

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9
Grand Chenier, Louisiana

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS

Year Ended December 31, 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

January 31, 2022

Board of Commissioners
Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9
Grand Chenier, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9, a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9 as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and the cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the supplemental information on pages 26 through 28, respectively 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 the 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 supplemental information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted principally 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.

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis 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 the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

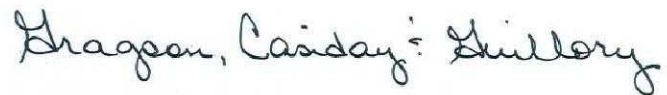
Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Cameron Parish Water Districts No. 9's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Chief Executive Officer is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such

information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 31, 2022, on our consideration of Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Statement of Net Position

December 31, 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,646,254	\$ 1,809,789
Receivables		
Ad valorem taxes, net	179,353	191,948
Intergovernmental	191,805	22,592
Accounts, net	-	-
Prepaid expenses	-	-
Total Current Assets	<u>2,017,412</u>	<u>2,024,329</u>
Property, plant and equipment		
Buildings	108,370	108,370
Distribution system	4,986,552	4,986,552
Furnitures, fixtures and equipment	488,120	485,780
	<u>5,583,042</u>	<u>5,580,702</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	4,118,859	3,985,098
	<u>1,464,183</u>	<u>1,595,604</u>
Land	20,000	20,000
	<u>1,484,183</u>	<u>1,615,604</u>
Other assets		
Net pension asset	21,378	-
Total Assets	<u>3,522,973</u>	<u>3,639,933</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
	<u>33,210</u>	<u>59,172</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	110,800	2,225
Accrued liabilities	9,266	2,703
Unearned revenue	30,988	30,988
Total Current Liabilities	<u>151,054</u>	<u>35,916</u>
Net pension liability	-	46,141
Net OPEB obligation	67,265	58,867
Total Liabilities	<u>218,319</u>	<u>140,924</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
	<u>48,438</u>	<u>9,714</u>
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	1,484,183	1,615,604
Net position - unrestricted	1,805,243	1,932,863
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 3,289,426</u>	<u>\$ 3,548,467</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Statement of Revenues, Expenses
and Changes in Net Position

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
OPERATING REVENUES		
Charges for services	\$ 100,303	\$ 184,710
Intergovernmental	-	22,592
Miscellaneous revenue	519	6,596
	<u>100,822</u>	<u>213,898</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Advertising	290	164
Auto	1,152	2,876
Bank fees	1,110	1,978
Depreciation	133,761	131,403
Dues	5,574	5,502
Employee benefits - OPEB	1,702	61
Insurance - general	40,268	36,532
Insurance - health	42,880	40,384
Maintenance	299,827	132,309
Miscellaneous	4,354	7,487
Per diem	360	720
Postage	1,920	3,089
Professional fees	9,565	12,353
Rent - temporary office	703	703
Retirement - regular	16,073	13,072
Retirement - net pension	3,863	10,783
Salaries	121,837	97,692
Supplies	2,108	5,225
Taxes and licenses	1,611	1,362
Telephone	7,867	9,537
Training and education	-	482
Utilities	18,273	25,967
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>718,820</u>	<u>539,681</u>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	<u>(617,998)</u>	<u>(325,783)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Statement of Revenues, Expenses
and Changes in Net Position - Continued

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Ad valorem taxes, net	\$ 166,843	\$ 190,161
Interest income	309	712
FEMA reimbursements	191,805	-
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	<u>358,957</u>	<u>190,873</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(259,041)	(134,910)
NET POSITION - BEGINNING	<u>3,548,467</u>	<u>3,683,377</u>
NET POSITION - ENDING	<u>\$ 3,289,426</u>	<u>\$ 3,548,467</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Received from customers and others	\$ 100,822	\$ 193,984
Payments for supplies and expenses	(538,675)	(295,026)
Payments to employees for services	(94,894)	(93,987)
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>(532,747)</u>	<u>(195,029)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Ad valorem taxes	179,438	185,549
FEMA reimbursements	191,805	-
NET CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>371,243</u>	<u>185,549</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of fixed assets	(2,340)	(17,979)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest on investments	<u>309</u>	<u>712</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(163,535)	(26,747)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>1,809,789</u>	<u>1,836,536</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 1,646,254</u>	<u>\$ 1,809,789</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (617,998)	\$ (325,783)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	133,761	131,403
Net change in deferred inflows/outflows	64,686	(53,276)
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	(169,213)	(21,716)
Net pension asset	(21,378)	7,139
Prepaid expense	-	8,283
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	108,575	2,225
Accrued liabilities	6,563	(285)
Net pension liability	(46,141)	46,141
OPEB obligation	8,398	10,840
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>\$ (532,747)</u>	<u>\$ (195,029)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2020

