Town of Fairmont, North Carolina

Audited Financial Statements

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

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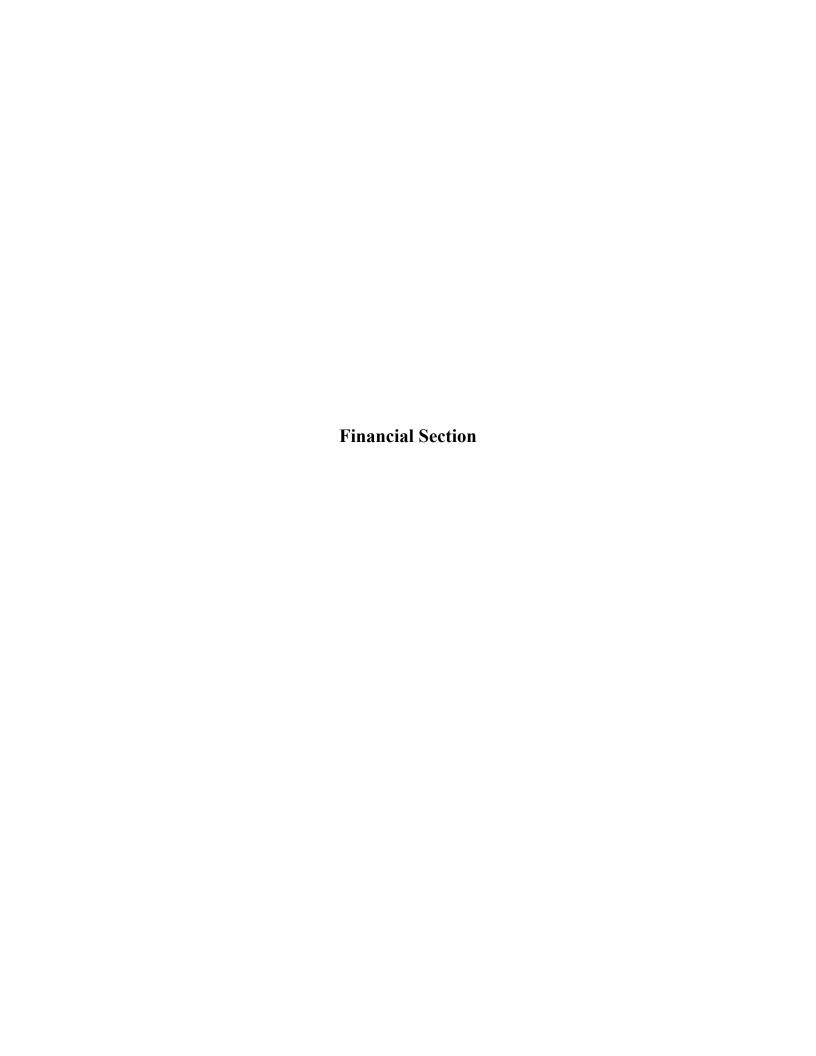
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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Town Commissioners Town of Fairmont, North Carolina

Report on the Audit of Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion. The financial statements of Town of Fairmont's ABC Board was not audited in accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards.

Responsibilities of Management for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and Governmental Auditing Standards will always detect material statement when it exists.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Governmental Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Town of Fairmont, North Carolina's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 4 through 10, respectively, the Local Government Employee's Retirement System's Schedules of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and Contributions, on pages 46 and 47 respectively, the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance Schedules of Changes in Total Pension Liability and Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll on pages 48 and 49, and the Schedule of Changes in the Total Other Post Employment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios on page 50 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a required 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.

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina. The combining and individual fund statements and budgetary schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the procedures performed as described above, the combining and individual fund financial statements and budgetary schedules, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 27, 2024 on our consideration of the Town of Fairmont's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants agreements, and other matters. The purpose of the report is 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 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 Town of Fairmont's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Lumberton, North Carolina

November 27, 2024

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town of Fairmont, we offer readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Fairmont for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the Town's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

Financial Highlights

The assets and deferred outflows of the Town of Fairmont exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the fiscal year by \$8,779,869.

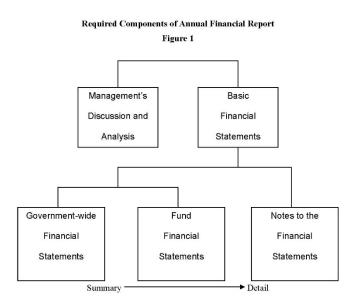
The government's total net position increased in the amount of \$971,773, primarily due an increase in current and non-current assets in the Governmental Activities.

As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,300,266. Approximately 58% of this total amount, or \$760,571, is available for spending at the government's discretion.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$760,571 or 28.51% of total General Fund expenditures.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town of Fairmont's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (see Figure 1). The basic financial statements present two different views of the Town through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report also contains other supplementary information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of the Town of Fairmont.



Financial Statements

The first two statements in the basic financial statements are the **Government-wide Financial Statements**. They provide both short and long-term information about the Town's financial status. The next statements are **Fund Financial Statements**. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the Town's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements.

Financial Statements (continued). There are three parts to the Fund Financial Statements: 1) the governmental funds statements, 2) the budgetary comparison statements, and 3) the proprietary fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **Notes to the Financial Statements**. The notes explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, additional information is provided to show details about the Town's individual funds. Budgetary information required by the N.C. General Statutes can also be found in this part of the statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to the private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the Town's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the Town's net position and how they have changed. Net position is the difference between the Town's total assets and total liabilities. Measuring net position is one way to gauge the Town's financial condition.

The government-wide statements are divided into three categories: 1) governmental activities, 2) business-type activities, and 3) component units. The governmental activities include most of the Town's basic services such as general government, public safety, highways/streets, sanitation, economic development, culture and recreation, and debt service. Property taxes and State and federal grant funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those that the Town charges customers to provide. This includes the water and sewer services offered by the Town of Fairmont. The final category is the component unit. Although legally separate from the Town, the ABC Board is important to the Town because the Town exercises control over the Board by appointing its members, and because the Board is required to distribute a portion of its profits to the Town.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 11 and 12 of this report.

Fund financial statements. The fund financial statements provide a more detailed look at the Town's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town of Fairmont, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the Town's budget ordinance. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories, governmental funds and proprietary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the Town's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out, and monies that are unexpended at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting*, which provides a short-term spending focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the Town's programs. The relationship between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

The Town of Fairmont adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the Town, the management of the Town, and the decisions of the Board about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the Town to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the Town complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the Town succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document.

Governmental funds (continued). The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the board; 2) the final budget as amended by the board; 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund; and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges.

Proprietary funds. The Town of Fairmont has one type of proprietary fund. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses the enterprise fund to account for its water and sewer activity. This fund is the same as those functions shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 21-45 of this report.

Other Information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information concerning the Town's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. Required supplementary information can be found beginning on page 46.

Interdependence with Other Entities. The Town depends on financial resources flowing from, or associated with, both the federal government and the State of North Carolina. Because of this dependency, The Town is subject to changes in specific flows of intergovernmental revenues based on modifications to federal and State laws and federal and State appropriations. It is also subject to changes in investment earnings and asset values associated with U.S. Treasury Securities because of actions by foreign governments and other holders of publicly held U.S. Treasury Securities.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

The Town of Fairmont's Net Position

		Govern Activ				Busines Activ	•	•		Tot	я1		
		2024	itio	2023		2024	Itio	2023		2024	2023		
Current and other assets	\$	4,859,484	\$	2,166,664	\$	559,997	\$	501,251	\$	5,419,481	\$	2,667,915	
Non-current assets	Ψ	2,229,368	Ψ	1,866,995	Ψ	9,460,569	Ψ	9,145,715	Ψ	11,689,937	Ψ	11,012,710	
Total assets		7,088,852		4,033,659		10,020,566		9,646,966		17,109,418	_	13,680,625	
Deferred Outflows of													
Resources		630,439		735,549		225,571		262,338		856,010		997,887	
Current liabilities		119,447		166,824		203,951		350,535		323,398		517,359	
Non-current liabilities		1,898,766		2,265,338		2,781,767		3,014,662		4,680,533		5,280,000	
Total liabilities		2,018,213		2,432,162		2,985,718		3,365,197		5,003,931	_	5,797,359	
Deferred Inflows of													
Resources		3,928,173		928,221		253,455		144,836		4,181,628		1,073,057	
Net position:													
Net investment in													
capital assets		2,149,807		1,746,604		7,247,234		6,838,961		9,397,041		8,585,565	
Restricted		520,145		571,543		-		-		520,145		571,543	
Unrestricted		(897,047)		(909,322)		(240,270)		(439,690)		(1,137,317)		(1,349,012)	
Total net position	\$	1,772,905	\$	1,408,825	\$	7,006,964	\$	6,399,271	\$	8,779,869	\$	7,808,096	

Government-wide Financial Analysis (continued). As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The assets and deferred outflows of the Town exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$8,779,869 at the close of the current fiscal year. By far the largest portion of the Town's net position, 107.03%, reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should note that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. The restricted portion of net position, \$3,837,072, represents the Town's resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance, (\$4,454,244), is unrestricted.

