Annual Financial Statements

As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2021



A Professional Accounting Corporation

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A PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING CORPORATION

Independent Accountant's Review Report

To the Board of Commissioners Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 Livingston, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7, a component unit of the Livingston Parish Council, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matter Paragraph(s)

Supplementary Information

The accompanying schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to the agency head is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The supplementary information has been subjected to the review procedures applied in our review of the basic financial statements. We are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the supplementary information. We have not audited the supplementary information and do not express an opinion on such information.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison on page 21 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting and for placing the basic financial statements in appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Such information is the responsibility of management. We have not audited, reviewed, or compiled the required supplementary information and we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on it.

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis information that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

Respectfully submitted,

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Hebert Johnson & Associates, Inc.

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Albany, Louisiana June 25, 2022 **Basic Financial Statements**

Exhibit A

Statement of Net Position December 31, 2021

	vernmental activities
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 48,637
Receivables:	
Ad Valorem Tax	127,114
User Fee	42,816
State Revenue Sharing	2,019
Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes	(3,400)
Capital Assets, Net of Related Depreciation	349,489
Total Assets	566,675
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	170
Deductions from Ad Valorem Taxes Payable	10,282
Accrued Interest	2,719
Capital Lease Obligation:	
Short-Term	16,642
Long-Term	157,038
Total Liabilities	 186,851
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	175,809
Unrestricted	 204,015
Total Net Position	\$ 379,824

Exhibit B

Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	General Expenses		Program Revenues Charges for Services		t (Expense) evenue and Change in et Position ernmental Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Public Safety	\$ 141,572	\$	-	\$	(141,572)
Debt Service Interest	15,449		-		(15,449)
Depreciation Expense	 40,822		-		(40,822)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 197,843	\$	-		(197,843)
General Revenues:					
Ad Valorem Taxes					127,114
Fire Insurance Premium Rebate					25,328
User Fee					42,816
State Revenue Sharing					6,057
Other Income					1,334
Total General Revenues					202,649
Change in Net Position					4,806
Net Position - Beginning of the Year					375,018
Net Position - End of the Year				\$	379,824

Exhibit C

Governmental Fund Balance Sheet For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Gen	eral Fund
Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	48,637
Receivables:	-	10,007
Ad Valorem Tax		127,114
User Fee		42,816
State Revenue Sharing		2,019
Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes		(3,400)
Total Assets	\$	217,186
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$	170
Deductions from Ad Valorem Taxes Payable		10,282
Accrued Interest		2,719
Total Liabilities		13,171
Fund Balance:		
Unassigned		204,015
Total Fund Balance		204,015
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	217,186

Exhibit D

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Total Fund Balances,	Governmental Fun	l (Exhibit C)
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\$ 204,015

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. These assets consist of:

Governmental Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation

349,489

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:

Capital Lease Obligations - Short-Term Capital Lease Obligations - Long-Term

(16,642)

(157,038)

Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit A)

\$ 379,824

Exhibit E

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

	General Fund	
Revenues:		
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	127,114
Fire Insurance Premium Rebate		25,328
User Fee		42,816
State Revenue Sharing		6,057
Other Income		1,334
Total Revenues		202,649
Expenditures:		
Public Safety:		
Insurance		25,063
Vehicle Expenses		40,363
Payroll Expenses		17,971
Bad Debts		7,361
Fire Management Solutions		1,855
Fire Prevention		1,207
Miscellaneous		3,946
Pension & Collection Fees		10,190
Professional Fees		9,018
Station Maintenance		4,620
Supplies & Small Equipment		5,879
Telephone & Utilities		7,799
Uniforms & Gear		6,300
Capital Outlay		115,062
Debt Service:		
Lease Principal Payments		24,638
Lease Interest Payments		15,449
Total Expenditures		296,721
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures		(94,072)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Proceeds from Capital Lease		90,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		90,000
Net Change in Fund Balance		(4,072)
Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year		208,087
Fund Balance - End of the Year	\$	204,015

Exhibit F

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance to the Government-Wide Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balances, Governmental Fund (Exhibit E)

\$ (4,072)

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

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. These differences consist of:

Capital Outlay
Depreciation Expense

115,062

(40,822)

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds because:

Lease proceeds provide current financial resources to the governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. Payment of lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. This is the amount by which proceeds exceeded repayments:

Proceeds Repayments (90,000)

24,638

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit B)

\$ 4,806

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Narrative Profile

Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No 7 (the "District") was created by an ordinance of the Livingston Parish Council (the "Council") for the purpose of acquiring, maintaining, and operating buildings, machinery, water tanks, water hydrants, water lines, and any other things necessary to provide proper fire prevention and control of the property within the District. The District operates under the direction of a five-member board appointed by the Council.