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9 was created by the Cameron Parish Police Jury under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:3811 for the purpose of providing water to the Grand Chenier area of the Parish. The District is governed by a board of commissioners.

1. Reporting Entity

As the governing authority of the parish, for reporting purposes, the Cameron Parish Police Jury is the financial reporting entity for Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9. 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 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 Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Cameron 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.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the police jury appoints a voting majority to the board and has the ability to impose its will, the District was determined to be a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the District and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by the governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement 34, "Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments", issued in June 1999.

The financial statements of the District are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Whereby revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The operating revenues of the District come from metered sales to residential and commercial customers as well as service connection charges and penalties from late payment of bills. Operating expenses from enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

3. Cash

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and time deposits with original maturities of 90 days or less. 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.

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 pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At December 31, 2020, the District has \$1,648,734 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$258,327 of federal deposit insurance and \$1,390,407 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank.

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

4. Accounts Receivable

The District utilizes the allowance method to recognize doubtful accounts. The allowance for doubtful accounts at December 31, 2020 was \$-.

There appears to be concentration of credit risk with regard to general accounts receivable and more specifically accounts receivable for water user fees. The District's ability to collect the amounts due from the users of the District water system and others (as reflected on the financial statements) may be affected by significant economic fluctuations, natural disasters or other calamity in this one concentrated geographic location.

5. Compensated Absences

The District has the following policy relating to vacation and sick leave:

Vacation – 5-25 days per year depending on length of service

Sick Leave – 12-18 days per year, depending on length of service

The District's recognition and measurement criteria for compensated absences follows:

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

- a. The employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered.
- b. 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 also provides that a liability for sick leave should be accrued using one of the following termination approaches:

- a. 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.

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

- b. 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.

At December 31, 2020, the District had an accrual for compensated absences of \$9,266.

6. Statement of Cash Flow

For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the District considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

7. Net Position

In the financial statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets – Consists of capital assets including 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.
- b. Net position – restricted – Consists of net position with constraints placed on use either by (1) external groups such as creditors grantors, contributors, laws or regulation of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Net position - unrestricted – All other net position that does not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets, net or related debt”.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available, it shall be the policy of the District to consider restricted amounts to have been reduced first.

8. 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

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

9. Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through January 31, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

10. Comparative Data

Comparative totals for the prior year have been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the District's financial position and operations.

NOTE B – AD VALOREM TAXES

For the year ended December 31, 2020, taxes of 6.34 mills were levied on property with taxable assessed valuations totaling \$29,289,439.

Total taxes levied were	<u>\$ 185,695</u>
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Property tax millage rates are adopted in July for the calendar year in which the taxes are levied and recorded. All taxes are due and collectible when the assessment rolls are filed on or before November 15th of the current year, and become delinquent after December 31st. Property taxes not paid by the end of February are subject to lien.

NOTE C – PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

All property, plant and equipment are valued at historical cost. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related assets, as applicable.

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December 31, 2020

NOTE C – PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - CONTINUED

Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	15 years
Distribution system	15-45 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5-20 years

A summary of changes in property, plant and equipment for the year ended December 31, 2020 are as follows:

	Beginning of Year	Net Additions	End of Year
Buildings	\$ 108,370	\$ -	\$ 108,370
Distribution system	4,986,552	-	4,986,552
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	485,780	2,340	488,120
Land	20,000	-	20,000
	<u>5,600,702</u>	<u>\$ 2,340</u>	<u>5,603,042</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>3,985,098</u>		<u>4,118,859</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$ 1,615,604</u>		<u>\$ 1,484,183</u>

Depreciation expense was \$133,761 for the year ended December 31, 2020.

