Town of Concord, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2023

Including Financial Information For December 31, 2022



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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Town of Concord, 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 Town of Concord, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023. Additionally, we requested certain cash basis information and your acknowledgment of compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the year ended December 31, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated August 29, 2024. Management of the Town 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: Rodney Brackett Recorder/Treasurer: Kelly Carpenter District Court Clerk: Pamela Davis Police Chief: William Baker (appointed May 1, 2022) Darriel Ezell (resigned April 30, 2022)

We evaluated the Town'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 Mayor.

Mayor

The minutes of the governing body did not document the review of the findings and recommendations and the action taken by the governing body for the prior report, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-418.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, local Town 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 August 29, 2024 LOM304123

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

	General Fund		Special Revenue Funds
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$	84,632	\$ 115,095
Receipts:			
State aid		100,368	16,028
Property taxes		13,123	647
Franchise fees		12,302	
Sales taxes		81,247	
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		26,888	365
Interest			216
Local permits and fees		1,155	
Other		11,930	
Total Receipts		247,013	 17,256
Disbursements:			
General government		20,690	
Law enforcement		59,393	523
Highways and streets			15,877
Public safety		2,761	
Recreation and culture		42,603	4,196
Total Disbursements		125,447	20,596
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$	206,198	\$ 111,755

Schedule 1

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

	 Street	Court omation	F	merican Rescue Plan Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$ 77,695	\$ 1,727	\$	35,673	\$ 115,095
Receipts:					
State aid	16,028				16,028
Property taxes	647				647
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		365			365
Interest	216				216
Total Receipts	 16,891	 365			 17,256
Disbursements:					
Law enforcement		523			523
Highways and streets	15,877				15,877
Recreation and culture				4,196	4,196
Total Disbursements	 15,877	523		4,196	 20,596
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 78,709	\$ 1,569	\$	31,477	\$ 111,755

Schedule 2

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

	 General Fund	Special Revenue Funds			
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 58,205	\$	102,657		
Receipts:					
State aid	2,834		16,404		
Federal aid			24,136		
Property taxes	11,255		615		
Franchise fees	13,602				
Sales taxes	70,650				
Fines, forfeitures, and costs	20,599		195		
Interest			60		
Local permits and fees	930				
Donations	12,500				
Other	 292				
Total Receipts	 132,662		41,410		
Disbursements:					
General government	27,413				
Law enforcement	52,919				
Highways and streets			17,405		
Public safety	3,592				
Recreation and culture	 22,311		11,567		
Total Disbursements	 106,235		28,972		
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 84,632	\$	115,095		

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

	 Street	Court omation	F	merican Rescue Plan Act	 Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 78,021	\$ 1,532	\$	23,104	\$ 102,657
Receipts:					
State aid	16,404				16,404
Federal aid				24,136	24,136
Property taxes	615				615
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		195			195
Interest	 60	 			 60
Total Receipts	 17,079	 195		24,136	 41,410
Disbursements:					
Highways and streets	17,405				17,405
Recreation and culture				11,567	11,567
Total Disbursements	 17,405			11,567	 28,972
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 77,695	\$ 1,727	\$	35,673	\$ 115,095

Schedule 4

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

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

2. Cash balances at year-end in the custodial fund are as follows:

	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022		
District Court	\$	2,075	\$	4,715	

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

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

	December 31, 2023		Dec	ecember 31, 2022	
Land Buildings & Improvements	\$	22,501 247,744	\$	22,501 225,164	
Equipment		139,232		116,547	
Totals	\$	409,477	\$	364,212	

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

Dec	ember 31, 2022
\$	24,136

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

24,136