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TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SPECIAL REPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Members of the Board of Supervisors Tallahatchie County, Mississippi

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the County's primary government as listed in the contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units

The financial statements do not include financial data for the County's legally separate component units. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for those component units to be reported with the financial data of the County's primary government unless the County also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component units. The County has not issued such reporting entity financial statements. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, net position, revenues and expenses of the aggregate discretely presented component units has not been determined.

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Adverse Opinion

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on the Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Units" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, the financial position of the aggregate discretely presented component units of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2019, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities, Business-type Activities, and Solid Waste Fund.

As discussed in Note 11 to the financial statements, the County has not recorded a liability for other postemployment benefits in the governmental activities, business-type activities, or Solid Waste Fund and, accordingly, has not recorded an expense for the current period change in that liability. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that other postemployment benefits attributable to employee services already rendered and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee be accrued as liabilities and expenses as employees earn the rights to the benefits, which would increase the liabilities, reduce the net position, and change the expenses of the governmental activities, business-type activities, and Solid Waste Fund. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities, net position, and expenses of the governmental activities and business-type activities is not reasonably determinable.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the "Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities, Business-type Activities, and Solid Waste Fund" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, and Solid Waste Fund of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund except the Solid Waste fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Budgetary Comparison Schedules, Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of County Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Omission of Required Supplementary Information

Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

The Schedule of Surety Bonds for County Officials has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 15, 2022, on our consideration of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Oxford, Mississippi March 15, 2022 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2019	Primary Government		
	Governmental	Business-type	_
	Activities	Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 12,277,310	38,623	12,315,933
Property tax receivable	8,750,686	-	8,750,686
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for			
uncollectibles of \$1,455,916)	-	49,378	49,378
Fines receivable (net of allowance for	000 470		000 470
uncollectibles of \$4,128,823)	268,176	074	268,176
Intergovernmental receivables	153,240	871	154,111
Other receivables	7,835 25,085,741	221 024	7,835
Capital assets, net Total Assets	46,542,988	221,934 310,806	25,307,675 46,853,794
Total Assets	40,342,900	310,000	40,033,794
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows related to pensions	216,274	11,383	227,657
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	216,274	11,383	227,657
			_
LIABILITIES	200 204	0.404	225.045
Claims payable	326,384	9,461	335,845
Intergovernmental payables	401,372	-	401,372
Accrued interest payable Long-term liabilities	1,056	-	1,056
Due within one year:			
Capital debt	482,702		482,702
Due in more than one year:	402,702	_	402,702
Capital debt	1,293,043	_	1,293,043
Non-capital debt	200,947	16,686	217,633
Net pension liability	7,402,078	389,583	7,791,661
Total Liabilities	10,107,582	415,730	10,523,312
			, ,
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	0.750.000		0.750.000
Deferred revenues - property taxes	8,750,686	-	8,750,686
Deferred revenues - fines	268,176	- 40 C47	268,176
Deferred inflows related to pensions	258,724	13,617	272,341
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	9,277,586	13,617	9,291,203
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	23,309,996	221,934	23,531,930
Restricted:			
Expendable:			
General government	53,793	-	53,793
Public safety	292,531	-	292,531
Public works	2,402,667	-	2,402,667
Capital projects	26,214	-	26,214
Debt service	5,980	-	5,980
Unrestricted (Deficit)	1,282,913	(329,092)	953,821
Total Net Position	\$ 27,374,094	(107,158)	27,266,936

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

For the rear Ended September 30, 2019			Program Revenu	ies	Position			
			Operating	Capital	1	Primary Government		
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Grants and Contributions	Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	
Primary government:								
Governmental activities:								
General government	\$ 3,633,628	106,464	335,358	15,592	(3,176,214)	-	(3,176,214)	
Public safety	2,600,156	236,839	184,310	9,689	(2,169,318)	-	(2,169,318)	
Public works	3,955,212	-	1,024,025	211,330	(2,719,857)	-	(2,719,857)	
Health and welfare	194,571	-	31,009	-	(163,562)	-	(163,562)	
Culture and recreation	138,667	-	-	-	(138,667)	-	(138,667)	
Conservation of natural resources	83,559				(83,559)	-	(83,559)	
Economic development	16,000	-	-	-	(16,000)	-	(16,000)	
Interest on long-term debt	34,687	-	-	-	(34,687)	-	(34,687)	
Pension expense	248,322	-	-	-	(248,322)	-	(248,322)	
Total Governmental Activities	10,904,802	343,303	1,574,702	236,611	(8,750,186)		(8,750,186)	
Business-type activities:								
Solid waste	520,549	460,916	-	-	-	(59,633)	(59,633)	
Total Business-type Activities	520,549	460,916	-	-		(59,633)	(59,633)	
Total Primary Government	\$ 11,425,351	804,219	1,574,702	236,611	(8,750,186)	(59,633)	(8,809,819)	
	General revenues	:						
	Property taxes				\$ 8,337,882	-	8,337,882	
	Road & bridge p	-			135,814	-	135,814	
	Licenses, comm	-	;		208,128	-	208,128	
	Fines and forfeit				60,173	-	60,173	
	Unrestricted inte	rest income			55,811	301	56,112	
	Rent income				1,356,078	-	1,356,078	
	Gain (loss) on sa				8,884	-	8,884	
	Interfund transfe	rs			(78,274)	78,274	-	
	Miscellaneous				251,843		251,843	
	Total General	Revenues			10,336,339	78,575	10,414,914	
	Changes in Net P	osition			1,586,153	18,942	1,605,095	
	Net Position - Beg		ously reported		26,570,711	(64,766)	26,505,945	
	Prior period adjus				(782,770)	(61,334)	(844,104)	
	Net Position - Beg	ginning, as restat	ed		25,787,941	(126,100)	25,661,841	
	Net Position - End	ling			\$ 27,374,094	(107,158)	27,266,936	

		Major Funds			
	-		Countywide		
			Road	Other	Total
		General	Maintenance	Governmental	Governmental
	_	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds
ASSETS	•	0.440.707	0.004.550	400.000	10.077.010
Cash	\$	9,413,727	2,381,550	482,033	12,277,310
Property tax receivable		5,241,880	3,334,359	174,447	8,750,686
Fines receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles of 4,128,823)		260 176			260 176
Intergovernmental receivables		268,176 29,516	- 119,945	3,779	268,176 153,240
Other receivables		29,510	119,940	7,835	7,835
Total Assets		14,953,299	5,835,854	668,094	21,457,247
Total Assets	Φ=	14,300,233			21,401,241
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF					
RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Claims payable	\$	122,427	193,488	10,469	326,384
Intergovernmental payables	_	391,372		10,000	401,372
Total Liabilities	_	513,799	193,488	20,469	727,756
DEFENDED INFLOWS OF BESOURSES					
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		E 044 000	2 224 250	171 117	0.750.606
Unavailable revenue - property taxes Unavailable revenue - fines		5,241,880 268,176	3,334,359	174,447	8,750,686 268,176
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	5,510,056	3,334,359	174,447	9,018,862
Total Deletted Illilows of Nesources	-	3,310,030	3,334,339	174,447	9,010,002
Fund Balances:					
Restricted for:					
General government		-	-	53,793	53,793
Public safety		-	-	292,531	292,531
Public works		-	2,308,007	94,660	2,402,667
Capital projects			-	26,214	26,214
Debt service		-	-	5,980	5,980
Unassigned	_	8,929,444			8,929,444
Total Fund Balances	-	8,929,444	2,308,007	473,178	11,710,629
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows					
of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$	14,953,299	5,835,854	668,094	21,457,247
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Tallahatchie County Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of the Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Pos September 30, 2019	Exhibit 3-1
Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds \$	11,710,629
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets are used in governmental activities and are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds, net of accumulated depreciation of \$11,010,838.	25,085,741
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current-period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(1,976,692)
Accrued interest payable is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported in the funds.	(1,056)
Net pension obligations are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore are not reported in the funds.	(7,402,078)
Deferred outflows of resources related to pension obligations are applicable to future periods and, therefore are not reported in the funds.	216,274
Deferred inflows of resources related to pension obligations are applicable to future periods and, therefore are not reported in the funds.	(258,724)

