Jackson Parish Police Jury Jonesboro, Louisiana

Annual Financial Report As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2021

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Independent Auditor's Report

Police Jurors Jackson Parish Police Jury Jonesboro, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, Jonesboro, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Police Jury's primary government 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, 2021, 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, 2021, 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 (Government Auditing Standards), issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 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. The effects of not including the Policy Jury's legally separate component units 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 6 to the financial statements, the net pension asset for the Police Jury was \$562,862 at December 31, 2021, 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, 2021, 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 Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset), Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension Plan, 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, 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 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 themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 5, 2023 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.

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Monroe, Louisiana June 5, 2023 **Jackson Parish Police Jury**

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Management's Discussion And Analysis (MD&A)

Our discussion and analysis of Jackson Parish Police Jury's financial performance provides an overview of the Police Jury's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2021.

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 fiscal year 2021 by \$24,908,042 (net position). Of this amount, \$1,638,476 represents unrestricted net position, which may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

The Police Jury total net position changed \$478,762 mainly because of the increase in ad valorem tax revenues and sales and use tax revenues. The Jury believes that taxpayer's funds should be used for projects and maintenance that improve the quality of life for the citizens of Jackson Parish, not for hoarding funds. The Jury believes that it has sufficient net position to provide these programs for the near future.

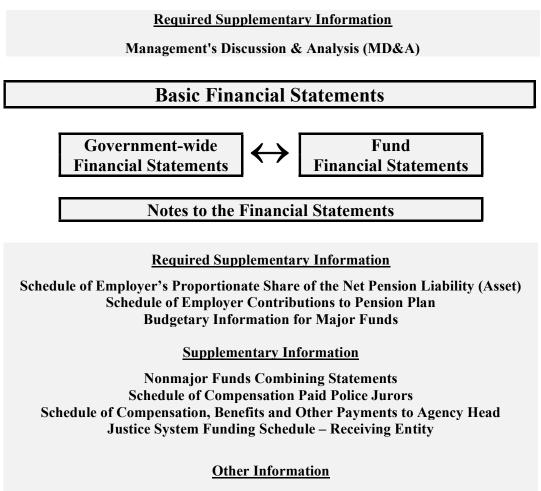
Total spending for all our governmental activities was \$9,409,608 for the year. Most of the Police Jury's property and sales taxes were used to support the net cost (after deducting restricted grants and fees charged to users) of these six areas: finance and administrative \$226,206, other general government \$350,071, public safety \$338,339, public works \$4,549,615, health and welfare \$167,061, and culture and recreation \$1,298,893.

At the end of 2021, the Police Jury's governmental funds reported a combined fund balances of \$10,849,687, a change of \$392,623 in comparison with prior year. \$1,783,572 or 16% of the combined fund balance is available for spending at the government's discretion (unassigned fund balance). 100% of the unassigned fund balance is reported in the General fund.

At the end of the current year, unrestricted fund balance (the total of the committed and unassigned components of fund balance) for the General fund was \$2,113,497, or approximately 96% of total general fund expenditures.

NEW GASB STANDARD In the current fiscal year, the Police Jury implemented GASB Statement No. 84 - Fiduciary Activities. The principal objective of this statement is to enhance the consistency and comparability of fiduciary activity reporting by state and local governments. It improves guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting and how those activities should be reported. The implementation of this standard had no effect on the Police Jury's governmental fund or government-wide financial statements.

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, Road, Solid Waste, Library, Asphalt, and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery.



Other Reports Required by Government Auditing Standards

Our auditor has provided assurance in their 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. 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. Separate financial statements may be obtained from the component units that are not included.

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 the Police Jury's services are reported here, including public works and health and welfare services. Property taxes, sales 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 Solid Waste fund). The Police Jury's governmental funds use the following accounting approach:

Governmental funds - All 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 the reconciliations on Statements D and F.

THE POLICE JURY AS A WHOLE As noted earlier, net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The Police Jury's assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$24,908,042 (net position). Our analysis 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,

				Percent of
	2021	2020	Variance	Change
Other assets	\$ 12,159,813	\$ 12,371,859	\$ (212,046)	(1.7)
Capital assets	15,763,338	16,043,118	(279,780)	(1.7)
Total assets	27,923,151	28,414,977	(491,826)	(1.7)
Deferred outflows of resources	600,784	506,415	94,369	18.6
Other liabilities	585,532	1,597,703	(1,012,171)	(63.4)
Long-term liabilities	1,861,339	2,185,191	(323,852)	(14.8)
Total liabilities	2,446,871	3,782,894	(1,336,023)	(35.3)
Deferred inflows of resources	1,169,022	709,218	459,804	64.8
Net position:				
Net investment in capital assets	14,463,338	14,438,118	25,220	0.2
Restricted	8,806,228	9,291,005	(484,777)	(5.2)
Unrestricted	1,638,476	700,157	938,319	134.0
Total net position	\$ 24,908,042	\$ 24,429,280	\$ 478,762	2.0

The largest portion of the Police Jury's net position (\$14,463,338 or 58%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure), less any related outstanding debt that was used to acquire those assets. The Police Jury uses these capital assets to provide a variety of services to its citizens. Accordingly, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Police Jury's investments in capital assets are reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources used to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the Police Jury's combined net position (\$8,806,228 or 35%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$1,638,476 is unrestricted net position and may be used to meet the Police Jury's obligations to its citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Police Jury is able to report positive balances in all reported categories of net position. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

Governmental Activities The Police Jury's overall net position changed \$478,762 from the prior year. The reasons for this overall change are as follows:

- Increase of \$144,027 in ad valorem tax revenues
- Increase of \$334,879 in sales and use tax revenues

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

	2021	2020	Variance	Percent of Change
Revenues:	2021	2020	variance	Change
Program revenues:				
Charges for services	\$ 392,214	\$ 231,498	\$ 160,716	69.4
Operating grants and contributions	1,593,658	554,659	1,038,999	187.3
Capital grants and contributions	225,266	3,210	222,056	6,917.6
General revenues:	223,200	5,210	222,030	0,917.0
Ad valorem taxes	4,205,290	4,061,263	144,027	3.5
Sales taxes	2,458,551	2,123,672	334,879	15.8
Severance taxes	501,738	677,528	(175,790)	(25.9)
Interest and investment earnings	21,212	63,682	(42,470)	(66.7)
Miscellaneous	490,441	396,908	93,533	23.6
Total revenues	9,888,370	8,112,420	1,775,950	21.9
Functions/Program Expenses:				
General government:				
Legislative	157,597	167,763	(10,166)	(6.1)
Judicial	270,519	267,944	2,575	1.0
Elections	23,927	28,310	(4,383)	(15.5)
Finance and administrative	583,012	427,801	155,211	36.3
Other general government	559,671	511,345	48,326	9.5
Public safety	779,370	795,047	(15,677)	(2.0)
Public works	5,422,588	7,378,361	(1,955,773)	(26.5)
Health and welfare	177,648	215,075	(37,427)	(17.4)
Culture and recreation	1,408,489	1,371,142	37,347	2.7
Interest on long-term debt	26,787	30,993	(4,206)	(13.6)
Total expenses	9,409,608	11,193,781	(1,784,173)	(15.9)
Increase (decrease) in net position	478,762	(3,081,361)	3,560,123	115.5
Net Position, beginning	24,429,280	27,510,641	(3,081,361)	(11.2)
Net Position, ending	\$ 24,908,042	\$ 24,429,280	\$ 478,762	2.0

As reported in the Statement of Activities, the cost of all of our governmental activities this year was \$9,409,608, the amount that our taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities through Police Jury taxes and other general revenue was only \$7,198,470 because some of the cost was paid by other governments and organizations who subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (\$1,818,924) and by those charged for services (\$392,214).

In Table 3, we have presented the cost of each of the Police Jury's six largest functions for fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 – judicial, finance and administration, other general government, public safety, public works, 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.

Governmental Activities										
	Total Cost of Services 2021	Net Cost of Services 2021	Total Cost of Services 2020	Net Cost of Services 2020						
Judicial	\$ 270,519	\$ 126,109	\$ 267,944	\$ 229,587						
Finance and administration	583,012	226,206	427,801	403,535						
Other general government	559,671	350,071	511,345	511,345						
Public safety	779,370	338,339	795,047	746,042						
Public works	5,422,588	4,549,615	7,378,361	6,831,402						
Culture and recreation	1,408,489	1,298,893	1,371,142	1,247,423						
All others	385,959	309,237	442,141	435,080						
Totals	\$ 9,409,608	\$ 7,198,470	\$ 11,193,781	\$ 10,404,414						

Table 3For the Years Ended December 31,Governmental Activities

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 \$10,849,687 which is a change of \$392,623 from last year. The primary reasons for the changes in fund balances are:

The General fund is our principal operating fund. The fund balance of the General fund changed \$706,166 from the \$1,419,938 reported in prior year to \$2,126,104. This increase is primarily due to a \$800,000 transfer from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery fund for revenue loss in the General fund.

The Road fund is our road maintenance fund. The fund balance in the Road fund changed from \$1,598,615 to \$1,130,985. This decrease was mainly due to sales and use tax revenues that were recorded in the Road fund for 2020 but were recorded in the Asphalt fund for 2021.

The Solid Waste fund is used to collect, dispose, and maintain garbage throughout Jackson Parish. The fund balance in the Solid Waste fund changed from \$601,665 to \$742,285. In comparison with prior year, this increase was mainly due to increased dumping fees and commercial collection fees of \$148,352.

The Library fund accounts for the Parish Library activities. The fund balance changed \$(295,253) from \$3,732,520 to \$3,437,267. This decrease is primarily due to increased personnel salaries and related benefits and increased capital outlay.

The Asphalt fund accounts for asphalting parish roads. The fund balance in the Asphalt fund changed from \$1,211,621 to \$1,503,005. This increase was primarily due to sales and use tax revenues that were recorded in the Road fund for 2020 but were recorded in the Asphalt fund for 2021.

The Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery fund accounts for a federal grant received to respond to the public health emergency, COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts, respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing premium pay to eligible workers, and to provide government services, to the extent COVID-19 caused a reduction in revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year. During the current fiscal year, the Police Jury received \$1,529,044 in grant funding. The Police Jury expended \$321,091, transferred \$1,000,000 for loss revenues, and deferred \$207,953 in unearned revenue.

Nonmajor Governmental funds, which includes the Health Unit, Landfill Closure, Tourism, Debt Service and Capital Projects changed from \$1,892,705 to \$1,910,041 or less than an 1% increase from prior year.

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 for the General fund and major special revenue funds with legally adopted budgets is provided later in this report).

Budgeted revenues for the General fund's final budget were \$431 thousand less than the original budget. This is mainly due to the decrease in amounts budgeted for severance taxes (\$187 thousand) and federal revenues (\$346 thousand) offset by an increase in budgeted miscellaneous revenues (\$78 thousand). The original budget was adopted in 2020. The Jury does not consider funds in the Statutory Reserve in building of the budget. These funds are set aside for bona fide emergency use.