The Town of Fairmont's Changes in Net Position

	Governn	.1	Business	s-typ	be			
	Activi	ties		Activ	ities		Tot	
	2024		2023	2024		2023	2024	2023
Revenues:								
Program revenues:								
Charges for services	\$ 326,122	\$	311,270	\$ 1,653,569	\$	1,503,103	\$ 1,979,691	\$ 1,814,373
Operating grants and								
contributions	500,000		4,912	-		-	500,000	4,912
Capital grants and								
contributions	287,440		915,394	695,740		318,064	983,180	1,233,458
General revenues:								
Property taxes	911,977		923,181	-		-	911,977	923,181
Other taxes	285		240	-		-	285	240
Unrestricted revenues	1,046,670		1,037,563	-		-	1,046,670	1,037,563
Other	110,164		93,847	5,898		-	116,062	93,847
Total revenues	3,182,658		3,286,407	2,355,207		1,821,167	5,537,865	5,107,574
Expenses:								
General government	124,198		601,617	_		-	124,198	601,617
Public safety	1,219,249		1,216,053	_		-	1,219,249	1,216,053
Transportation	376,172		339,245	_		_	376,172	339,245
Environmental protection	295,252		237,553	_		_	295,252	237,553
Economic development	618,422		122,862	_		_	618,422	122,862
Non-departmental	181,930		135,823	_		_	181,930	135,823
Water and sewer	3,355		4,848	1,747,514		1,732,721	1,750,869	1,737,569
Total expenses	2,818,578		2,658,001	1,747,514		1,732,721	4,566,092	4,390,722
Transfers	-		-	-		-	-	-
Change in net position	364,080		628,406	607,693		88,446	971,773	716,852
Net position, beginning	 1,408,823		780,417	6,399,271		6,310,825	7,808,094	7,091,242
Net position, ending	\$ 1,772,903	\$	1,408,823	\$ 7,006,964	\$	6,399,271	\$ 8,779,867	\$ 7,808,094

Governmental activities. Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$364,080. The increase in net position was primarily due to an increase in revenues compared to the prior year. Operating expenditures increased compared to the prior year. Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues were the largest revenue contributor for the governmental funds with 32.89% of total revenues. Ad valorem tax revenues were the next largest at 28.65%.

Capital and operating grants for governmental activities furnished resources to support the five functions of the Town: general government, public safety, transportation, environmental protection, and economic and community development.

Business-type activities. Business-type activities increased the Town's net position by \$607,693. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

• A increase in the total revenues compared to the previous year, primarily due to charges for services and capital grants and contributions.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the Town of Fairmont uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds. The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,300,266. Of this total amount, \$760,571 constitutes unassigned fund balance, which is available for spending at the government's discretion. The remainder of fund balance is reserved to indicate that funds are not available for spending because these funds have already been committed 1) to liquidate contracts and purchase orders of the prior year, or 2) for a variety of other restricted purposes.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Town of Fairmont. At the end of the fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$760,571 with a total fund balance of \$1,237,351. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 28.51% of total General Fund expenditures.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

During the fiscal year, the Town revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as federal and State grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services.

Proprietary Funds. The Town of Fairmont's proprietary fund provides the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements but in more detail. Unrestricted net position of the Water and Sewer Fund at the end of the fiscal year amounted to a negative (\$240,270). Other factors concerning this fund have been discussed in the Town's business-type activities.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The Town of Fairmont's investments in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2024, totals \$11,689,937 (net of accumulated depreciation). The investments in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, furniture and equipment, infrastructure (including distribution systems), and vehicles.

The Town of Fairmont's Capital Assets

	Govern	nmental	Busine	ss-type		
	Acti	vities	Acti	vities	To	otal
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Land	\$ 161,046	\$ 161,046	\$ 7,091	\$ 7,091	\$ 168,137	\$ 168,137
Buildings & infrastructure	2,153,601	2,153,601	12,755	12,755	2,166,356	2,166,356
Equipment	1,661,672	1,650,877	850,503	844,203	2,512,175	2,495,080
Vehicles	1,687,578	1,595,943	-	-	1,687,578	1,595,943
Construction in progress	474,257	-	1,229,464	613,132	1,703,721	613,132
Water & Sewer infrastructure	-	-	15,732,651	15,732,651	15,732,651	15,732,651
Total depreciable assets	5,977,108	5,400,421	17,825,373	17,202,741	23,802,481	22,603,162
Less -						
accumulated depreciation	3,908,786	3,694,472	8,371,895	8,064,117	12,280,681	11,758,589
Total depreciable assets, net	2,068,322	1,705,949	9,453,478	9,138,624	11,521,800	10,844,573
Total depreciasie assets, net	2,000,322	1,703,717	2,133,170	7,130,021	11,321,000	10,011,373
Total capital assets, net	\$ 2,229,368	\$ 1,866,995	\$ 9,460,569	\$ 9,145,715	\$11,689,937	\$ 11,012,710

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 3, beginning on page 28.

Long-term debt. As of June 30, 2024, the Town of Fairmont had total bonded debt outstanding of \$2,213,335.

The Town of Fairmont's Outstanding Debt

		nmental ivities		Busine Activ	,	1	Total			
	2024		2024		2023	2024	2023			
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$	2,213,335	\$	2,306,754	\$ 2,213,335	\$ 2,306,754		
Direct placement										
installment debt	79,561	104,182		-		-	79,561	104,182		
Compensated absences	46,359	50,455		28,527		17,071	74,886	67,526		
OPEB	995,334	1,373,181		406,545		560,877	1,401,879	1,934,058		
Pension related debt (LGERS)	598,073	596,642		229,283		228,699	827,356	825,341		
Pension related debt (LEO)	204,853 180,960			-		-	204,853	180,960		
Total	\$ 1,924,180	\$ 2,305,420	\$	2,877,690	\$	3,113,401	\$ 4,801,870	\$ 5,418,821		

Town of Fairmont's Outstanding Debt

The Town of Fairmont's total debt decreased by \$616,951 during the fiscal year.

North Carolina's general statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt that a governmental unit can issue to 8% of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government's boundaries. The legal debt margin for the Town of Fairmont is presently at \$9,442,038 (the amount of additional debt the town could obligate itself to under NC General Statute).

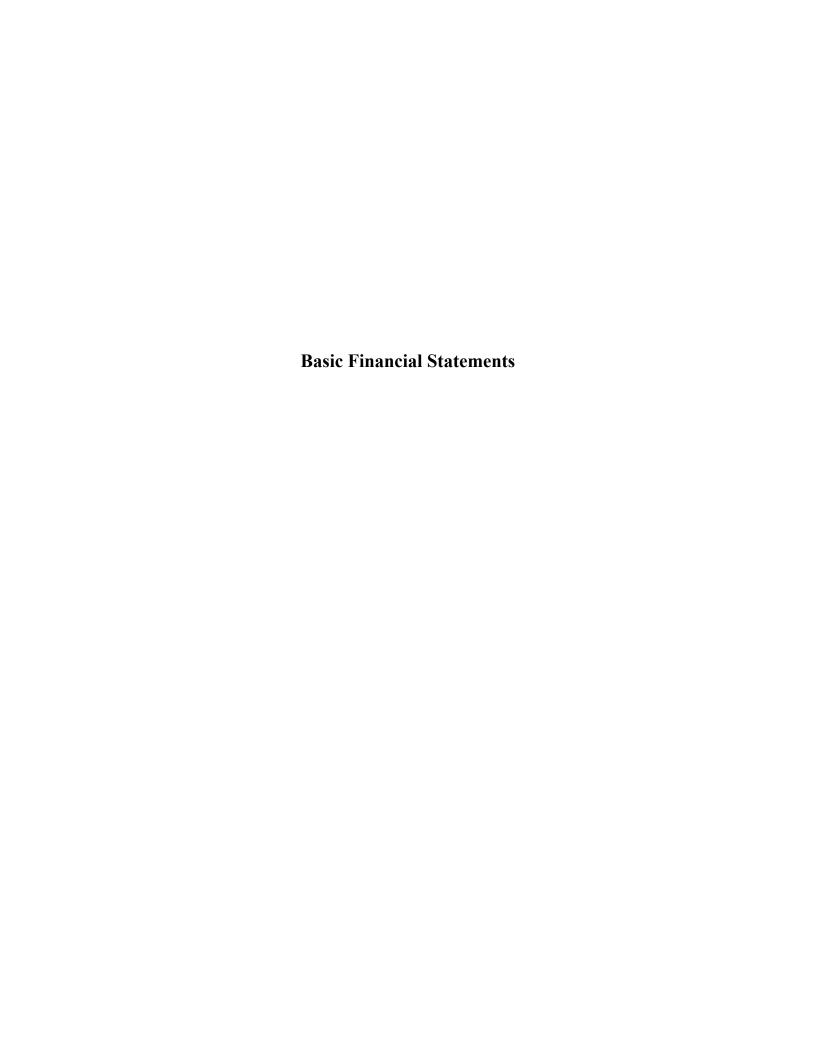
Additional information pertaining to the Town of Fairmont's long-term debt can be found in Note 3, beginning on page 42.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

• The unemployment rate for the Town and surrounding area is 4.60% at June 30, 2024, which is a decrease from a rate of 4.80% a year ago. This comparison is higher than the State's rate of 3.70% and the national rate of 4.10%.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Fairmont's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Office of the Finance Director, 421 South Main Street, Fairmont NC 28340.



Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

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Carrent assets: Carrent as		Governmental	Type		ABC
Current assets:		Activities	Activities	Total	Board
Cash and cash equivalents 8 16,739 \$ 177,489 \$ 994,228 \$ 11,477 Taxes receivable (net) 205,673 - 205,673 - Accounts receivable (net) 26,200 223,356 249,556 - Due from other governments 319,686 - 319,686 - Inventories - 61,441 61,441 162,490 Prepaid items -	<u>ASSETS</u>				
Taxes receivable (net) 205,673 - 205,673 - 204,556 - 204	Current assets:				
Accounts receivable (net) 26,200 223,356 249,556 1	Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 816,739	\$ 177,489	\$ 994,228	\$ 11,477
Due from other governments	Taxes receivable (net)	205,673	-	205,673	-
Inventories	Accounts receivable (net)	26,200	223,356	249,556	-
Prepaid items 3,491,186 97,711 3,588,897 7,780	Due from other governments	319,686	-	319,686	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	Inventories	-	61,441	61,441	162,490
Non-current assets	Prepaid items	-	-	-	9,780
Non-current assets: Capital assets (Note 3)	Restricted cash and cash equivalents	3,491,186	97,711	3,588,897	
Capital assets (Note 3)	Total current assets	4,859,484	559,997	5,419,481	183,747
Land	Non-current assets:				
Other capital assets, net of depreciation 2,068,322 9,453,478 11,521,800 180,119 Total capital assets 2,229,368 9,460,569 11,689,937 206,619 Total assets 7,088,852 10,020,566 17,109,418 390,366 DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Pension deferrals 452,885 153,049 605,934 - OPEB deferrals 452,885 153,049 605,934 - Total deferred outflows of resources 630,439 225,571 856,010 - LABILITIES Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses 94,033 4,943 98,976 63,810 Deferred revenue - 5,374 5,374 - - Current portion of long-term liabilities 2,414 95,923 121,337 - Current portion of long-term liabilities 2,5414 95,923 121,337 - Long-term liabilities 2 2,944 203,951 323,338 63,810 <td>Capital assets (Note 3)</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	Capital assets (Note 3)				
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Total assets 7,088,852 10,020,566 17,109,418 390,366	Other capital assets, net of depreciation	2,068,322	9,453,478	11,521,800	180,119
Total assets 7,088,852 10,020,566 17,109,418 390,366	Total capital assets	2,229,368	9,460,569	11,689,937	206,619
Pension deferrals			10,020,566		
Pension deferrals	DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Total deferred outflows of resources 630,439 225,571 856,010 -		452,885	153,049	605,934	-
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Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses 94,033 4,943 98,976 63,810	Total deferred outflows of resources	630,439	225,571	856,010	
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Unrestricted (897,047) (240,270) (1,137,317) 86,233	-		_	· ·	33,704
	Unrestricted	-	(240,270)	· ·	
	Total net position				

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina **Statement of Activities** For Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Program Revenues					Net Revenue (Expense) and Changes in Net Position								
		Cl	narges for	Capital Grants and				Go				nt		- Fairmont ABC		
	Expenses	Services		Cor	ntributions	Cor	ntributions	1	Activities		• •		Total	Board		
\$	124,198	\$	1,330	\$	-	\$	15,088	\$	(107,780)	\$	-	\$	(107,780)	\$	-	
	1,219,249		-		-		178,365		(1,040,884)		-		(1,040,884)		-	
	376,172		-		-		92,254		(283,918)		-		(283,918)		-	
	295,252		324,792		-		1,733		31,273		-		31,273		-	
	618,422		-		500,000		-		(118,422)		-		(118,422)		-	
	181,930		-		-		-		(181,930)		-		(181,930)		-	
	3,355		-		-		-		(3,355)		-		(3,355)		-	
	2,818,578		326,122		500,000		287,440		(1,705,016)		-		(1,705,016)		-	
	1,747,514		1,653,569		695,740		-		-		601,795		601,795		-	
	1,747,514		1,653,569		695,740		-		-		601,795		601,795		-	
\$	4,566,092	\$	1,979,691	\$	1,195,740	\$	287,440		(1,705,016)		601,795		(1,103,221)			
P	1 205 282	•	1 216 106	•		•									10,724	
Φ						Φ									10,724	
ψ	1,203,362	Ψ	1,210,100	Ψ		Ψ									10,724	
		Ge	neral reven	ies:												
		7	axes:													
			Ad valorem	taxes	3				911,977		_		911,977		-	
									285		_		285		_	
		(Frants and co	ntrib	utions not r	estric	ted to									
									1.046.670		_		1.046.670		_	
					2S				/ /		5,898		, ,		(9,479)	
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				evenues and	sfers		2,069,096		5,898		2,074,994		(9,479)			
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		- 1	•	_	_			\$		\$		\$		\$	195,003	
		1,219,249 376,172 295,252 618,422 181,930 3,355 2,818,578	\$ 124,198 \$ 1,219,249 376,172 295,252 618,422 181,930 3,355 2,818,578 \$ 1,747,514 1,747,514 \$ 4,566,092 \$ \$ 1,205,382 \$ \$ 1,205,382 \$ \$ 1,00	Services Services	Services Corporation	Capital Grants and Contributions	Charges for Services	Charges for Services	Charges for Services	Expenses	Expenses	Expenses	Expenses	Charges for Services	Charges for Services	

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

Cach and cash equivalents				М	ajor Funds	s						Total
SSINE Cash and each equivalents \$ 816,739 5	_								N	•		ernmental
Cash and eash equivalents	-	General	AF	RPA Fund	Libra	ry Project	Ha	ll Project		Funds		Funds
Restricted cash	4 t i t t	e 916.720	e						•		e	816,739
Teas receivable - net	1		3	- 78 197		25 743		3 250 000	Þ	- 44 197	Þ	3,491,186
Dome on the governments		,		-		-		-		-		205,673
Total assets 1,461,447 8 78,197 8 25,743 8 3,250,000 8 44,197 8 1,461,147 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	ts receivable - net			-		-		-		-		26,200
Accounts payable and accured labilities	_			-		-		-		-		319,686
Recounts payable and accrued liabilities \$18,323 \$66,685 \$. \$. \$. \$7,025 \$7,025 \$7,025 \$1,025	l assets =	\$ 1,461,347	\$	78,197	\$	25,743	\$	3,250,000	\$	44,197	\$	4,859,484
DEFERRED NETLOWS OF RISOURCES	TIES .											
### DEFTRED PRIORS OF RESOURCES Unspent grant proceeds 9.512 . 3,250,000 . Property taxes receivable 205.673 Total deferred inflows of resources 205.673 9,512 . . 3,250,000 . ### DEFTRED PRIORS Restricted: ***Restricted:** Streets 105.584 Public Safety 5.760 Economic Development Economic Development Total fund balances 19.550 Total fund balances 19.550 Total fund balances 19.550 Total fund balances 5 1.461,347 5 78,197 5 25,743 5 3,250,000 5 44,197 Anounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (Page I1) are different because: Total Fund Balance, Covernmental Funds Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the funds. Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds Deferred outflows of resources related to PEB are not reported in the funds Capital assets as this former are not reported in the funds Coss capital assets as this force are not reported in the funds Deferred outflows of resources related to PEB are not reported in the funds Capital control funds and therefore are not reported in the funds Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds Caposa capital activities are not financial activities are not financial uses and therefore are not reported in the funds Caposa capital activities are not financial activities are not financial activities are not financial uses and therefore are not reported in the funds Caposa capital activities are not financial activities are not financial activities are not financial activities are not financial uses and therefore are not reported in the funds Caposa capital activities are not financial uses and therefore are not reported in the funds Caposa form flabilit	ts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 18,323	\$	68,685	\$		\$		\$	7,025	\$	94,033
Unspent grant proceeds	l liabilities	18,323		68,685						7,025		94,033
Property takes receivable 205.673 9.512 - 3.250,000 - 1	ED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES											
Property takes receivable 205.673 9.512 - 3.250,000 - 1	t grant proceeds	_		9.512		_		3.250.000		_		3,259,512
Total deferred inflows of resources 205,673 9,512		205,673		-		_		-		-		205,673
Stabilization by State Statute	_			9,512		-		3,250,000		-		3,465,185
Stabilization by State Statute	ALANCES											
Stabilization by State Statute												
Streets 105,584		345,886		-		-		-		-		345,886
Economic Development	•			-		-		-		-		105,584
Assigned - subsequent year's expenditures	afety	5,760		-		-		-		-		5,760
Unassigned 760,571 - 25,743 - 37,172 Total fund balances 1,237,351 - 25,743 - 37,172 Total fund balances 1,237,351 - 25,743 - 37,172 Total fund balances 1,237,351 - 25,743 - 37,172 Total fund balances 1,237,351 - 25,743 - 37,172 Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (Page 11) are different because: Total Fund Balance, Governmental Funds Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the funds. Gross capital assets at shorical cost 5 6,138,154 Accumulated depreciation 3,908,786) Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB are not reported in the funds Earned revenues considered deferred inflows of resources in fund statements Long-term flabilities used in governmental activities are not financial uses and therefore are not reported in the funds Cross long-term debt, beginning \$ (154,637) Long-term debt included as net position below (includes the addition of long-term debt and principal payments during the year) 28,717 Net pension liability (598,073) Total pension liability (204,833) OPEB liability (2				-		25,743		-		37,172		62,915
Total fund balances 1,237,351 - 25,743 - 37,172 Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances				-		-		-		-		19,550
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reported in the funds		not										(82,813)
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB are not reported in the funds												(585,848)
Net position of governmental activities \$	osition of governmental activities										\$	1,772,905