27,374,094

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities

Tallahatchie County

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

REVENUES County Might Pund County Might Punds County Might Punds Total Covermental Punds Property taxes \$ 5,291,847 2,865,475 180,500 8,337,882 Road and bridge privilege taxes \$ 5,291,847 135,814 180,500 8,337,882 Road and bridge privilege taxes \$ 60,173 - 1,024,025 35,800 15,74,702 Fines and forfeitures 60,173 - 1,024,025 35,800 1,574,702 Charges for services 106,464 13,389 2,007 5,811 Charges for services 40,415 13,389 2,007 5,811 Rent income 226,922 1 90,281 1,336,078 Rent income 1,325,797 170,434 64,622 25,818 Miscellaneous revenues 7,809,720 4,209,137 541,488 12,560,345 Total Revenues 7,809,720 4,209,137 541,488 3,403,550 Current 2 2,117,19 3,485,418 4,428 3,403,550 Public safe by 2,214,29 3,495,418		Major Funds				
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Road and bridge privilege taxes 135,814 - 208,128 - 208,12			_			
Licenses, commissions, & other revenue 208,128 - - 208,128 Fines and forfeitures 60,173 - - 60,173 Intergovernmental revenues 514,817 1,024,025 35,860 1,574,702 Charges for services 106,464 - 236,839 343,303 Interest income 40,415 13,389 2,007 55,811 Grant income 226,922 - 9,689 236,611 Rent income 1,325,797 - 30,281 135,6078 Miscellaneous revenues 7,809,720 4,209,137 541,488 12,560,345 EXPENDITURES Current: Current: - 14,289 3,403,350 Public safety 2,011,719 - 34,863 2,396,582 Public safety 2,011,719 - 34,863 2,396,582 Public works - - 3,495,418 - 14,289 3,403,350 Public works - - 3,495,418 - -	• •	\$	5,291,847	· · ·	180,560	· · ·
Fines and forfeitures 60.173 -			-	135,814	-	•
Intergovernmental revenues			•	-	-	•
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Current: General government	Total Revenues	_	7,809,720	4,209,137	541,488	12,560,345
General government 3,389,061 - 14,289 3,403,350 Public safety 2,011,719 - 384,863 2,396,582 Public works - 3,495,418 - 3,495,418 Health and welfare 194,267 - - 194,267 Culture and recreation 138,667 - - 138,667 Conservation of natural resources 83,559 - - 16,000 Capital outlay 101,352 2,146,932 305,315 2,553,599 Debt Service: - - 16,000 - - 16,000 Capital outlay 101,352 2,146,932 305,315 2,553,599 Debt Service: - - 667 52,064 2,843 55,574 Principal 1,5688 1,379,581 27,438 1,422,887 Interest 667 52,064 2,843 55,574 Total Expenditures 1,858,560 (2,864,858) (193,260) (1,199,558) OTHER FI	EXPENDITURES					
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Health and welfare	Public safety		2,011,719	-	384,863	2,396,582
Culture and recreation 138,667 - - 138,667 Conservation of natural resources 83,559 - - 83,559 Education 16,000 - - 16,000 Capital outlay 101,352 2,146,932 305,315 2,553,599 Debt Service: - - - 16,000 Principal 15,868 1,379,581 27,438 1,422,887 Interest 667 52,064 2,843 55,574 Total Expenditures 5,951,160 7,073,995 734,748 13,759,903 Excess of Revenue over (under) - - - 2,843 13,759,903 Excess of Revenue over (under) - <td>Public works</td> <td></td> <td>-</td> <td>3,495,418</td> <td>-</td> <td>3,495,418</td>	Public works		-	3,495,418	-	3,495,418
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Transfers in Transfers out Transfers out Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) 116,557 - 93,289 - 209,846 -	Proceeds from sale of capital assets		32,700	665,075	15,600	713,375
Transfers out Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) (288,120) (118,928) - (288,120) (198,881) - (288,120) (198,882) Net Changes in Fund Balance 1,739,632 (865,977) (84,371) 789,284 Fund Balances - Beginning 7,189,812 3,173,984 557,549 10,921,345	Issuance of debt		-	1,305,000	· -	1,305,000
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Fund Balances - Beginning 7,189,812 3,173,984 557,549 10,921,345	Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_		1,998,881	108,889	
	Net Changes in Fund Balance		1,739,632	(865,977)	(84,371)	789,284
Fund Balances - Ending \$ 8,929,444 2,308,007 473,178 11,710,629	Fund Balances - Beginning		7,189,812	3,173,984	557,549	10,921,345
	Fund Balances - Ending	\$_	8,929,444	2,308,007	473,178	11,710,629

Exhibit 4

Tallahatchie County Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2019		Exhibit 4-1
Net Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$	789,284
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Governmental Funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount that capital outlay of \$2,553,599 and adjustments of \$200,638, exceeded depreciation of \$988,047.		1,766,190
In the Statement of Activities, only gains and losses from the sale of capital assets are reported, whereas in the Governmental Funds, proceeds from the sale of capital assets increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount of the net gain of \$8,884 and the proceeds from insurance of \$48,741 and the proceeds from the sale of \$713,375.		(753,232)
Fine revenue recognized on the modified accrual basis in the funds during the current year is reduced because prior year recognition would have been required on the Statement of Activities using the full-accrual basis of accounting.		(592,241)
Debt proceeds provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduced long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by the amount of debt payments of \$1,422,887 exceeded debt proceeds of \$1,305,000.		
		117,887
Items reported in the Statement of Activities relating to the implementation of GASB 68 are not reported in the governmental funds. These activities include:		
Recording of pension expense for the current year Recording of contributions made subsequent to the measurement date Recording of contributions made prior to the measurement date		(248,322) 112,699 326,890
Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the Governmental Funds, expenditures are not recognized for transactions that are not normally paid with expendable available financial resources. However, in the Statement of Activities, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are available. In addition, interest on long-term debt is recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when due, rather than as it accrues. Thus the change in net position differs from the change in fund balances by a combination of the following items:		
Change in accrued interest payable Change in compensated absences		(20,887) 87,885
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$_	1,586,153

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Fund Solid Waste Fund
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Current assets:	
Cash \$	38,623
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for	
uncollectibles of \$1,455,916)	49,378
Intergovernmental receivables	871
Total Current Assets	88,872
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets:	004 004
Other capital assets, net Total Noncurrent Assets	221,934
Total Assets Total Assets	221,934
Total Assets	310,806
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURSES	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	11,383
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Claims payable	9,461
Total Current Liabilities	9,461
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Non-capital debt:	40.000
Compensated absences payable	16,686
Net pension liability	389,583
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	406,269
Total Liabilities	415,730
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	13,617
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NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	221,934
Unrestricted	(329,092)
Total Net Position \$	(107,158)

		Business-type Activities - Enterprise Fund Solid Waste Fund
Operating Revenues		
Charges for services	\$_	460,916
Total Operating Revenues	_	460,916
Operating Expenses		
Personnel services		211,850
Contractual services		93,518
Materials and supplies		167,047
Pension expense		13,070
Depreciation expense		32,993
Total Operating Expenses	=	518,478
Operating (Loss)	_	(57,562)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Interest income		301
Interest expense		(2,071)
Transfer In		78,274
Net Nonoperating Revenue (Expenses)	=	76,504
Changes in Net Position	_	18,942
Net Position - Beginning, as previously reported		(64,766)
Prior Period Adjustment	_	(61,334)
Net Position - Beginning Restated		(126,100)
Net Position - Ending	\$_	(107,158)

Tallahatchie County	Exhibit 7
Statement of Cash Flows - Proprietary Fund	
For the Year Ended September 30, 2019	
	Business-type
	Activities -
	Enterprise Fund
	Solid Waste
	Fund
Cash Flows From Operating Activities	400.040
Receipts from customers	\$ 460,916
Payments to suppliers	(354,329)
Payments to employees	(120,710)
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	(14,123)
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities	
Principal paid on long-term debt	(75,491)
Interest paid on debt	(2,071)
Net Cash (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(77,562)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities	
Interest on investments	301
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	301_
Cash Flows From Other Sources	
Transfer In	78,274
Net Cash Provided by Other Sources	78,274
Not (Decrease) in Cook and Cook Equivalents	(12 110)
Net (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(13,110)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	51,733
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 38,623
Reconciliation of Operating (Loss) to Net Cash	
Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:	
Operating (loss)	\$ (57,562)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash	<u> </u>
provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation expense	32,993
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Decrease in accounts receivables	754
Decrease in deferred outflows of resources	1,131
Increase in deferred inflows of resources	1,593
(Decrease) in claims payable	(3,989)
(Decrease) in accrued interest	(712)
Increase in compensated absences liability	1,323
Increase in pension liability	10,346
Total Adjustments	43,439
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ (14,123)

Tallahatchie County
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
September 30, 2019

Exhibit 8

ASSETS	Agency Funds
Cash	\$ 13,417
Total Assets	13,417
LIABILITIES	
Intergovernmental payables	\$ 13,417
Total Liabilities	13,417

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

a. Financial Reporting Entity.