Budgeted expenditures for the General fund's final budget were \$188 thousand less than the original budget. This was mainly due to decreasing the budgets for public safety (\$404 thousand) offset by increasing the budgets for finance and administration (\$90 thousand) and other general government expenditures (\$104 thousand).

The final budget for transfers in was increased by \$550 thousand to budget for the transfers from the Coronavirus and Local Fiscal Recovery fund.

In comparing the General fund's final budget to actual results, the actual revenues received exceeded the budgeted amounts by \$82,265 and actual charges to appropriations were \$18,961 less than the amount budgeted. This was mainly due to timing and the estimated final amounts. The Jury deemed it prudent to budget conservatively.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets At December 31, 2021, the Police Jury had \$15,763,338 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, furniture and equipment and infrastructure assets such as roads and bridges. This amount represents a net decrease (including additions, deductions, and depreciation) of \$279,780 or -1.7%, from last year.

Capital Assets at Year End Governmental Activities

	2021	2020	Variance	Percent of Change
Land	\$ 594,339	\$ 572,064	\$ 22,275	3.9
Construction in progress	236,233	83,153	153,080	184.1
Buildings & Improvements	6,065,186	6,182,311	(117,125)	(1.9)
Vehicles	608,668	774,688	(166,020)	(21.4)
Equipment/Machinery/Furniture	1,742,344	1,593,881	148,463	9.3
Infrastructure/Roads	6,516,568	6,837,021	(320,453)	(4.7)
Total net capital assets	\$ 15,763,338	\$ 16,043,118	\$ (279,780)	(1.7)

This year's major additions include resurfacing of parish roads and increases in construction in progress for solid waste bin sites. See Note 5 for further information regarding capital assets of the Police Jury at December 31, 2021.

Debt At the end of this year, the Police Jury had \$1,300,000 in certificates of indebtedness outstanding versus \$1,605,000 last year, a decrease of 19%. The certificates are payable over the next 4 years.

The Police Jury also has an obligation for the landfill closure liability at year end. The landfill liability at December 31, 2021 is \$317,528. We present more detailed information about our long-term liabilities in Note 9 and Note 11 in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

The Policy Jury also has liabilities accrued for compensated absences (Note 8) and net pension liability (asset) (Note 6). See the respective note in the Notes to the Financial Statements for detailed information.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The Jackson Parish Police Jury has adopted a budget for 2022 based on historical data and anticipated activities.

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into Federal law and established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery fund, which together make up the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds. This program is intended to provide support to governments in responding to the economic and public health impacts of COVID-19 and in their efforts to contain impacts on their communities, residents, and businesses. Jackson Parish Police Jury was awarded \$3,058,087 for this program and the final payment of \$1,529,043 was received on July 25, 2022.

CONTACTING THE POLICE JURY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT Our financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, 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 Jackson Parish Police Jury, 160 Industrial Drive, Jonesboro, Louisiana 71251, telephone number (318) 259-2361.

Jackson Parish Police Jury

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Jackson Parish Police Jury

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Government-wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION December 31, 2021

Statement A

	PRIMARY GOVERNMEN GOVERNMENTAL
	ACTIVITIES
ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,750,873
Receivables	4,766,884
Prepaid items	79,194
Net pension asset	562,862
Capital Assets:	
Land	830,572
Capital assets, net of depreciation	14,932,766
TOTAL ASSETS	27,923,151
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	600,784
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	600,784
LIABILITIES:	
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	375,037
Unearned revenues	207,953
Security deposits	2,542
Long-term liabilities:	2,012
Due within one year:	
Long-term debt: Bonds and compensated absences	512,656
Due in more than one year:	0.2,000
Long-term debt: Bonds, compensated absences, and landfill closure	1,348,683
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,446,871
DEFERRED INFLOWS:	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	1,169,022
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS	1,169,022
NET POSITION:	
Net investment in capital assets	14,463,338
Restricted for:	14,403,000
Road maintenance	2,709,274
Waste management	742,285
Library	3,425,718
Health unit	468,244
Landfill closure	724,785
Tourism	141,369
Pavilion/Riding Arena	250,000
Grand jury and witness fees	12,607
Debt Service	331,946
Uprostricted	1,638,476
Unrestricted	

THE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Statement B

	E)	(PENSES		RGES FOR ERVICES	O GF	GRAM REVENU PERATING RANTS AND ITRIBUTIONS	(GR	CAPITAL ANTS AND TRIBUTIONS	<u>GO</u> GOV NE [*] RE C	PRIMARY DVERNMENT VERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES T (EXPENSE) EVENUE AND HANGES IN ET POSITION
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS										
Primary Government:										
Governmental Activities:										
General government:										
Legislative	\$	157,597	\$	-	\$	57,418	\$	-	\$	(100,179)
Judicial		270,519		25,981		118,429		-		(126,109)
Elections		23,927		-		8,717		-		(15,210)
Finance and administrative		583,012		-		356,806		-		(226,206)
Other general government		559,671		-		184,334		25,266		(350,071)
Public safety		779,370		-		441,031		-		(338,339)
Public works Health and welfare		5,422,588		330,719		342,254		200,000		(4,549,615) (167,061)
Culture and recreation		177,648 1,408,489		- 35,514		10,587 74,082		-		(1,298,893)
Interest on long-term debt		26,787		55,514		74,002		-		(1,290,093) (26,787)
3		<u> </u>								· · ·
Total Governmental Activities	\$	9,409,608	\$	392,214	\$	1,593,658	\$	225,266		(7,198,470)
	-	eral revenue	s:							
		ixes:								1 005 000
		Ad valorem t								4,205,290
		Sales and us								2,458,551
		State revenu Severance ta		nng						94,954
		Severance la Miscellaneou		20						501,738 200,400
		censes and p								12,292
		terest and in								21,212
		scellaneous	vestin	ent carninge						182,795
			Irovo	nuos						7,677,232
		Total genera								
		Change in	net p	osition						478,762
	Net	position - be	ginnin	g						24,429,280
	Net	position - en	ding						\$	24,908,042

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Balance Sheet December 31, 2021

	GENERAL	ROAD	SOLID WASTE
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Prepaid items	\$ 1,127,289 1,229,913 -	\$ 212,883 1,022,609	\$ 439,833 355,000
TOTAL ASSETS	2,357,202	1,235,492	794,833
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:			
Accounts, salaries, and other payables Security deposits Unearned Revenues	187,458 1,225 -	62,931 1,317 -	52,548 - -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	188,683	64,248	52,548
Deferred Inflows of Resources: Unavailable Revenue-property taxes	42,415	40,259	<u> </u>
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	42,415	40,259	
Fund balances: Nonspendable Restricted Committed Unassigned	- 12,607 300,000 1,813,497	- 1,130,985 - -	- 742,285 - -
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	2,126,104	1,130,985	742,285
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 2,357,202	\$ 1,235,492	\$ 794,833

THE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

Statement C

LIBRARY		ASPHALT		CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY		NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL		 TOTAL
	,528,218 955,432 49,269	\$	500,228 1,047,028 -	\$	178,028 - 29,925	\$	1,764,394 156,902 -	\$ 6,750,873 4,766,884 79,194
3	,532,919		1,547,256		207,953		1,921,296	 11,596,951
	57,932 -		9,226 -		-		4,942 -	375,037 2,542
	- 57,932		9,226		207,953 207,953		4,942	 207,953 585,532
	37,720		35,025				6,313	 161,732
	37,720		35,025				6,313	 161,732
3	49,269 ,387,998 - -		- 1,503,005 - -		29,925 - - (29,925)		- 1,910,031 10 -	 79,194 8,686,911 300,010 1,783,572
3	,437,267		1,503,005				1,910,041	 10,849,687
\$ 3	,532,919	\$	1,547,256	\$	207,953	\$	1,921,296	\$ 11,596,951

Jackson Parish Police Jury

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position December 31, 2021

		S	tatement D
Total fund balance, governmental funds		\$	10,849,687
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Po	osition are different because:		
The cost of capital assets (land, buildings, furniture and equipment or constructed is reported as an expenditure in governmental fund includes those capital assets among the assets of the Police Jury capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives (as dep various programs reported as governmental activities in the State depreciation expense does not affect financial resources, it is not r	s. The Statement of Net Position as a whole. The cost of those reciation expense) to the ment of Activities. Because		
Costs of capital assets \$	47,385,684		
Accumulated depreciation	(31,622,346)		15,763,338
Long-term assets that are not available to pay current period expended deferred inflows of resources: unavailable revenue - property taxes and are reported as revenue in the government-wide statements.	-		161,732
Net pension asset is not available to pay current period expenditure reported in the governmental funds.	s and therefore are not		562,862
Deferred outflows of resources are not available to pay current period accordingly are not reported in the governmental funds.	od expenditures and		600,784
Deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the curren not reported in the governmental funds.	t period and accordingly are		(1,169,022)
Long-term liabilities applicable to the Police Jury's governmental ac payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as Net Position.			
Long-term liabilities balances at December 31, 2021 are: Certificates of indebtedness Compensated absences payable	(1,300,000) (243,811)		
Estimated liability for landfill closure	(317,528)		(1 064 220)
			(1,861,339)
Net position of governmental activities		\$	24,908,042

Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	GENERAL	ROAD	SOLID WASTE
REVENUES			
Local Sources:			
Taxes:			
Ad valorem	\$ 1,135,368	\$ 1,082,607	\$-
Sales and use	-	-	1,475,130
Other taxes, penalties and interest	173,412	-	-
Licenses and permits	12,292	-	-
Intergovernmental revenues:			
State funds:			
Severance taxes	501,738	-	-
Parish transportation funds	-	252,943	-
State revenue sharing	25,759	24,567	-
State aid grants	12,133	-	-
Federal revenue	47,838	74,516	-
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	32,144	-	330,719
Fines and forfeitures	5,592	-	-
Miscellaneous revenues	164,012	8,139	53,574
Use of money and property	5,099	1,059	2,911
TOTAL REVENUES	2,115,387	1,443,831	1,862,334
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government:			
Legislative	157,597	-	-
Judicial	291,752	-	-
Elections	23,927	-	-
Finance and administration	439,112	-	-
Other general government	507,038	-	-
Public safety	714,217	-	-
Public works	17,031	1,422,262	1,784,106
Health and welfare	29,057	-	-
Culture and recreation	29,490	-	-
Capital outlay	-	784,534	210,967
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	-	-	-
Interest and bank charges			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,209,221	2,206,796	1,995,073
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES			
OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ (93,834)	\$ (762,965)	\$ (132,739)

THE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

Statement E	 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL		CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY		ASPHALT		LIBRARY	
4,360,650	\$ 169,446	\$	\$ -	7	941,847	\$	1,031,382	
2,458,551	-		-	21	983,421		-	
173,412	-		-	-			-	
12,292	-		-	-			-	
501,738	-		-	-			-	
252,943	-		-	-			-	
94,954	-		-	89	21,389		23,239	
39,908	27,775		-	-			-	
1,490,510	-		1,321,091	-			47,065	
387,572	-		-	-			24,709	
5,592	-		-	-			-	
267,486	226		-	86	1,286		40,249	
21,212	 1,278			6	4,116		6,749	
10,066,820	198,725		1,321,091	59	1,952,059		1,173,393	