NOTE D - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS

The District participates in a state-administered cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement systems, which together cover substantially all of the District's full-time employees. Although separately administered by their respective boards of trustees, these systems are established and regulated by acts of the Louisiana Legislature with respect to membership and contribution requirements, plan benefits, and actuarial determination of funding requirements as provided by the state constitution. Additional disclosures with respect to the District's participation in these systems are provided below.

Parochial Employees' Retirement System

The System is composed of two district plans, Plan A and Plan B with separate assets and benefit provisions. Employees of the District are members of Plan A. Membership is mandatory as a condition of employment beginning on the date employed if the employee is on a permanent basis working at least twenty-eight hours per week and not participating in another public funded retirement system. Those individuals paid jointly by a participating employer and the parish are not eligible for membership in the system. Under Plan A, employees hired prior to January 1,

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NOTE D - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS - CONTINUED

2007 and who retire at or after age 65 with at least 7 years of credited service, or after age 60 with at least 10 years of credited services, or at or after age 55 with 25 years of credited service, or at any age with 30 or more years of creditable service. For employees hired after January 1, 2007 and who retire at or after age 67 with at least 7 years of service, or after age 62 with at least 10 years of service, or at or after age 55 with 30 years of service. Retirees are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final compensation multiplied by the employee's years of credited service. Final compensation is the employee's monthly earnings during the 36 consecutive or jointed months that produce the highest average. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

The Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplemental information. That report may be obtained by writing to Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, P.O. Box 14619, Baton Rouge, LA 70898.

Plan members are required to contribute 9.5% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 11.5% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the District are established and may be amended by the System's Board of Trustees. The District's contributions to the System for the year ended December 31, 2020 totaled \$19,936.

At December 31, 2020, the District reported a net pension liability (asset) of \$(21,378) for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to their pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2020, the District's proportion was .0121927%.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the District recognized pension expense of \$3,863 including employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions, \$394. At December 31, 2020, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension from the following sources:

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NOTE D - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS – CONTINUED

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 5,205	\$ 2,552
Difference between expected and actual assumption	6,994	-
Difference between expected and actual Investment	22,088	41,725
Changes in proportion and differences between:		
Contributions and proportionate share of contributions	2,099	1,597
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 14,298</u>	<u>\$ 45,874</u>

\$0 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2021. Other accounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year ended June 30:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	\$ 8,670
2022	2,718
2023	12,978
2024	7,210
2025	-
Thereafter	-

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Notes to Financial Statements

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NOTE D - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS – CONTINUED

Actuarial methods and assumption. The total pension liability in the December 30, 2020, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Valuation Date	December 31, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Investment Rate of Return	6.40% (Net of investment expense)
Expected Remaining Service Lives	4 years
Projected Salary Increases	Plan A – 4.75% (2.3% Inflation)
Cost of Living Adjustments	The present values of future retirement benefits is based on benefits currently being paid by the System and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increases not yet amortized by the Board of Trustees.
Mortality	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Healthy Retirees multiplied 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for disabled annuitants.

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Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2020

NOTE D - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS – CONTINUED

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.40% for Plan A. 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 System'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 CAPM pricing model (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations and 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 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%
Total	100%	5.00%
Inflation		2.00%
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return		7.00%

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NOTE D - RETIREMENT COMMITMENTS – CONTINUED

The mortality rate assumption used was set based upon an experience study performed on plan data for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017. The data was then assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. This mortality was then projected forward to a period equivalent to the estimated duration of the System’s liabilities. Annuity values calculated based on this mortality were compared to those produced by using a setback of standard tables. The result of the procedure indicated that the tables used would produce liability values approximating the appropriate generational mortality tables.

Sensitivity to changes in discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability of the District calculated using the discount rate of 6.40%, as well as what the employers’ net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower 5.40% or one percentage point higher 7.40% than the current rate.

	Changes in Discount Rate 2020		
	1% Decrease 5.40%	Current Discount Rate 6.40%	1% Increase 7.40%
	Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 44,825	\$ (21,378)

NOTE E - PER DIEM

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 33:3819, per diem is allowed not to exceed \$60 per meeting attended, up to twenty-four regular meetings and twelve special meetings. The Board has approved per diem at \$60.