The accounting and reporting policies of the District conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Such accounting and reporting procedures also conform to the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute (LRS) 24:513 and to the guidelines set forth in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, and to the industry audit guide, Audits of State and Local Governmental Units.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Financial Reporting Entity

All board members of the District are appointed by the Council. As the governing authority of Livingston Parish, for reporting purposes the Council is the financial reporting entity for Livingston Parish. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) primary government (Council), (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 statement to be misleading or incomplete. Because the board members of the District are appointed by the Council, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Council.

The accompanying basic financial statements present information only on the fund maintained by the District and do not present information on the Council, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to maintain its financial records and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain District functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds account for all of the District's general activities. These funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between a governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources that may be used to finance future period programs or operations of the District.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

The following is the District's governmental fund:

<u>General Fund</u> – the primary operating fund of the District, which accounts for all the operations of the District, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the District with most of the interfund activities removed. Information contained in these columns reflects the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Interest earnings and other revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

The District does not allocate indirect expenses.

Basic Financial Statements – Governmental Funds

The amounts reflected in the General Fund are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to a government-wide view of the District's operations.

The amounts reflected in the General Fund use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both 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 District considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on long-term debt, which are 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.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

<u>Revenues</u> – Revenues are generally recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Ad valorem tax revenue, state revenue sharing revenue, and interest revenue are recorded when due. Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

<u>Expenditures</u> – Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

Reconciliation – Explanation of differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net position is presented in Exhibit D of the basic financial statements. Explanation of differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance and the government-wide statement of activities is presented in Exhibit F of the basic financial statements.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Budgetary procedures applicable to the District are defined in State law, LRS 39:1301-1315. The District adopted an operating budget for its General Fund for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021. The budget for this fund is adopted on the cash basis of accounting. The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in these financial statements:

- 1. The Chairman prepares a proposed budget and submits it to the Board of Commissioners for consideration no later than fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. At the same time, if total proposed expenditures are \$500,000 or more, a notice of public hearing on the proposed budget must be published in the official journal. The proposed expenditures were less than \$500,000, therefore, a public hearing was not required.
- 2. All action necessary to adopt and implement the budget must be completed prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. The budget was adopted timely in accordance with state law.
- Budgetary amendments involving the transfer of funds from one program or function to another or involving increases in expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated require the approval of the Board of Commissioners.
- 4. Formal budgetary integration is not employed; however, periodic budget comparisons are made as a part of interim reporting. All budgets are presented on the cash basis of accounting. Accordingly, the Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General Fund presents actual expenditures in accordance with a basis consistent with the legally adopted budgets, as amended. The amounts are reconciled to the amounts reflected in the accompanying basic financial statements as follows:

Net Change in Fund Balance (Exhibit E)	\$ (4,072)
Add: Prior Year Receivables	175,482
Current Year Payables	13,171
Non-Cash Expenses	-
Less: Current Year Receivables	(168,449)
Prior Year Payables	 (11,490)
Net Change in Fund Balance (Schedule 1)	\$ 4,642

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

E. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Under State law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana. In addition, the District may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days, however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents.

Investments for the District are stated at cost.

F. Receivables and Payables

All trade and tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible tax.

Property Taxes

For the year 2021, taxes of 11.720 mills were levied on property within the District's boundaries. Total taxes levied were \$127,114. At December 31, 2021, the ad valorem tax receivable was \$127,114. Ad valorem taxes receivable at December 31, 2021, are recorded net of a 2.0% allowance for uncollectible taxes (\$2,550).

User Fees

For the year 2021, a user fee of \$32 was assessed on each household within the District's boundaries. Total user fees levied were \$42,816. At December 31, 2021, the user fee receivable was \$42,816. User fees receivable at December 31, 2021, are recorded net of a 2.0% allowance for uncollectible fees (\$850).

