City of Bull Shoals, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2022



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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City of Bull Shoals, 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 Bull Shoals, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated November 13, 2023. These procedures were not performed for the Water and Sewer Funds. Management of the City is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

The findings contained in this section relate to the following officials who held office during 2022:

Mayor: David Nixon Recorder/Treasurer: Tina Bailey District Court Clerk: Jessica Wilkinson Police Chief: John Ainsworth

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 offices of Mayor and Recorder/Treasurer.

Mayor

General Fund disbursements exceeded total appropriations by \$703,896 (93.3%) in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. § 14-58-203.

Recorder/Treasurer

Cash receipts and disbursements journals were not properly classified or reconciled to bank deposits and withdrawals, in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. §§14-59-108, -110, -111. A similar finding was issued in the previous two reports dating back to 2020.

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.

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

	 General Fund	Special Revenue Funds		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 1,231,911	\$	468,904	
Receipts:				
State aid	67,169		168,529	
Federal aid	2,350		201,586	
Property taxes	170,164		36,359	
Franchise fees	108,458			
Sales taxes	734,357			
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	85,269		2,875	
Interest	2,871		1,500	
Local permits and fees	16,902		285	
Sanitation fees			162,821	
Donations			50,350	
Other	32,353		1,550	
Transfers in	8,116		28,335	
Unclassified			276,271	
Total Receipts	 1,228,009		930,461	
Disbursements:				
General government	522,525			
Law enforcement	299,642		3,662	
Highways and streets			523,601	
Public safety	147,784			
Sanitation			160,630	
Recreation and culture	30,643			
Sales tax collected and remitted to water department	231,830			
Debt service	3,739			
Transfers out	28,335		8,116	
Unclassified	 204,357		30,796	
Total Disbursements	 1,468,855		726,805	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 991,065	\$	672,560	

Schedule 1

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

	 Street	a Re	al Police nd Fire tirement -OPFI)	Sc	lid Waste	Court omation	Private onation	American escue Plan Act	 Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 140,055	\$	68	\$	122,453	\$ 236	\$ 4,460	\$ 201,632	\$ 468,904
Receipts:									
State aid	168,529								168,529
Federal aid								201,586	201,586
Property taxes	36,359								36,359
Fines, forfeitures, and costs						2,875			2,875
Interest	275				369		94	762	1,500
Local permits and fees					285				285
Sanitation fees					162,821				162,821
Donations					45,000		5,350		50,350
Other					1,550				1,550
Transfers in			28,035			300			28,335
Unclassified	 216,605		22,762				 36,904		276,271
Total Receipts	 421,768		50,797		210,025	3,175	 42,348	 202,348	 930,461
Disbursements:									
Law enforcement					544	3,118			3,662
Highways and streets	462,601							61,000	523,601
Sanitation					160,630				160,630
Transfers out							8,116		8,116
Unclassified	 		30,561		235			 	 30,796
Total Disbursements	 462,601		30,561		161,409	 3,118	 8,116	 61,000	 726,805
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 99,222	\$	20,304	\$	171,069	\$ 293	\$ 38,692	\$ 342,980	\$ 672,560

Schedule 2

CITY OF BULL SHOALS, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)

1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts.

2. The General Fund column on the Financial Schedules includes the following bank accounts: General, General Reserve, and General Sweep

3. Cash balances at year-end in the custodial funds are as follows:

	December 31, 2022		
District Court Payroll	\$ 5,469 23,863		

These balances represent fines, forfeitures, and costs and payroll taxes that have not been transferred to the appropriate entities.

4. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

	De	December 31, 2022		
Land & Buildings Equipment	\$	3,192,510 1,172,086		
Total	\$	4,364,596		

5. The outstanding balance at year-end for long-term liabilities is as follows:

	December 31, 2022	
Financed purchases	\$	4,244

6. The City received federal funding in the following amount related to COVID-19 relief:

	Dec	December 31, 2022		
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	201,586		

Schedule 3