Tallahatchie County is a political subdivision of the State of Mississippi. The County is governed by an elected five-member Board of Supervisors. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Tallahatchie County to present these financial statements on the primary government and its component units which have significant operational or financial relationships with the county.

Management has chosen to omit from these financial statements the following component units which have significant operational or financial relationships with the county. Accordingly, the financial statements do not include the data of all the county's component units necessary for reporting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- Tallahatchie County General Hospital
- Tallahatchie County Library System
- Tallahatchie Fire Districts

State law pertaining to county government provides for the independent election of county officials. The following elected and appointed officials are all part of the County legal entity and therefore are reported as part of the primary government financial statements.

- Board of Supervisors
- Chancery Clerk
- Circuit Clerk
- Justice Court Clerk
- Purchase Clerk
- Tax Assessor-Collector
- Sheriff

b. Basis of Presentation

The County's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities, fund financial statements and accompanying note disclosures which provide a detailed level of financial information.

Government-wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information concerning the county as a whole. The statements include all nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are generally financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues and other non-exchange revenues and are reported separately from business-type activities. Business-type activities rely mainly on fees and charges for support. The primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities and business-type activities of the County at year-end. The Government-wide Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the County's governmental activities and business-type activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

service, program or department and therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Taxes and other revenues not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the County, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business-type activity or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the County.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements of the County are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, fund balances, revenues and expenditures/expenses. Funds are organized into governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Major individual Governmental Funds and major individual Enterprise Funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column as Other Governmental Funds.

c. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting.

The Government-wide, Proprietary Funds and Fiduciary Funds (excluding agency funds) financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Shared revenues are recognized when the provider government recognizes the liability to the County. Grants are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Agency funds have no measurement focus, but use the accrual basis of accounting.

The revenues and expenses of Proprietary Funds are classified as operating or nonoperating. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with a Proprietary Fund's primary operations. All other revenues and expenses are reported as nonoperating.

Governmental fund financial statements are presented using a current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period when they are both measurable and available to finance operations during the year or to liquidate liabilities existing at the end of the year. Available means collected in the current period or within 60 days after year end to liquidate liabilities existing at the end of the year. Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period when the related fund liabilities are incurred. Debt service expenditures and expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recognized only when payment is due. Property taxes, state appropriations and federal awards are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period.

The County reports the following major Governmental Funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

<u>County Wide Road Maintenance Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for state aid and non-state aid road resources received that are restricted for improvements to county roads and bridges.

The county reports the following major Enterprise Fund:

<u>Solid Waste Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for the County's activities of disposal of solid waste within the County.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> – These funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

<u>Debt Service Funds</u> – These funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> – These funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> – These funds are used to account for those operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises or where the County has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is necessary for management accountability.

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE

<u>Agency Funds</u> – These funds account for various taxes, deposits and other monies collected or held by the County, acting in the capacity of an agent, for distribution to other governmental units or designated beneficiaries.

Account Classifications.

The account classifications used in the financial statements conform to the broad classifications recommended in *Governmental Accounting, Auditing and Financial Reporting* as issued in 2012 by the Government Finance Officers Association.

e. Deposits and Investments.

State law authorizes the County to invest in interest bearing time certificates of deposit for periods of fourteen days to one year with depositories and in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, State of Mississippi, or any county, municipality or school district of this state. Further, the County may invest in certain repurchase agreements.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

e. Deposits and Investments. (Continued)

Cash includes cash on hand, demand deposits, all certificates of deposit and cash equivalents, which are short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to cash (generally three months or less). Investments in governmental securities are stated at fair value. However, the County did not invest in any governmental securities during the fiscal year.

f. Receivables.

Receivables are reported net of allowances for uncollectible accounts, where applicable.

g. Interfund Transactions and Balances.

Transactions between funds that are representative of short-term lending/borrowing arrangements and transactions that have not resulted in the actual transfer of cash at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "due to/from other funds." Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position. Any outstanding balances between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

h. Capital Assets.

Capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in Governmental Fund statements and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. All purchased capital assets are stated at historical cost where records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no records exist. Capital assets include significant amounts of infrastructure which have been valued at estimated historical cost. The estimated historical cost was based on replacement cost multiplied by the consumer price index implicit price deflator for the year of acquisition. The extent to which capital assets costs have been estimated and the methods of estimation are not readily available. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the time of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of assets or materially extend their respective lives are not capitalized; however, improvements are capitalized. Interest expenditures are not capitalized on capital assets.

Governmental accounting and financial reporting standards allow governments meeting certain criteria to elect not to report major general infrastructure assets retroactively. Tallahatchie County meets this criteria and has so elected. Therefore, the major general infrastructure assets acquired prior to October 1, 2002, are not reported in the government-wide financial statements. General infrastructure assets include all roads and bridges and other infrastructure assets acquired subsequent to October 1, 2002.

Capital assets acquired or constructed for Proprietary Fund operations are capitalized at cost in the respective funds in which they are utilized. No interest is capitalized on self-constructed assets because non capitalization of interest does not have a material effect on the County's financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair value at the time of donation.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Capitalization thresholds (dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts) and estimated useful lives are used to report capital assets in the government-wide statements and Proprietary Funds. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis for all assets, except land. A full year's depreciation expense is taken for all purchases and sales of capital assets during the year. The following schedule details those thresholds and estimated useful lives:

	Capitalization Thresholds	Estimated <u>Useful Life</u>
Land	\$ 0	N/A
Infrastructure	0	20-50 years
Buildings	50,000	40 years
Improvement other than buildings	25,000	20 years
Mobile equipment	5,000	5-10 years
Furniture and equipment	5,000	3-7 years
Leased property under capital leases	*	*

^{*} Leased property capitalization policy and estimated useful life will correspond with the amounts for the asset classification, as listed above.

i. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources.

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

<u>Deferred outflows related to pensions</u> – This amount represents the County's proportionate share of the deferred outflows of resources reported by the pension plan in which the County participates. See Note 12 for additional details.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

<u>Deferred inflows related to pensions</u> – This amount represents the County's proportionate share of the deferred inflows of resources reported by the pension plan in which the County participates. See Note 12 for additional details.

<u>Deferred revenues – property taxes/unavailable revenue – property taxes</u> – Deferred inflows of resources should be reported as resources associated with imposed nonexchange transactions are received or reported as a receivable before the period for which property taxes are levied.

<u>Deferred revenues – fines/unavailable revenue – fines</u> – When an asset is recorded in the governmental fund financial statements but the revenue is not available, the government should report a deferred inflow of resources until such time as the revenue becomes available.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

j. Pensions.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) and additions to/deductions from PERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

k. Long-term Liabilities.

Long-term liabilities are the unmatured principal of bonds, loans, notes or other forms of noncurrent or long-term general obligation indebtedness. Long-term liabilities are not limited to liabilities from debt issuances, but may also include liabilities on lease-purchase agreements and other commitments.