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Ma	ijor Funds			Total
	•		SCIF	REDR Town	Nonmajor	Governmental
	General	ARPA Fund	Library Project	Hall Project	Funds	Funds
Revenues:						
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 935,706	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 935,706
Other taxes and licenses	285	-	-	-	-	285
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	1,046,670	-	-	-	-	1,046,670
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	264,170	9,512	500,000	-	15,088	788,770
Permits and fees	5,025	-	-	-	-	5,025
Sales and services	324,792	-	-	-	-	324,792
Investment earnings	5,903	-	-	-	28	5,931
Miscellaneous	92,357				6,851	99,208
Total revenues	2,674,908	9,512	500,000	-	21,967	3,206,387
Expenditures:						
General government	590,629	9,512	-	-	-	600,141
Public safety	1,138,161	-	-	-	-	1,138,161
Transportation	367,753	-	-	-	-	367,753
Environmental protection	272,746	-	-	-	-	272,746
Economic and community development	88,232	-	474,257	-	55,933	618,422
Non-departmental	181,930	-	-	-	-	181,930
Debt service:						
Principal	24,621	-	-	-	-	24,621
Interest	3,355	-	-	-	-	3,355
Total expenditures	2,667,427	9,512	474,257		55,933	3,207,129
Revenues over (under) expenditures	7,481		25,743		(33,966)	(742)
Net change in fund balances	7,481	-	25,743	-	(33,966)	(742)
Fund balance - beginning of year	1,229,870				71,138	1,301,008
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 1,237,351	\$ -	\$ 25,743	\$ -	\$ 37,172	\$ 1,300,266

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds			\$ (742)
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. This is			
the amount by which capital outlays exceeded			
depreciation in the current period	Φ.	576 607	
Capital outlay expenditures which were capitalized	\$	576,687	
Depreciation expense for governmental assets		(214,314)	362,373
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal			
year are not included in the Statement of Activities			118,275
OPEB benefit payments paid and administrative costs made	;		
in the current fiscal year are not included in the			
Statement of Activities			38,698
			2 0,02 0
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide	<u>.</u>		
current financial resources are not reported as revenues			
in the funds.			
Change in deferred revenue for tax revenues			(23,729)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial			
resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of			
the principal of long-term debt consumes the current			
financial resources of governmental funds. Neither			
transaction has an effect on net position. Also,			
governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs,			
premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first			
issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and			
amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is			
the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-			
term debt and related items. Principal payments on long-term debt		24.621	24,621
Principal payments on long-term deot		24,621	24,021
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do			
not require the use of current financial resources and,			
therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmenta	l funds		
Compensated absences		4,096	
Pension expense		(196,635)	(155 416)
OPEB plan expense		37,123	 (155,416)
Total change in net position of governmental activities			\$ 364,080

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	(Original	Final				riance ositive
		Budget	 Budget		Actual	(Ne	gative)
Revenues:			 				
Ad valorem taxes	\$	914,420	\$ 935,706	\$	935,706	\$	-
Other taxes and licenses		195	285		285		-
Unrestricted intergovernmental		958,535	1,046,670		1,046,670		-
Restricted intergovernmental		115,117	264,170		264,170		-
Permits and fees		3,000	5,025		5,025		-
Sales and services		295,300	324,792		324,792		-
Investment earnings		-	5,903		5,903		-
Miscellaneous		98,500	92,357		92,357		-
Total revenues		2,385,067	2,674,908		2,674,908		
Expenditures:							
General government		548,644	591,425		590,629		796
Public safety		1,013,248	1,145,840		1,138,161		7,679
Transportation		327,787	370,042		367,753		2,289
Environmental protection		247,374	274,062		272,746		1,316
Economic and community		217,571	27 1,002		272,710		1,510
development		47,314	88,233		88,232		1
Non-departmental		172,700	184,855		181,930		2,925
Debt service		,,,,,,					_,,,
Principal		23,200	24,621		24,621		_
Interest		4,800	3,355		3,355		_
Total expenditures		2,385,067	2,682,433		2,667,427		15,006
D 1 P/			(7.525)		7.401		15.006
Revenues under expenditures			 (7,525)	-	7,481		15,006
Other financing sources (uses):							
Transfers to another fund		=	-		-		-
Total other financing							
sources (uses)			 				
Fund balance appropriated		-	7,525		-		(7,525)
Net change in fund balance	\$		\$ 		7,481	\$	7,481
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending				\$	1,229,870 1,237,351		

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual ARPA Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Variance			
	Project	Prior Current		Total to	Positive	
	Authorization	Years	Year	Date	(Negative)	
Revenues:						
Grant revenues	\$ 827,657	\$ 818,145	\$ 9,512	\$ 827,657	\$ -	
Total revenues	827,657	818,145	9,512	827,657		
Expenditures:						
Grant expenditures	827,657	818,145	9,512	827,657	-	
Total expenditures	827,657	818,145	9,512	827,657		
Revenues over (under)						
expenditures						
Appropriated fund balance						
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending						
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Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund June 30, 2024

	Enterprise Fund Water and
<u>ASSETS</u>	Sewer Fund
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 177,489
Restricted cash	97,711
Accounts receivable - net	223,356
Inventories	61,441
Total current assets	559,997
Non-current assets:	
Capital assets:	
Land	7,091
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	9,453,478
Total capital assets	9,460,569
Total assets	10,020,566
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension deferrals	153,049
OPEB deferrals	72,522
Total deferred outflows of resources	225,571
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	4,943
Deferred revenue	5,374
Current portion of long-term liabilities	95,923
Customer deposits	97,711
Total current liabilities	203,951
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Net pension liability	229,283
Total OPEB liability	406,545
Compensated absences	28,527
Noncurrent portion of long-term debt	2,117,412
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,781,767
Total liabilities	2,985,718
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pension deferrals	14,165
OPEB deferrals	239,290
Total deferred inflows of resources	253,455
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	7,247,234
Unrestricted	(240,270)
Total net position	\$ 7,006,964

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Enterprise Fund Water and Sewer Fund			
Operating revenues	Sewer Fund			
Charges for services	\$ 1,653,569			
Total operating revenues	1,653,569			
Operating expenses				
Administration	467,555			
Water treatment	160,190			
Water maintenance	160,236			
Sewer treatment	415,337			
Sewer maintenance	68,940			
Sewer contract operations and maintenance	48,302			
Non-departmental	55,276			
Depreciation	307,778			
Total operating expenses	1,683,615			
Operating income (loss)	(30,046)			
Non-operating revenues (expenses)				
Interest expense	(63,899)			
Interest income	5,898			
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	(58,001)			
Income (loss) before contributions and transfers	(88,047)			
Capital contributions	695,740			
Total Contributions and Transfers	695,740			
Change in net position	607,693			
Total net position, beginning	6,399,271			
Total net position, ending	\$ 7,006,964			

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Ente	rprise Fund		
	Water and			
	So	Sewer Fund		
Cash flows from operating activities				
Cash received from customers	\$	1,620,661		
Cash paid for goods and services		(861,629)		
Cash paid to employees		(660,308)		
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		98,724		
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities				
Acquisition and construction of assets		(622,632)		
Capital contributions and grants		695,740		
Payment of debt-related interest - all		(157,318)		
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activites		(84,210)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash		14,514		
Cash and cash equivalents - Beginning of year		260,686		
Cash and cash equivalents - End of year	\$	275,200		
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by opera	ating activiti	es:		
Operating income (loss)	\$	(30,046)		
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to				
net cash provided (used) by operating activities -				
Depreciation		307,778		
Change in assets and liabilities:				
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(32,908)		
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows of resources - pensions		12,253		
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows of resources - OPEB		24,514		
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(114,816)		
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenues		(30,683)		
Increase (decrease) in meter deposits		737		
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences		7,024		
Increase (decrease) in net pension liability		584		
Increase (decrease) in OPEB liability		(154,332)		
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows of resources - pensions		9,770		
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows of resources - OPEB		98,849		
Total adjustments		128,770		
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	98,724		

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina, and its discretely presented component unit conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies.

A - Reporting Entity

The Town of Fairmont is a municipal corporation that is governed by an elected mayor and a six-member council. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town and its component unit, a legally separate entity for which the Town is financially accountable. The discretely presented component unit presented below is reported in a separate column in the Town's financial statements in order to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Town.

Town of Fairmont ABC Board

The Town appoints the members of the ABC Board's governing board. In addition, the ABC Board is required by State statute to distribute its surpluses to the General Fund of the Town. The ABC Board, which has a June 30 year-end, is presented as if it were a Proprietary Fund. Complete financial statements for the ABC Board may be obtained from the entity's administrative offices at Town of Fairmont ABC Board, c/o Town of Fairmont, Post Office Box 248, Fairmont, North Carolina 28340.

B - Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Statements: The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities display information about the primary government and its component unit. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the Town. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the Town and for each function of the Town's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the Statement of Activities. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods and services offered by the programs, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the Town's funds. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental and proprietary – are presented. The Town has no fiduciary funds to report. The emphasis of the fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as non-major funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from the exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Non-operating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities.

The Town reports the following major Governmental fund:

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B - Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting (continued)

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund. The primary revenue sources are Ad Valorem taxes, State grants, and various other taxes and licenses. Primary expenditures are for public safety, street maintenance and construction, and sanitation services.

ARPA Fund - This fund is a capital project fund used to account for the American Rescue Plan Act grant monies received and spent during the year.

SCIF Library Project Fund - This fund is a capital project fund used to account for the SCIF grant monies received and spent during the year.

REDR Town Hall Project - This fund is a capital project fund used to account for the REDR grant monies received and spent during the year.

The Town reports the following non-major Governmental funds:

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds account for specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The Town maintains four Special Revenue Funds - the Rural Business Enterprise Grant Fund, the Cemetery Fund, the Library Project Grant Fund. and the AFG Fire Grant Fund.

The Town reports the following major enterprise fund:

Water and Sewer Fund - This fund is used to account for the Town's water and sewer operations. The Town has two capital project funds within its proprietary fund types used to account for financial resources restricted for the improvement of the water and sewer treatment plants.

C - Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

In accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, all funds of the Town are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Government-wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time the liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the Town gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources. The Town considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end, except for property taxes. Ad Valorem taxes receivable are not accrued as a revenue because the amount is not susceptible to accrual. At June 30, taxes receivable for property other than motor vehicles are materially past due

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

C - Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued)

and are not considered to be an available resource to finance the operations of the current year. Also, as of September 1, 2013. State law altered the procedures for the assessment and collection of property taxes on registered motor vehicles in North Carolina. Effective with this change in the law, the State of North Carolina is responsible for billing and collecting the property taxes on registered motor vehicles on behalf of all municipalities and special tax districts Property taxes are due when vehicles are registered. The billed taxes are applicable to the fiscal year in which they are received. Uncollected taxes that were billed in periods prior to September 1, 2014 and for limited registration plates are shown as a receivable in these financial statements and are offset by deferred inflows of resources.

Sales taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, such as the utilities franchise tax, collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the Town are recognized as revenue. Sales taxes are considered a shared revenue for the Town of Fairmont because the tax is levied by Robeson County and then remitted to and distributed by the State. Most intergovernmental revenue and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. Grant revenue that is unearned at year-end is recorded as deferred inflows of resources.

D - Budgetary Data

The Town's budgets are adopted as required by the North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget is adopted for the General and the Enterprise Funds. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end. Project ordinances are adopted for the Special Revenue Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the departmental level for all annually budgeted funds and at the object level for the multi-year funds. The Town Manager is authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund up to \$2,500; however, the governing board must approve any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund or exceed \$2,500. During the year, several amendments to the original budget were necessary, the effects of which were not material.

A budget calendar is included in the North Carolina General Statutes that prescribes the last day on which certain steps of that budget procedure are to be performed. The following schedule lists the tasks to be performed and the date by which each is required to be completed.

April 30 - Each department head will transmit to the budget officer the budget requests and the revenue estimates for their department for the budget year.

June 1 - The budget and the budget message shall be submitted to the governing board. The public hearing on the budget shall be scheduled at this time.

June 30 - The governing board shall adopt the budget ordinance.

E - Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Fund Equity

Deposits and Investments

All deposits of the Town and of the ABC Board are made in board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by State law [G.S. 159-31]. The Town and the ABC Board may designate, as an official depository, any bank or savings association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the Town and the ABC Board may establish time deposit accounts such as NOW and SuperNOW accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E - Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Fund Equity (continued)

Deposits and Investments (continued)

State law [G.S. 159-30(c)] authorizes the Town and the ABC Board to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States; obligations of the State of North Carolina; bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority; obligations of certain nonguaranteed federal agencies; certain high quality issues of commercial paper and banker's acceptances and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT). The Town's and the ABC Board's investments are reported at fair value. The NCCMT Government Portfolio, a SEC-registered (2 a-7) external investment pool, is measured at fair value. The NCCMT-Term Portfolio is bond fund, has no rating, and is measured at fair value. As of June 30, 2024, the Term portfolio has a duration of .15 years. Because the NCCMT Government and Term Portfolios have a weighted average maturity of less than 90 days, they are presented as an investment with a maturity of less than 6 months.

In accordance with State law, the Town of Fairmont has invested in securities that are callable and which provide for periodic interest rate increases in specific increments until maturity. These investments are reported at fair value as determined by quoted market prices.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Town pools money from several funds to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are essentially demand deposits and are considered cash and cash equivalents. The ABC Board considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash and cash equivalents.

Restricted Assets

Money in the Rural Business Enterprise Grant Fund and Cemetery Fund are classified as restricted assets because its use is restricted to those funds. Powell Bill funds are classified as restricted cash because it can be expended only for the purposes of maintaining, repairing, constructing, reconstructing or widening of local streets per G.S. 136-41.1 through 136-41.4. Restricted cash at June 30, 2024 was \$3,491,186 and \$97,711 for governmental activities and business-type activities, respectively.

Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable

In accordance with State law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the Town levies ad valorem taxes other than motor vehicles on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1 (lien date); however, interest does not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2023. As allowed by State law, the Town has established a schedule of discounts that apply to taxes that are paid prior to the due date. In the Town's General Fund, ad valorem tax revenue is reported net of such discounts.

Inventory

The inventories of the Town and the ABC Board are valued at cost (first-in, first-out), which approximates market. The Town's General Fund inventory consists of expendable supplies that are recorded as expenditures when purchased. The inventories of the Town's Enterprise Funds and those of the Town of Fairmont ABC Board consist of materials and supplies held for consumption. The cost of these inventories is recorded as an expense as the inventories are consumed.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than a certain threshold and an estimated life in excess of two years. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E - Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Fund Equity (continued)

Capital Assets (continued)

historical cost. Donated capital assets received prior to June 30, 2015 are recorded at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Donated capital assets received after June 30, 2015 are recorded at acquisition value. General infrastructure assets acquired prior to July 1, 2003, consist of the road network and water and sewer system assets that were acquired or that received substantial improvements subsequent to July 1, 1980, and are reported at estimated historical cost using deflated replacement cost. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the assets' lives are not capitalized.

Capital assets of the Town are depreciated on a class life basis at the following rates:

Buildings and infrastructure 50 years Improvements 10 years Equipment and vehicles 6 years

Capital assets of the ABC Board are depreciated over their useful lives on a straight-line basis as follows:

Buildings Useful Life
Eventual English 25 years
Eventual English 25 years
Turniture and equipment 10 years

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 and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The Town has two items that meet this criterion – pension and OPEB related deferrals. 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 and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The Town has several items that meet the criteria for this category – property taxes receivable, pension and OPEB related deferrals, and unspent grant proceeds.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the 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 fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method that approximates the effective interest method. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Compensated Absences

The vacation policies of the Town and the ABC Board provide for the accumulation of up to thirty days of earned vacation leave with such leave being fully vested when earned. For the Town's government-wide and proprietary funds and the ABC Board, an expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E - Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Fund Equity (continued)

Compensated Absences (continued)

S recorded as the leave is earned – when material. The Town has assumed a first-in, first-out method of using accumulated compensated time. Sick leave does not vest, but any unused sick leave accumulated at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. Since neither the Town nor the ABC Board has any obligation for the accumulated sick leave until it is actually taken, no accrual for sick leave has been made.

Net Position / Fund Balances

Net position in government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are classified as invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted; and unrestricted. Restricted net position represents constraints on resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through State statute.

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is composed of three classifications designed to disclose the hierarchy of constraints placed on how fund balance can be spent.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

Restricted fund balance – This classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law.

Restricted for Stabilization by State Statute – North Carolina G.S. 159-8 prohibits units of government from budgeting or spending a portion of their fund balance. This is one of several statutes enacted by the North Carolina State Legislature in the 1930's that were designed to improve and maintain the fiscal health of local government units. Restricted by State statute (RSS), is calculated at the end of each fiscal year for all annually budgeted funds. The calculation in G.S. 159-8(a) provides a formula for determining what portion of fund balance is available for appropriation. The amount of fund balance not available for appropriation is what is known as "restricted by State statute". Appropriated fund balance in any fund shall not exceed the sum of cash and investments minus the sum of liabilities, encumbrances, and deferred revenues arising from cash receipts, as those figures stand at the close of the fiscal year next preceding the budget. Per GASB guidance, RSS is considered a resource upon which a restriction is "imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation." RSS is reduced by inventories and prepaids as they are classified as nonspendable. Outstanding encumbrances are included within RSS. RSS is included as a component of restricted net position and restricted fund balance on the face of the balance sheet.

Restricted for Streets – Powell Bill portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue source for street construction and maintenance expenditures. This amount represents the balance of the total unexpended Powell Bill funds.

Restricted for Public Safety – portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue from asset forfeiture funds.

Restricted for Economic Development - portion of fund balance restricted for economic development [G.S. Chapter 159, Article 3, Part 2].

Unassigned fund balance – portion of fund balance that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes or other funds.

The Town of Fairmont has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Officer will use resources in the following hierarchy: bond proceeds, federal funds, State funds, local non-town funds, town funds. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in-order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and, lastly,

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E - Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Fund Equity (continued)

unassigned fund balance. The Finance Officer has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the Town.

Defined Benefit Cost-Sharing Plans

For purposes of measuring the net pension asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) and additions to/deductions from LGERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LGERS. For this purpose, plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The Town of Fairmont's employer contributions are recognized when due and the Town of Fairmont has a legal requirement to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of LGERS. Investments are reported at fair value.

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A - Significant violations of Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions

None

B - Deficit in Fund Balance or Net Position of Individual Funds

N.C. General Statute 159-13(b)(2) states that if the Town has any deficit in fund balance, the fund balance should be appropriated. The Town had deficit in fund balance in the R.O.A.R Youth Activities Fund of \$2,100 and NC Youth Violence Prevention fund of \$4,925. The Town plans to review the budget for next year to eliminate the deficit in find balance.

C - Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

None

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A - Assets

<u>Deposits</u>

All the deposits of the Town and the ABC Board are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits that exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the Town's or the ABC Board's agents in these units' names. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capa Town for the Town and the ABC Board, these deposits are considered to be held by the Town's and the ABC Board's agents in their names. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the Town or the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amounts of collateral pledged for the Town or the ABC Board under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for under collateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

A - Assets (continued)

Deposits (continued)

financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method. The Town and ABC Board have no policy regarding custodial risk for deposits. At June 30, 2024, the Town's deposits had a carrying amount of \$4,353,809, and a bank balance of \$4,642,369. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and the remainder was covered by collateral held under the pooling method. At June 30, 2024, the Town's petty cash fund totaled \$850.

At June 30, 2024, the carrying amount of deposits for the ABC Board was \$7,186, and the bank balance was \$10,512. Federal Deposit Insurance covered all of the bank balance.