State Revenue Sharing

For the year 2021, the District received \$6,057 in Louisiana State Revenue Sharing. At December 31, 2021, state revenue sharing receivable totaled \$2,019. The District considers this receivable fully collectible and, therefore, has not recorded an allowance for uncollectible state revenue sharing.

G. Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

Uncollectible amounts are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account at the time information becomes available that would indicate the uncollectibility of the receivable.

H. Inventory

Inventories for supplies are immaterial and are recorded as expenditures / expenses when purchased.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Prepaid Items

The District recognizes expenditures for insurance and similar services extending over more than one accounting period when paid.

I. Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded as expenditures of the governmental funds and as assets in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost was not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. At December 31, 2021, the District did not have a formal capitalization policy establishing a capitalization / expense threshold.

Maintenance, repairs, and minor equipment are charged to operations when incurred. Expenditures that materially change capacities or extend useful lives are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement of land, buildings, and equipment, the cost and related accumulated depreciation, if applicable, are eliminated from the respective accounts and any resulting gain or loss is included in the results of operations.

J. Pension Plans

The District is not a member of any retirement system but is a member of the social security system.

K. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources, while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

L. Compensated Absences

The District does not pay for vacation or sick leave, and, as a result, has no liability for compensated absences at December 31, 2021.

M. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

- 1. Net Investment in Capital Assets consists of the historical cost of capital assets, including any restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- 2. Restricted this component of net position consists of assets that have constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- 3. Unrestricted all other net position is reported in this category.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

N. Fund Balance

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

- 1. Nonspendable Fund Balance amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- 2. Restricted Fund Balance amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes due to enabling legislation, State or Federal laws, or externally imposed conditions by grantors, creditors, or citizens.
- 3. Committed Fund Balance amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Commissioners (the District's highest level of decision-making authority).
- 4. Assigned Fund Balance amounts intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- 5. Unassigned Fund Balance all amounts not included in other spendable categories.

When fund balance resources are available for a specific purpose in multiple classifications, the District will generally use the most restrictive funds first in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned as they are needed. However, the District's management reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first and to defer the use of the other classified funds.

As of December 31, 2021, the District did not have any nonspendable, restricted, committed, or assigned fund balances.

O. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

2. Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

A. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all governmental funds. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end. See Note 1-D regarding operating budgets. The District complied with the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act in adopting its budget for the year ended December 31, 2021. The District reported no unfavorable variances in expenditures over appropriations for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

B. Deposits and Investment Laws and Regulations

In accordance with State law, all uninsured deposits of funds in financial institutions must be secured with acceptable collateral valued at the lower of market or par. As reflected in Note 3 regarding cash and cash equivalents, the District complied with the deposits and investments laws and regulations.

C. Deficit Fund Equity

As of December 31, 2021, the District's general fund did not have a deficit fund equity.

3. Cash and Cash Equivalents

As reflected on Statement A, the District has cash and cash equivalents totaling \$48,637 at December 31, 2021. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under State law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledged securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the bank. These pledged securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

The following is a summary of cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2021, with the related federal deposit insurance and pledged securities:

Bank	Ba	lances:
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Insured (FDIC Insurance)	\$ 49,977
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	_
Total Deposits	\$ 49,977

Under LRS 39:1229, deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities, plus the federal deposit insurance, must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. The custodial bank must advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the District that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial risk. As of December 31, 2021, the District was in compliance with State law which requires any uninsured cash balances with the fiscal agent bank to be adequately collateralized by the pledge of securities.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

4. Capital Assets

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, are as follows:

	Balance			Balance	
	12/31/2020	Increases	Decreases	12/31/2021	
Capital Assets Not Depreciated:					
Land	\$ 45,872	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,872	
Construction in Progress	73,306		73,306		
Total Capital Assets Not Depreciated	119,178	-	73,306	45,872	
Other Capital Assets:					
Buildings	50,000	92,456	-	142,456	
Equipment / Vehicles	1,162,648	95,912	-	1,258,560	
Infrastructure	40,590			40,590	
Total Other Capital Assets	1,253,238	188,368	-	1,441,606	
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Buildings	35,636	3,331	-	38,967	
Equipment / Vehicles	1,034,585	34,420	-	1,069,005	
Infrastructure	26,946	3,071		30,017	
Total Accumulated Depreciation	1,097,167	40,822		1,137,989	
Other Capital Assets, Net	156,071	147,546		303,617	
Totals	\$ 275,249	\$ 147,546	\$ 73,306	\$ 349,489	

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2021, totaled \$40,822.

