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**VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI**

**COMPILATION REPORT  
AND REPORT ON  
AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**



VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI

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**Independent Accountants' Compilation Report**

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Alderman  
Village of Walthall, Mississippi

Management is responsible for the accompanying Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, and related notes to the financial statement, which collectively comprise the Village of Walthall, Mississippi's basic financial statement as listed in the contents, in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable financial reporting framework. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. We do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on the Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements.

**Basis of Accounting**

The Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements – Governmental and Business-type Activities is prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management has elected to omit substantially all the disclosures required by the cash basis of accounting. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusion about the Village of Walthall. Accordingly the financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

**Supplementary Information**

The supplementary information contained on pages 7 through 10 is presented in compliance with the requirements of the Mississippi Office of the State Auditor and has been compiled from information that is the representation of management. This information was subject to our compilation engagement, however, we have not audited or reviewed the required supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on such information.

**Other Information**

The Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements and related notes to financial statement are intended to comply with the requirements of the Mississippi Office of the State Auditor, and are not intended to be a presentation in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with the provisions of §21-35-31, Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated, we have issued a report dated October 20, 2023, on the results of our agreed-upon procedures.

Eupora, Mississippi  
October 20, 2023

Watkins Ward and Stafford, P.C.

VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI  
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2018

	Governmental Activities <u>General Fund</u>	Business-type Activities <u>Proprietary Fund</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
General property taxes	\$ 4,466	\$ -
Licenses and permits:		
Privilege licenses	170	-
Franchise charges - utilities	2,247	-
Intergovernmental revenues:		
State shared revenues:		
Sales tax	16,530	-
Gasoline tax	441	-
Homestead	786	-
Fire protection	822	-
Municipal aid	72	-
TVA - in lieu of tax	1,000	-
Other	1,888	-
Charges for services:		
Sewer utility	-	12,794
Rental	3,615	-
Interest	45	11
Miscellaneous	20	-
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 32,102</b>	<b>\$ 12,805</b>

See accompanying independent accountants' compilation report.

VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI  
Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2018

	Governmental Activities <u>General Fund</u>	Business-type Activities <u>Proprietary Fund</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
General government :		
General expenditures	\$ 30,501	\$ -
Repairs and maintenance	1,338	-
Public Safety:		
Police	127	-
Fire	2,361	-
Street lights	1,344	-
Enterprise:		
Sewer operating cost	-	8,269
Redemption of principal	-	1,250
Interest on mortgage - sewer	-	398
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<u>35,671</u>	<u>9,917</u>
Excess of receipts over disbursements	<u>( 3,569)</u>	<u>2,888</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>		
Transfers	<u>( 358)</u>	<u>358</u>
Excess of receipts and other financing sources over disbursements and other financing uses	<u>( 3,927)</u>	<u>3,246</u>
<b>CASH BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>197,840</u>	<u>32,435</u>
<b>CASH BALANCE - END OF YEAR</b>	\$ <u><u>193,913</u></u>	\$ <u><u>35,681</u></u>

See accompanying independent accountants' compilation report.



## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI  
Schedule of Investments – All Funds  
September 30, 2018

Ownership	Type of Investment	Interest Rate	Acquisition Date	Maturity Date	Other Information	Investment Cost/Value
General Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	12/04/09	12/06/17	Regions Bank	\$ 90,030
General Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	06/22/10	06/19/20	Regions Bank	43,238
						<u>133,268</u>
Enterprise Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	08/24/07	10/24/20	Regions Bank	8,216
Enterprise Fund	Certificate of Deposit	0.05%	12/04/09	12/06/17	Regions Bank	6,425
						<u>14,641</u>
<b>Total Investments</b>						<u><u>\$ 147,909</u></u>

See accompanying independent accountants' compilation report.

VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI  
Schedule of Long-Term Debt  
September 30, 2018

	Balance Outstanding 09/30/2017	Transactions During Fiscal Year		Balance Outstanding 09/30/2018
		Issued	Redeemed	
<b><u>Definition and Purpose</u></b>				
Sewer system note payable to Farmers Home Administration. Note issued 11/7/85 in an original amount of \$80,000 due in monthly installments of \$412	\$ 1,250	-	( 1,250)	\$ -

See accompanying independent accountants' compilation report.