	-	-		-	-	157,597	
	-	-		-	-	291,752	
	-	-		-	-	23,927	
	-	-		201,322	-	640,434	
	-	-		-	-	507,038	
	-	-		94,503	-	808,720	
	-	1,033,394		-	-	4,256,793	
	-	-		-	173,194	202,251	
	1,388,233	-		-	17,285	1,435,008	
	105,801	-		25,266	-	1,126,568	
	-	-		-	305,000	305,000	
	-	-		-	26,787	26,787	
	1,494,034	1,033,394		321,091	522,266	9,781,875	
	1,494,034	1,055,594		521,091	322,200	9,701,075	
\$	(320,641)	\$ 918,665	\$	1,000,000	\$ (323,541)	\$ 284,945	
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Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

				BOAD		SOLID WASTE
	GENERAL ROAD			RUAD	WASTE	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	\$	800,000	\$	295,335	\$	200,000
Transfers out		-		-		(8,931)
Insurance recoveries		-		-		82,290
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		800,000		295,335		273,359
Net Change in Fund Balances		706,166		(467,630)		140,620
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING		1,419,938		1,598,615		601,665
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	¢	2 126 104	\$	1,130,985	¢	710 005
FUND DALANGES - ENDING	<u>ф</u>	2,126,104	þ	1,130,965	ð	742,285