Investments

At June 30, 2024, the Town of Fairmont had \$228,466 invested with the North Carolina Capital Management Trust's Governmental Portfolio which carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's. The Town has no policy regarding credit risk.

Receivables – Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

The amounts presented in the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Net Position for the year ended June 30, 2024 are net of the following allowances for doubtful accounts: General Fund – Taxes receivable: \$54,453.

Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the Primary Government for the year ended June 30, 2024, was as follows:

Governmental activities: Capital assets	Beginning Balances	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balances		
Land (non-depreciable)	\$ 161,046	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 161,046		
Construction in progress	-	474,257	-	474,257		
Buildings and infrastructure	2,153,601	-	-	2,153,601		
Equipment	1,650,877	10,795	_	1,661,672		
Vehicles/motorized equipment	1,595,943	91,635	-	1,687,578		
Total capital assets	5,561,467	576,687		6,138,154		
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Buildings and infrastructure	1,745,102	12,902	-	1,758,004		
Equipment	818,869	100,038	-	918,907		
Vehicles/motorized equipment	1,130,501	101,374		1,231,875		
Total accumulated depreciation	3,694,472	\$ 214,314	\$ -	3,908,786		
Governmental activities						
capital assets, net	\$ 1,866,995			\$ 2,229,368		

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

General Government	\$	36,788
Public Safety	Ψ	122,724
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Transportation		31,796
Environmental Protection		23,006
Total depreciation expense	\$	214,314

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

A - Assets (continued)

Capital Assets (continued)

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Water and Sewer Fund	Beginning				Ending			
Capital assets	Balances		In	creases	Decreases		Balances	
Land (non-depreciable)	\$	7,091	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,091
Public works building		12,755		-		-	- 12	
Water and sewer system	15,	732,651	-		-		15,732,651	
Equipment		844,203		6,300	-			850,503
Construction in progress (non-depreciable)		613,132		616,332	-		1,229,464	
Total capital assets	17,	209,832		622,632				17,832,464
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Public works building		12,758		-		-		12,758
Water and sewer system	7,	333,032		289,306		-		7,622,338
Equipment		718,327		18,472				736,799
Total accumulated depreciation	8,	064,117	\$	307,778	\$	_		8,371,895
Business-type activities								
capital assets, net	\$ 9,	145,715					\$	9,460,569

Activity for the ABC Board for the year ending June 30, 2024, was as follows:

ABC Board	Beginning				Ending			
Capital assets	Balances		Increases		Decreases		Balances	
Land (non-depreciable)	\$	26,500	\$	-	\$	-	\$	26,500
Buildings		101,945		-		-		101,945
Building improvements		170,199		15,113		-		185,312
Parking lot improvements		10,875		-		-		10,875
Equipment		107,210		_				107,210
Total capital assets		416,729		15,113				431,842
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Buildings		101,945		-		-		101,945
Building improvements		1,290		18,412		-		19,702
Parking lot improvements		5,906		1,570		-		7,476
Equipment		92,169		3,931				96,100
Total accumulated depreciation		201,310	\$	23,913	\$			225,223
ABC Board							-	
capital assets, net	\$	215,419					\$	206,619

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations

Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description. The Town of Fairmont is a participating employer in the statewide Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of North Carolina. LGERS membership is comprised of general employees and local law enforcement officers (LEOs) of participating local governmental entities. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the State Senate, one appointed by the State House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System is included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the State of North Carolina. The State's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, by calling (919) 981-5454, or at www.osc.nc.gov.

Benefits Provided. LGERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.85% of the member's average final compensation times the member's years of creditable service. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. Plan members are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 65 with five years of creditable service, at age 60 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. Plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service (age 55 for firefighters). Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age (15 years of creditable service for firefighters and rescue squad members who are killed in the line of duty) or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions. The plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon actuarial gains of the plan.

LGERS plan members who are LEOs are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 55 with five years of creditable service as an officer, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. LEO plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 15 years of creditable service as an officer. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of LEO members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who also have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age, or have completed 15 years of service as a LEO and have reached age 50, or have completed five years of creditable service as a LEO and have reached age 55, or have completed 15 years of creditable service as a LEO if killed in the line of duty. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions.

Contributions. Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Town of Fairmont employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by the LGERS Board of Trustees. The Town of Fairmont's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2024, was 9.70% of compensation for law enforcement officers and 8.95% for general employees, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Contributions to the pension plan from the Town of Fairmont were \$166,584 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (continued)

Refunds of Contributions – Town employees, who have terminated service as a contributing member of LGERS, may file an application for a refund of their contributions. By state law, refunds to members with at least five years of service include 4% interest. State law requires a 60-day waiting period after service termination before the refund may be paid. The acceptance of a refund payment cancels the individual's right to employer contributions or any other benefit provided by LGERS.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the Town reported a liability of \$827,356 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2022. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2023 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The Town's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Town's long-term share of future payroll covered by the pension plan, relative to the projected future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023, the Town's proportion was 0.01249%, which was an decrease of 0.00214% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Town recognized pension expense of \$244,540. At June 30, 2024, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	D	eterrea	De	eterrea
	Οι	ıtflows of	In	flows of
	Re	esources	Re	sources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	92,192	\$	1,985
Changes of assumptions		35,158		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on				
pension plan investments		221,437		-
Changes in proportion and differences between Town				
contributions and proportionate share of contributions		36,667		44,301
Town contributions subsequent to the measurement date		166,584		-
Total	\$	552,038	\$	46,286

\$166,584 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Town contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$ 135,094
2026	60,439
2027	134,271
2028	9,364
2029	-
Thereafter	 -
	\$ 339,168

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 3.0 percent

Salary increases 3.50 to 8.10 percent, including inflation

and productivity factor

Investment rate of return 6.50 percent, net of pension plan investment

expense, including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections 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. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Fixed Income	33.0%	2.4%
Global Equity	38.0%	6.9%
Real Estate	8.0%	6.0%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.6%
Credit	7.0%	5.3%
Inflation Protection	6.0%	4.3%
Total	100.0%	

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2022 asset liability and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.00%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the 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 Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.50 percent, as well as what the Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset or net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.50 percent) or one percentage point higher (7.50 percent) than the current rate:

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease (5.50%)	Rate (6.50%)	Increase (7.50%)
Town's proportionate share of the net	(3.30 /0)	(0.30 /0)	(7.30 / 0)
pension liability (asset)	\$1,433,362	\$ 827,356	\$ 328,435

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the State of North Carolina.

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance

1. Plan Description.

The Town of Fairmont administers a public employee retirement system (the *Separation Allowance*), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the Town's qualified sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 62 who have completed at least 30 years of creditable service or have attained 55 years of age and have completed five or more years of creditable service. The Separation Allowance is equal to 0.85 percent of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly.

All full-time Town law enforcement officers are covered by the Separation Allowance. At December 31, 2022, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of:

Retirees receiving benefits	-
Terminated plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-
Active plan members	8
Total	8

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting. The Town has chosen to fund the Separation Allowance on a pay as you go basis. Pension expenditures are made from the General Fund, which is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

The Separation Allowance has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria which are outlined in GASB Statement 73.

3. Actuarial Assumptions

The entry age actuarial cost method was used in the December 31, 2022 valuation. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.50 percent

Salary increases 3.25 to 7.75 percent, including inflation

and productivity factor

Discount rate 4.00 percent

The discount rate is based on the yield of the S&P Municipal Bond 20 Year High Grade Rate Index as of December 31, 2022.

Mortality rates are based on the RP-2000 Mortality tables with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA.

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B – Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance (continued)

3. Contributions.

The Town is required by Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the amounts necessary to cover the benefits earned on a pay as you go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operating budget. There were no contributions made by employees. The Town's obligation to contribute to this plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. Administration costs of the Separation Allowance are financed through investment earnings.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2024, the Town reported a total pension liability of \$204,853. The total pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2023 based on a December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2023 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Town recognized pension expense of \$23,012.

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	 sources	sources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 29,960	\$ 15,240
Changes of assumptions	23,936	35,452
Town benefit payments and plan administrative		
expense made subsequent to the measurement date	 	
Total	\$ 53,896	\$ 50,692

Amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$ 3,920
2026	2,124
2027	2,045
2028	(846)
2029	(4,642)
Thereafter	603
	\$ 3,204

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

Sensitivity of the Town's total pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the Town's total pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 4.00 percent, as well as what the Town's total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (3.00 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (5.00 percent) than the current rate:

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(3.00%)	(4.00%)	(5.00%)
Total pension liability	\$ 227,660	\$ 204,853	\$ 184,453

Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

	2024		
Beginning balance	\$	180,960	
Service cost		10,997	
Interest on the total pension liability		7,799	
Changes of benefit terms		=	
Differences between expected and actual experience in the			
measurement of the total pension liability		(977)	
Changes of assumptions of other inputs		6,074	
Benefit payments		-	
Other changes		-	
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$	204,853	

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Total Expense, Liabilities, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense for all pension plans:

	LGERS	LEOSSA	Total
Pension Expense	\$ 244,540	\$ 23,012	\$ 267,552
Pension Liability	827,356	204,853	1,032,209
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	0.01249	n/a	
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	92,192	29,960	122,152
Changes of assumptions	35,158	23,936	59,094
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on			
plan investments	221,437	-	221,437
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions			
and proportionate share of contributions	36,667	-	36,667
Benefit payments and administrative costs paid subsequent			
to the measurement date	166,584	-	166,584
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	1,985	15,240	17,225
Changes of assumptions	=	35,452	35,452
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on			
plan investments	=	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions			
and proportionate share of contributions	44,301	-	44,301

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers

Plan Description. The Town contributes to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan (Plan), a defined contribution pension plan administered by the Department of State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. The Plan provides retirement benefits to law enforcement officers employed by the Town. Article 5 of G.S. Chapter 135 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers is included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the State of North Carolina. The State's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report includes the pension trust fund financial statements for the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) plan that includes the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

Funding Policy. Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the Town to contribute each month an amount equal to five percent of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. The law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2024, were \$26,215, which consisted of \$17,120 from the Town and \$9,095 from the law enforcement officers.

