 630,602	\$ 992,330	\$ 169,096	\$ 1,068,854	\$ 2,816,553	\$ 1,492,156	\$ 7,650
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Notes to the Budgetary Comparison Schedules For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

C. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

These funds had actual expenditures over budgeted expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2024 as detailed below:

Fund		Budget			Variance		
General		1,903,784		1,945,730	\$	(41,946)	
Library		595,579		630,602		(35,023)	
Health Unit		168,734		169,096		(362)	
Courthouse & Jail		996,717		1,068,854		(72,137)	
American Rescue Plan		426,578		1,492,156		(1,065,578)	
Grant Fund		-		15,777		(15,777)	

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

LCDBG - Federal Community Development Block Grant used for HVAC improvements at the Library.

Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund - Federal funding provided to eligible revenue sharing counties for revenue enhancement.

Opioid Abatement - Funds from settlement agreements with certain opioid pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors that resolved opioid litigation brought by states, local political subdivisions, and special districts against opioid pharmaceutical supply chain participants.

FEMA – Fund accounts for the federal Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Building Fund - Accounts mainly for permit activity.

Miscellaneous Funds – Accounts for various funds with limited activity.

MADISON PARISH POLICE JURY

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS Combining Balance Sheet December 31, 2024

	LCDBG		LOCAL ASSIST. AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND		OPIOID ABATEMENT	
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	100	\$	27,990	\$	253
Receivables		-		-		-
Interfund receivables		5,000	-	-		
TOTAL ASSETS		5,100		27,990		253
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts and other payables		-		-		-
Interfund payables		-				-
Unearned revenue		-		11,469		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES				11,469		
Fund balances:						
Restricted		5,100	_	16,521		253
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	4	5,100		16,521		253
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	5,100	\$	27,990	\$	253

Exhibit 4

1			FEMA		BUILDING FUND		MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS		TOTAL
\$	1 10,965 -	\$	66,566 - 163,380	\$	148,437 3,475 1,377	\$	243,347 14,440 169,757		
	10,966	229,946		153,289			427,544		
<u></u>	10,965	<u> </u>	161 - -		72,537 990 -		83,663 990 11,469		
	10,965		161		73,527		96,122		
	1		229,785		79,762		331,422		
	1		229,785		79,762		331,422		
\$	10,966	\$	229,946	\$	153,289	\$	427,544		

MADISON PARISH POLICE JURY

NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

	L	CDBG	AN	AL ASSIST. D TRIBAL TENCY FUND	PIOID TEMENT
REVENUES					
Local sources:					
Licenses and permits	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
Intergovernmental revenues:					
Federal grants		•		467,128	-
State funds:					
Other		•		-	-
Fees, charges, and commissions for services		-		•	45,811
Use of money and property		-		5,767	51
Other revenues		•		-	
TOTAL REVENUES				472,895	45,862
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government:					
Judicial		2		_	
Finance and administrative		_		_	_
Public safety				_	_
Health and welfare		_		_	45,811
Economic development and assistance		_			-
Capital outlay				467,128	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		-		467,128	45,811
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES				5,767	51
				3,707	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers in		-		-	-
Transfers out		-			 -
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	1				
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES				5,767	51
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1 <u> </u>	5,100		10,754	202
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	5,100	\$	16,521	\$ 253

Exhibit 5

FEMA	BUILDING FUND	MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS	TOTAL
\$ -	\$ 6,198	\$ -	\$ 6,198
118,850	-	· V	585,978
- - - 6,758	4,990	3,825 41,735 1,018 3,000	3,825 87,546 11,826 9,758
125,608	11,188	49,578	705,131
		50	50
-	3,785	50	50 3,785
133,186	-		133,186
-	-	17,993	63,804
74,470	-	5,521	5,521 541,598
207,656	3,785	23,564	747,944
(82,048)	7,403	26,014	(42,813)
82,043	(30,258)	3,000 (67,169)	85,043 (97,427)
82,043	(30,258)	(64,169)	(12,384)
(5)	(22,855)	(38,155)	(55,197)
6	252,640	117,917	386,619
\$ 1	\$ 229,785	\$ 79,762	\$ 331,422

Schedule of Compensation Paid Police Jurors For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 6

COMPENSATION PAID POLICE JURORS The schedule of compensation paid to Police Jurors is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Compensation of the Police Jurors is included in the legislative expenditures of the General fund.