			~~~	RONAVIRUS			S	tatement E
 LIBRARY		ASPHALT		LOCAL FISCAL NONMAJOR RECOVERY GOVERNMENTAL				TOTAL
\$ - - 25,388	\$	- (627,281) -	\$	- (1,000,000) -	\$	340,877 - -	\$	1,636,212 (1,636,212) 107,678
 25,388		(627,281)		(1,000,000)		340,877		107,678
(295,253)		291,384		-		17,336		392,623
 3,732,520		1,211,621				1,892,705		10,457,064
\$ 3,437,267	\$	1,503,005	\$		\$	1,910,041	\$	10,849,687

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### 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, 2021

		Stat	ement F
Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds		\$	392,623
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of	Activities are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditur Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estima expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeds	ted useful lives as depreciation		
Capital outlay	\$ 1,858,245		
Depreciation expense	(2,117,617)		(259,372)
In the Statement of Activities, scrapping of capital assets are reported value. Whereas in the governmental funds, there is no recognition of current financial resources:	-		
Cost of assets scrapped	(495,583)		
Accumulated depreciation	475,175		(20,408)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide curren not reported as revenues in the funds.	t financial resources are		(155,360)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resource while the repayment of the principal on long-term debt consume resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, howeve	es the current financial		305,000
In the Statement of Activities, the estimated liability and expense	for landfill closure is		
based on the landfill capacity to used to date. Whereas in the go there is no recognition because there is no inflow/outflow of curre			(13,934)
The recognition of pension expense in the Statement of Activities payments discounted to actuarial present value and attributed to Pension expenditures in the fund financial statements are the a	o periods of employee service.		212,645
In the Statement of Activities, certain operating expenses-compension sick leave) - are measured by the amounts earned during the y however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amounts expenditures for these items are measured by the amounts expenditures for these items are measured by the amounts expension.	ear. In the governmental funds,		17,568
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Change in net position of governmental activities		\$	478,762

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** The Jackson Parish Police Jury (the Police Jury) is the governing authority for Jackson Parish and is a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana. The Police Jury is governed by seven 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, sales 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, library facilities, and health care facilities.

**A. REPORTING ENTITY** As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Jackson Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Jackson 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.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements establish criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be considered part of the Jackson 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 for which the Police Jury does not appoint a voting majority but 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 Inclusion	Fiscal Year End	Criteria Used
Included within the reporting entity:			
Jackson Parish Library	Blended	December 31, 2021	1a
5		- ) -	
Not included within the reporting entity:			
Jackson Parish Hospital Service District #1	Not included	September 30, 2021	1a
Jackson Parish Recreation District	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Ward 2 Fire Protection District	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Ward 3 Fire Protection District	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Ward 4 Fire Protection District	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Quitman Fire Protection District No. 1	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Jonesboro Fire Protection District No. 1	Not included	June 30, 2021	1a
Jackson Parish Ambulance Service District	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Jackson Parish Watershed District	Not included	December 31, 2021	1a
Jackson Parish Assessor	Not included	December 31, 2021	2
Jackson Parish Clerk of Court	Not included	June 30, 2021	2

The Police Jury has chosen not to include the component units listed above in its basic financial statements. The financial statements only present data of the primary government; however, the data of the component units is necessary in order for the Police Jury to report in conformity with GAAP. If these component units were included, it would be through discrete presentation. Separate financial statements may be obtained from the respective governments.

Considered in the determination of component units of the reporting entity were the Jackson Parish School Board, Jackson Parish Communications District, Jackson Parish Sales Tax Agency, Jackson Parish Council on Aging, Jackson Parish Sheriff, the District Attorney and Judges for the Second Judicial District, and the various municipalities in the parish. It was determined that these governmental entities are not component units of the Jackson Parish Police Jury reporting entity because they have separately elected governing bodies, are legally separate, and are fiscally independent of the Jackson Parish Police Jury.

**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.

<u>Governmental Funds</u> 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 Police Jury reports the following major governmental funds:

**General** - The 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.

**Road** - The Road fund accounts for maintenance of parish highways, streets, and bridges. Funding is provided by a parish-wide ad valorem tax, parish transportation funds provided by the State, state revenue sharing funds, issuance of debt, operation transfers from the General fund, interest earned on investments, and miscellaneous revenues.

**Solid Waste -** The Solid Waste fund accounts for the construction, maintenance, and operation of the solid waste system. Funding is provided by a parish-wide sales tax, fees charged for services, interest on investments, and other miscellaneous revenues.

**Library** - The Library fund accounts for the maintenance and operation of the parish library. Funding is provided by a parish-wide ad valorem tax, state revenue sharing funds, State Library of Louisiana funds, interest earned on investments, and fine and program revenues.

**Asphalt -** The Asphalt fund accounts for asphalting parish roads. Financing is provided by a parish-wide ad valorem tax, sales and use tax, state revenue sharing funds, miscellaneous revenues and interest earned on investments.

**Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery** - This fund accounts for a federal grant received to respond to the public health emergency, COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts, respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing premium pay to eligible workers, and to provide government services, to the extent COVID-19 caused a reduction in revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year.

# C. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

<u>Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)</u> 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 inflows/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.

**Program revenues** 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.

<u>Allocation of indirect expenses</u> 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 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 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 and current liabilities 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 the taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar-year basis and attach as an enforceable lien and become due and payable on the date the tax rolls are filed with the recorder of mortgages. Louisiana Revised Statute 47:1993 requires that the tax roll be filed on or before November 15 of each year. 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.

Sales taxes are susceptible to accrual.

Federal and state grants are recognized when the Police Jury is entitled to the funds.

Fines, forfeitures, and court costs are recognized in the year they are received by the parish tax collector.

Interest income on time deposits is recognized when the time deposits have matured, and the interest is available.

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

Based on the above criteria, ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, federal and state grants, fines and 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 long-term obligations, which are recognized when due.

**Other Financing Sources (Uses)** Sale of capital assets, issuance of debt, increases in capital lease purchases, insurance recoveries, 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 (e.g., purchase orders, contracts) is not recognized within the accounting records for budgetary control purposes.

**E. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS** Cash includes amounts 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, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

**F. SHORT-TERM INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES** 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.

**G. 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.

**H. INVENTORIES AND PREPAID ITEMS** Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out method and consist of expendable supplies. The cost of such inventories is recorded as expenditures/expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the governmental-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenditures/expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

I. CAPITAL ASSETS Capital assets are recorded at either historical cost or estimated historical cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives (excluding salvage value) for items over the thresholds listed below. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition value at the date of donation. General and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, and other assets that are immovable and of value only to the government) are capitalized and valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost. The Police Jury elected not to retroactively report major general infrastructure assets. Interest during construction was not capitalized on capital assets. Estimated useful life is management's estimate of how long the asset is expected to meet service demands. Straight line depreciation is used based on the following estimated useful lives:

Asset Category	Threshold	Useful Life
Vehicles	\$ 5,000	7 years
Heavy Equipment: Machinery/Device	5,000	5 years
Heavy Equipment: Industrial Fixture	10,000	25 years
Building Purchase or Construction	15,000	40 years
Building Improvements	15,000	20 years
Infrastructure: Land Improvements	15,000	15 years
Infrastructure: Parish Roads	20,000	10 years
Infrastructure: Model Bin Site	20,000	20 years
Office Equipment/Furniture	5,000	7 years
Computers/IT Equipment	5,000	3 years
Internal Use Software (Minor)	5,000 to 25,000	5 years
Internal Use Software (Major)	Over 25,000	10 years
Books, Periodicals and Law Books	5,000	5 years
Library Books/Equipment/Furniture	1,000	3 to 7 years

In cases where a purchase is made and the specific life expectancy is established that does not agree to the above table, the useful life will be adjusted to match the established life of the asset.

J. COMPENSATED ABSENCES All full-time employees of the Police Jury earn annual leave at rates varying from ten to twenty-one days per year, depending on length of service. Employees may accumulate and carry forward no more than twenty days of annual leave. All full-time permanent employees earn five to twenty-one days of sick leave each year. Sick leave can be accumulated without limitation. Upon retirement, unused sick leave of up to 25 days is paid to employees. Upon retirement, resignation, termination or death, an employee (or beneficiary) will be paid for a maximum of 160 hours (20 days) of unused vacation leave that an employee has accrued on the date of his/her separation.

Full-time employees of the Jackson Parish Library earn from ten to 20 days of annual leave, depending on their length of service with the library. Part-time employees working 20 hours or more per week earn one-half of full-

time employee leave each year. Vacation leave can be accumulated up to 25 days. All 12-month employees earn 12 days of sick leave each year. Sick leave can be accumulated up to 60 days. Sick leave lapses upon termination of employment.

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 criteria for compensated absences are as follows:

GASB Statement No. 16 provides that vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics should be accrued as liability as the benefits are earned by the employees if both of the following conditions are met:

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

It is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means, such as cash payments at termination or retirement.

GASB Statement No. 16 provides that a liability for sick leave should be accrued using one of the following termination approaches:

An accrual for earned sick leave should be made only to the extent it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments, rather than be taken as absences due to illness or other contingencies, such as medical appointments and funerals.

Alternatively, a governmental entity should estimate its accrued sick leave liability based on the sick leave accumulated at the balance sheet date by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments as well as other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments.

**K. LIABILITIES** For government-wide reporting, the costs associated with the bonds, except any portion related to prepaid insurance costs, are recognized as an expense in the period incurred as established by GASB No. 65.

For fund financial reporting, bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the period the bonds are issued. Bond proceeds are reported as other financing source net of the applicable premium or discount. Issuance costs, even if withheld from the actual net proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

L. 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 has one item, deferred outflows related to pensions that qualifies in this category and is reported only in the governmental activities.

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 until that time. The Police Jury has one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, *unavailable* revenue, 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 Police Jury also has one item, deferred inflows related to pensions that qualifies in this category and is reported only in the governmental activities.

**M. PENSION PLAN** For purposes measuring the net pension liability (asset), 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 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.

**N. RESTRICTED NET POSITION** For the government-wide statement of net position, net position is reported as restricted if either of the following conditions exist:

- Restrictions are externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or
- Restrictions are 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. Restricted net position reported in the statement of net position for road maintenance, waste management, library, and health unit are restricted by enabling legislation.

**O. FUND BALANCES OF FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be reported within the fund balance categories as follows:

**Non-spendable:** 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 is neither restricted nor committed. Intent should be expressed by the Jury.

**<u>Unassigned</u>:** Fund balance that is the residual amount for the General fund that is not contained in the other classifications. The General fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance. Additionally, any deficit fund balance within the other governmental fund types is reported as unassigned.

The Police Jury considers restricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure has been incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available. 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.

**P. 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.

**Q. SALES TAXES** The Police Jury has a 4/10% sales and use tax, which was passed by the voters on April 20, 1996, for a period of ten years. The net proceeds of the tax (after necessary costs of collection) are to be used to black top or seal parish roads and streets. The Policy Jury has a 6/10% sales and use tax, which was passed by the voters on April 20, 1996 for a period of 10 years. The net proceeds of the tax (after necessary costs of collection) are to be used for waste management. Both sales taxes were renewed in 2005 and again in 2015 for a period of 10 years.

**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 and liabilities 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.

**NOTE 2 - LEVIED TAXES** The Police Jury levies taxes on real and business personal property located within Jackson Parish's boundaries. Property taxes are levied by the Police Jury on property values assessed by the Jackson Parish Tax Assessor and approved by the State of Louisiana Tax Commission.

The Jackson Parish sheriff's office bills and collects property taxes for the Police Jury. Collections are remitted to the Police Jury monthly.

Property Tax Calendar	
Jury Levy date	August 9, 2021
Tax bills mailed	On or about November 1, 2021
Due date	December 31, 2021
Lien date	January 1, 2022
Tax sale -delinquent property	May 8, 2022

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

10% land	15% machinery
10% residential improvements	15% commercial improvements
15% industrial 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 in 2020. Total assessed value was \$223,808,470 in calendar year 2021. Louisiana state law exempts the first \$75,000 of the assessed value of a taxpayer's primary residence from parish property taxes. This homestead exemption was \$23,788,620 of the assessed value in calendar year 2021.

State law requires the sheriff to collect property taxes in the calendar year in which the assessment is made. Property taxes become delinquent January 1st 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.

