City of Blevins, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2023 and 2022



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City of Blevins, Arkansas Officials and Council Members Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

A priority of Arkansas Legislative Audit is to assist local government officials by promoting sound financial management and accountability of government resources. The Legislative Auditor reports on the fiscal affairs of local governments, as well as compliance with relevant state laws and observance of good business practices to provide accountability for tax dollars expended to support government operations.

We have performed certain limited procedures with respect to cash basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the City of Blevins, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2025. These procedures were not performed for the Water and Sewer System. Management of the City is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

The finding contained in this section relates to the following officials who held office during 2023 and 2022:

Mayor: Bobby Steed

Recorder/Treasurer: Vickie Gray

We evaluated the City's compliance with certain state laws concerning general and district court accounting, budgeting, purchasing, and investing and depositing of public funds.

Noncompliance with state law and accepted accounting practices was noted in the office of Recorder/Treasurer.

Recorder/Treasurer

Accounting procedures for municipalities are set forth in Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-59-101 – 14-59-119. The City was not in compliance with these codes and other accounting procedures as follows:

- Prenumbered receipts were not issued for funds received. A similar finding was noted in the previous report
- Fixed asset records were established but did not include proper control totals, additions, deletions, and identification numbers when applicable.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, local City government, state executive and oversight management, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

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Little Rock, Arkansas March 31, 2025 LOM201323

CITY OF BLEVINS, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

		General Fund	Special Revenue Funds		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	_\$	190,994	\$	89,961	
Receipts:					
State aid		4,379		24,295	
Property taxes		6,043		1,169	
Franchise fees		8,680			
Sales taxes		108,551			
Interest		644		669	
Other		4,451		2,000	
Total Receipts		132,748		28,133	
Disbursements:					
General government		48,160			
Highways and streets				18,085	
Sanitation		54,831			
Total Disbursements		102,991		18,085	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	220,751	\$	100,009	

Schedule 2

CITY OF BLEVINS, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

		American Rescue Plan Street Cemetery Act (ARPA)		Street		Rescue Plan		Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$	84,599	\$	591	\$	4,771	\$ 89,961	
Receipts:								
State aid		24,295					24,295	
Property taxes		1,169					1,169	
Interest		669					669	
Other		2,000					2,000	
Total Receipts		28,132					 28,133	
Disbursements:								
Highways and streets		18,085					18,085	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	94,646	\$	591	\$	4,771	\$ 100,009	

CITY OF BLEVINS, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	General Fund			Special Revenue Funds		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	164,567	\$	100,816		
Receipts:						
State aid		4,296		24,865		
Federal aid				31,181		
Property taxes		6,171		1,174		
Franchise fees		6,590				
Sales taxes		107,878				
Interest		639		153		
Other		165		1,410		
Transfers in				1,579		
Total Receipts		125,739		60,362		
Disbursements:						
General government		43,753		7,591		
Highways and streets				13,626		
Sanitation		53,980				
Transfers out		1,579				
Contribution to water and sewer department				50,000		
Total Disbursements		99,312		71,217		
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	190,994	\$	89,961		

CITY OF BLEVINS, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

	Street		Cemetery		American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)		Total	
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	69,054	\$	581	\$	31,181	\$	100,816
Receipts:								
State aid		24,865						24,865
Federal aid						31,181		31,181
Property taxes		1,174						1,174
Interest		153						153
Other		1,400		10				1,410
Transfers in		1,579						1,579
Total Receipts		29,171		10		31,181		60,362
Disbursements:								
General government						7,591		7,591
Highways and streets		13,626						13,626
Contribution to water and sewer department						50,000		50,000
Total Disbursements		13,626				57,591		71,217
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	84,599	\$	591	\$	4,771	\$	89,961

CITY OF BLEVINS, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022 (UNAUDITED)

- 1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts and certificates of deposit.
- 2. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

	Dec	December 31, 2023		cember 31, 2022
Land Buildings Equipment	\$	15,000 75,000 46,925	\$	15,000 75,000 46,925
Totals	\$	136,925	\$	136,925

3 The City received federal funding in the following amounts related to COVID-19 relief:

	December 31, 2022	
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	31,181