Jane Sanders, President	\$ 24,000
Johnny Hughes, Vice President	19,200
Jerry Hicks	19,200
Stanley Ogden	19,200
Dave Wilson III	 19,200
Total	\$ 100,800

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 7

Agency Head Name: Jane Sanders, Board President				
Purpose	Amount			
Salary	\$ 24,000			
Travel	1,465			

Schedule of Justice System Funding For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Exhibit 8

Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity

As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

Cash Basis Presentation	Per	First Six Month Period Ended 06/30/2024		Second Six Month Period Ended 12/31/2024	
Receipts From:					
Madison Parish Sheriff, Criminal Court Costs/Fees	\$	142,996	\$	162,339	
Madison Parish Sheriff, Bond Fees		7,783		7,144	
Madison Parish Sheriff, Criminal Fines - Contempt		8,910		11,145	
Madison Parish Sheriff, Criminal Fines - Other		8,790		11,040	
Total Receipts	<u>\$</u>	168,479	\$	191,668	

OTHER REPORTS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS AND UNIFORM GUIDANCE

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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*

Independent Auditor's Report

Police Jurors Madison Parish Police Jury Tallulah, Louisiana

We have audited, 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Madison Parish Police Jury as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Police Jury's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 30, 2025. We issued an adverse opinion on the aggregate discretely presented component units and an unmodified opinion on the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Police Jury'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 our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Police Jury's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Police Jury'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 entity'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.

Our 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 were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-001, that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Police Jury's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we 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 financial statements. 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 which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-002.

Police Jury's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Police Jury's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Policy Jury's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Police Jury'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 Police Jury's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Office of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control over Compliance; Required by the Uniform Guidance

Independent Auditor's Report

Police Jurors Madison Parish Police Jury Tallulah, Louisiana

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Madison Parish Police Jury's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Police Jury's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024. The Police Jury's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, the Police Jury complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Police Jury and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Police Jury's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Police Jury's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Police Jury's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Police Jury's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we

- exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Police Jury's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the Police Jury's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to
 design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control
 over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion
 on the effectiveness of the Police Jury's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance which is required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-003 and 2024-004. Our opinion on the major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Police Jury's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Police Jury's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-003 and 2024-004 to be material weaknesses.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Police Jury's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Police Jury's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Office of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Monroe, Louisiana

June 30, 2025

Madison Parish Police Jury Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

FEDERAL GRANTOR/	AL	Pass-Through	
PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/PROGRAM NAME	<u>Number</u>	Grantor No.	Expenditures
FEDER	AL AWARDS		
U. S. Department of Agriculture			
Passed through the Louisiana Department of Health & Human Services WIC Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Co			
	10.557	N/A	\$ 52,640
U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed Through Louisiana Office of Community Development Community Development Block Grant/State's Program and			
Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii	14.228	2000753813	674,215
U. S. Department of the Interior			
Direct Payment in Lieu of Taxes	15.226	N/A	462
Passed Through Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries	10.220	11/11	102
Forestry - Payment in Lieu of Taxes	15.226	N/A	64,725
Total United States Department of Interior			65,187
U.S. Department of Transportation			
Passed Through Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (pthrough to Madison Parish Council on Aging)	assed		
Formula Grant for Rural Areas and Tribal Transit Program			
FTA Section 5311	20.509	LA-2019-011	125,709
U. S. Department of the Treasury			
Passed Through Louisiana Department of Treasury COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	21.027	N/A	1 402 156
COVID-19 Local Assistance & Tribal Consistency Fund	21.032	N/A	1,492,156 467,128
Total United States Department of the Treasury	21.032	1771	1,959,284
Delta Regional Authority			
Direct			
State Economic Development Assistance Grant	90.200		50,422
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 2,927,457

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

Madison Parish Police Jury Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

NOTE 1 - GENERAL The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal awards programs of the Madison Parish Police Jury, Tallulah, Louisiana. The Madison Parish Police Jury (the "Police Jury") reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the Police Jury's financial statements. Federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies, is included on the schedule. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of operations of the Police Jury, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the Police Jury.