All property taxes are recorded in the General, Road, Library, Asphalt, and Nonmajor Governmental (Health Unit) funds. Revenues in such funds are recognized in the accounting period in which they become measurable and available. Property taxes are considered measurable in the calendar year of the tax levy. 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. Available means due, or past due, and receivable within the current period and collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The remaining property taxes receivables are considered available because they are substantially collected within 60 days subsequent to year-end.

The tax roll is prepared by the parish tax assessor in November of each year; therefore, the amount of 2021 property taxes to be collected occurs in December and January and February of the next year. 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 the maximum millages allowed and the amounts levied for ad valorem taxes for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	Maximum Allowed <u>Millage</u>	Levied <u>Millage</u>	Expiration <u>Date</u>
Parish-wide taxes:			
Parish general	5.51	5.51	Statutory
Roads and bridges	5.23	5.23	2029
Road asphalt/paving	4.55	4.55	2029
Library & bookmobile	9.14	4.90	2028
Health Unit	0.82	0.82	2022
Forest protection	8 cents/acre	8 cents/acre	-

**NOTE 3 - CASH DEPOSITS** At December 31, 2021, the Police Jury had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) of \$6,750,873.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits</u>: In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. As of December 31, 2021, the Police Jury had a bank balance of \$6,836,790 of which \$6,336,790 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and 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 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 request. The Police Jury's policy does not address custodial credit risk.

	Ad Valorem	Sales Tax	Federal	State	Other local	Total
General	\$ 1,050,946	\$ -	\$ 9,198	\$ 155,306	\$ 14,463	\$ 1,229,913
Road	1,001,555	-	-	21,054	-	1,022,609
Solid Waste	-	263,540	-	-	91,460	355,000
Library	955,432	-	-	-	-	955,432
Asphalt Fund	871,334	175,694	-	-	-	1,047,028
Nonmajor Governmental	156,902			-		156,902
Total	\$ 4,036,169	\$ 439,234	\$ 9,198	\$ 176,360	\$ 105,923	\$ 4,766,884

# **NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES** The following is a summary of receivables at December 31, 2021:

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 the remaining accounts receivable is expected to be collected in full; no allowance for doubtful accounts has been established.

**NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS** The following schedule presents changes in capital assets for the Police Jury for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	Balance			Balance
	Beginning	Additions	Deletions	Ending
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 572,064	\$ 22,275	\$ -	\$ 594,339
Construction in progress	83,153	265,205	112,125	236,233
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	655,217	287,480	112,125	830,572
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings & Improvements	10,492,104	182,324	-	10,674,428
Vehicles	3,387,662	-	369,935	3,017,727
Equipment/Machinery/Furniture	5,437,127	460,878	100,941	5,797,064
Infrastructure/Roads	26,050,912	1,039,688	24,707	27,065,893
Total capital assets, being depreciated	45,367,805	1,682,890	495,583	46,555,112
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings & Improvements	4,309,793	299,449	-	4,609,242
Vehicles	2,612,974	150,115	354,030	2,409,059
Equipment/Machinery/Furniture	3,843,246	307,912	96,438	4,054,720
Infrastructure/Roads	19,213,891	1,360,141	24,707	20,549,325
Total	29,979,904	2,117,617	475,175	31,622,346
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	15,387,901	(434,727)	20,408	14,932,766
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$16,043,118	\$ (147,247)	\$ 132,533	\$ 15,763,338

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities for the Police Jury as follows:

Judicial	\$	3,890
Finance and administrative		110,980
Other general government		66,846
Public safety		4,000
Public works		1,704,550
Health and welfare		13,891
Culture and recreation		213,460
Total	\$ 2	2,117,617

**NOTE** 6 - 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 <u>www.persla.org.</u>

# Plan Descriptions/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 prior to 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 55, 10 years of creditable service and is at least 30 years of service and is at least 30 years of creditable service and is at least 30 years of creditable service and is at least 30 years of 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, as outlined in the statutes.

# **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, 2021, the actuarially determined contribution rate was 10.38% of member's compensation. However, the actual rate for fiscal year ending December 31, 2021 was 12.25% or \$260,143. According to state statute, the System also receives ¼ 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 nonemployer contributions was \$26,988 and was recognized as revenue by the Police Jury.

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

At December 31, 2021, the Police Jury reported a net pension liability (asset) of \$(562,862) for its proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability (NPL). The NPL will be liquidated through contributions to the pension plan from the governmental fund in which the related salary was paid. The NPL was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the NPL was determined by actuarial valuations as of that date. 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, 2020, the most recent measurement date, the Police Jury's proportion was 0.321009% and the changes in proportion from the prior measurement date was a decrease of 0.002259%.

For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Police Jury recognized a total pension expense of \$74,486. 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:

	Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	137,038	\$ 67,181
Changes in assumptions		184,151	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-	1,098,542
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		19,452	3,299
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date		260,143	-
Total	\$	600,784	\$ 1,169,022

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 in the year ended December 31, 2022. Other

amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	Amount
2022	\$ (226,891)
2023	(72,411)
2024	(349,613)
2025	(179,466)

Actuarial Assumptions: A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability in the December 31, 2020 valuation are as follows:

Valuation Date	December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Cost
Expected Remaining Service Lives	4 years
Investment Rate of Return	6.40%, net of investment expense, including inflation
Inflation Rate	2.30%
Mortality	For annuitant and beneficiary mortality, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Healthy Retirees was used. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees was used. For disabled annuitants, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees was used. These mortality tables were multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale.
Termination, Disability, Retirement	Projected based on a 5 year (January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2017) experience study
Projected Salary Increases	4.75% (2.45% Merit/2.30% Inflation)
Cost of Living Adjustments	Not substantively automatic

*Changes in Assumptions from Prior Year:* The inflation rate was reduced from 2.4% to 2.3%. The investment rate of return was reduced from 6.50% to 6.40%. The reduction in the valuation interest rate represents the continuation of the Board of Trustees' plan to lower the future risk inherent in the valuation interest rate assumption.

*Discount Rate:* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.40%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers and non-employer contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates, which are calculated in accordance with relevant statutes and approved by the Board of Trustees and the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. 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 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.

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 2.00% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.00% for the year ended December 31, 2020.

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, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Long-term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
Fixed income	33%	0.86%
Equity	51%	3.36%
Alternatives	14%	0.67%
Real assets	2%	0.11%
Totals	100%	5.00%
Inflation		2.00%
Expected arithmetic nominal return		7.00%

Sensitivity of the proportionate share of the NPL to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the Police Jury's proportionate share of the NPL using the current discount rate as well as what the Police Jury's proportionate share of the NPL 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:

1	% Decrease	Curre	Current Discount Rate		)% Increase	
	(5.40%)		(6.40%)		(7.40%)	
\$	1,180,156	\$	(562,862)	\$	(2,022,603)	

*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, 2021, the Police Jury \$44,067 in payables for employee and employer legally required contributions.

**NOTE 7 - ACCOUNTS, SALARIES, AND OTHER PAYABLES** The following is a summary of payables at December 31, 2021:

			Solid			No	onmajor	
	General	 Road	Waste	Library	Asphalt	Gov	ernmental	 Total
Vendor Payable	\$ 110,432	\$ 41,080	\$ 32,094	\$ 35,485	\$ 2,191	\$	1,856	\$ 223,138
Salaries and Benefits Payable	77,026	 21,851	20,454	22,447	7,035		3,086	 151,899
	\$ 187,458	\$ 62,931	\$ 52,548	\$ 57,932	\$ 9,226	\$	4,942	\$ 375,037

**NOTE 8 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES** Employees of the Police Jury had accumulated and vested \$243,811 of employee leave benefits at December 31, 2021, which includes \$3,485 of employee related benefits. These benefits were computed in accordance with GASB Codification, Section C60. This amount has been recorded as a long-term obligation.

**NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM DEBT** The following is a summary of the long-term debt transactions and balances for the year ended December 31, 2021:

Beginning				Amounts Due Within One
Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance	Year
\$ 1,605,000	\$ -	\$ 305,000	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 310,000
261,379	185,088	202,656	243,811	202,656
303,594	13,934		317,528	
\$ 2,169,973	\$ 199,022	\$ 507,656	\$ 1,861,339	\$ 512,656
	Balance \$ 1,605,000 261,379 303,594	Balance         Additions           \$ 1,605,000         \$ -           261,379         185,088           303,594         13,934	Balance         Additions         Deletions           \$ 1,605,000         \$ -         \$ 305,000           261,379         185,088         202,656           303,594         13,934         -	Balance         Additions         Deletions         Ending Balance           \$ 1,605,000         \$ -         \$ 305,000         \$ 1,300,000           261,379         185,088         202,656         243,811           303,594         13,934         -         317,528

Principal and interest payments on the certificate of indebtedness are paid by the Debt Service fund which is funded through transfers from the Asphalt fund.

Compensated absences are liquidated by the General, Road, Solid Waste, Library, and Nonmajor Governmental (Health Unit) funds.

On June 22, 2015, the Police Jury issued \$3,000,000 in certificate of indebtedness, series 2015 for the purpose of constructing and improving the Police Jury's roads and bridges. The certificates mature serially beginning June 1, 2016 with final payment due June 1, 2025. Interest rates range from 0.729% for certificates due June 1, 2016 to 2.066% for certificates due June 1, 2025.

Future debt service requirements for payment of principal and interest are due as follows:

Year Ending	Principal	Interest	
December 31,	Payments	Payments	Total
2022	\$ 310,000	\$ 21,945	\$ 331,945
2023	320,000	16,408	336,408
2024	330,000	10,249	340,249
2025	340,000	3,512	343,512
	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 52,114	\$ 1,352,114

**NOTE 10 - LEASES** The Jackson Parish Police Jury had the following operating leases for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021:

			Monthly	num Rental ment for
Asset	Contract Date	Term	<u>Rental</u>	per 31, 2021
Two John Deere Motor Graders	November 15, 2018	36 months	4,659	\$ 51,252
Caterpillar Mini Excavator	January 1, 2019	48 months	1,073	12,878
Volvo ECR Compact Excavator	January 17, 2019	36 months	2,200	26,400
Kenworth Dump Truck	February 4, 2019	48 months	1,850	22,200
Caterpillar CW16 Roller	February 20, 2019	48 months	1,210	14,520
Caterpillar 316 FL Trackhoe	March 14, 2019	48 months	2,246	26,951
Caterpillar 315 FL Excavator	June 1, 2019	48 months	2,246	26,951
Total				\$ 181,152

The future minimum rental payments are as follows:

Future Minimum
Rental Payment
\$ 105,701
19,992
\$ 125,693

**NOTE 11 - SOLID WASTE LANDFILL COSTS** State and federal laws and regulations require the Jackson Parish Police Jury to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for three years after closure.

The Jackson Parish Landfill is a Type III facility that accepts only construction and demolition debris. The Jackson Parish Landfill has an estimated final closing during fiscal year 2034 (approximately 12 years remaining). The current permit expires December 17, 2028.

The estimated liability for landfill closure and post closure care costs has a balance of \$317,528 as of December 31, 2021, which is based on 43.8% usage of the landfill. The recognition of the liability for closure and post closure cost is based on landfill capacity used to date.

The estimated total cost of the landfill closure and post closure care is \$724,785. This is based on the amount that would be paid if all equipment, facilities, and services required to close, monitor, and maintain the landfill were acquired as of December 31, 2021. However, the actual cost of closure and post closure care may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations.

The Jackson Parish Police Jury has established a special revenue fund to account for the contributions to finance closure costs and post closure care. The Jackson Parish Police Jury has funded \$724,785 of the estimated closure costs as of December 31, 2021.

## **NOTE 12 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS**

Transfers In/Out: Operating transfers for the year ended December 31, 2021, were as follows:

<u>Transfers In</u>	Transfers Out	Amount
General	Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery	\$ 800,000
Road	Asphalt	295,335
Solid Waste	Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery	200,000
Nonmajor Governmental	Asphalt	331,946
Nonmajor Governmental	Solid Waste	8,931
Totals		\$ 1,636,212

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.

# NOTE 13 - LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

<u>Litigation</u> –Management and legal counsel for the Police Jury believe that potential claims against the Police Jury not covered by insurance would not materially affect the Police Jury's financial position.

<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. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement by the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the grant.

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

						Coronavirus Local Fiscal	Nonmajor	
	General	Road	Solid Waste	Library	Asphalt	Recovery	Governmental	Total
Nonspendable:								
Prepaid items	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	\$ 49,269	\$-	\$ 29,925	\$ -	\$ 79,194
Restricted:								
Road maintenance	-	1,130,985	-	-	1,503,005		-	2,633,990
Solid waste	-	-	742,285	-	-	-	-	742,285
Library	-	-	-	3,387,998	-	-	-	3,387,998
Health unit	-	-	-	-	-	-	461,931	461,931
Landfill closure	-	-	-	-	-	-	724,785	724,785
Tourism	-	-	-	-	-	-	141,369	141,369
Pavilion/Riding Arena	-	-	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000
Court and witness fees	12,607	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,607
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	331,946	331,946
Committed:								
Contingencies	300,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	300,000
Facility improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	10
Unassigned	1,813,497					(29,925)		1,783,572
Total	\$ 2,126,104	\$ 1,130,985	\$ 742,285	\$ 3,437,267	\$ 1,503,005	\$ -	\$ 1,910,041	\$ 10,849,687

# NOTE 15 - FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

**NOTE 16 - TAX ABATEMENTS** The Police Jury is subject to tax abatements granted by the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, Office of Commerce and Industry. Louisiana has a ten-year industrial exemption law that provides any manufacturing establishment entering Louisiana, or any manufacturing establishment expanding its Louisiana facilities is eligible to receive exemption on buildings and equipment from state, parish, and local property taxes for a period of ten years. The exemption is for the "contract" value of buildings or equipment used by the business. When the exemption expires, the property is to be placed on the tax roll at 15% of its current market value. The amount of tax abatement under this program during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 by authorized millage is as follows:

Tax Code	Millage	essed Valuate ost to ITEP	imated Tax lar Lost to ITEP
Parish general	5.51	\$ 29,256,880	\$ 161,205
Roads & bridges	5.23	29,256,880	153,013
Roads asphalt/paving	4.55	29,256,880	133,119
Library & bookmobile	4.90	29,256,880	143,359
Health Unit	0.82	29,256,880	 23,991
			\$ 614.687

**NOTE 17 - NEW GASB STANDARD** In the current fiscal year the Police Jury implemented GASB Statement No. 84 – *Fiduciary Activities*. The principal objective of this statement is to enhance the consistency and comparability of fiduciary activity reporting by state and local governments. It improves guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting and how those activities should be reported. The implementation of this standard had no effect on the Police Jury's governmental fund or governmentwide financial statements.

**NOTE 18 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS** On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into Federal law and established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, which together make up the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. This program is intended to provide support to governments in responding to the economic and public health impacts of COVID-19 and in their efforts to contain impacts on their communities, residents, and businesses. Jackson Parish Police Jury was awarded \$3,058,087 for this program and the final payment of \$1,529,043 was received on July 25, 2022.

**NOTE 19 – CHANGE IN PRESENTATION** In prior year, the sales tax collected to be used for road black top or to seal parish roads and streets was reported in the Road fund; however, in the current year, the collection of this sales tax was reported in the Asphalt fund.

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# **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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