In the government-wide financial statements and in the Proprietary Fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities or Proprietary Funds Statement of Net Position.

In the fund financial statements, the face amount of the debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

I. Equity Classifications.

Government-wide Financial Statements:

Equity is classified as Net Position and displayed in three components:

Net investment in capital assets - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes or other borrowings attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position - Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position - All other net position not meeting the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

Net Position Flow Assumption:

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, it is the County's general policy to use restricted resources first. When expenses are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the County's general policy to spend committed resources first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund balances for governmental funds are reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Government fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. The following are descriptions of fund classifications used by the County.

Nonspendable fund balance includes amount that cannot be spent. This includes amounts that are either not in a spendable form (inventories, prepaid amounts, long-term portions of loans/notes receivable, or property held for resale unless the proceeds from the collection of those receivables or from the sale of those properties are restricted, committed, or assigned) or amounts that are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact, such as principal balance of a permanent fund. The County does not have any amounts in this fund balance category for this year.

Restricted fund balance includes amounts that have constraints placed upon the use of the resources either by an external party or imposed by law through a constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by a formal action of the Board of Supervisors, the County's highest level of decision-making authority. This formal action is an order of the Board of Supervisors as approved in the board minutes. The County does not have any amounts in this fund balance category for this year.

Assigned fund balance includes amounts that are constrained by the County's intent to be used for a specific purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. For governmental funds, other than the General Fund, this is the residual amount within the fund that is not classified as nonspendable and is neither restricted nor committed. The County does not have any amounts in this fund balance category for this year.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. The General Fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned or unassigned) resources are available, it is the County's general policy to use restricted resources first. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the County's general policy to spend committed resources first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

m. Property Tax Revenues.

Numerous statutes exist under which the Board of Supervisors may levy property taxes. The selection of authorities is made based on the objectives and responsibilities of the County. Restrictions associated with property tax levies vary with the statutory authority. The amount of increase in certain property taxes is limited by state law. Generally, this restriction provides that these tax levies shall produce no more than 110% of the amount which resulted from the assessments of the previous year.

The Board of Supervisors, each year at a meeting in September, levies property taxes for the ensuing fiscal year which begins on October 1. Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 of the current year, and personal property taxes become a lien on March 1 of the current year. Taxes on both real and personal property, however, are due on or before February 1 of the next succeeding year. Taxes on motor vehicles and mobile homes become a lien and are due in the month that coincides with the month of original purchase.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require property taxes to be recognized at the levy date if measurable and available. All property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Motor vehicle and mobile home taxes do not meet the measurability and collectability criteria for property tax recognition because the lien and due date cannot be established until the date of original purchase occurs.

n. Intergovernmental Revenues in Governmental Funds.

Intergovernmental revenues, consisting of grants, entitlements and shared revenues, are usually recorded in Governmental Funds when measurable and available. However, the "available" criterion applies for certain federal grants and shared revenues when the expenditure is made because expenditure is the prime factor for determining eligibility. Similarly, if cost sharing or matching requirements exist, revenue recognition depends on compliance with these requirements.

Compensated Absences.

The county has adopted a policy of compensation for accumulated unpaid employee personal leave. No payment is authorized for accrued major medical leave. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require accrual of accumulated unpaid employee benefits as long-term liabilities in the government-wide financial statements and Proprietary Funds financial statements. In fund financial statements, Governmental Funds report the compensated absence liability payable only if the payable has matured, for example an employee resigns or retires.

p. Changes in Accounting Standards.

The County implemented the following standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in the current fiscal year as required: GASB Statement No. 88, Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements. The provisions of this standard have been incorporated into the financial statements and notes.

(2) Deposits

The carrying amount of the county's total deposits with financial institutions at September 30, 2019, was \$12,329,350, and the bank balance was \$12,881,210. The collateral for public entities' deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the County will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The County does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the County.

(3) Interfund Transactions and Balances.

The following is a summary of interfund balances at September 30, 2019:

Transfers In/Out:

Transfer In	Transfer Out	 Amount
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	\$ 93,289
Enterprise Fund	General Fund	78,274
General Fund	Reappraisal (General Fund)	116,557
Total		\$ 288,120

The purposes of interfund transfers were to provide funds for operating expenses or reallocate tax revenues from prior year. All interfund transfers were routine and consistent with the activities of the fund making the transfer.

(4) Intergovernmental Receivables.

Intergovernmental receivables at September 30, 2019 consisted of the following:

Description		Amount
Governmental Activities:		
Due from state sources	\$ _	153,240
Total Governmental Activities	\$ _	153,240
Business-type Activities:		
Due from local sources	\$ _	871
Total Business-type Activities	\$ _	871

(5) Capital Assets.

The following is a summary of capital assets activity for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Governmental Activities:		Balance				Balance
	_	Oct. 1, 2018	Additions	Deletions	Adjustments	Sept. 30, 2019
Non-depreciable capital assets:						
Land	\$	1,063,554	1,000	-	-	1,064,554
Constuction in progress	_	6,020,364	359,632		(338,952)	6,041,044
Total non-depreciable capital assets	_	7,083,918	360,632		(338,952)	7,105,598
Depreciable capital assets:						
Infrastructure		12,254,193	-	-	539,590	12,793,783
Buildings		7,718,343	-	_	, -	7,718,343
Improvements other than buildings		30,803	-	-	-	30,803
Mobile equipment		3,730,773	446,103	(119,737)	405,000	4,462,139
Furniture and equipment		1,272,467	82,264	(17,773)	-	1,336,958
Leased property under capital lease		2,499,355	1,664,600	(1,110,000)	(405,000)	2,648,955
Total depreciable capital assets	_	27,505,934	2,192,967	(1,247,510)	539,590	28,990,981
Less accumulated depreciation for:		0.450.005	0.40.000			0.400.005
Infrastructure		3,152,205	343,890	-	-	3,496,095
Buildings		3,449,905	80,785	-	-	3,530,690
Improvements other than buildings		1,232	1,232	(=0.000)	-	2,464
Mobile equipment		2,838,793	308,684	(78,682)	244,620	3,313,415
Furniture and equipment		457,181	54,125	(15,996)	- -	495,310
Leased property under capital leases	_	617,753	199,331	(399,600)	(244,620)	172,864
Total accumulated depreciation	_	10,517,069	988,047	(494,278)		11,010,838
Total depreciable capital assets, net	_	16,988,865	1,204,920	(753,232)	539,590	17,980,143
Governmental activities						
capital assets, net	\$_	24,072,783	1,565,552	(753,232)	200,638	25,085,741
Business-type Activities:		Balance				Balance
Dusiness-type Activities.		Oct. 1, 2018	Additions	Deletions	Reclass	Sept. 30, 2019
Depreciable capital assets:	_	Oct. 1, 2016	Additions	Deletions	Reciass	3ept. 30, 2019
Mobile Equipment		145,520			217,872	363,392
Furniture Equipment		7,495	-	-	217,072	7,495
Leased Property Under Capital Leases		217,872	-	-	- (217,872)	7,495
Total depreciable capital assets	_	370,887	<u> </u>		(217,072)	370,887
Total depreciable capital assets	_	310,001				370,007
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Mobile Equipment		71,165	32,029	-	41,681	144,875
Furniture Equipment		3,114	964	-	-	4,078
Leased Property Under Capital Leases	_	41,681		-	(41,681)	
Total accumulated depreciation	_	115,960	32,993	-		148,953
Total depreciable capital assets, net	_	254,927	(32,993)			221,934
Business-type activities capital						
assets, net	\$_	254,927	(32,993)			221,934

(5) Capital Assets (continued).

Adjustments were made to construction work in process and infrastructure to remove previously reported construction that had already been reclassified in a prior period and to reclassify assets

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

	 Amount
Governmental Activities:	
General government	\$ 157,155
Public safety	124,164
Public works	 706,728
Total governmental activities depreciation expense	\$ 988,047
Business-type activities:	
Solid Waste	\$ 32,993
Total business-type activities depreciation expense	\$ 32,993

The following is a summary of remaining financial commitments to complete construction work in process for the year ended September 30, 2019.

