Town of Winchester, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2021 and 2020



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Town of Winchester, 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 Winchester, Arkansas, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated October 11, 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 relates to the following officials who held office during 2021 and 2020:

Mayor: Demetrous Trotter

Recorder/Treasurer: Jacqueline Trotter

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 **Recorder/Treasurer**.

Mayor and Recorder/Treasurer

Council minutes were not readily available for inspection, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-59-114.

Recorder/Treasurer

The Recorder/Treasurer did not submit to the council a monthly financial report, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-59-115.

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

		Special Revenue Funds		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$	20,018	\$	6,972
Receipts:				
State aid		10,104		26,243
Federal aid				16,471
Property taxes		746		311
Franchise fees		5,777		
Sales taxes		29,152		
Interest		62		
Sanitation fees		5,368		
Other		5,141		511
Total Receipts		56,350		43,536
Disbursements:				
General government		51,894		11,500
Highways and streets				15,367
Public safety				10,364
Sanitation		900		
Unclassified		1,947		60
Total Disbursements		54,741		37,291
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$	21,627	\$	13,217

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

	 Street	and	Equipment Training CT 833)	Fun Pa	ark Grant	merican scue Plan Act	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$ 3,461	\$	3,239	\$	272		\$ 6,972
Receipts:							
State aid	13,163		13,080				26,243
Federal aid						\$ 16,471	16,471
Property taxes	311						311
Other			511				511
Total Receipts	 13,474		13,591			16,471	43,536
Disbursements:							
General government						11,500	11,500
Highways and streets	15,367						15,367
Public safety			10,364				10,364
Unclassified					60		60
Total Disbursements	15,367		10,364		60	11,500	37,291
Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 1,568	\$	6,466	\$	212	\$ 4,971	\$ 13,217

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

	G 	Special Revenue Funds		
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$	17,079	\$	11,392
Receipts:				
State aid		2,478		27,863
Property taxes		2,049		746
Franchise fees		5,644		
Sales taxes		28,201		
Interest		25		
Sanitation fees		10,142		
Grant income		13,500		
Loan proceeds		8,592		
Other		797		6,264
Total Receipts		71,428		34,873
Disbursements:				
General government		67,289		
Highways and streets				12,542
Public safety				26,716
Sanitation		1,200		
Unclassified				35
Total Disbursements		68,489		39,293
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	20,018	\$	6,972

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TOWN OF WINCHESTER, ARKANSAS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 (UNAUDITED)

	_	and	Equipment I Training			
	 Street	(A	CT 833)	Fun P	ark Grant	 Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2020	\$ 2,650	\$	8,435	\$	307	\$ 11,392
Receipts:						
State aid	12,607		15,256			27,863
Property taxes	746					746
Other			6,264			6,264
Total Receipts	 13,353		21,520			34,873
Disbursements:						
Highways and streets	12,542					12,542
Public safety			26,716			26,716
Unclassified					35	35
Total Disbursements	 12,542		26,716		35	39,293
Cash Balance, December 31, 2020	\$ 3,461	\$	3,239	\$	272	\$ 6,972

TOWN OF WINCHESTER, ARKANSAS OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020 (UNAUDITED)

- 1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand and certificates of deposit.
- The Municipality's capital assets records are summarized below:

	December 31, 2021		•		Dec	December 31, 2020	
Land Buildings Equipment	\$	34,850 211,650 39,552	\$	34,850 211,650 39,552			
Totals	\$	286,052	\$	286,052			

3. Outstanding balances at year-end for long-term liabilities are as follows:

	December 31, 2021		Dec	December 31, 2020		
Financed purchase	\$	10,938	\$	18,073		

Financed purchase payments were made from the Water Fund in fiscal year 2021 and 2020.

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

	Dec	ember 31,
		2021
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$	16,471