Per diem paid commissioners for the year ended December 31, 2020 were as follows:

Earnestine Horn	\$ 120
Kevin Warner	120
JC Baccigalopi	120
	<u>\$ 360</u>

NOTE F - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management

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December 31, 2020

NOTE F - RISK MANAGEMENT - CONTINUED

believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE G – CONTINGENCIES

Unearned revenue of \$30,988 at December 31, 2020 represents funds received from FEMA for fire hydrant flange bolts replacement that has not been spent.

NOTE H – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description – Grand Chenier Water provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. Grand Chenier Water's OPEB Plan (the OPEB Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by Grand Chenier Water. The authority to establish and/or amend the obligation of the employer, employees and retirees rests with Grand Chenier Water. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification Section P52 *Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions—Reporting For Benefits Not Provided Through Trusts That Meet Specified Criteria—Defined Benefit*.

Benefits Provided – Medical and life insurance benefits are provided through comprehensive plans and are made available to employees upon actual retirement. Employees retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: Employees are covered by the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, whose retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: 30 years of service at any age; age 55 and 25 years of service; age 60 and 10 years of service; or, age 65 and 7 years of service. For employees hired on and after January 1, 2007 retirement eligibility (D.R.O.P. entry) provisions are as follows: age 55 and 30 years of service; age 62 and 10 years of service; or, age 67 and 7 years of service.

Life insurance coverage is provided to retirees and 100% of the blended rate (active and retired) is paid by the employer. A level \$20,000 amount of insurance coverage while active is continued after retirement.

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NOTE H – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS - CONTINUED

Employees covered by benefit terms – At December 31, 2020, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	1
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active employees	<u>2</u>
	<u>3</u>

Total OPEB Liability

Grand Chenier Water’s total OPEB liability of \$67,255 was measured as of December 31, 2020 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions and other inputs – The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2020 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	3.0%, including inflation
Discount rate	2.12% annually (Beginning of Year to Determine ADC)
	2.74%, annually (As of End of Year Measurement Date)
Healthcare cost trend rates	Flat 5.5% annually

The discount rate was based on the average of the Bond Buyers' 20 Year General Obligation municipal bond index as of December 31, 2020, the end of the applicable measurement period.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Table without projection with 50%/50% unisex blend.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2020 valuation were based on the results of ongoing evaluations of the assumptions from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2020.

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December 31, 2020

NOTE H – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS - CONTINUED

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at December 31, 2019	\$ 58,867
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	2,167
Interest	1,643
Differences between expected and actual experience	2,835
Changes in assumptions	5,580
Benefit payments and net transfers	(3,827)
Net changes	8,398
Balance at December 31, 2020	\$ 67,265

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of Grand Chenier Water, as well as what Grand Chenier Water’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (1.12%) or 1-percentage-point higher (3.12%) than the current discount rate:

	1.0% Decrease (1.12%)	Current Discount Rate (2.12%)	1.0% Increase (3.12%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 77,798	\$ 67,265	\$ 58,655

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of Grand Chenier Water, as well as what Grand Chenier Water’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (4.5%) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.5%) than the current healthcare trend rates:

	1.0% Decrease (4.5%)	Current Trend (5.5%)	1.0% Increase (6.5%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 59,551	\$ 67,265	\$ 77,332

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December 31, 2020

NOTE H – POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS - CONTINUED

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended December 31, 2020, Grand Chenier Water recognized OPEB expense of \$5,529. At December 31, 2020, Grand Chenier Water reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 7,343	\$ -
Changes in assumptions	11,569	(2,564)
Total	\$ 18,912	\$ (2,564)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Years ending December 31:	
2021	842
2022	842
2023	842
2024	842
2025	842
Thereafter	3,366

NOTE I – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

As a result of the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus, economic uncertainties have arisen which may impact the District's ongoing operations; however, the extent and severity of the potential impact is unknown at this time.