Other Postemployment Benefits

According to a Town resolution, the Town provides postemployment health care benefits to retirees of the Town, provided they participate in the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) and have at least five years of creditable service with the Town. In addition, the Town pays the full cost of these benefits with a minimum of twenty years of creditable service with the Town. Retirees who do not meet the aforementioned criteria have the option to purchase coverage themselves and their dependents through the Town for eighteen months. The entire cost of this insurance is borne by the retirees. The Town maintains health care coverage through private insurers.

Membership of the Plan consisted of the following at June 30, 2023, the date of the latest actuarial valuation:

		Law
	General	Enforcement
	Employees	Officers
Retirees and dependents receiving benefits	8	
Terminated plan members entitled to, but not		
yet receiving benefits	-	-
Active plan members	24	8
Total	32	8

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

Total OPEB Liability

The Town's total OPEB liability of \$1,401,879 was measured as of June 30, 2023 and was determined by an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2023.

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs. The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement unless otherwise specified:

Inflation 2.50 percent

Salary increases 3.25 to 8.41 percent, including inflation

Discount rate 3.65 percent

Healthcare cost trend rates Pre-Medicare 7.00 percent

Medicare 5.125 percent Dental 3.50 percent

The discount rate is based on the yield of the S&P Municipal Bond 20 Year High Grade Rate Index as of the measurement date.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Total (OPEB Liability
Balance at 6/30/22	\$	1,934,058
Service cost		19,343
Interest on the total pension liability		68,194
Changes of benefit terms		=
Differences between expected and actual experience in the		
measurement of the total OPEB liability		(569,767)
Changes of assumptions of other inputs		4,555
Benefit payments		(54,504)
Other changes		-
Balance at 6/30/23	\$	1,401,879

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.54% to 3.65%.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Total Date Set for Healthy Annuitants Mortality Table.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

Sensitivity of the total OPEB Liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Town, as well as what the Town's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.65 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.65 percent) than the current discount rate:

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(2.65%)	(3.65%)	(4.65%)
Total OPEB liability	\$1,592,260	\$1,401,879	\$ 1,246,766

Sensitivity of the total OPEB Liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Town, as well as what the Town's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
Total OPEB liability	\$1,243,412	\$1,401,879	\$ 1,595,872

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ending June 30, 2024, the Town recognized OPEB income of \$52,286. At June 30, 2024, the Town reported deferred outflows or resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	D	eferred	D	eferred	
	Οι	itflows of	In	flows of	
	Re	esources	Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	539,121	
Changes of assumptions		250,076		286,017	
Benefit payments and plan administrative					
expense made subsequent to the measurement date				-	
Total	\$	250,076	\$	825,138	

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Pension Plan and Postemployment Obligations (continued)

Other Postemployment Benefits (continued)

Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$ (122,470)
2026	(121,225)
2027	(129,379)
2028	(164,026)
2028	(37,962)
Thereafter	-
	\$ (575,062)

Other Employment Benefits

The Town has elected to provide death benefits to employees through the Death Benefit Plan for members of the Local Government Employees' Retirement System (Death Benefit Plan), a multi-employer, State-administered, cost sharing plan funded on a one-year term cost basis. The beneficiaries of those employees who die in active service after one year of contributing membership in the System, or who die within 180 days after retirement or termination of service and have at least one year of contributing membership service in the System at the time of death are eligible for death benefits, Lump sum death benefit payments to beneficiaries are equal to the employee's 12 highest months' salary in a row during the 24 months prior to the employees death, but the benefit may not exceed \$50,000 or be less than \$25,000. All death benefit payments are made from the Death Benefit Plan. The Town has no liability beyond the payment of the contributions. The contributions to the Death Benefit Plan cannot be separated between the post-employment benefit amount and the other benefit amount. The Town considers these contributions to be immaterial.

Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources at year-end are comprised of pension related deferrals of \$605,934 and OPEB deferrals of \$250,076.

Deferred inflows of resources at year-end are comprised of pension deferrals of \$96,978, OPEB deferrals of \$825,138, property taxes receivable of \$205,673 and unspent grant proceeds of \$3,259,512.

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town participates in three self-funded risk-financing pools administered by the North Carolina League of Municipalities. Through these pools, the Town obtains general liability and auto liability coverage of \$1 million per occurrence, property coverage up to the total insured values of the property policy, workers' compensation coverage up to statutory limits, and employee health coverage. The liability and property exposures are reinsured through commercial carriers for claims in excess of retentions as selected by the Board of Trustees each year. Stop loss insurance is purchased by the Board of Trustees to protect against large medical claims that exceed certain dollar cost levels. Specific information on the limits of the reinsurance, excess and stop loss policies purchased by the Board of Trustees can be obtained by contacting the Risk Management Services Department of the NC League of Municipalities. The pools are audited annually by certified public accountants, and the audited financial statements are available to the Town upon request.

In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the finance officer and tax collector are individually bonded for \$425,000 and \$10,000, respectively. The remaining employees that have access to cash are covered under a blanket insurance policy. The Town carries commercial coverage for all other risks of loss. Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The Town does not carry flood insurance for the simple fact none of its buildings are located in a designated flood area. The Fairmont ABC Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The ABC Board has property, general liability, auto liability, workers' compensation, and employee health coverage. The ABC Board also has liquor legal liability coverage. Claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Long-Term Obligations

Installment Purchase

During the 2022 fiscal year, the Town entered into a direct placement loan of \$176,973 with Santander Bank for the purchase of a streetsweeper. The equipment is pledged as collateral for the debt while the debt is outstanding. Payments are made annually in the amount of \$27,976, including interest at the rate of 3.22% for the next four years.

Years ending June 30:		_	Pı	rincipal	Interest			
2025	\$	27,976		\$	25,414	\$	2,562	
2026		27,976			26,656		1,320	
2027		27,976			27,491		485	
Total	\$	83,928		\$	79,561	\$	4,367	

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Long-Term Obligations (continued)

General Obligation Indebtedness

General obligation bonds issued to finance the construction of facilities utilized in the operations of the water and sewer system and are being retired by its resources are reported as long-term debt in the Water and Sewer Fund. The general obligation bonds are collateralized by the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the Town. The Revenue Bond is secured by and payable from a pledge of sewer system revenues, only. Principal and interest requirements are appropriated when due.

Bonds payable at June 30, 2024, are comprised of the following issues:

General Obligation Bonds – Serviced by the Water and Sewer Fund

On August 25, 2021 the Town refinanced the prior USDA bonds through First Bank for a total of \$2,160,000. Payments on this new bond are quarterly totaling \$35,535 including interest at 2.9%. The balance of the bond at June 30, 2024 was \$1,902,336.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the general obligation bond follows immediately below:

Go Refunding Bond, Series 2021

Years ending June 30:	 Total	1	Principal	Interest			
2025	\$ 142,140	\$	87,923	\$	54,217		
2026	142,140		90,501		51,639		
2027	142,140		93,154		48,986		
2028	142,140		95,885		46,255		
2029	142,140		98,696		43,444		
2030-2034	710,700		538,616		172,084		
2035-2039	710,700		622,335		88,365		
2040-2041	 284,280		275,225		9,055		
Total	\$ 2,416,380	\$	1,902,335	\$	514,045		

\$385,000 - 2014 General Obligation Bond due in various annual installments through 2053; interest at 2.25%. The balance of the revenue bonds at June 30, 2024 was \$311,000.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the general obligation bond follows immediately below:

Years ending June 30:	Total			Principal			Interest			
2025	\$	14,998		\$	8,000	\$	6,998			
2026		14,818			8,000		6,818			
2027		14,638			8,000		6,638			
2028		14,458			8,000		6,458			
2029		14,278			8,000		6,278			
2030-2034		73,463			45,000		28,463			
2035-2039		74,175			51,000		23,175			
2040-2044		74,190			57,000		17,190			
2045-2049		73,508			63,000		10,508			
2050-2052		43,813			41,000		2,813			
2053		14,315			14,000		315			
Total	\$	426,654	9	S	311,000	\$	115,654			

NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B - Liabilities (continued)

Long-Term Obligations (continued)

Changes in Long Term Debt

At June 30, 2024, the Town of Fairmont had a legal debt margin (computed as 8% of assessed property valuations after senior exemptions less any outstanding structured debt) of \$9,442,038.

Summary of activity - Governmental activities	Beginning Balances		In	Increases		ecreases	 Ending Balance	Current Portion
Direct Placement								
Installment purchases	\$	104,182	\$	-	\$	24,621	\$ 79,561	\$ 25,414
Compensated absences		50,455		1,569		5,665	46,359	-
Total OPEB liability		1,373,181		-		377,847	995,334	-
Net pension liability (LGERS)		596,642		1,431		-	598,073	-
Total pension liability (LEO)		180,960		23,893		-	204,853	-
Total	\$	2,305,420	\$	26,893	\$	408,133	\$ 1,924,180	\$ 25,414
Business-type activities								
Compensated absences	\$	17,071	\$	14,054	\$	2,598	\$ 28,527	\$ -
Total OPEB liability		560,877		-		154,332	406,545	-
Net pension liability (LGERS)		228,699		584		-	229,283	-
Go refunding bond 2021		1,987,754		_		85,419	1,902,335	87,923
General obligation bonds 2014		319,000		-		8,000	311,000	8,000
Total	\$	3,113,401	\$	14,638	\$	250,349	\$ 2,877,690	\$ 95,923

NOTE 4 - RELATED ORGANIZATION

The mayor of the Town of Fairmont appoints the three-member board of the Town of Fairmont Housing Authority. The Town is accountable for the Housing Authority because it appoints the governing board; however, the Town is not financially accountable for the Housing Authority. The Town of Fairmont is also disclosed as a related organization in the notes to the financial statements for the Town of Fairmont Housing Authority.

