

City of Hickory Ridge, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2024

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE



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Financial and Compliance Report

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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 Hickory Ridge, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated June 5, 2025. These procedures were not performed for the Water and Sewer Fund. Management of the City is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

The commentary contained in this section relates to the following officials who held office during 2024:

Mayor: Tillman Kennon
Recorder/Treasurer: Michele Butler

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

During our evaluation, nothing came to our attention that would warrant disclosure in this report.

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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Kevin William White, CPA, JD
Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas
June 5, 2025
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CITY OF HICKORY RIDGE, ARKANSAS
SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024
(UNAUDITED)

Schedule 1

| | General Fund | Special Revenue Funds | Pension Trust Fund (Firemen's Pension) |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Cash Balance, January 1, 2024 | \$ 157,908 | \$ 129,318 | \$ 1,065 |
| Receipts: | | | |
| State aid | 3,391 | 18,749 | |
| Federal aid | 7,400 | | |
| Property taxes | 11,489 | 4,865 | 2,269 |
| Franchise fees | 11,374 | | |
| Sales taxes | 47,759 | | |
| Fines, forfeitures, and costs | 540 | | |
| Interest | 1,493 | 1,025 | |
| Sanitation fees | 34,895 | | |
| Contribution from water department | 6,926 | | |
| Other | 3,774 | | |
| Transfers in | | 8,710 | |
| Total Receipts | <u>129,041</u> | <u>33,349</u> | <u>2,269</u> |
| Disbursements: | | | |
| General government | 49,116 | | |
| Law enforcement | 6,934 | | |
| Highways and streets | | 19,481 | |
| Public safety | | 17,907 | |
| Sanitation | 35,287 | | |
| Recreation and culture | 1,930 | | |
| Transfers out | 5,400 | | 3,310 |
| Total Disbursements | <u>98,667</u> | <u>37,388</u> | <u>3,310</u> |
| Cash Balance, December 31, 2024 | <u>\$ 188,282</u> | <u>\$ 125,279</u> | <u>\$ 24</u> |

CITY OF HICKORY RIDGE, ARKANSAS
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024
 (UNAUDITED)

Schedule 2

| | Street | Local Police and Fire Retirement Cost | Volunteer Fire Department | Total |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash Balance, January 1, 2024 | \$ 113,613 | \$ 540 | \$ 15,165 | \$ 129,318 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| State aid | 18,749 | | | 18,749 |
| Property taxes | 4,865 | | | 4,865 |
| Interest | 1,025 | | | 1,025 |
| Transfers in | | 6,310 | 2,400 | 8,710 |
| Total Receipts | <u>24,639</u> | <u>6,310</u> | <u>2,400</u> | <u>33,349</u> |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Highways and streets | 19,481 | | | 19,481 |
| Public safety | | 6,048 | 11,859 | 17,907 |
| Total Disbursements | <u>19,481</u> | <u>6,048</u> | <u>11,859</u> | <u>37,388</u> |
| Cash Balance, December 31, 2024 | <u>\$ 118,771</u> | <u>\$ 802</u> | <u>\$ 5,706</u> | <u>\$ 125,279</u> |

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OTHER INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024
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Schedule 3

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 Special, and Parks & Recreation
3. The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

| | December 31, 2024 |
|-----------|----------------------|
| Land | \$ 44,100 |
| Buildings | 344,170 |
| Equipment | <u>216,229</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 604,499</u> |