Capital assets are stated at cost, less an allowance for accumulated depreciation. Depreciation expense is computed using the straight-line method of the estimated useful lives as follows:

Description	Estimated Lives
Land	N/A
Buildings	40
Equipment / Furniture & Fixtures	5 - 7

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

Leases

The District records items under capital leases as an asset and obligation in the financial statements. The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the District for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	alance at /31/2020	A	dditions	D	eletions		alance at /31/2021	e Within ne Year
\$50,000 Capital Lease	\$ 14,046	\$	-	\$	14,046	\$	-	\$ _
\$108,000 Capital Lease	94,272		-		10,592		83,680	7,642
\$90,000 Capital Lease	 -		90,000		-	-	90,000	 9,000
Totals	\$ 108,318	\$	90,000	\$	24,638	\$	173,680	\$ 16,642

Lease obligations at December 31, 2021, is comprised of the following:

\$108,000 lease obligation dated October 31, 2019, with First Government Lease Co., with interest at 9.550%, payable in annual installments of principal and interest totaling \$16,355.99 through February 1, 2029.	\$ 83,680
\$90,000 lease obligation dated May 19, 2021, with First Government Lease Co., with interest at 5.1786%, payable in annual installments of principal and interest totaling \$13,660.76 through April 1, 2031.	\$ 90,000

The following is a schedule by years of the future minimum lease payments under the capital leases together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2021:

	\$90,000	\$108,000	
Year Ending	Capital	Capital	
December 31,	Lease	Lease	Totals
2022	\$ 13,661	\$ 16,356	\$ 30,017
2023	13,661	16,356	30,017
2024	13,661	16,356	30,017
2025	13,661	16,356	30,017
2026	13,661	16,356	30,017
2027 - 2029	68,303	49,068	117,371
Total Payments	136,608	130,848	267,456
Less: Interest	46,608	47,168	93,776
	\$ 90,000	\$ 83,680	\$ 173,680

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

5. Levied Taxes

Ad valorem taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1 each year. Taxes are levied by the District during the year, are billed to taxpayers, and become due in November. Billed taxes become delinquent on December 31 of each year. Revenues from ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year billed and recognized as revenue when billed. The Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office bills and collects the property taxes using the assessed value determined by the Livingston Parish Tax Assessor. The taxes are generally collected in December of the current year and January and February of the ensuing year. For 2021, the District levied 11.720 mills for a total tax levy of \$127,114 on taxable property valuation totaling \$10,845,940.

6. Litigation and Claims

There is no litigation pending against the District at December 31, 2021.

7. Compensation Paid Board Members

LRS 40:1498 provides that each member of the District may receive compensation in the amount of \$30 per meeting, not to exceed two meetings in any one calendar month. Currently, the District does not pay compensation to board members.

8. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, June 25, 2022. No subsequent events occurring after this date have been evaluated for inclusion in these financial statements.

Required Supplemental Information –

Budgetary Comparison Schedule

Schedule 1

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget (Cash Basis) and Actual For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