# Exhibit 1-1

Fiscal Year	Employer's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	Employer's Covered Payroll	Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.306734%	\$ 85,899	\$ 1,564,644	5.49%	99.15%
2016	0.302500%	796,267	1,734,414	45.91%	92.23%
2017	0.295510%	608,607	1,752,538	34.73%	94.15%
2018	0.306569%	(227,550)	1,846,305	-12.32%	101.98%
2019	0.302503%	1,342,617	1,890,738	71.01%	88.86%
2020	0.323268%	15,218	2,049,769	0.74%	99.89%
2021	0.321009%	(562,862)	2,166,531	-25.98%	104.00%

#### 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. However, until a full 10 year trend is compiled, only information for those years for which information is available is presented.

# Schedule of Employer Contributions to Pension Plan Last Seven Years

# Exhibit 1-2

Fiscal Year	F	ntractually Required ntribution	Ro Co: F	tributions in elation to ntractually Required ntributions	Contri Defic (Exc	iency	Employer's vered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll
2015	\$	251,490	\$	251,490	\$	-	\$ 1,734,414	14.50%
2016		227,830		227,830		-	1,752,538	13.00%
2017		230,789		230,789		-	1,846,305	12.50%
2018		217,435		217,435		-	1,890,738	11.50%
2019		235,724		235,724		-	2,049,769	11.50%
2020		265,400		265,400		-	2,166,531	12.25%
2021		260,143		260,143		-	2,123,616	12.25%

Notes:

The amounts presented were determined of the fiscal year end.

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.

# Notes to Required Supplemental Information for Pensions

**Changes in Benefit Terms**: A 2.5% COLA effective January 1, 2015, provided by State statutes. This COLA is reflected in amounts reported after 2015.

**Change in Assumptions**: The following is a detail description of the changes in assumptions:

Report Date Decen	Valuation Date nber 31,	Investment Rate of Return	Inflation Rate	Mortality Rate - Annuitant and Beneficiary	Mortality Rate - Employees	Mortality Rate - Disabled Annuitants	Salary Increases
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 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	2020	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%

# **Budgetary Comparison Schedules**

# General and Major Special Revenue Funds with Legally Adopted Annual Budgets

# **GENERAL**

The General fund accounts for all activities of the Police Jury except those that are accounted for in other funds.

# ROAD

The Road fund accounts for maintenance of parish highways, streets, and bridges. Funding is provided by a parishwide ad valorem tax, a sales and use tax, parish transportation funds provided by the state, state revenue sharing funds, issuance of debt, operating transfers from the General fund, interest earned on investments and miscellaneous revenues.

# SOLID WASTE

The Solid Waste fund accounts for the construction, maintenance, and operation of solid waste systems. Funding is provided by a parish-wide sales tax, fees charged for services, interest on investments, and other miscellaneous revenues.

# LIBRARY

The Library fund accounts for maintenance and operation of the parish library. Funding is provided by a parishwide ad valorem tax, state revenue sharing funds, State Library of Louisiana funds, interest earned on investments, and fine and program revenues.

# ASPHALT

The Asphalt fund accounts for asphalting parish roads. Financing is provided by a parish-wide ad valorem tax, sales and use tax, state revenue sharing funds, miscellaneous revenues and interest earned on investments.

# CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY

The Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery fund accounts for a federal grant received to respond to the public health emergency, COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts, respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing premium pay to eligible workers, and to provide government services, to the extent COVID-19 caused a reduction in revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year.

#### GENERAL Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	BUDGETER	D AMOUNTS	ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE
	ORIGINAL	FINAL	AMOUNTS	(NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				(
Local Sources:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 1,048,333	\$ 1,047,004	\$ 1,135,368	\$ 88,364
Other taxes, penalties and interest	137,400	162,414	173,412	10,998
Licenses and permits	8,488	12,426	12,292	(134)
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State funds:				
Severance taxes	650,000	462,957	501,738	38,781
State revenue sharing	21,000	23,000	25,759	2,759
State aid grants	57,000	45,483	12,133	(33,350)
Federal revenue	419,063	73,010	47,838	(25,172)
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	21,500	31,205	32,144	939
Fines and forfeitures	9,000	5,500	5,592	92
Miscellaneous revenues	86,655	164,723	164,012	(711)
Use of money and property	6,000	5,400	5,099	(301)
TOTAL REVENUES	2,464,439	2,033,122	2,115,387	82,265
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government:	156 900	174 415	157 507	16 010
Legislative	156,899	174,415	157,597	16,818
Judicial Elections	280,878 26,006	300,812 25,799	291,752 23,927	9,060 1,872
Finance and administration	340,033	429,867	439,112	
Other general government	420,544	429,807 524,904	507,038	(9,245) 17,866
Public safety	1,100,066	695,692	714,217	(18,525)
Public works	45,000	17,031	17,031	(10,525)
Health and welfare	23,078	29,362	29,057	- 305
Culture and recreation	23,600	30,300	29,007	810
	20,000		20,400	010
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,416,104	2,228,182	2,209,221	18,961
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	48,335	(195,060)	(93,834)	101,226
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	250,000	800,000	800,000	-
Transfers out		(940)	-	(940)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	250,000	799,060	800,000	(940)
Net Change in Fund Balances	298,335	604,000	706,166	100,286
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1,283,321	1,419,938	1,419,938	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 1,581,656	\$ 2,023,938	\$ 2,126,104	\$ 100,286

## ROAD Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

		D AMOUNTS	ACTUAL AMOUNTS	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE	
REVENUES	ORIGINAL	FINAL	AWOUNTS	(NEGATIVE)	
Local Sources:					
Taxes:					
	\$ 1.017.214	\$ 993,799	¢ 1.000.607	\$ 88,808	
Ad valorem	+ )- )	\$ 993,799	\$ 1,082,607	φ 00,000	
Sales and use	1,670,000	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental revenues:					
State funds:	040.000	250.000	050 040	0.040	
Parish transportation funds	240,000	250,000	252,943	2,943	
State revenue sharing	21,000	23,000	24,567	1,567	
Federal revenue	-	1,444,742	74,516	(1,370,226)	
Miscellaneous revenues	500	2,078	8,139	6,061	
Use of money and property	6,000	1,066	1,059	(7)	
TOTAL REVENUES	2,954,714	2,714,685	1,443,831	(1,270,854)	
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Public works	1,610,800	1,504,194	1,422,262	81,932	
Capital outlay	885,000	784,779	784,534	245	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,495,800	2,288,973	2,206,796	82,177	
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	458,914	425,712	(762,965)	(1,188,677)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in	-	343,889	295,335	(48,554)	
Transfers out	(1,034,446)	(100,000)		100,000	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,034,446)	243,889	295,335	51,446	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(575,532)	669,601	(467,630)	(1,137,231)	
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	2,802,521	1,598,615	1,598,615		
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 2,226,989	\$ 2,268,216	\$ 1,130,985	\$ (1,137,231)	

## SOLID WASTE Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	BUDGETEI ORIGINAL	D AMOUNTS FINAL	ACTUAL AMOUNTS	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)		
REVENUES						
Local Sources:						
Taxes:						
Sales and use	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 1,440,000	\$ 1,475,130	\$ 35,130		
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	210,000	312,000	330,719	18,719		
Miscellaneous revenues	25,500	53,901	53,574	(327)		
Use of money and property	3,000	2,875	2,911	36		
TOTAL REVENUES	1,338,500	1,808,776	1,862,334	53,558		
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
Public works	1,686,457	1,823,112	1,784,106	39,006		
Capital outlay	9,000	179,503	210,967	(31,464)		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,695,457	2,002,615	1,995,073	7,542		
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES	(356,957)	(193,839)	(132,739)	61,100		
		( · · )				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	375,000	200,000	200,000	-		
Transfers out	(22,000)	(56,545)	(8,931)	47,614		
Insurance recoveries			82,290	82,290		
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	353,000	143,455	273,359	129,904		
Net Change in Fund Balances	(3,957)	(50,384)	140,620	191,004		
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	447,281	601,665	601,665	<u>-</u>		
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 443,324	\$ 551,281	\$ 742,285	\$ 191,004		

#### LIBRARY Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	BUDGETE	D AMOUNTS FINAL	ACTUAL AMOUNTS	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)
REVENUES				(NEOATTE)
Local Sources:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 970,800	\$ 962,860	\$ 1,031,382	\$ 68,522
Intergovernmental revenues: State funds:	ф 010,000	¢ 00 <u>1</u> ,000	¥ ,	¢ 00,011
State revenue sharing	30,000	22,911	23,239	328
Federal revenue	-	47,065	47,065	-
Fees, charges, and commissions for services	31,000	26,500	24,709	(1,791)
Miscellaneous revenues	34,225	59,032	40,249	(18,783)
Use of money and property	20,700	6,930	6,749	(181)
TOTAL REVENUES	1,086,725	1,125,298	1,173,393	48,095
EXPENDITURES Current:				
Culture and recreation	1,297,900	1,445,225	1,388,233	56,992
Capital outlay	271,650	94,660	105,801	(11,141)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,569,550	1,539,885	1,494,034	45,851
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(482,825)	(414,587)	(320,641)	93,946
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Insurance recoveries			25,388	25,388
Net Change in Fund Balances	(482,825)	(414,587)	(295,253)	119,334
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	4,020,326	3,732,520	3,732,520	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 3,537,501	\$ 3,317,933	\$ 3,437,267	\$ 119,334

## ASPHALT Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS ORIGINAL FINAL				 ACTUAL	FINA P	ANCE WITH AL BUDGET OSITIVE EGATIVE)
REVENUES							
Local Sources:							
Taxes:							
Ad valorem	\$	884,957	\$	864,586	\$ 941,847	\$	77,261
Sales and use		-		975,000	983,421		8,421
Intergovernmental revenues:							
State funds:				~~ ~~~			
State revenue sharing		19,000		20,000	21,389		1,389
Miscellaneous revenues		500		1,286	1,286		-
Use of money and property		13,200		4,250	 4,116		(134)
TOTAL REVENUES		917,657		1,865,122	1,952,059		86,937
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
Public works		994,893		1,066,376	 1,033,394		32,982
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		994,893		1,066,376	 1,033,394		32,982
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		(77,236)		798,746	918,665		119,919
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in Transfers out		77,500		- (1,046,813)	 - (627,281)		- 419,532
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		77,500		(1,046,813)	 (627,281)		419,532
Net Change in Fund Balances		264		(248,067)	291,384		539,451
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	. <u> </u>	1,214,885		1,211,621	 1,211,621		<u> </u>
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	1,215,149	\$	963,554	\$ 1,503,005	\$	539,451

## CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY Budgetary Comparison Schedule For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	BUDGETED AMOUNTS					ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)		
REVENUES					Amoonro				
Intergovernmental revenues:									
Federal revenue	\$	1,529,043	\$	1,529,043	\$	1,321,091	\$	(207,952)	
TOTAL REVENUES		1,529,043		1,529,043		1,321,091		(207,952)	
EXPENDITURES Current: General government:									
Finance and administration		259,275		259,275		201,322		57,953	
Public safety		94,502		94,502		94,503		(1)	
Capital outlay		25,266		25,266		25,266			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		379,043		379,043		321,091		57,952	
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		1,150,000		1,150,000		1,000,000		(150,000)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers out		(1,000,000)		(1,000,000)		(1,000,000)			
Net Change in Fund Balances		150,000		150,000		-		(150,000)	
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING				<u> </u>					
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	150,000	\$	150,000	\$		\$	(150,000)	

# Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedules For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

# BUDGETS

<u>General Budget Policies</u> 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 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/his 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/he deems necessary for proper control. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year end and must be reappropriated 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, 2021, budgets were adopted for the General fund and all special revenue funds.

**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 Jury. Legally, the 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 Jury to amend its budgets when revenues plus projected revenues within a fund are expected to be less than budgeted revenues by 5% or more and/or expenditures within a fund are expected to exceed budgeted expenditures by 5% or more.

# **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

# COMBINING NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS -BY FUND TYPE

## NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Combining Balance Sheet - By Fund Type December 31, 2021

Exhibit 3

	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TOTAL
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Receivables	\$    1,182,438 156,902	\$    331,946 	\$    250,010 	\$   1,764,394 156,902
TOTAL ASSETS	1,339,340	331,946	250,010	1,921,296
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:				
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	4,942			4,942
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,942			4,942
Deferred Inflows of Resources: Unavailable Revenue-property taxes	6,313			6,313
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	6,313			6,313
Fund balances: Restricted Committed	1,328,085	331,946	250,000 10	1,910,031 10
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	1,328,085	331,946	250,010	1,910,041
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,339,340	\$ 331,946	\$ 250,010	\$ 1,921,296

## NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - By Fund Type For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

				Exhibit 4
	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TOTAL
REVENUES				
Local Sources:				
Taxes:	¢ 400.440	¢	<b>^</b>	¢ 400.440
Ad valorem Intergovernmental revenues:	\$ 169,446	\$-	\$-	\$ 169,446
State funds:				
State aid grants	27,775	-	-	27,775
Miscellaneous revenues	226	-	-	226
Use of money and property	1,278			1,278
TOTAL REVENUES	198,725			198,725
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Health and welfare	173,194	-	-	173,194
Culture and recreation	17,285	-	-	17,285
Debt service:		205 000		205 000
Principal retirement Interest and bank charges	-	305,000 26,787	-	305,000 26,787
interest and bank charges		20,707		20,101
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	190,479	331,787		522,266
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	8,246	(331,787)	-	(323,541)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	8,931	331,946		340,877
Net Change in Fund Balances	17,177	159	-	17,336
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1,310,908	331,787	250,010	1,892,705
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$ 1,328,085	\$ 331,946	\$ 250,010	\$ 1,910,041

# **NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

# HEALTH UNIT

The Health Unit fund accounts for a portion of the maintenance and operation of the parish health unit. Financing is provided by a parish-wide ad valorem tax, miscellaneous revenues, and interest earned on investments.

# LANDFILL CLOSURE

The Landfill Closure fund accounts for estimated closure cost and post-closure care expenses of the parish landfill site. Financing is provided by contributions and interest on investments.

# **TOURISM**

The Tourism fund accounts for promoting tourism in the parish. Financing is provided by state aid grants and interest earned on investments.

## NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS Combining Balance Sheet December 31, 2021

Exhibit 5

	HEALTH UNIT		LANDFILL CLOSURE		т	OURISM	TOTAL
ASSETS:							
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables	\$	315,433 156,902	\$	724,785 -	\$	142,220	\$ 1,182,438 156,902
TOTAL ASSETS		472,335		724,785		142,220	 1,339,340
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:							
Accounts, salaries, and other payables		4,091				851	 4,942
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,091				851	 4,942
Deferred Inflows of Resources: Unavailable Revenue-property taxes		6,313		-		-	 6,313
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		6,313					 6,313
Fund balances:							
Restricted		461,931		724,785		141,369	 1,328,085
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		461,931		724,785		141,369	 1,328,085
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	\$	472,335	\$	724,785	\$	142,220	\$ 1,339,340

## NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Exhibit 6

	HEALTH UNIT		LANDFILL CLOSURE		TOURISM		TOTAL
REVENUES							 
Local Sources:							
Taxes:							
Ad valorem	\$	169,446	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 169,446
Intergovernmental revenues:							
State funds:							
State aid grants		-		-		27,775	27,775
Miscellaneous revenues		226		-		-	226
Use of money and property		975		-		303	 1,278
TOTAL REVENUES		170,647				28,078	 198,725
EXPENDITURES							
Health and welfare		173,194		-		-	173,194
Culture and recreation		-				17,285	 17,285