	Remaining	
	Financial	Expected Date
Description of Commitment	Commitment	of Completion
	_	
Byars Road Bridge Replacement	\$ 151,463	October-20
Flautt Road Bridge	21,640	October-20
Lambfish Bridge Levee Road	493,752	August-21
Multi-Purpose Building	24,333	July-20
North Creek Road	202,337	May-20
Sharkey Road Bridge	236,987	March-21
Sumner Courthouse Project	64,937	September-20
Total remaining commitment	\$ 1,195,449	

(6) Claims and Judgments.

Risk Financing.

The County finances its exposure to risk of loss related to workers' compensation for injuries to its employees through the Mississippi Public Entity Workers' Compensation Trust, a public entity risk pool. The County pays premiums to the pool for its workers' compensation insurance coverage, and the participation agreement provides that the pool will be self-sustaining through member premiums. The retention for the pool is \$1,000,000 for each accident and completely covers statutory limits set by the Workers' Compensation Commission. Risk of loss is remote for claims exceeding the pool's retention liability. However, the pool also has catastrophic reinsurance coverage for statutory limits above the pool's retention, provided by Safety National Casualty Corporation, effective from January 1, 2019, to January 1, 2020. The pool may make an overall supplemental assessment or declare a refund depending on the loss experience of all the entities it insures.

(7) Capital Leases.

As Lessee:

The county is obligated for the following capital assets acquired through capital leases as of September 30, 2019:

	Governmental
Classes of property	Activities
Mobile Equipment	\$ 2,648,955
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(172,864)
Leased property under capital lease	\$ 2,476,091

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due as of September 30, 2019.

	Governmenta	al Activities
Year Ending September 30	Principal	Interest
2020	\$ 441,897	80,387
2021	315,451	63,157
2022	317,418	48,407
2023	319,322	31,107
2024	288,520	15,416
Total	\$ 1,682,608	238,474

(8) Long-term Debt.

Debt outstanding as of September 30, 2019, consisted of the following:

				Final
		Amount	Interest	Maturity
Description		Outstanding	Rate	Date
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Governmental Activities:				
A. Capital Leases:				
2017 Mack Trucks (5)	\$	180,471	4.00%	5/01/21
John Deere Tractors (5)		197,137	6.00%	5/08/23
Caterpillar Graders (5)		1,305,000	3.31%	3/12/24
Total Capital Leases	\$	1,682,608		
B. Other Loans:	_	_		
2. 0	\$	12,533	3.00%	7/01/20
Tallahatchie County Wood Products	Ф	•		
Due West (3rd Loan)	_	80,604	3.00%	12/01/21
Total Other Loans	\$	93,137		

(8) Long-term Debt (continued).

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the following debt reported in the Statement of Net Position are as follows:

Governmental Activities:

	Other Loans			
Year Ending September 30		Principal	Interest	
2020	\$	40,805	2,163	
2021		29,132	1,149	
2022	_	23,200	281	
Total Governmental Activities S	\$	93,137	3,593	

<u>Legal Debt Margin</u> – The amount of debt, excluding specific exempted debt that can be incurred by the county is limited by state statute. Total outstanding debt during a year can be no greater than 15% of assessed value of the taxable property within the county, according to the then last completed assessment for taxation. However, the limitation is increased to 20% whenever a county issues bond to repair or replace washed out or collapsed bridges on the public roads of the county. As of September 30, 2019, the amount of outstanding debt was equal to 1.36% of the latest property assessments.

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and obligations for the year ended September 30, 2019:

Governmental Activities:		Balance Oct. 1, 2018	Additions	Reductions	Balance Sept. 30, 2019	Amount due Within one Year
Compensated absences General obligation bonds Capital leases Other loans	\$	113,062 105,382 1,651,841 136,409	87,885 - 1,305,000 -	- 105,382 1,274,233 43,272	200,947 - 1,682,608 93,137	- - 441,897 40,805
Total	\$	2,006,694	1,392,885	1,422,887	1,976,692	482,702
Business-type Activities: Capital leases Compensated absences	\$	75,491 15,363	- 1,323	75,491	- 16,686	-
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Total	\$	90,854	1,323	75,491	16,686	

Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries were paid which are generally the General Fund, Countywide Road Maintenance Fund, and Solid Waste Fund.

(9) Contingencies.

<u>Federal Grants</u> – The County has received federal grants for specific purposes that are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Entitlements to these resources are generally conditional upon compliance with the terms and conditions of grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, including the expenditure of resources for allowable purposes. Any disallowance resulting from a grantor audit may become a liability of the county. No provision for any liability that may result has been recognized in the county's financial statements.

(9) Contingencies (continued).

<u>COVID-19 Pandemic</u> - Since the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020, the County has maintained relative operating normalcy. To date, national COVID-19 related regulation has not adversely impacted operations. Per discussion with management, cash receipts are expected to decrease. As of the date of the audit report, management declines to speculate on when a return to pre-COVID-19 operations will occur, but does not anticipate a material impact on normal operations for the County.

<u>Litigation</u> – The County is party to legal proceedings, many of which occur in the normal course of governmental operations. It is not possible at the present time to estimate ultimate outcome or liability, if any, of the county with respect to the various proceedings. However, the County's legal counsel believes that ultimate liability resulting from these lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the county.

<u>General Obligations Debt Contingencies</u> – In July 2009, Mississippi Development Bank issued \$5,748,200 of United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Insured Bonds. These bonds are to provide funds for constructing and improving capital facilities of the Tallahatchie General Hospital. Such debt is being retired from pledged resources of that entity and therefore, is reported as a liability of that entity. However, because Special Obligation Bonds are backed by the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the County, the County remains contingently liable for its retirement. The principal amount of such debt outstanding at the year-end is as follows:

	_	Balance at
Mississippi Development Bank Special Obligation Bond, USDA- Insured Mortgage Bonds, R-1 Series, with final maturity July	_	September 30, 2019
2044 with interest of 4.25%	\$	4,217,991
Mississippi Development Bank Special Obligation Bond, USDA- Insured Mortgage Bonds, R-2 Series, with final maturity July		672,197
2044 with interest of 4.38%	_	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	\$ _	4,890,188

(10) Jointly Governed Organizations.

The county participates in the following jointly governed organizations:

Northwest Mississippi Community College (the College) operates in a district composed of the Counties of Benton, Calhoun, Desoto, Lafayette, Marshall, Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Tate, Tunica and Yalobusha. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors appoints two of the 23 members of the College Board of Trustees. The County appropriated \$145,697 for the maintenance and support of the College in fiscal year 2019.

Coahoma Community College operates in a district composed of the Counties of Bolivar, Coahoma, Quitman, Tallahatchie and Tunica. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors appoints one of the 12 members of the College Board of Trustees. The County appropriated \$120,412 for the maintenance and support of the district for the fiscal year 2019.

The Yazoo-Mississippi Water Management District operates in a district composed of the Counties of Bolivar, Carroll, Coahoma, Desoto, Holmes, Humphreys, Issaquena, Leflore, Panola, Quitman, Sharkey, Sunflower, Tallahatchie, Tate, Tunica, Washington, and Yazoo. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors appoints one of the 21 members of the board of commissioners. The County appropriated \$64,966 to help finance the operations of the district in fiscal year 2019.

(10) Jointly Governed Organizations (continued).

Mid-State Opportunity, Inc. operates in a district composed of the Counties of Desoto, Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Tate, and Tunica. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors appoints two of the 18 board members. The County appropriated \$12,000 in funds for support of the agency in fiscal year 2019.

The Region 1 Mental Health-Mental Retardation Center operates in a district composed of the Counties of Coahoma, Quitman, Tallahatchie, and Tunica. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors appoints one of the four members of the board of commissioners. The County appropriated \$18,700 for support of the center for fiscal year 2019.

North Delta Planning and Development District is composed of the Counties of Coahoma, Desoto, Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie, Tate, and Tunica. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors appoints four of the 30 members of the board of directors. The County appropriated \$16,000 for the operation of the district in fiscal year 2019.