NOTE 2 - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the Police Jury's financial statements. Such expenses are recognized following the cost principles contains in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenses are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 3 - RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Federal awards revenues are reported in the Police Jury's fund financial statements as follows:

	Federal Sources
Major Funds:	
General Fund	\$ 681,597
Library	7,222
Garbage Maintenance	11,858
Health Unit	56,159
Courthouse & Jail	12,751
Public Works	72,877
American Rescue Plan	1,492,156
Grant Fund	6,859
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	585,978
Total	\$ 2,927,457

NOTE 4 - RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS Amounts reported in the accompanying schedule agree with the amounts reported in the related federal financial reports except for changes made to reflect amounts in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

NOTE 5 - FEDERAL AWARDS For those funds that have matching revenues and state funding, federal expenditures were determined by deducting matching revenues from total expenditures. Federal awards do not include the Police Jury's operating income from rents or investment (or other non-federal source.)

NOTE 6 - INDIRECT COST RATE The Police Jury has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

PART I - Summary of the Auditor's Results

Financial Statement Audit

- i. The type of audit report issued was an adverse opinion on the aggregate discretely presented component units and an unmodified opinion on the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the primary government.
- ii. There were significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. Finding 2024-001 was considered to be a material weakness.
- iii. There were instances of noncompliance, as defined by the *Government Auditing Standards*, to the basic financial statements.

Audit of Federal Awards

- iv. There were significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by the Uniform Guidance (2CFR 200). The significant deficiencies were considered to be material weaknesses.
- v. The type of report the auditor issued on compliance for major programs was unmodified.
- vi. The audit disclosed audit findings which the auditor is required to report in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a).
- vii. The major federal program is:

AL# 21.027 State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)

- viii. The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs as described in the Uniform Guidance was \$750,000.
- ix. The auditee does not qualify as a low-risk auditee under the Uniform Guidance.

PART II – Findings related to the financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* generally accepted in the United States of America:

Reference # and title: 2024-001 Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is entity-wide.

<u>Criteria or specific requirement:</u> Sound internal controls over financial reporting require that accounting records contain accurate, complete, and up-to-date information to ensure that the financial data can be relied upon to monitor the financial condition of the Police Jury. Financial records should be reviewed timely to supporting documentation to ensure that transactions are properly recorded and classified in the accounting records. The financial closing process should ensure that all balance sheet accounts are reconciled in a timely manner to ensure that account balances are valid, complete and accurate.

Condition found: The most significant financial reporting issues are noted below:

- Entries to recognize revenue for several grants were not recorded.
- Investment gains and losses were not recorded during the year nor at year end.
- Several payroll liability accounts have debit balances.
- Several accounts payable and retainage payable amounts were not recorded.
- There are no procedures for preparing a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA).

<u>Context</u>: The exceptions noted above were identified when performing testing across various account balances and review of the financial statements and appear to be systemic.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause:</u> The Police Jury does not have an established process to ensure that balances are valid, complete, and accurate for the transactions noted above.

Effect: The Police Jury's controls over financial reporting may not identify material misstatements on a timely basis.

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences: The Police Jury should establish policies and procedures to ensure that account balances are valid, complete and accurate for financial reporting.

Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable): This finding originated in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023.

View of responsible official: See current year Corrective Action Plan.

PART II – Findings related to the financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* generally accepted in the United States of America:

Reference # and title: 2024-002 Non-Compliance with State Statutes

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is entity-wide.

