Town of Omaha, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020



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Financial and Compliance Report

Town of Omaha, 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 Omaha, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated August 18, 2023. These procedures were not performed for the Water Department. Management of the Town 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, 2021, and 2020:

Mayor: Leslie King Police Chief: Troy Burleson

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 offices of Mayor and Police Chief.

Mayor

Adequate supporting documentation was not maintained for all disbursements, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-59-105. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

A fixed asset listing was established, but not properly updated for additions and deletions, and a fixed assets policy had not been adopted, in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. § 14-59-107. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

Annual financial statements were not prepared and posted, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-59-116.

The following deficiencies were noted regarding the City's receipting process, in noncompliance with Ark Code Ann. § 14-59-109:

- Prenumbered receipts were not issued for all funds received.
- Receipts were not always issued in sequential order.
- Receipts were not deposited in a timely manner.
- Receipts were not formally receipted at the time of collection or earliest

opportunity. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

Bank reconciliations were not properly prepared for all bank accounts or approved by a municipal official or employee other than the person preparing the reconciliation, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-59-108. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

Cash receipts and disbursements journals were not properly posted and reconciled with bank deposits and withdrawals, in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-59-108, 110, 111. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

The governing body did not review the prior year report and accompanying comments, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-418.

Mayor (Continued)

The City has not obtained an audit or agreed-upon procedures report for the City's Water Department since 2018, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-234-119.

Council did not designate an official, agency, or department who shall be primarily responsible for the collection of fines assessed in the District Court, in noncompliance with Ark. Code Ann. § 16-13-709. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

Police Chief

A list of all uniform citation books and the corresponding range of citations in each book was not maintained, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 16-10-205. A similar finding was noted in the previous report.

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 18, 2023 LOM312222

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

	G 	R	Special Revenue Funds	
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$	9,819	\$	44,812
Receipts:				
State aid		1,910		11,051
Federal aid				17,921
Property taxes		3,472		762
Franchise fees		7,051		
Sales taxes		28,222		
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		2,357		
Interest		12		15
Local permits and fees		785		
Resource officer reimbursement		15,690		
Rent		2,835		
Other		7,354		
Total Receipts		69,688		29,749
Disbursements:				
General government		35,340		26,842
Law enforcement		16,668		
Highways and streets				7,367
Contribution to water				9,000
Unclassified		677		
Total Disbursements		52,685		43,209
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	26,822	\$	31,352

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

		nerican scue Plan	
	 Street	Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2022	\$ 26,891	\$ 17,921	\$ 44,812
Receipts:			
State aid	11,051		11,051
Federal aid		17,921	17,921
Property taxes	762		762
Interest	15		15
Total Receipts	 11,828	 17,921	 29,749
Disbursements:			
General government		26,842	26,842
Highways and streets	7,367		7,367
Contribution to water		9,000	9,000
Total Disbursements	7,367	 35,842	 43,209
Cash Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 31,352	\$ 0	\$ 31,352

TOWN OF OMAHA, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED)

	Ge F			Special evenue Funds
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$	24,198	\$	16,406
Receipts:				
State aid		2,630		13,107
Federal aid				17,921
Property taxes		4,753		820
Franchise fees		2,208		
Sales taxes		33,304		
Fines, forfeitures, and costs		246		
Interest		13		12
Resource officer reimbursement		8,745		
Rent		3,125		
Other		20,275		
Total Receipts		75,299		31,860
Disbursements:				
General government		78,638		
Law enforcement		10,640		
Highways and streets				3,454
Unclassified		400		
Total Disbursements		89,678		3,454
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$	9,819	\$	44,812

TOWN OF OMAHA, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (UNAUDITED)

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	 Street			 Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$ 16,406			\$ 16,406
Receipts:				
State aid	13,107			13,107
Federal aid		\$	17,921	17,921
Property taxes	820			820
Interest	 12			 12
Total Receipts	 13,939		17,921	 31,860
Disbursements:				
Highways and streets	 3,454			 3,454
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 26,891	\$	17,921	\$ 44,812

TOWN OF OMAHA, ARKANSAS SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (UNAUDITED)

	-	Seneral Fund			
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$	9,887	\$	10,834	
Receipts:					
State aid		2,508		12,758	
Property taxes		1,305		705	
Sales taxes		30,979			
Interest		19		13	
Local permits and fees		450			
Resource officer reimbursement		1,740			
Other		36,669			
Total Receipts		73,670		13,476	
Disbursements:					
General government		57,025			
Highways and streets				4,937	
Public safety		2,037			
Debt service		297		2,967	
Total Disbursements		59,359		7,904	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	24,198	\$	16,406	

TOWN OF OMAHA, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022, 2021, AND 2020 (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 and Park

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

	Dec	ember 31, 2022	December 31, 2021		Dec	cember 31, 2020
Land	\$	27,199	\$	27,199	\$	27,199
Buildings		436,200		436,200		436,200
Equipment		80,036		80,036		80,036
Totals	\$	543,435	\$	543,435	\$	543,435

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

	Dec	December 31, 2022		ember 31, 2021
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	17,921	\$	17,921