(11) Other Postemployment Benefits.

Plan Description. The Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors administers the County's health insurance plan which is authorized by Sections 25-15-101 et seq., Mississippi Code Ann. (1972). The County's health insurance plan may be amended by the Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors. The County purchases health insurance coverage from a commercial insurance company and offers health insurance benefit coverage through the County's health insurance plan (the Plan). Since retirees may obtain health insurance by participating in a group with active employees and consequently receive a health insurance premium rate differential, the County has a postemployment healthcare benefit reportable under GASB Statement 75 as a single employer defined benefit health care plan. However, the County has not recorded a liability for other postemployment benefits nor has the County reported the note disclosures which are required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

(12) Defined Benefit Pension Plan.

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description. The County contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by state law and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201 or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Benefits provided. Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees of the public school districts. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved, membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring. Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up

(12) Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued).

to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. Benefits vest upon completion of eight years of membership service (four years of membership service for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2007). PERS also provides certain death and disability benefits. A Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.0 percent of the annual retirement allowance for each full fiscal year of retirement up to the year in which the retired member reaches age 60 (55 for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), with 3.0 percent compounded for each fiscal year thereafter. Plan provisions are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

Contributions. PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary, and the county is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of September 30, 2019 was 17.4% of annual covered payroll. This rate increased as of July 1, 2019 from 15.75%. The contribution requirements of PERS members and employers are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The county's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2019, 2018, and 2017 were \$468,354, \$456,641, and \$463,833, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions for the year ended September 30, 2019

At September 30, 2019, the county reported a liability of \$7,791,661 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The county's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the county's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. The county's proportionate share used to calculate the September 30, 2019 net pension liability was 0.044291%, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2019. This was a decrease of 0.000958% percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the September 30, 2018 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2018.

For the year ended September 30, 2019, the county recognized pension expense of \$261,392. At September 30, 2019, the county reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	ı	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	4,609	8,387
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-	85,244
Changes of assumptions		76,391	-
Changes in proportion and differences between the entity's contributions and proportionate share of overall contributions		28,027	178,710
Entity's contributions subsequent to the measurement date		118,630	-
Total	\$	227,657	272,341

(12) Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued).

\$118,630 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from county contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	Deferred		[Deferred	
Year Ending September 30,	Outflows			Inflows	
2020	\$	58,880	\$	66,370	
2021		29,436		211,147	
2022		20,711		30,398	
2023				(35,574)	
Total	\$	109,027	\$	272,341	

Actuarial assumptions. The collective total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75 percent
Salary increases	3.00 – 18.25 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments: For males, 112% of male rates from ages 18 to 75 scaled down to 105% for ages 80 to 119. For females, 85% of the female rates from ages 18 to 65 scaled up to 102% for ages 75 to 119. Mortality rates will be projected generationally using the MP-2018 projection scale to account for future improvements in life expectancy.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a lognormal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

(12) Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued).

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term	
	Target	Expected Real	
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return	
Domestic Equity	27.00 %	4.90	
International Equity	22.00	4.75	
Emerging Markets Equity	-	-	
Global Equity	12.00	5.00	
Fixed Income	20.00	1.50	
Real Estate	10.00	4.00	
Private Equity	8.00	6.25	
Cash	1.00	0.25	
Total	100.00 %		

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate (9.00%) and that employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate (17.40%). Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in Discount Rate. The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.75%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75%) than the current rate:

			Current		
•	1% Decrease		Discount Rate		1% Increase
_	(6.75%)		(7.75%)		(8.75%)
		_			_
\$_	10,242,408	\$	7,791,661	\$	5,768,789
	- \$_			1% Decrease Discount Rate (6.75%) (7.75%)	1% Decrease Discount Rate (6.75%) (7.75%)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, publicly available at www.pers.ms.gov.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Notes to Financial Statements

(13) Effect of Deferred Amounts on Net Position.

The governmental activities' unrestricted net position amount of \$1,282,913 includes the effect of deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to pensions. A portion of the deferred outflow of resources related to pension in the amount of \$112,698 resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2020. The \$103,576 balance of the deferred outflow of resources related to pensions at September 30, 2019, will be recognized in pension expense over the next 4 years. The \$258,724 balance of the deferred inflow of resources related to pension at September 30, 2019, will be recognized in pension expense over the next 3 years.

The business-type activities' unrestricted net position amount of \$(329,092) includes the effect of deferred inflows/outflows of resources related to pensions. A portion of the deferred outflow of resources related to pension in the amount of \$5,932 resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2020. The \$5,451 balance of the deferred outflow of resources related to pensions at September 30, 2019, will be recognized in pension expense over the next 4 years. The \$13,617 balance of the deferred inflow of resources related to pension at September 30, 2019, will be recognized in pension expense over the next 3 years.

(14) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from the estimates.

(15) Prior Period Adjustments -

A summary of significant net position adjustments are as follows:

Exhibit 2 - Statement of Activities - Governmental Funds		
Explanation		Amount
Error in pension expense calculations-governmental	\$_	(782,770)
Total prior period adjustments	\$_	(782,770)
	_	
Exhibit 2 - Statement of Activities - Proprietary Funds		
Exhibit 6 - Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Proprietary Funds	Fund N	et Position -
Error in pension expense calculations-Business-type	\$_	(61,334)
Total prior period adjustments	\$	(61,334)

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Notes to Financial Statements

(16) Subsequent Events

Events that occur after the Statement of Net Position date but before the financial statements are available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the Statement of Net Position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the Statement of Net Position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management of Tallahatchie County evaluated the activity of the County through March 15, 2022, and determined that no disclosures were required.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Tallahatchie County
Budgetary Comparison Schedule Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis)
General Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				·
Property taxes	\$ 5,206,870	5,291,847	5,291,847	-
Licenses, commissions and other revenue	100,668	208,128	208,128	-
Fines and forfeitures	50,016	60,173	60,173	-
Intergovernmental revenues	368,245	506,266	506,266	-
Charges for services	178,952	118,293	118,293	-
Interest income	7,325	40,415	40,415	-
Rent revenues	-	1,325,797	1,325,797	-
Miscellaneous revenues	638,595	35,603	35,603	
Total Revenues	6,550,671	7,586,522	7,586,522	-
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	2,370,919	2,566,941	2,566,941	-
Public safety	3,085,020	2,824,893	2,824,893	-
Health and welfare	207,211	195,673	195,673	-
Culture and recreation	134,245	138,032	138,032	-
Conservation of natural resources	86,664	80,764	80,764	-
Economic development and assistance	16,000	16,000	16,000	-
Capital outlay	239,778	101,352	101,352	-
Debt service:				-
Principal	15,868	15,868	15,868	-
Interest	667	667	667	<u> </u>
Total Expenditures	6,156,372	5,940,190	5,940,190	
Excess of Revenues				
over (under) Expenditures	394,299	1,646,332	1,646,332	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Other financing sources	114,832	125,862	125,862	_
Other financing uses	(145,000)	(288,120)	(288,120)	_
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(30,168)	(162,258)	(162,258)	
Net Change in Fund Balance	364,131	1,484,074	1,484,074	_
Fund Balances - Beginning	7,074,175	7,074,175	7,074,175	_
Fund Balances - Beginning Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 7,438,306	8,558,249	8,558,249	
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The accompanying notes to Required Supplementary Information are an integral part of this schedule.