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Louisiana municipalities are required to comply with various state statutes governing procurement, budgeting, and the parish transportation act. Specifically:

- Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 38:2212 requires political subdivisions to adhere to public bid law for purchases exceeding statutory thresholds.
- Louisiana Revised Statute 48:755 requires the parish road manager to maintain a parish wide selective maintenance program inclusive of parish roads and to provide a schedule of work to be performed by category on a weekly basis. The parish road manager shall maintain a record of the work so authorized and shall report the total amount of such expenditures monthly to the parish governing authority.
- Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 39:1311 (A) requires the chief executive or administrative officers and members of the governing authority of the political subdivision to control expenditures. The chief executive or administrative officer for a political subdivision subject to public participation as provided in R.S. 39:1307 shall advise the governing authority or independently elected official in writing when total actual expenditures and other uses plus projected expenditures and other uses for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are exceeding the total budgeted expenditures and other uses by five percent or more.

Conditions found: The audit identified several instances of noncompliance with Louisiana state laws:

- Public bid law procedures were not followed for the purchase of a motor grader and the purchase of 3 trucks.
- The daily work lists provided did not include the required roadwork information as required by the Parish Transportation Act.
- The Police Jury had actual expenditures which exceeded budget greater than five percent in the Library and Courthouse & Jail.

<u>Context</u>: The compliance issues identified were the result of detailed audit procedures including review of purchasing documentation, daily work lists, and budget-to-actual comparisons. These instances of noncompliance point to a pattern of inadequate adherence to state-mandated laws, as well as a lack of follow-through on prior audit recommendations. The nature and recurrence of these issues, especially those related to bid law and budgeting, suggest that internal monitoring systems may be insufficient to ensure ongoing compliance with applicable Louisiana statutes.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause</u>: Lapses in oversight, insufficient awareness of state compliance requirements, and failure to implement corrective actions from prior audit findings.

Effect: The Police Jury is exposed to noncompliance with state statutes; there is an increased risk of operational inefficiencies. Lack of adherence to bid law and budget amendment procedures may result in unauthorized expenditures, reduced fiscal control, and limited assurance that public funds are being used efficiently and prudently. The Police Jury may not comply with all requirements of the Parish Transportation Act.

PART II – Findings related to the financial statements which are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* generally accepted in the United States of America:

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences:

- Ensure compliance with Louisiana Public Bid Law by reviewing thresholds annually and maintaining documentation for all required purchases.
- Implement a work order system for road work to be performed on a weekly basis.
- Monitor the budget throughout the year and make amendments as needed.

Origination date and prior year reference: The Public Bid Law finding originated in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024. The Parish Transportation Act finding originated in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023. The Local Budget Act finding originated in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011.

View of responsible official: See current year Corrective Action Plan.

PART III - Findings and questions costs for federal awards which are required to be reported under the Uniform Guidance:

Reference # and title: 2024-003 Preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

(SEFA)

Federal Grantor/Program Name

Assistance Listing No.

Award Year

State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) 21.027 2021

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: The Police Jury is required to have a comprehensive and accurate schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA) to document federal grant expenditures by agency, program and amount.

Condition found: The Police Jury did not submit a complete and accurate SEFA.

<u>Context</u>: The SEFA prepared by the Police Jury did not list the Federal granter, Program title, Federal ALN numbers, and Grant numbers. Federal awards were either missing from the SEFA or listed in incorrect amounts.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause</u>: The Police Jury does not have processes and procedures documented for preparing a SEFA.

Effect: The Police Jury may not meet all federal compliance requirements.

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences: The Police Jury should document processes and procedures for preparing a schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA).

Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable): This finding originated in the current fiscal year.

<u>View of responsible official</u>: See current year Corrective Action Plan.

Reference # and title: 2024-004 Reporting

Federal Grantor/Program NameAssistance Listing No.Award YearState & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA)21.0272021

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: The Police Jury is required to submit a project and expenditure report quarterly and annually. The key line items in the report are obligations and expenditures.

Condition found: The report submitted in March 2025 for the period ended December 31, 2024, did not agree with documentation for the Desoto Street Project and the Public Works Equipment project. The Desoto Street Project reported \$300,000 in total cumulative obligations and \$300,000 in total cumulative expenditures. The project was complete on December 31, 2024, for a total cost of \$77,528. Both the cumulative obligations and expenditures were overstated \$222,472. The Public Works Equipment project total cumulative obligations were reported as \$289,426 and total cumulative expenditures were reported as \$220,000. The equipment was purchased for \$220,000. The cumulative expenditures agree to the supporting documentation, but the cumulative obligations are overstated by \$69,426. The report did not include documentation that it was reviewed by anyone other than the preparer.

