## Town of Shirley, Arkansas

# **Financial Information Report**

December 31, 2021



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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Town of Shirley, 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 requested certain cash basis financial information and your acknowledgement of compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the Town of Shirley, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated October 28, 2022. 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 2021:

Mayor: Lisa Hackett Recorder/Treasurer: Melissa Worthing

Noncompliance with state law and accepted accounting practices was noted in the office of Mayor.

#### Mayor

On March 8, 2021, the Town executed a \$23,058 Promissory Note to sell Town-owned residential property to the current tenants on a lease-to-own basis. This arrangement appears to conflict with Ark. Const. art. 12, § 5, which states, in part, "No county, city, town or other municipal corporation, shall...loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution or individual." Additionally, the Town Council did not adopt a resolution authorizing this conveyance of town property, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-54-302.

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.

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

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$ 229,694	\$	128,799	
Receipts:				
State aid	4,609		23,123	
Federal aid			28,488	
Property taxes	6,949		3,761	
Franchise fees	18,733			
Sales taxes	65,846		21,005	
Interest	4,640		2,960	
Local permits and fees	230			
Proceeds from Note	4,500			
Donations and fundraisers	3,270			
Other	13,447		1,507	
Transfers in			185	
Total Receipts	122,224		81,029	
Disbursements:				
General government	45,726		6,639	
Highways and streets			27,358	
Sanitation	57			
Recreation and culture	18,713			
Debt Service	11,692			
Transfers out	185			
Total Disbursements	76,373		33,997	
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 275,545	\$	175,831	

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

	Street Save the Bank		American Rescue Plan Act		Total		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$	128,236	\$ 563			\$	128,799
Receipts:							
State aid		23,123					23,123
Federal aid				\$	28,488		28,488
Property taxes		3,761					3,761
Sales taxes		21,005					21,005
Interest		2,678	17		265		2,960
Other		192	1,315				1,507
Transfers in		85	100				185
Total Receipts		50,844	 1,432		28,753		81,029
Disbursements:							
General government			110		6,529		6,639
Highways and streets		27,358					27,358
Total Disbursements		27,358	 110		6,529		33,997
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$	151,722	\$ 1,885	\$	22,224	\$	175,831

#### TOWN OF SHIRLEY, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 (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, Emergency, Grant Matching, Centennial Museum, and Public Fund Savings
- 3. The Municipality's fixed asset records are summarized below:

	Dec	December 31, 2021		
Land Buildings Equipment	\$	106,056 387,316 71,070		
Total	\$	564,442		

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

	December 31, 2021	
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	28,488