Tallahatchie County
Budgetary Comparison Schedule Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis)
Countywide Road Maintenance Fund
For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Property taxes	\$ 3,280,484	2,865,475	2,865,475	-
Road and bridge privilege taxes	-	135,814	135,814	-
Intergovernmental revenues	813,843	1,021,110	1,021,110	-
Interest income	2,512	13,389	13,389	-
Miscellaneous revenues		170,570	170,570	
Total Revenues	4,096,839	4,206,358	4,206,358	
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public works	2,452,727	4,122,575	4,122,575	-
Capital outlay	504,200	1,427,700	1,427,700	-
Debt service:				
Principal	628,482	1,379,581	1,379,581	-
Interest	49,517	52,064	52,064	
Total Expenditures	3,634,926	6,981,920	6,981,920	
Excess of Revenues				
over (under) Expenditures	461,913	(2,775,562)	(2,775,562)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Other financing sources	-	1,305,000	1,305,000	_
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		1,305,000	1,305,000	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	461,913	(1,470,562)	(1,470,562)	_
Fund Balances - Beginning	3,173,984	3,173,984	3,173,984	_
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Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 3,635,897	1,703,422	1,703,422	

The accompanying notes to Required Supplementary Information are an integral part of this schedule.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability PERS Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	-	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
County's proportion of the net pension liability		0.044291%	0.045249%	0.045994%	0.044332%	0.045497%	0.045012%
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	7,791,661	7,521,473	7,645,764	7,918,802	7,032,939	5,463,633
County's covered payroll	\$	2,913,188	2,899,308	2,959,468	2,847,581	2,842,419	2,750,444
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll		267%	260%	258%	278%	247%	199%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		62%	63%	57%	57%	62%	67%

^{*} The amounts presented for the fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of 6/30 of the fiscal year presented.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Schedule of County Contributions PERS Last 10 Fiscal Years

		2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Contractually required contribution	\$	468,354	456,641	463,833	457,079	437,464	428,417
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		468,354	456,641	463,833	457,079	437,464	428,417
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		-	-			-
County's covered payroll	\$	2,902,251	2,899,308	2,944,971	2,902,089	2,777,549	2,720,108
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	*	16.14%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

^{*} Until July 1, 2019, contributions were 15.75% Subsequently to July 1, 2019, contributions were 17.40%

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

(1) Budgetary Comparison Schedules.

A. Budgetary Information.

Statutory requirements dictate how and when the county's budget is to be prepared. Generally, in the month of August, prior to the ensuing fiscal year beginning each October 1, the Board of Supervisors of the county, using historical and anticipated fiscal data and proposed budgets submitted by the Sheriff and the Tax Assessor-Collector for his or her respective department, prepares an original budget for each of the Governmental Funds for said fiscal year. The completed budget for the fiscal year includes for each fund every source of revenue, each general item of expenditure, and the unencumbered cash and investment balances. When during the fiscal year it appears to the Board of Supervisors that budgetary estimates will not be met, it may make revisions to the budget.

The County's budget is prepared principally on the cash basis of accounting. All appropriations lapse at year end, and there are no encumbrances to budget because state law does not require that funds be available when goods or services are ordered, only when payment is made.

B. Basis of Presentation.

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis) presents the original legally adopted budget, the final legally adopted budget, actual amounts on a budgetary (Non-GAAP Basis) and variances between the final budget and the actual amounts. The schedule is presented for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule-Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Basis) is a part of required supplementary information.

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation.

The major differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis are:

- 1. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).
- 2. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation (continued)

The following schedule reconciles the budgetary basis schedules to the GAAP basis financial statements for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund:

		Governmental Fund Types		
	•	Countywide Roa		
		General	Maintenance	
	_	Fund	Fund	
Budget (Cash Basis) - change in fund balance	\$	1,484,074	(1,470,562)	
Increase (Decrease)				
Net adjustments for revenue accruals		266,528	696,660	
Net adjustments for expenditure accruals		(10,970)	(92,075)	
GAAP Basis - change in fund balance	\$	1,739,632	(865,977)	

(2) Pension Schedules.

A. Changes in Benefit Provisions.

2016

 Effective July 1, 2016, the interest rate on employee contributions shall be calculated based on the money market rate as published by the Wall Street Journal on December 31 of each preceding year with a minimum rate of one percent and a maximum rate of five percent

B. Changes of Assumptions.

2015

- The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.
- The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.
- Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.
- Assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.
- The price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.5% to 3.00% and 8.00% to 7.75%, respectively.

<u>2016</u>

• The assumed rate of interest credited to employee contributions was changed from 3.5% to 2.00%.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

B. Changes of Assumptions (continued).

2017

- The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2022. Small adjustments were also made to the Mortality Table for disabled lives.
- The Wage inflation assumption was reduced from 3.75% to 3.25%.
- Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The percentage of active member disabilities assumed to be in the line of duty was increased from 6% to 7%

2019

- The expectation of retired mortality was changed to the PubS.H-2010(B) Retiree Table with the following adjustments:
 - For males, 112% of male rates from ages 18 to 75 scaled down to 105% for ages 80 to 119.
 - For females, 85% of the female rates from ages 18 to 65 scaled up to 102% for ages 75 to 119.
 - Projection scale MP-2018 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.
- The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to PubT.H-2010 Disabled Retiree Table for disabled retirees with the following adjustments:
 - For males, 137% of male rates at all ages.
 - For females, 115% of female rates at all ages
 - Projection scale MP-2018 will be used to project future improvements in life expectancy generationally.
- The price inflation assumption was reduced from 3.00% to 2.75%.
- The wage inflation assumption was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The percentage of active member disabilities assumed to be in the line of duty was increased from 7% to 9%.

Method and Assumptions Used in Calculations of Actuarially Determined Contributions. The actuarially determined contribution rates in the schedule of employer contributions are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported (June 30, 2017 valuation for the June 30, 2019 fiscal year end). The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the most recent contribution rate reported in that schedule:

Actuarial cost method Entry age

Amortization method Level percentage of payroll, open

Remaining amortization period 38.4 years
Asset valuation method 5-year smoothed market

Price Inflation 3.00 percent

Salary increase 3.25 percent to 18.50 percent, including

inflation

Investment rate of return 7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

OTHER INFORMATION

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Schedule of Surety Bonds for County Officials For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Name	Position	Company	Bond
Eddie Meeks	Board of Supervisor	Western Surety	\$100,000
Johnny Goodwin	Board of Supervisor	Western Surety	\$100,000
Kenneth Havens	Board of Supervisor	Western Surety	\$100,000
Marcus Echols	Board of Supervisor	Western Surety	\$100,000
Larry Gene Cole	Board of Supervisor	Western Surety	\$100,000
Maura Melton	County Bookkeeper	Western Surety	\$95,000
Lakita Brown	Inventory Control Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
James A. Curtis	Road Manager	RLI	\$50,000
Jimmy D. Fly	Sheriff	RLI	\$100,000
Martha McMullen	Sheriff's Department Bookkeeper	RLI	\$50,000
Various (10)	Deputies	Various	\$50,000
Jerry Williams III	Constable	Western Surety	\$50,000
Clifton Bailey	Constable	RLI	\$50,000
Brenda Wilkinson	Purchase Clerk	RLI	\$75,000
Yolanda Hudson	Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
Glenda Standridge	Receiving Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
Various (2)	Assistant Receiving Clerks	Various	\$50,000
Anita Greenwood	Chancery Clerk	Western Surety	\$100,000
Glenda Standridge	Deputy Chancery Clerk	Western Surety	\$75,000
Various (3)	Assistant Deputy Chancery Clerks	Various	\$50,000
Denise Washington	Justice Court Judge	FCCI	\$50,000
Shelby Cuykendall	Justice Court Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Cynthia Wright	Justice Court Clerk	Western Surety	\$50,000
Various (3)	Deputy Justice Court Clerks	Various	\$50,000
Dorothy Martin	Tax Assessor/Collector	RLI	\$100,000
Various	Deputy Tax Collectors	Various	\$50,000
Kelly Greenwood	County Engineer	RLI	\$50,000
Daphne Neal	Circuit Clerk	Western Surety	\$100,000
Various (3)	Deputy Circuit Clerks	Various	\$100,000
Lakita Brown	Solid Waste Coordinator	RLI	\$50,000
Ashley Williams	Flood Plain Administrator	Western Surety	\$50,000

SPECIAL REPORTS



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Members of the Board of Supervisors Tallahatchie County, Mississippi

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 15, 2022. Our report includes an adverse opinion on the aggregate discretely presented component units due to the omission of the discretely presented component units which are required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America to be reported with the financial data of the County's primary government unless the County also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that include the financial data for its component units. Our report also includes a qualified opinion on the governmental activities, business-type activities, and the Solid Waste fund because the County did not record a liability or current year expense for other post-employment benefits as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe that a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charges with governance. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as 2019-001 and 2019-002 to be material weaknesses.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Tallahatchie County's Responses to Findings

Tallahatchie County's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses. Tallahatchie County's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Oxford, Mississippi March 15, 2022 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON CENTRAL PURCHASING SYSTEM, INVENTORY CONTROL SYSTEM AND PURCHASE CLERK SCHEDULES (REQUIRED BY SECTION 31-7-115, MISS. CODE ANN. (1972))

Members of the Board of Supervisors Tallahatchie County, Mississippi

We have examined Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's (the County) compliance with establishing and maintaining a central purchasing system and inventory control system in accordance with Sections 31-7-101 through 31-7-127, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) and compliance with the purchasing requirements in accordance with the bid requirements of Section 31-7-13, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) during the year ended September 30, 2019. The Board of Supervisors of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, is responsible for the County's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance with specified requirements. The Board of Supervisors of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, has established centralized purchasing for all funds of the County and has established an inventory control system. The objective of the central purchasing system is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that purchases are executed in accordance with state law.