PART III - Findings and questions costs for federal awards which are required to be reported under the Uniform Guidance:

Context: The December 31, 2024, report filed in March 2025 was tested by comparing amounts reported for cumulative obligations and expenditures to support for cumulative obligations and expenditures.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause</u>: There is no evidence that the report was reviewed for errors by someone other than the preparer.

<u>Effect</u>: The Police Jury may have unobligated amounts of \$291,898 on December 31, 2024, which was the last day to obligate the funds.

<u>Recommendation to prevent future occurrences</u>: The Policy Jury should communicate with the grantor agency to determine if the amount that is not obligated per the report should be repaid.

Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable): This finding originated in the current fiscal year.

View of responsible official: See current year Corrective Action Plan.

OTHER INFORMATION

Madison Parish Police Jury Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is entity-wide.

<u>Criteria or specific requirement:</u> Sound internal controls over financial reporting require that accounting records contain accurate, complete, and up-to-date information to ensure that the financial data can be relied upon to monitor the financial condition of the Police Jury. Financial records should be reviewed timely to supporting documentation to ensure that transactions are properly recorded and classified in the accounting records. The financial closing process should ensure that all balance sheet accounts are reconciled in a timely manner to ensure that account balances are valid, complete and accurate.

Condition found: The most significant financial reporting issues are noted below:

- Receivables and deferred inflows related to ad valorem tax revenue was not recorded at year-end.
- Depreciation schedule did not include all additions in prior years and included numerous items that should have been deleted in prior years.
- Investment gains and losses were not recorded during the year.
- Expenditures related to the current year were not accrued at year-end.
- Payables to the fire districts from the ad valorem tax receivable was not accrued at year-end.
- Wages payable and related payroll tax expenses were not accrued at year-end.
- The unearned portion of revenue related to the American Rescue Plan federal grant was recorded as revenue in prior years overstating fund balance and understating unearned revenue. This also resulted in an understatement of revenue in the current year.
- Federal Transit Authority revenue which is passed through to another agency was not recognized as revenue.
- Revenue related to the Delta Regional Authority grant was not recorded correctly.
- There are no procedures for preparing a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA).
- Documentation to support meals, the public purposes for conferences, conference agendas for travel reimbursement was not maintained.
- Two expenditures were recorded to the incorrect fund.

Corrective action taken:

See current year finding 2024-001.

Reference # and title: 2023-002 Parish Transportation Act

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is department specific.

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Louisiana Revised Statute 48:755 requires the parish road manager to maintain a parish wide selective maintenance program inclusive of parish roads and to provide a schedule of work to be performed by category on a weekly basis. The parish road manager shall maintain a record of the work so authorized and shall report the total amount of such expenditures monthly to the parish governing authority.

Condition found: The daily work lists provided did not include the required roadwork information.

Madison Parish Police Jury Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Corrective action taken:

See current year finding 2024-002.

Reference # and title: 2023-003 Local Budget Act

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is department specific.

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311 (A) requires the chief executive or administrative officers and members of the governing authority of the political subdivision to control expenditures. The chief executive or administrative officer for a political subdivision subject to public participation as provided in R.S. 39:1307 shall advise the governing authority or independently elected official in writing when total actual expenditures and other uses plus projected expenditures and other uses for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are exceeding the total budgeted expenditures and other uses by five percent or more.

<u>Condition found</u>: The Police Jury had actual expenditures that exceeded budgeted expenditures by 5% in the Garbage Maintenance, Courthouse & Jail, Public Works, American Rescue Plan and Grant funds.

Corrective action taken:

See current year finding 2024-002.

Reference # and title: 2023-004 Preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA)

Federal Grantor/Program NameAssistance Listing No.Award YearDelta Regional Authority90.2002021

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: The Police Jury is required to have a comprehensive and accurate schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA) to document federal grant expenditures by agency, program and amount.

Condition found: The Police Jury did not submit a complete and accurate SEFA.

Corrective action taken:

See current year finding 2024-003.

Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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DISTRICT 3 DAVE WILSON

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Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Reference # and title: 2024-001 Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is entity-wide.

Criteria or specific requirement: Sound internal controls over financial reporting require that accounting records contain accurate, complete, and up-to-date information to ensure that the financial data can be relied upon to monitor the financial condition of the Police Jury. Financial records should be reviewed timely to supporting documentation to ensure that transactions are properly recorded and classified in the accounting records. The financial closing process should ensure that all balance sheet accounts are reconciled in a timely manner to ensure that account balances are valid, complete and accurate.

Condition found: The most significant financial reporting issues are noted below:

- Entries to recognize revenue for several grants were not recorded.
- Investment gains and losses were not recorded during the year nor at year end.
- · Several payroll liability accounts have debit balances.
- Several accounts payable and retainage payable amounts were not recorded.
- There are no procedures for preparing a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA).

<u>Context</u>: The exceptions noted above were identified when performing testing across various account balances and review of the financial statements and appear to be systemic.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause:</u> The Police Jury does not have an established process to ensure that balances are valid, complete, and accurate for the transactions noted above.

Effect: The Police Jury's controls over financial reporting may not identify material misstatements on a timely basis.

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences: The Police Jury should establish policies and procedures to ensure that account balances are valid, complete and accurate for financial reporting.

Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable): This finding originated in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023.

Corrective action planned:

A fee accountant will be hired to assist and ensure transactions are properly recorded and classified in the accounting records. Procedures for preparing a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards will be instituted.

Person responsible for corrective action:

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Anticipated completion date: December 31, 2025

Reference # and title: 2024-002 Non-Compliance with State Statutes

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is entity-wide.

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Louisiana municipalities are required to comply with various state statutes governing procurement, budgeting, and the parish transportation act. Specifically:

- Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 38:2212 requires political subdivisions to adhere to public bid law for purchases exceeding statutory thresholds.
- Louisiana Revised Statute 48:755 requires the parish road manager to maintain a parish wide
 selective maintenance program inclusive of parish roads and to provide a schedule of work to be
 performed by category on a weekly basis. The parish road manager shall maintain a record of the
 work so authorized and shall report the total amount of such expenditures monthly to the parish
 governing authority.
- Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 39:1311 (A) requires the chief executive or administrative
 officers and members of the governing authority of the political subdivision to control
 expenditures. The chief executive or administrative officer for a political subdivision subject to
 public participation as provided in R.S. 39:1307 shall advise the governing authority or
 independently elected official in writing when total actual expenditures and other uses plus
 projected expenditures and other uses for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are exceeding
 the total budgeted expenditures and other uses by five percent or more.

Conditions found: The audit identified several instances of noncompliance with Louisiana state laws:

- Public bid law procedures were not followed for the purchase of a motor grader and the purchase of 3 trucks.
- The daily work lists provided did not include the required roadwork information as required by the Parish Transportation Act.
- The Police Jury had actual expenditures which exceeded budget greater than five percent in the Library and Courthouse & Jail.

<u>Context</u>: The compliance issues identified were the result of detailed audit procedures including review of purchasing documentation, daily work lists, and budget-to-actual comparisons. These instances of noncompliance point to a pattern of inadequate adherence to state-mandated laws, as well as a lack of follow-through on prior audit recommendations. The nature and recurrence of these issues, especially

those related to bid law and budgeting, suggest that internal monitoring systems may be insufficient to ensure ongoing compliance with applicable Louisiana statutes.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause</u>: Lapses in oversight, insufficient awareness of state compliance requirements, and failure to implement corrective actions from prior audit findings.

<u>Effect</u>: The Police Jury is exposed to noncompliance with state statutes; there is an increased risk of operational inefficiencies. Lack of adherence to bid law and budget amendment procedures may result in unauthorized expenditures, reduced fiscal control, and limited assurance that public funds are being used efficiently and prudently. The Police Jury may not comply with all requirements of the Parish Transportation Act.

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences:

 Ensure compliance with Louisiana Public Bid Law by reviewing thresholds annually and maintaining documentation for all required purchases.

