

Town of Fisher, Arkansas

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2023

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE



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Town of Fisher, 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 Fisher, Arkansas, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated July 18, 2024. 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 2023:

Mayor: Debbie Jones
Recorder: Vacant
Treasurer: Vacant
Bookkeeper: Debby Maynard

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

Noncompliance with state law and accepted accounting practices was noted in the offices of **Bookkeeper**.

Bookkeeper

Restricted funds from previous years of \$28,483 were not transferred to the Street Fund from the General Fund, as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 27-70-207. The City Council passed Resolution 2023-3, to pay 10% of general revenues to the Street Fund each year until the balance is paid in full. Payments of \$5,000 were made in 2023 to reduce the balance owed to the Street Fund. A similar finding was noted in the previous 13 reports dating back to 2005.

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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Little Rock, Arkansas
July 18, 2024
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TOWN OF FISHER, ARKANSAS
 SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
 (UNAUDITED)

Schedule 1

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$ 61,676	\$ 90,524
Receipts:		
State aid	2,737	35,266
Property taxes	6,772	2,886
Franchise fees	7,010	
Sales taxes	28,595	
Donations		8,500
Other	1,800	
Transfers in		7,000
Total Receipts	46,914	53,652
Disbursements:		
General government	37,499	
Highways and streets		8,779
Public safety		10,369
Transfers out	7,000	
Total Disbursements	44,499	19,148
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 64,091	\$ 125,028

TOWN OF FISHER, ARKANSAS
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
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Schedule 2

	Street	Fire Department Operation and Maintenance	Fire Equipment and Training	Fire LOPFI Retirement	Total
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$ 45,299	\$ 35,993	\$ 5,778	\$ 3,454	\$ 90,524
Receipts:					
State aid	15,184		20,082		35,266
Property taxes	2,062			824	2,886
Donations		8,500			8,500
Transfers in	5,000			2,000	7,000
Total Receipts	<u>22,246</u>	<u>8,500</u>	<u>20,082</u>	<u>2,824</u>	<u>53,652</u>
Disbursements:					
Highways and streets	8,779				8,779
Public safety		3,967	4,320	2,082	10,369
Total Disbursements	<u>8,779</u>	<u>3,967</u>	<u>4,320</u>	<u>2,082</u>	<u>19,148</u>
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	<u>\$ 58,766</u>	<u>\$ 40,526</u>	<u>\$ 21,540</u>	<u>\$ 4,196</u>	<u>\$ 125,028</u>

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OTHER INFORMATION
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Schedule 3

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

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

	December 31, 2023
Land	\$ 50,500
Buildings	25,000
Equipment	<u>129,600</u>
Total	<u>\$ 205,100</u>