Because of inherent limitations in any central purchasing system and inventory control system, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any current evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Tallahatchie County, Mississippi, complied, in all material respects, with state laws governing central purchasing, inventory and bid requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

The accompanying schedules of (1) Purchases Not Made from the Lowest Bidder, (2) Emergency Purchases and (3) Purchases Made Noncompetitively from a Sole Source are presented in accordance with Section 31-7-115, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The information contained on these schedules has been subjected to procedures performed in connection with our aforementioned examination and, in our opinion, is fairly presented when considered in relation to that examination.

This report is intended for use in evaluating Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's compliance with the aforementioned requirements, and is not intended to be and should not be relied upon for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Oxford, Mississippi March 15, 2022 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Schedule of Purchases Not Made From the Lowest Bidder For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Schedule 1

Our test results did not identify any purchases from other than the lowest bidder.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Schedule of Emergency Purchases For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Schedule 2

Our test results did not identify any emergency purchases.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Schedule of Purchases Made Noncompetively From a Sole Source For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Schedule 3

Our test results did not identify any purchases made noncompetitively from a sole source.



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LIMITED INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE REVIEW MANAGEMENT REPORT

Members of the Board of Supervisors Tallahatchie County, Mississippi

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi for the year ended September 30, 2019, we considered Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's internal control to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

In addition, for areas not considered material to Tallahatchie County, Mississippi's financial reporting, we have performed some additional limited internal control and state legal compliance review procedures as identified in the state legal compliance audit program issued 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 County's compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. This report does not affect our report dated March 15, 2022, on the financial statements of Tallahatchie County, Mississippi.

Although no findings came to our attention as a result of these review procedures and compliance tests, these procedures and tests cannot and do not provide absolute assurance that all state legal requirements have been complied with. Also, our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters within the internal control that might be weaknesses. In accordance with Section 7-7-211, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), the Office of the State Auditor, when deemed necessary, may conduct additional procedures and tests of transactions for this or other fiscal years to ensure compliance with legal requirements.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Supervisors, and others within the entity and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Oxford, Mississippi March 15, 2022 Watkins Ward and Stafford, Puc

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Schedule of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Section 1: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:

1. Type of auditor's report issued on the financial statements:

Governmental activities

Business-type activities

Aggregate discretely presented component units

General Fund

Countywide Road Maintenance Fund

Solid Waste

Aggregate remaining fund information

Qualified

Qualified

Unmodified

Unmodified

Unmodified

2. Internal control over financial reporting:

a. Material weaknesses identified?

Yes

b. Significant deficiencies identified?

None reported

3. Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted?

No

Section 2: Financial Statement Findings

Board of Supervisors.

Material Weakness

2019-001 Finding-Financial data for component units not included in the financial statements.

<u>Condition:</u> The financial statements of the County do not include the financial data of the County's legally separate component units. This finding is a repeat finding.

<u>Criteria:</u> Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for the County's component units to be included in the financial data of the County unless the County also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that includes the financial data for its component units. The County has not issued such reporting entity financial statements.

<u>Cause:</u> The County chose not to include the financial statements of its component units.

<u>Effect:</u> The failure to include the financial statements of the component units could result in the financial statements of the County to be misleading.

<u>Recommendation:</u> In order for the County to comply with accounting principles general accepted in the United States of America, the County should include the County's component units.

<u>Views of Responsible Officials:</u> The County did not choose to include the component units in the County financial statements.

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY Schedule of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Material Weakness

2019-002 Finding-Liability for postemployment benefits not recorded

<u>Condition:</u> The County has not recorded a liability for other postemployment benefits nor reported the note disclosures which are required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This finding is a repeat finding.

<u>Criteria:</u> GASB Statement 75 requires the County to report on an accrual basis the liability associated with other postemployment benefits.

Cause: The County did not have an annual actuarial evaluation.

<u>Effect:</u> The failure to include the accrual of the other postemployment benefits liability could result in the financial statements of the County being misleading.

<u>Recommendation:</u> The Board of Supervisors should have an actuarial valuation performed annually so that the liability for the other postemployment benefits can be recorded and appropriate note disclosures can be made.

<u>Views of Responsible Officials:</u> The Board believes the liability associated with the Plan would be immaterial to the financial statements.

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings For the Year Ended September 30, 2019

Reference Number	Summary of Finding	Status
2018-001	Criteria or Specific Requirement – Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for the County's component units to be included in the financial data of the County unless the County also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that includes the financial data for its component units. The County has not issued such reporting entity financial statements.	Not corrected. Repeated as 2019-001
2018-002	Criteria or Specific Requirement – GASB Statement 75 requires the County to report on an accrual basis the liability associated with other postemployment benefits.	Not corrected. Repeated as 2019-002
2018-003	Criteria or Specific Requirement – The County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. The Justice Court Clerk does not maintain adequate controls to insure timely reconciliation of bank accounts.	Corrected
2018-004	Criteria or Specific Requirement – The County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. The Justice Court Clerk does not maintain adequate controls to insure records are organized and kept for the appropriate amount of time.	Corrected

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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County Administrator - Anita Mullen Greenwood

March 15, 2022

Watkins, Ward and Stafford, PLLC 606 South 16th Street Oxford, Mississippi 38655

Dear Sirs,

We are responding to the Audit Findings for the year ending September 30, 2019. The responses are as follows:

2019-001 Finding-Financial data for component units not included in the financial statements.

<u>Condition:</u> The financial statements of the County do not include the financial data of the County's legally separate component units. This finding is a repeat finding.

<u>Criteria:</u> Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require the financial data for the County's component units to be included in the financial data of the County unless the County also issues financial statements for the financial reporting entity that includes the financial data for its component units. The County has not issued such reporting entity financial statements.

Cause: The County chose not to include the financial statements of its component units.

<u>Effect</u>: The failure to include the financial statements of the component units could result in the financial statements of the County to be misleading.

Recommendation: In order for the County to comply with accounting principles general accepted in the United States of America, the County should include the County's component units.

<u>Corrective Action Plan:</u> The County did not choose to include the component units in the County financial statements because they believe including these financials will cause a financial hardship for the component units.

2019-002 Finding-Liability for postemployment benefits not recorded

<u>Condition:</u> The County has not recorded a liability for other postemployment benefits nor reported the note disclosures which are required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This finding is a repeat finding.

<u>Criteria:</u> GASB Statement 75 requires the County to report on an accrual basis the liability associated with other postemployment benefits.

Cause: The County did not have an annual actuarial evaluation.

Effect: The failure to include the accrual of the other postemployment benefits liability could result in the financial statements of the County to be misleading.

Recommendation: The Board of Supervisors should have an actuarial valuation performed annually so that the liability for the other postemployment benefits can be recorded and appropriate note disclosures can be made.

Corrective Action Plan: The Board believes the liability associated with the Plan would be immaterial to the financial statements.

Sincerely,

President of the Board of Supervisors