Corrective action planned:

- We will monitor actual revenues accumulated by department and fund more closely and making appropriate budget amendments to comply with the law requiring the budget to actual variance to be within 5%.
- The Road Superintendent will use the form provided to schedule the daily road work and to incorporate the necessary changes.
- · Procedures will be developed for preparing SEFA

Person responsible for corrective action:

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Anticipated completion date: December 31, 2025

Reference # and title: 2024-003 Preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA)

Federal Grantor/Program Name Assistance Listing No. Award

Year
State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) 21.027

2021

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: The Police Jury is required to have a comprehensive and accurate schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA) to document federal grant expenditures by agency, program and amount.

Condition found: The Police Jury did not submit a complete and accurate SEFA.

<u>Context</u>: The SEFA prepared by the Police Jury did not list the Federal granter, Program title, Federal ALN numbers, and Grant numbers. Federal awards were either missing from the SEFA or listed in incorrect amounts.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause</u>: The Police Jury does not have processes and procedures documented for preparing a SEFA.

Effect: The Police Jury may not meet all federal compliance requirements.

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences: The Police Jury should document processes and procedures for preparing a schedule of expenditures of federal awards (SEFA).

Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable): This finding originated in the current fiscal year.

Corrective action planned:

Management will provide and prepare the required information in the requested format.

Person responsible for corrective action:

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2021

Anticipated completion date: December 31, 2025

Reference # and title: 2024-004 Reporting

Federal Grantor/Program Name Year State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) Assistance Listing No. Award 21.027

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: The Police Jury is required to submit a project and expenditure report quarterly and annually. The key line items in the report are obligations and expenditures.

Condition found: The report submitted in March 2025 for the period ended December 31, 2024, did not agree with documentation for the Desoto Street Project and the Public Works Equipment project. The Desoto Street Project reported \$300,000 in total cumulative obligations and \$300,000 in total cumulative expenditures. The project was complete on December 31, 2024, for a total cost of \$77,528. Both the cumulative obligations and expenditures were overstated \$222,472. The Public Works Equipment project total cumulative obligations were reported as \$289,426 and total cumulative expenditures were reported as \$220,000. The equipment was purchased for \$220,000. The cumulative expenditures agree to the supporting documentation, but the cumulative obligations are overstated by \$69,426. The report did not include documentation that it was reviewed by anyone other than the preparer.

<u>Context</u>: The December 31, 2024, report filed in March 2025 was tested by comparing amounts reported for cumulative obligations and expenditures to support for cumulative obligations and expenditures.

Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

Cause: There is no evidence that the report was reviewed for errors by someone other than the preparer.

Effect: The Police Jury may have unobligated amounts of \$291,898 on December 31, 2024, which was the last day to obligate the funds.

Recommendation to prevent future occurrences: The Policy Jury should communicate with the grantor agency to determine if the amount that is not obligated per the report should be repaid.

Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable): This finding originated in the current fiscal year.

Corrective action planned:

Management will confer with the grantor to verify if repayment is due because of the error.

Person responsible for corrective action:

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Respectively Submitted,

Margarett Dew, Secretary/Treasurer

Madison Parish Police Jury Status of Prior Year Management Letter Items For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

2023-M1

Comment: The American Rescue Plan bank account is not earning interest.

Recommendation: We recommend placing this deposit into an account that draws interest.

<u>Management's response:</u> Management has noted the recommendation and will convert the account to an interest-bearing account, immediately.

This item was cleared in the current year.

2023-M2

Comment: The advertisement for supplies to be bid was not provided.

Recommendation: All documentation for bids should be retained to meet state compliance requirements.

<u>Management's response:</u> We will follow the auditor's recommendation and retain all necessary documentation related to bids.

This item was cleared in the current year.

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING STATEWIDE AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Police Jurors Madison Parish Police Jury Tallulah, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Madison Parish Police Jury's management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The Police Jury has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

1) Written Policies and Procedures

- A. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
 - i. Budgeting, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
 - ii. *Purchasing*, including (1) how purchases are initiated, (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list, (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders, (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law, and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
 - iii. Disbursements, including processing, reviewing, and approving.