VILLAGE OF WALTHALL, MISSISSIPPI  
Schedule of Surety Bonds for Village Officials  
September 30, 2018

Name	Position	Surety	Bond Amount
Belinda Stewart	Mayor	RLI Surety	\$ 10,000
Casey Henderson	Marshall	Western Surety Company	\$ 50,000
Joyce James	City Clerk	Travelers	\$ 50,000
Kelly Powell	Alderwoman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$ 10,000
Rodney Crowell	Alderman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$ 10,000
Buz Busby	Alderman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$ 10,000
Jeffrey R. Tabb	Alderman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$ 10,000
Linda Stewart	Alderwoman	MS Municipal Bond Program	\$ 10,000

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**Report on Compliance with State Laws and Regulations**

Honorable Mayor and Board of Alderman  
Village of Walthall, Mississippi

We have compiled the accompanying Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements, Schedule of Investments, Schedule of Long-Term Debt, and Schedule of Surety Bonds of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, for the year ended September 30, 2018, in accordance with Statements of Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The financial statement has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

We have performed procedures to test compliance with certain state laws and regulations as described in the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire that is prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor. Our procedures were substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the Village's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

With respect to the items tested, the results of those procedures and our compilation of the accompanying Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements, Schedule of Investments, Schedule of Long-Term Debt, and Schedule of Surety Bonds of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, for the year ended September 30, 2018, disclosed the following instance of noncompliance with state laws and regulations. Our findings and recommendations and your responses are as follows:

**2018-01 Finding** – The Village of Walthall, Mississippi did not properly commission municipal depositories as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-353 and Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-363.

**Recommendation** – The Village of Walthall, Mississippi should select the municipal depositories as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-353 and Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-363.

**Response** – The Village of Walthall, Mississippi will review and adhere to Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-353 and Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-363 when selecting municipal depositories.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Village's management and the Office of the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Eupora, Mississippi  
October 20, 2023

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## Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Honorable Mayor and Board of Alderman  
Village of Walthall, Mississippi

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Office of the State Auditor, to the accounting records of the Village of Walthall, Mississippi, solely to assist the Office of the State Auditor in evaluating the Village of Walthall's compliance with certain laws and regulations as of September 30, 2018, and for the year then ended. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the Office of the State Auditor, State of Mississippi. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures and findings are as follows:

1. We reconciled cash on deposit with the following banks to balances in the respective general ledger accounts and obtained confirmation of the related balances from the banks:

Bank	Fund	Balance per General Ledger
Bank of Kilmichael	General Fund	\$ 60,625
Bank of Kilmichael	Enterprise Fund	\$ 21,039

2. All investments were confirmed directly with respective trustees. All investment transactions during the year were examined for compliance with investments authorized by § 21-33-323 Miss. Code Ann. (1972). This total is included in the ending cash balance in the statement of cash receipts and disbursements:

Bank	Type	Fund	General Ledger
Regions Bank	Certificate of Deposit	General Fund	\$ 133,268
Regions Bank	Certificate of Deposit	Enterprise Fund	\$ 14,641

3. We performed the following procedures with respect to taxes on real and personal property (including motor vehicles) levied during the fiscal year:
  - a. Trace levies to governing body minutes;
  - b. Traced distribution of taxes collected to proper funds; and
  - c. Analyzed increase in taxes for most recent period for completion with increase limitations of Sections 27-39-320 to 27-39-323, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The distribution of taxes to funds was found to be in accordance with prescribed tax levies.

Ad valorem tax collections were found to be within the limitations of Sections 27-39-320 to 27-39-323, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

4. We obtained a statement of payments made by the Department of Finance and Administration to the municipality. Payments indicated were traced to deposit in the respective bank accounts and recorded in the general ledger without exception. Payments traced were as follows:

Payment Purpose	Receiving Fund	General Ledger Amount
Sales Tax Allocation	General Fund	\$ 16,530
Gasoline Tax	General Fund	441
Homestead Exemption	General Fund	786
Fire Protection	General Fund	822
General Municipal Aid	General Fund	72
TVA - In Lue of Taxes	General Fund	1,000
Other	General Fund	1,888
Total		<u>\$ 21,539</u>

5. We selected a sample of purchases made by the municipality during the fiscal year. Each sample item was evaluated for proper approval and compliance with purchasing requirements set forth in Title 31, Chapter 7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), if applicable.

The sample consisted of the following:

Number of Sample Items	20
Total Dollar Value of Sample	\$4,192.69

We found the municipality's purchasing procedures to be in agreement with the requirements of the above-mentioned sections.

6. We have read the Municipal Compliance Questionnaire completed by the municipality. The completed survey indicated no instances of noncompliance with state requirements; however, an instance of noncompliance with regard to municipal depositories was noted.

**2018-01 Finding** – The Village of Walthall, Mississippi did not properly commission municipal depositories as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-353 and Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-363.

**Recommendation** – The Village of Walthall, Mississippi should select the municipal depositories as required by Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-353 and Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-363.

**Response** – The Village of Walthall, Mississippi will review and adhere to Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-353 and Miss. Code Ann. § 27-105-363 when selecting municipal depositories.

We were not engaged to, and did not perform, an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's compliance with laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of the Office of the State Auditor, State of Mississippi and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Eupora, Mississippi  
October 20, 2023

Watkins Ward and Stafford, P.C.