	_	Original Budget	-	Final Budget	9.9	Actual mounts - AAP Basis	Fa	ariance vorable favorable)
Revenues:								
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$	122,000	\$	121,879	\$	112,716	\$	(9,163)
Fire Insurance Premium Rebate		25,000		25,328		25,328		-
User Fee		37,600		37,020		42,688		5,668
State Revenue Sharing		6,000		6,057		10,080		4,023
Other Income		-		998		1,334		336
Total Revenues		190,600		191,282		192,146		864
Expenditures:								
Public Safety:								
Insurance		30,800		30,800		25,063		5,737
Vehicle Expenses		21,000		31,000		40,363		(9,363)
Payroll Expenses		45,520		20,820		18,345		2,475
Fire Management Solutions		2,000		1,800		1,855		(55)
Fire Prevention		1,000		600		1,207		(607)
Miscellaneous		2,325		3,000		3,946		(946)
Professional Fees		8,000		8,000		9,018		(1,018)
Station Maintenance		4,000		2,000		4,620		(2,620)
Supplies & Small Equipment		15,400		16,400		6,074		10,326
Telephone & Utilities		6,700		7,300		8,283		(983)
Uniforms & Gear		1,000		500		6,300		(5,800)
Capital Outlay		18,500		39,281		25,062		14,219
Debt Service:								
Lease Principal Payments		24,638		24,638		24,638		-
Lease Interest Payments		11,362		12,730		12,730		-
Total Expenditures		192,245		198,869		187,504		11,365
Net Change in Budgetary Fund Balance		(1,645)		(7,587)		4,642		12,229
Budgetary Fund Balance- January 1		45,249		43,995		43,995		-
Budgetary Fund Balance- December 31	\$	43,604	\$	36,408	\$	48,637	\$	12,229

Other Supplemental Information

Schedule 2

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

Agency Head: Jerry Brook, Fire Chief

Purpose Purpose	Amount
Salary	\$ -
Benefits - Insurance	-
Benefits - Retirement	-
Deferred Compensation	-
Benefits - Other - Supplemental Pay	-
Car Allowance	-
Vehicle Provided by Government	-
Vehicle Rental	-
Cell Phone	-
Dues	-
Per Diem	-
Reimbursements	-
Travel	_
Registration Fees	-
Conference Travel	-
Housing	-
Unvouchered Expenses	-
Special Meals	-
Other	-
	\$ _

Other Independent Accountant's Report

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Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Board of Commissioners Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 Livingston, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2021 included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. Management of Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 is responsible for its financial records and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Public Bid Law

1. Obtain documentation for all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$30,000, and public works exceeding \$250,000. Compare the documentation for these expenditures to Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 39:1551-39:1755 (the state procurement code) or R.S. 38:2211-2296 (the public bid law), whichever is applicable; and report whether the expenditures were made in accordance with these laws.

The District purchased a pickup truck off of state contract. The District also purchased a 1997 Custom Pumper Fire Truck through sealed bids.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

Obtain a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by R.S. 42:1101-1124 (the ethics law).

Management provided us with the requested information.

3. Obtain a list of all employees paid during the fiscal year.

Management provided us with the requested information.

4. Report whether any employees' names appear on both lists obtained in Procedures 2 and 3.

None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management in agreed-upon procedure 3 appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure 2.

5. Obtain a list of all disbursements made during the year, and a list of outside business interests of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families. Report whether any vendors appear on both lists.

Management provided us with the requested information. None of the businesses of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families appeared as vendors on the list of disbursements.

Budgeting

6. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided us with a copy of the original budget and the amendments to the original budget.

7. Trace documentation for the adoption of the budget and approval of any amendments to the minute book, and report whether there are any exceptions.

We traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a meeting held on December 14, 2020. The budget was amended on 11/8/21.

8. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Report whether actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, and whether actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 5% or more. (For agencies that must comply with the Licensing Agency Budget Act only, compare the expenditures of the final budget to actual expenditures, and report whether actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 10% or more per category or 5% or more in total).

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual revenues were above budgeted amounts, actual expenditures were less than budgeted expenditures.

Accounting and Reporting

9. Obtain the list of all disbursements made during the fiscal year. Randomly select six disbursements and obtain documentation from management for these disbursements. Compare the selected disbursements to the supporting documentation, and: (a) report whether the six disbursements agree to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation, (b) report whether the six disbursements are coded to the correct fund and general ledger account, and (c) Report whether the six disbursements were approved in accordance with management's policies and procedures.

All disbursements agree to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation. Disbursements were coded to the correct fund and general ledger account. The disbursements were approved in accordance with management's policies and procedures.

Meetings

10. Obtain evidence from management to support that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by R.S. 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law); and report whether there are any exceptions.

Management provided us with a copy of the posted meetings with agendas. We have a copy of the agenda for the meeting on January 11, 2021.