On August 27, 2020 Hurricane Laura made landfall in Southwest Louisiana as a Category 4 hurricane which was followed by Hurricane Delta on October 8, 2020. The full extent of damages to the District's facilities or effects on operations have not been determined. Thru December 31, 2020 \$191,805 has been spent on hurricane damage repairs. This amount is expected to be reimbursed by FEMA.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB Liability			
Service cost	\$ 2,167	\$ 1,369	\$ 1,640
Interest	1,643	1,997	1,742
Changes of benefit terms			-
Differences between expected and actual experience	2,835	3,800	2,113
Changes of assumptions	5,580	7,856	(3,333)
Benefit payments	(3,827)	(4,182)	(3,964)
Net change in total OPEB Liability	<u>8,398</u>	<u>10,840</u>	<u>(1,802)</u>
Total OPEB liability - beginning	<u>58,867</u>	<u>48,027</u>	<u>49,829</u>
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	<u>\$ 67,265</u>	<u>\$ 58,867</u>	<u>\$ 48,027</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 114,401	\$ 81,475	\$ 79,102
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	58.80%	72.25%	60.72%
Notes to Schedule:			
<i>Benefit Changes.</i>	None	None	None
<i>Change in assumptions:</i>			
<i>Discount rate</i>	2.12%	2.74%	4.10%
<i>Mortality</i>	RP-2014	RP-2000	RP-2000
<i>Trend</i>	Variable	5.50%	5.50%

This schedule is intended to show information for 10-years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9
Grand Chenier, Louisiana

Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability

Year Ended December 31, 2020

Parochical Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Employer's portion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.01040%	0.01040%	0.00962%	0.00621%	0.00954%	0.00871%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ (21,378)	\$ 46,141	\$ (7,139)	\$ 12,787	\$ 25,103	\$ 2,381
Employer's covered payroll	\$ 120,963	\$ 97,692	\$ 86,456	\$ 87,578	\$ 83,626	\$ 75,907
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	-17.67%	47.23%	-8.26%	14.60%	30.02%	3.14%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	104.00%	88.86%	101.98%	94.15%	92.23%	99.14%

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

*The amounts presented have a measurement date of December 31, 2020.

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9
Grand Chenier, Louisiana

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Year Ended December 31, 2020

Date	Contractually Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Employer's Covered Employee Payroll	Contributions as a % of Covered Employee Payroll
Municipal Employees Retirement System of Louisiana (System):					
2015	\$ 6,946	\$ 6,946	\$ -	\$ 75,907	9.2%
2016	\$ 15,606	\$ 15,606	\$ -	\$ 83,626	18.7%
2017	\$ 12,550	\$ 12,550	\$ -	\$ 87,578	14.3%
2018	\$ 12,861	\$ 12,861	\$ -	\$ 86,456	14.9%
2019	\$ 13,072	\$ 13,072	\$ -	\$ 97,692	13.4%
2020	\$ 16,073	\$ 16,073	\$ -	\$ 120,963	13.3%

Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

OTHER INFORMATION

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments
To Chief Executive Officer

Year Ended December 31, 2020

Chief Executive Officer: Kevin Warner, Board President

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ -
Benefits-insurance	-
Benefits-retirement	-
Benefits-cell phone	-
Car allowance	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Per diem	120
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

January 31, 2022

Board of Commissioners
Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9
Grand Chenier, 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 business-type activities of the Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9, a component unit of the Cameron Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the 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 Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9'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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's Response to Findings

Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 9's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying findings and responses. The District's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures in the audit of the financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Schedule of Findings and Responses

Year Ended December 31, 2020

1. Summary of Auditors' Results:

Type of auditors' report issued: unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses(es) identified? yes no
- Control deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)? yes none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? yes no

2. Findings Relating to the Financial Statements Which Are Required to be Reported in Accordance with Generally Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards

Finding #2020-001:

Inadequate Segregation of Duties

Condition: Because of the small size of the District's office staff, the opportunity for segregation of duties is limited. Effective internal control requires adequate segregation of duties among entity personnel.

Effect: Without proper segregation of duties, misstatements in amounts may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation: To the extent cost effective, duties should be segregated and management should attempt to mitigate this weakness by supervision and review procedures.

Corrective Action Planned: Management has responded that it does not believe that it is cost effective to employ adequate personnel to achieve appropriate segregation of duties. Management has implemented supervision and review procedures such as review and approval of supporting documents related to expenditures, review listings of revenue received and review of bank reconciliations on a monthly basis.

3. Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards

N/A

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CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 9

Schedule of Findings and Responses - Continued

Year Ended December 31, 2020

4. Prior Year Findings

Finding 2019-001:

Inadequate segregation of duties.

Corrective Action Taken: None, repeat finding in 2020.