- iv. *Receipts/Collections*, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).
- v. *Payroll/Personnel*, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee rates of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- vi. *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- vii. *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- viii. Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, purchase cards, if applicable), including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- ix. *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121, (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- x. **Debt Service**, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- xi. Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- xii. *Prevention of Sexual Harassment*, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

<u>Comment</u>: Purchasing policy does not address how vendors are added to the vendor list. There are no written policies or procedures for receipts and collections. The contract policy does not mention those requiring legal review. The credit card policy does not mention who approves statements. The ethics policy does not include a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy. There are no written policies and procedures for Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity.

<u>Management's Response</u>: Management agrees. Written policies and procedures will be developed and/or revised to include all applicable elements.

2) Board or Finance Committee

- A. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and
 - i. Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
 - ii. For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, review the minutes from all regularly scheduled board/finance committee meetings held during the fiscal year and observe whether the minutes from at least one each month referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on all proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget- to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. Alternatively, for those entities reporting on the not-for-profit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.
 - iii. For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.
 - iv. Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

<u>Comment:</u> There were six exceptions noted where written updates of the progress of resolving audit findings, according to management's corrective action plan, were not provided in meetings until the findings are considered fully resolved.

<u>Management's Response</u>: Exceptions were noted and updates on resolving audit findings will be communicated to the Police Jury.

3) Bank Reconciliations

- A. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
 - i. Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);

- ii. Bank reconciliations include written evidence that a member of management or a board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation within 1 month of the date the reconciliation was prepared (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
- iii. Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

<u>Comment</u>: There were five exceptions noted where the documentation of the bank reconciliation review did not include the date. There were two exceptions noted where documentation of research on reconciling items over twelve months old from statement date was not maintained.

<u>Management's Response</u>: Management agrees. The proper steps are noted to make certain reconciliations are documented when the reconciliation is completed and reviewed. Research of reconciling items will be documented also.

5) Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- A. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
- B. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with non-payroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, then inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that
 - i. At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order or making the purchase;
 - ii. At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors;
 - iii. The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files;
 - iv. Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments; and
 - v. Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (EFT), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.

[Note: Findings related to controls that constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality) should not be reported.]

C. For each location selected under procedure #5A above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's

representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and

- i. Observe whether the disbursement, whether by paper or electronic means, matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates that deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity, and
- ii. Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under procedure #5B above, as applicable.
- D. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3A, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was (a) approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds (e.g., sign checks) per the entity's policy, and (b) approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy. Note: If no electronic payments were made from the main operating account during the month selected the practitioner should select an alternative month and/or account for testing that does include electronic disbursements. Do not include transfers from one bank account to another within the agency.

Comment: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

7) Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements and obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected
 - i. If reimbursed using a per diem, observe that the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov);
 - ii. If reimbursed using actual costs, observe that the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased;
 - iii. Observe that each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by Written Policies and Procedures procedure #1A(vii); and
 - iv. Observe that each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Comment: There was one exception noted where reimbursement was not supported by original receipts.

<u>Management's Response</u>: Management acknowledges this finding and agrees with the assessment. It is noted that this was an isolated incident, rather than a recurring issue.

8) Contracts

- A. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. Alternatively, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and
 - I. Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law;
 - ii. Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter);
 - iii. If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe that the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, the documented approval); and
 - iv. Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe that the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

Comment: No exceptions were noted as a result of this procedure.

10) Ethics

- A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A obtain ethics documentation from management, and
 - i. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates that each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:1170; and
 - ii. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates that each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
- B. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Comment: There was one exception noted where ethic documentation was not provided.

<u>Management's Response</u>: Management acknowledges that if verification of attendance is done, then the issuance of an attendance certificate must be obtained.

14) Prevention of Sexual Harassment

A. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from Payroll and Personnel procedure #9A, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation

demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year as required by R.S. 42:343.

- B. Observe that the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).
- C. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe that the report includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
 - i. Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
 - ii. Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
 - iii. Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
 - iv. Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
 - v. Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

Comment: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

We were engaged by the Madison Parish Police Jury to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Police Jury and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

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June 30, 2025