Debt

11. Obtain bank deposit slips for the fiscal year and scan the deposit slips in order to identify and report whether there are any deposits that appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness. If any such proceeds are identified, obtain from management evidence of approval by the State Bond Commission, and report any exceptions.

We noted no deposits that appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

Advances and Bonuses

12. Obtain the list of payroll disbursements and meeting minutes of the governing board, if applicable. Scan these documents to identify and report whether there are any payments or approval of payments to employees that may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

We scanned payroll disbursements and read the meeting minutes of the District's board of commissioners for the fiscal year. We found no payments or approval for payments to employees that would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

State Audit Law

13. Report whether the agency provided for a timely report in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

The District's report was dated and submitted timely in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

14. Inquire of management and report whether the agency entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

The District did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds.

Prior-Year Comments

15. Obtain and report management's representation as to whether any prior-year suggestions, recommendations, and/or comments have been resolved.

The District's prior year report did not include any suggestions, exceptions, recommendations, or comments.

We were not engaged to perform, and did not perform, an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Respectfully submitted,

Hebert Johnson & Associates, Inc.

Chris Johnson

A Professional Accounting Corporation

Albany, Louisiana

June 25, 2022

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7, as a part of its review of financial statements as of December 31, 2021, and for the one year then ended, is required to complete the Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire furnished by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and,

WHEREAS, upon completion, the questionnaire must be presented to and adopted by the board of directors of the Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7, by means of a formal resolution in an open meeting, and,

WHEREAS, the completed questionnaire and a copy of its adoption must then be given to the accountant at the beginning of the attestation engagement. The accountant will, during the course of his attestation engagement test the accuracy of the responses in the questionnaire,

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire was reviewed and all questions answered by the board of directors of the Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 7 hereby adopts this resolution on 2-1/4-2022 by the following roll call vote:

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YEAS: 2	
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ABSENT: 2	

Secretary/Treasurer

President

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (For Attestation Engagements of Government)

2-14-2022 (Date Transmitted)

Hebert Johnson & Associates, Inc. PO Box 1151 Ponchatoula LA 70454

In connection with your review of our financial statements as of [date] and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

These representations are based on the information available to us as of 2-14-2-022

Public Bid Law

It is true that we have complied with the state procurement code (R.S. 39:1551 – 39:1755); the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211-2296), and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration and the State Purchasing Office.

Yes [NO[] N/A[]

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1101-1124.

Yes [No[] N/A[]

It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1119.

Yes [X] No[] N/A[]

Budgeting

We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (R.S. 39:1301-15), R.S. 39:33, or the budget requirements of R.S. 39:1331-1342, as applicable.

Yes No[] N/A[]

Accounting and Reporting

All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by R.S. 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

Yes [No[] N/A[]

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with R.S. 24:514, and 33:463 where applicable.

Yest No[] NA[]

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes [| No [X] N/A []

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes [| No[] N/A[]

We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding reporting of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.

Yes[] No[] N/AN

Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in R.S. 42:11 through 42:28.

Yes No [] NA []

Debt

It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and R.S. 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes [No[] NIA[]

Advances and Bonuses

It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, R.S. 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes X No[] NA[]

Prior-Year Comments

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

Yes [X] No[] N/A[]

General

We are responsible for our compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes [] No[] N/A[]

We acknowledge that we are responsible for determining that that the procedures performed are appropriate for the purposes of this engagement.

Yes [X] No [] N/A []

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes No[] N/A[]

We have provided you with all relevant information and access under the terms of our agreement.

Yes [] No[] N/A[]

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations.

Yes No [] NA []

We are not aware of any material misstatements in the information we have provided to you.

Yes [No [X] N/A[]

We have disclosed to you any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants, and others concerning noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including communications received during the period under examination; and will disclose to you any such communication received between the end of the period under examination and the date of your report.

Yes [No [] N/A []

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies all known noncompliance and other events subsequent to the date of this representation and the date of your report that could have a material effect on our compliance with laws and regulations and the internal controls with such laws and regulations, or would require adjustment or modification to the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

Yes No[] N/A[]

The previous responses have been made to	the best of our belief an	d knowledge.	
of theen Brook	Secretary	2-14-2022	_Date
Land & Gran	Treasure	2-14-2022	_Date
- Way W	President	2-14-2022	_Date
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