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		173,194		-		17,285	 190,479
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		(2,547)		-		10,793	8,246
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in				8,931			 8,931
Net Change in Fund Balances		(2,547)		8,931		10,793	17,177
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING		464,478		715,854		130,576	 1,310,908
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	461,931	\$	724,785	\$	141,369	\$ 1,328,085

# Schedule of Compensation Paid Police Jurors For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

# Exhibit 7

**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 Jackson Parish Police Jury members is included in the general administrative expenditures of the General fund. Members of the governing board receive compensation pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 33:1233.

Lynn Treadway, President	\$ 16,200
Lewis Chatham	14,400
Tarneshala Cowans	14,400
Todd Culpepper	14,400
Amy Magee	14,400
John McCarty	14,400
Regina Rowe	 14,400
Total	\$ 102,600

# Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

#### Exhibit 8

Agency Head Name: Gina Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer		
Purpose		Amount
Salary	\$	81,318
Benefits-insurance		26,859
Benefits-retirement		9,626
Benefits-medicare		1,179
Registration fees		740
Conference travel		3,124
	\$	122,846

# Justice System Funding Schedule - Receiving Entity As Required by Act 87 of the 2020 Regular Legislative Session

# Exhibit 9

Cash Basis Presentation	Mon H	ïrst Six th Period Ended 30/2021	Mon F	cond Six th Period Ended 31/2021
Receipts From:				
Andy Brown, Sheriff & Tax Collector: Criminal Court Costs/Fees	\$	2,442	\$	3,150
Total Receipts	\$	2,442	\$	3,150

# 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 Jackson Parish Police Jury Jonesboro, 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Jackson Parish Police Jury as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, 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 5, 2023. We issued an adverse opinion on the aggregate discretely presented component units due to the omission of the discretely presented component units and an unmodified opinion on the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information on the primary government.

# **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.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness and significant deficiencies.

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. We considered the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2021-001 to be a material weakness.

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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. We considered the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 2021-002 and 2021-003 to be significant deficiencies.

## **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 is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 2021-002 and 2021-003.

## Police Jury's Response to Finding

*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 and Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Findings and Questioned Costs. The Police 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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Office of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Aller, Green & Williamson, LP

ALLEN, GREEN & WILLIAMSON, LLP

Monroe, Louisiana June 5, 2023

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

## **Independent Auditor's Report**

Police Jurors Jackson Parish Police Jury Jonesboro, Louisiana

## **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

## **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited Jackson 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, 2021. 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, 2021.

#### 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 an instance 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 item 2021-004. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to this matter.

*Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Police Jury's response to the noncompliance finding identified in our audit described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs and Corrective Action Plan for Current Year 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. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

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 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 is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over 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 deficiency in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance of the deficiency over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2021-004 to be a significant deficiency.

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 audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs and Corrective Action Plan for Current Year 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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ALLEN, GREEN & WILLIAMSON, LLP

Monroe, Louisiana June 5, 2023

# Jackson Parish Police Jury Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program Name	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Grantor Number	Total Federal Expenditures
United States Department of Homeland Security Passed Through Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness:			
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	PW981, PW1043, PW1052, PW 1153	\$ 83,106
State Homeland Security Grant	97.067	EMW-2019-SS-00014-S01 EMW-2020-SS-00011-S01	
		EMW-2021-SS-00019-S01	39,248
Total United States Department of Homeland Security			122,354
United States Department of the Treasury COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal			
Recovery Funds	21.027		1,321,091
Total United States Department of Treasury			1,321,091
Institute of Museum and Library Services Passed through the Louisiana State Library			
COVID-19 Museums for America	45.301		47,065
Total Institute of Museum and Library Services			47,065
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 1,490,510

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

#### Jackson Parish Police Jury Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

**NOTE 1 - GENERAL** The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal awards programs of the Jackson Parish Police Jury, Jonesboro, Louisiana. The Jackson 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, are 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 contained 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:

Funds		Federal Sources	
General	\$	47,838	
Road		74,516	
Library		47,065	
Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery		1,321,091	
Total	\$	1,490,510	

**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). In addition, the entire amount of operating subsidy received during the fiscal year is considered to be "expended during the fiscal year.

**NOTE 6 – DISASTER GRANTS – PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, AL# 97.036** Non-Federal entities must record expenditures on the SEFA when: (1) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has approved the non-federal entity's project worksheet (PW), and (2) the non-federal entity has incurred the eligible expenditures. In 2021, FEMA approved \$83,106 of eligible expenditures that were incurred in a prior year and are included on the schedule.

**NOTE 7 - 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 on the primary government.
- ii. There were three significant deficiencies required to be disclosed by *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. The significant deficiency described in Finding 2021-001 was considered to be a material weakness.
- iii. There were two instances of noncompliance considered material to the financial statements, as defined by the *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Audit of Federal Awards**

- iv. There was one significant deficiency in internal control over major programs required to be disclosed by the Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200). The significant deficiency was not considered to be a material weakness.
- v. The type of report the auditor issued on compliance for major programs was unmodified.
- vi. The audit disclosed one audit finding which the auditor is required to report in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a).
- vii. The major federal program is:

COVID-19 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Assistance Listing No: 21.027

- 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:2021-001Internal Controls over Bank Reconciliations

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

<u>Criteria or specific requirement:</u> Proper internal control over financial reporting requires that accounting records contain up-to-date, accurate and complete information to ensure that the financial data can be relied upon to monitor the financial condition of the Police Jury. Bank reconciliations should be performed timely, and the reconciled bank balance should be agreed to the general ledger balance and any differences noted should be corrected timely.

<u>Condition found</u>: In testing the master bank reconciliations, it was noted that the bank reconciliation was not being reconciled back to the general ledger and had an unreconciled difference. Audit adjustments were required to correct the cash balance.

**Context:** The exception was noted during testing the bank reconciliations.

#### Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

**<u>Cause:</u>** The bank reconciliation noted an unreconciled difference which was not researched and corrected.

**Effect:** Accounting records are not up to date and cash balances are not accurate.

**<u>Recommendation to prevent future occurrences:</u>** The Police Jury should establish procedures over bank reconciliations to ensure that ending balances are valid, complete, and accurate for financial reporting.

**Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable)**: This finding originated fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

<u>View of responsible official</u>: There was an issue with the accounting software related to bank reconciliations and the previous Secretary-Treasurer left before the issue was resolved.

#### Reference # and title:2021-002Five Percent Budget Variance

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

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311 requires the chief executive or administrative officer to advise the governing authority or independently elected official in writing when total revenue and other sources plus projected revenue and other sources for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are failing to meet total budgeted revenues and other sources by five percent or more. The resulting budget amendment shall only be statutorily required for a special revenue fund with anticipated expenditures that equal or exceed five hundred thousand dollars and whose revenues are not expenditure driven.

**<u>Condition found</u>**: Total actual revenues failed to meet total budgeted revenues by five percent or more in the following fund that was required to amend its budget:

<u>Context</u>: The budget to actual comparison was tested for the General fund and all special revenue funds legally required to amend its budget. This is considered an isolated instance.

# 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:

#### Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>**Cause:**</u> The Police Jury did not amend the budget when actual revenues failed to meet total budgeted revenues by 5% or more as required.

Effect: The Police Jury did not meet the requirements of the Louisiana State Budget Law.

**<u>Recommendation to prevent future occurrences</u>:** The Police Jury should continuously monitor revenues and expenditures and amend budgets as needed.

**Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable):** This finding originated in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020. The prior year finding reference was 2020-002.

<u>View of responsible official</u>: The Road budget variance is primarily due to the timing of the FEMA reimbursement for the Hurricane Laura damages. The original damage estimates were \$2 million and at the time, FEMA and the State of Louisiana were planning to process expedited reimbursements. The expedited system never came to be, and the reimbursements were not processed within the fiscal year.

# Reference # and title:2021-003Late Submission of the Audit Report to the Legislative Auditor

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

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Louisiana Revised Statue (R.S.) 24:513 (audit law) establishes the due date of audit reports as no later than six months after the fiscal year end. An audit that is submitted past the statutory due date must include a finding for the non-compliance with the audit law except when an emergency extension request has been approved.

<u>Condition found</u>: The Police Jury's audit report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021 was not completed within the six month deadline as required by R.S. 24:513 A (5)(a)(i).

**Context:** This finding is an isolated incident.

#### Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>**Cause:**</u> The Police Jury's Secretary/Treasurer resigned on February 28, 2022 leaving the financial department short-handed and unable to provide the information needed to complete the audit timely.

**Effect:** The audit report was filed after the deadline.

**Recommendation to prevent future occurrences:** The Police Jury should provide cross training within the finance department.

**Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable):** This finding originated in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

**<u>View of responsible official</u>**: Five (5) months elapsed between the resignation of the former Secretary/Treasurer and the employment of the current Secretary/Treasurer.

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

<b><u>Reference # and title</u>:</b>	<u>2021-004</u>	Suspension a	<u>nd Debarment</u>	
Federal Grantor/Program			Assistance Listing No.	<u>Award Year</u>
United States Department of Coronavirus State and Lo	•	overy Funds	21.027	2021

<u>Criteria or specific requirement</u>: Non-Federal entities are prohibited from contracting with or making subawards under covered transactions to parties that are suspended or debarred. 'Covered transactions' include contracts for goods and services awarded under a non-procurement transaction (e.g., grant or cooperative agreement) that are expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 or meet certain other criteria as specified in 2 CFR section 180.220. When a non-Federal entity enters into a covered transaction with an entity at a lower tier, the non-Federal entity must verify that the entity, as defined in 2 CFR section 180.995 and agency adopting regulations, is not suspended or debarred or otherwise excluded from participating in the transaction. This verification may be accomplished by (1) checking the System for Award Management (SAM) Exclusions maintained by the General Services Administration (GSA), (2) collecting a certification from the entity, or (3) adding a clause or condition to the covered transaction with that entity (2 CFR section 180.300).

<u>Condition found</u>: In testing compliance and internal controls with respect to the Uniform Guidance 2 CFR section 180.300, the Police Jury did not properly verify that the vendor was not excluded or debarred before contracting with the vendor. Additionally, no such clause or representation was included in the signed contract or purchase order certifying that the vendor was not suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from participating in the covered transaction. Our audit procedures did not identify any covered transactions that equaled or exceeded \$25,000 with vendors suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from providing services under the program.

<u>**Context:**</u> The Police Jury did not verify covered transactions with SAM, collect a certification from the entity, or add a clause or condition to covered transactions exceeding \$25,000.

#### Possible asserted effect (cause and effect):

<u>Cause</u>: The Police Jury does not have policy and procedures requiring verification or certification that the vendor in which it expects to expend \$25,000 or more has not been suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from participating in the transaction.

**Effect:** Without vendor verification or certification, the Police Jury may potentially enter into contracts/transactions with suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded vendors.

**Recommendation to prevent future occurrences:** The Police Jury should implement policies and procedures requiring verification or certification that a vendor, with which it plans to expend \$25,000 or more has not been suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from participating in the transaction by adding a clause or condition to all contracts or purchase orders.

**Origination date and prior year reference (if applicable):** This finding originated in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

<u>View of responsible official</u>: There is a lack of consistency regarding each Request for Proposal (RFP) containing a section titled SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT. This section requires the contractor to comply with the federal regulations governing suspension and/or debarment.

# **OTHER INFORMATION**



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# Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Reference # and title:2020-001Internal Controls over Financial Close

Entity-wide or program/department specific: This finding is related to the Library Fund.

**Condition:** Proper internal control over financial reporting requires that accounting records contain up-to-date, accurate and complete 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 the transactions are properly recorded and classified in the appropriate accounting period.

During the performance of the audit the following items were noted:

- In testing expenses, it was noted that a deposit for a new library book mobile was recorded as an expense and not as a prepaid item. A journal entry was made to correct.
- Two Library parking lot construction invoices were accrued for 2020 when the work was either not performed until after year-end or the majority of the work was performed after year-end and not prorated.
- In testing capital asset additions, it was noted that library books were added to the depreciation schedule at replacement value instead of at cost. In addition, construction in progress balance was based on the contract amount and not the work completed as of the year-end.

<u>Corrective action taken</u>: The Police Jury continues to conduct training with the Library personnel on proper accrual procedures, prepaid items, cut-off timing, and capital asset determinations.

The Police Jury created a system to make sure that the value of library books being added to the depreciation schedules equals the costs of the books. This finding is considered resolved.

#### Reference # and title:2020-002Five Percent Budget Variance

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

**Condition:** Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311 requires the chief executive or administrative officer to advise the governing authority or independently elected official in writing when total revenue and other sources plus projected revenue and other sources for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are failing to meet total budgeted revenues and other sources by five percent or more. The resulting budget amendment shall only be statutorily required for a special revenue fund with anticipated expenditures that equal or exceed five hundred thousand dollars and whose revenues are not expenditure driven.

# Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)

Total actual revenues failed to meet total budgeted revenues by five percent or more in the following funds that were required to amend its budget:

Fund	Budget	Actual	Variance
Road	\$ 8,022,723	\$ 6,031,788	\$ (1,990,935)
Library	5,463,436	5,068,869	(394,567)

**Corrective action planned:** See current year finding 2021-002.

Respectively Submitted,

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Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year ended December 31, 2021

 Reference # and title:
 2021-001
 Internal Controls over Bank Reconciliations

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

**Condition:** Proper internal control over financial reporting requires that accounting records contain up-to-date, accurate and complete information to ensure that the financial data can be relied upon to monitor the financial condition of the Police Jury. Bank reconciliations should be performed timely, and the reconciled bank balance should be agreed to the general ledger balance and any differences noted should be corrected timely.

In testing the master bank reconciliations, it was noted that the bank reconciliation was not being reconciled back to the general ledger and had an unreconciled difference. Audit adjustments were required to correct the cash balance.

<u>Corrective action planned</u>: Monthly bank reconciliations will be performed on a timely basis. Any differences will be researched and corrected as the bank reconciliation is being performed.

# Person responsible for corrective action:

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Anticipated completion date: June 30, 2023.

# Reference # and title:2021-002Five Percent Budget Variance

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

**Condition:** Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311 requires the chief executive or administrative officer to advise the governing authority or independently elected official in writing when total revenue and other sources plus projected revenue and other sources for the remainder of the year, within a fund, are failing to meet total budgeted revenues and other sources by five percent or more. The resulting budget amendment shall only be statutorily required for a special revenue fund with anticipated expenditures that equal or exceed five hundred thousand dollars and whose revenues are not expenditure driven.

Total actual revenues failed to meet total budgeted revenues by five percent or more in the following fund that was required to amend its budget:

Fund	Budget	Actual	Variance
Road	\$ 2,714,685	\$ 1,443,831	\$ (1,270,854)

#### **Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)**

<u>Corrective action planned</u>: We will continue to work with FEMA and GOHSEP on the timing of the reimbursements for Hurricane Laura damages and will make every attempt to assure that year-end budget amounts are within 5% of actual amounts.

#### Person responsible for corrective action:

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Anticipated completion date: December 31, 2023.

## Reference # and title:2021-003Late Submission of the Audit Report to the Legislative Auditor

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

**<u>Condition</u>**: Louisiana Revised Statue (R.S.) 24:513 (audit law) establishes the due date of audit reports as no later than six months after the fiscal year end. An audit that is submitted past the statutory due date must include a finding for non-compliance with the audit law except when an emergency extension request has been approved.

The Police Jury's audit report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021 was not completed within the six month deadline as required by R.S. 24:513 A (5)(a)(i).

<u>Corrective action planned</u>: Cross training has been implemented and will continue to assure future audits are completed within the six-month period following year-end.

#### Person responsible for corrective action:

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Anticipated completion date: December 31, 2023.

<b>Reference # and title:</b>	<u>2021-004</u>	Suspension a	and Debarment	
Federal Grantor/Program			Assistance Listing No.	<u>Award Year</u>
United States Department o	f Treasury			
Coronavirus State and I	Local Fiscal Reco	overy Funds	21.027	2021

<u>Condition</u>: Non-Federal entities are prohibited from contracting with or making subawards under covered transactions to parties that are suspended or debarred. 'Covered transactions' include contracts for goods and services awarded under a non-procurement transaction (e.g., grant or cooperative agreement) that are expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 or meet certain other criteria as specified in 2 CFR section 180.220. When a non-Federal entity enters into a covered transaction with an entity at a lower tier, the non-Federal entity must verify that the entity, as defined in 2 CFR section 180.995 and agency adopting regulations, is not suspended or debarred or otherwise excluded from participating in the transaction. This verification may be accomplished by (1) checking the System for Award Management (SAM) Exclusions maintained by the General Services Administration (GSA), (2) collecting a certification from the entity, or (3) adding a clause or condition to the covered transaction with that entity (2 CFR section 180.300).

## **Corrective Action Plan for Current Year Findings and Responses (Continued)**

In testing compliance and internal controls with respect to the Uniform Guidance 2 CFR section 180.300, the Police Jury did not properly verify that the vendor was not excluded or debarred before contracting with the vendor. Additionally, no such clause or representation was included in the signed contract or purchase order certifying that the vendor was not suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from participating in the covered transaction. Our audit procedures did not identify any covered transactions that equaled or exceeded \$25,000 were suspended, debarred, or otherwise services under the program.

<u>Corrective action planned</u>: In the future, all purchase orders will include a statement that requires the contractor/vendor to comply with the federal regulations governing suspension and/or debarment.

Person responsible for corrective action:

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Anticipated completion date: August 31, 2023.

Respectively Submitted,

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Emmett Gibbs, Secretary/Treasurer

# **AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

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

Police Jurors Jackson Parish Police Jury Jonesboro, 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 period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Jackson 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, 2021. 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:

#### Written Policies and Procedures

- 1. 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:
  - a) *Budgeting*, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
  - b) *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.
  - c) *Disbursements*, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
  - d) *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).

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- e) *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(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- f) *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- g) *Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, P-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).
- h) *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- i) *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.
- j) *Debt Service*, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- k) 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.
- 1) *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>**: The Police Jury's sexual harassment policy does not address the annual reporting requirement.

<u>Management's Response</u>: The Police Jury will update their sexual harassment policy to include the annual reporting requirement.

#### **Board or Finance Committee**

- 2. 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:
  - a) 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.
  - b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget- to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. *Alternately, for those entities reporting on the nonprofit 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.*
  - c) 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.

**<u>Comment</u>**: There were no exceptions noted as a result of applying the agreed-upon procedures.

# **Bank Reconciliations**

- 3. 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:
  - a) 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);
  - b) Bank reconciliations include evidence that a member of management/board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
  - c) 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>**: Of the three bank reconciliations tested, one exception was noted because the reconciliation was reviewed by an employee that processed payments and one exception was noted because the reconciliation did not have any evidence that the reconciliation had been reviewed.

<u>Management's Response</u>: All bank reconciliations will be reviewed by an employee that does not process payments and evidence of the review of bank reconciliations will be present.

#### Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- 4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
- 5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (i.e., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if no written policies or procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:
  - a) Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.
  - b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit.
  - c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.
  - d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, are not responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
- 6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe the bond or insurance policy for theft was enforced during the fiscal period.
- 7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3 under "Bank Reconciliations" above (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). *Alternately, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc.* Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:

- a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
- b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
- c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
- d) Observe the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
- e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

# Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases/payments, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- 8. 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).
- 9. For each location selected under #8 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, inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:
  - a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.
  - b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.
  - c) 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.
  - d) 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.

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

- For each location selected under #8 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:
  - a) Observe whether the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.
  - b) Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.

**<u>Comment</u>**: An exception was noted because the employee that processes payments also mails the payments.

Management's Response: An employee not connected with processing payments will mail the payments.

# Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards

11. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.

- 12. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement), obtain supporting documentation, and:
  - a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder. [Note: Requiring such approval may constrain the legal authority of certain public officials (e.g., mayor of a Lawrason Act municipality); these instances should not be reported.]
  - b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
- 13. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #12 above, <u>excluding fuel cards</u>, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e., each card should have 10 transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observe it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and note whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

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

- 14. 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, 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:
  - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (<u>www.gsa.gov</u>).
  - b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.
  - c) Observe 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 policy (procedure #1h).
  - d) Observe each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

**<u>Comment</u>**: There were no exceptions noted as a result of applying the agreed-upon procedures.

#### **Contracts**

- 15. 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. *Alternately, 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:
  - a) 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.
  - b) Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter).

- c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe 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, was approval documented).
- d) 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 the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

## **Payroll and Personnel**

- 16. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
- 17. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under #16 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
  - a) Observe all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory). (Note: Generally, officials are not eligible to earn leave and do not document their attendance and leave. However, if the official is earning leave according to a policy and/or contract, the official should document his/her daily attendance and leave.)
  - b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials.
  - c) Observe any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records.
  - d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agree to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
- 18. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or officials, obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee or officials' cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee or officials' authorized pay rates in the employee or officials' personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.
- 19. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

**<u>Comment</u>**: There were no exceptions noted as a result of applying the agreed-upon procedures.

#### **Ethics**

- 20. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
  - a. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.
  - b. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.

**<u>Comment</u>**: There were no exceptions noted as a result of applying the agreed-upon procedures.

- 21. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued.
- 22. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

#### Fraud Notice

- 23. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled.
- 24. Observe the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

**<u>Comment</u>**: There were no exceptions noted as a result of applying the agreed-upon procedures.

#### Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

25. Perform the following procedures,

- a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe that such backup occurred within the past week. If backups are stored on a physical medium (e.g., tapes, CDs), observe evidence that backups are encrypted before being transported.
- b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
- c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.

**<u>Comment</u>**: We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management.

#### Sexual Harassment

26. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #16 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year.

- 27. Observe 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).
- 28. 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 it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
  - a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;
  - b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
  - c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
  - d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
  - e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

**<u>Comment</u>**: The Police Jury's annual sexual harassment report was not dated on or before February 1.

<u>Management's Response</u>: In the future, the Police Jury's annual sexual harassment report will be dated on or before February 1.

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We were engaged by the Jackson 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*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. 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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Monroe, Louisiana June 5, 2023