NOTE 5 - SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

Federal and State Assisted Programs

The Town has received proceeds from several federal and State grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

NOTE 6 - FUND BALANCE

The following schedule provides management and citizens with information on the portion of General Fund fund balance that is available for appropriation:

Total fund balance-General Fund	\$ 1,237,351
Less:	
Stabilization by State Statute	345,886
Streets-Powell Bill	105,584
Public Safety	5,760
Assigned - subsequent year's expenditures	19,550
Remaining Fund Balance	760,571

NOTE 7 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events were evaluated through November 27, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Required Supplementary Financial Data

This section contains additional information required by generally accepted accounting principles.

- Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability for Local Government Employees' Retirement System
- Schedule of Contributions to Local Government Employees' Retirement System
- Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability
- Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
- Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Town of Fairmont's Share of Net Pension Liability (Asset) Required Supplementary Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

Local Government Employees' Retirement System

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fairmont's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.01249%	0.01463%	0.01243%	0.01038%	0.01329%	0.01071%	0.01126%	0.01162%	0.01333%	0.00015%
Fairmont's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	\$ 827,356	\$ 825,341	\$ 190,626	\$ 370,922	\$362,940	\$254,078	\$ 172,022	\$246,615	\$ 59,824	\$ (87,165)
Fairmont's covered-employee payroll	\$1,156,150	\$1,068,909	\$ 943,512	\$ 892,975	\$928,617	\$895,262	\$848,630	\$768,386	\$ 708,639	\$835,741
Fairmont's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	71.56%	77.21%	20.20%	41.54%	39.08%	28.38%	20.27%	32.10%	8.44%	-10.43%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability.	91.63%	91.63%	91.63%	94.18%	91.47%	98.09%	99.07%	102.64%	94.35%	96.45%

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Town of Fairmont's Contributions Required Supplementary Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

Local Government Employees' Retirement System

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 166,584	\$ 141,651	\$ 123,566	\$ 92,009	\$ 80,732	\$ 73,636	\$ 69,601	\$ 62,845	\$ 53,341	\$ 51,078
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution Contribution deficiency (excess)	166,584 \$ -	141,651	123,566	92,009	\$0,732 \$ -	73,636	69,601 \$ -	62,845 \$ -	53,341 \$ -	51,078 \$ -
Fairmont's covered-employee payroll	\$1,259,269	\$1,156,150	\$ 1,068,909	\$943,512	\$ 892,975	\$ 928,617	\$ 895,262	\$ 848,630	\$ 768,387	\$ 708,639
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	13.23%	12.25%	9.75%	9.04%	7.92%	7.78%	6.94%	6.94%	7.21%	7.16%

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance June 30, 2024

	2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	
Beginning balance	\$	180,960	\$	207,932	\$	144,821	\$	103,542	\$	99,372	\$	54,985	\$	67,068
Service cost		10,997		17,283		20,774		9,111		11,500		9,080		4,880
Interest on the total pension liability		7,799		4,678		2,795		3,375		3,617		1,738		2,589
Change of benefit terms		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement														
of the total pension liability		(977)		(5,436)		47,142		(15,059)		(15,098)		37,718		(23,999)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		6,074		(43,497)		(7,600)		43,852		4,151		(4,149)		4,447
Benefit payments		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Other changes												-		-
Ending balance of the total pension liability	\$	204,853	\$	180,960	\$	207,932	\$	144,821	\$	103,542	\$	99,372	\$	54,985

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending December 31

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance June 30, 2024

	 2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	
Total pension liability	\$ 204,853	\$	180,960	\$	207,932	\$	144,821	\$	103,542	\$	99,372	\$	54,985	
Covered payroll	413,061		447,043		444,410		258,074		442,836		336,798		249,660	
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	49.59%		40.48%		56.12%		23.38%		29.50%		22.02%		22.02%	

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending December 31.

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios June 30, 2024

		2024	2023	 2022	 2021	 2020
Total OPEB Liability					 	
Service cost	\$	19,343	\$ 28,606	\$ 46,655	\$ 29,585	\$ 39,505
Interest		68,194	50,980	51,823	65,878	71,812
Change of benefit terms		-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience		(569,767)	(3,224)	(117,188)	(17,974)	(37,348)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		4,555	(435,712)	132,577	443,765	(5,031)
Benefit payments		(54,504)	(75,978)	(85,035)	(66,150)	(58,560)
Net change in total OPEB liability	-	(532,179)	(435,328)	28,832	455,104	10,378
Total OPEB liability - beginning		1,934,058	2,369,386	2,340,554	1,885,450	1,875,072
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$	1,401,879	\$ 1,934,058	\$ 2,369,386	\$ 2,340,554	\$ 1,885,450
Covered payroll	\$	1,015,162	\$ 775,581	\$ 775,581	\$ 738,842	\$ 738,842
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll		138.09%	249.37%	305.50%	316.79%	255.19%

Notes to the schedules:

Changes of assumptions: Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflects the effects of changes in the discount rate of each period. The Following are the discount rates used in each period:

Fiscal year	<u>Rate</u>
2024	3.65%
2023	3.54%
2022	2.16%
2021	2.21%
2020	3.50%



	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:	Duget	- Tittuu	(r (egative)
Ad valorem taxes:			
Taxes	\$	\$ 935,706	\$
Total	935,706	935,706	-
Other taxes and licenses:			
Privilege and gaming license	285	285	
Unrestricted intergovernmental:			
Local option sales taxes		879,095	
Utilities franchise tax		142,159	
Video franchise fee		9,088	
Beer and wine tax		10,640	
ABC profit distribution		5,688	
Total	1,046,670	1,046,670	-
Restricted intergovernmental:			
Powell Bill allocation		92,254	
Court fees		1,330	
Solid waste disposal tax		1,733	
Governor's Hwy Safety Program		-	
Grants		166,192	
State drug funds		2,661	
Total	264,170	264,170	
Permits and fees:			
Fire inspection fees		2,060	
Zoning permits		2,965	
Total	5,025	5,025	
Sales and services:			
Sanitation fees	324,792	324,792	
Investment earnings:	5,903	5,903	
Miscellaneous:			
Miscellaneous		25,588	
Sale of assets		36,294	
Net equipment and building rental		30,475	
Total	92,357	92,357	-
Total revenues	\$ 2,674,908	\$ 2,674,908	\$ -

General Fund

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Expenditures:			
General government:			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	\$ 16,581	\$
Other operating expenditures		3,923	
Total	20,504	20,504	-
Administration:			
Salaries and employee benefits		70,517	
Other operating expenditures		3,536	
Capital outlay		32,995	
Total	107,048	107,048	
Clerk:			
Salaries and employee benefits		74,990	
Other operating expenditures		5,472	
Total	80,472	80,462	10
Finance:			
Salaries and employee benefits		101,370	
Professional services		15,351	
Other operating expenditures		9,835	
Total	127,117	126,556	561
Taxes:			
Robeson County collection fee		33,129	
Total	33,129	33,129	
Legal:			
Contracted services	10,553	10,329	224
Planning:			
Other operating expenditures		31,459	
Total	\$ 31,459	\$ 31,459	\$ -

General Fund

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Public buildings:	Duuget	Actual	(riegative)
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	\$ 68,160	\$
Utilities and telephone		42,668	
Maintenance and repairs		46,603	
Other operating expenditures		23,711	
Total	181,143	181,142	1
Total general government	591,425	590,629	796
Public safety:			
Police and police dispatch:			
Salaries and employee benefits		783,902	
Robeson County communications		43,820	
Vehicle maintenance		5,415	
Maintenance and repairs		9,789	
Auto supplies		53,983	
Other operating expenditures		50,487	
Capital outlay		48,440	
Total	1,001,659	995,836	5,823
Fire:			
Salaries and employee benefits		32,684	
Vehicle maintenance		12,191	
Other operating expenditures		97,450	
Total	144,181	142,325	1,856
Total public safety	\$ 1,145,840	\$ 1,138,161	\$ 7,679

General Fund

			Variance Positive
	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
Transportation:			
Powell Bill:			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	\$ 32,549	\$
Maintenance and repairs		44,263	
Total	76,813	76,812	1
Streets:			
Salaries and employee benefits		121,477	
Street lights		73,490	
Vehicle maintenance		25,836	
Maintenance and repairs		23,290	
Auto supplies		7,787	
Other operating expenditures		18,566	
Capital outlay		20,495	
Total	293,229	290,941	2,288
Total transportation	370,042	367,753	2,289
Environmental protection:			
Sanitation:			
Contracted services		208,174	
Vehicle maintenance		13,745	
Maintenance and repairs		10,000	
Landfill		30,000	
Other operating expenditures		10,327	
Capital outlay		500	
Total environmental protection	\$ 274,062	\$ 272,746	\$ 1,316

General Fund

	Budget	A	Actual	Po	riance ositive egative)
Economic and community development:				(2,10	guerve
Community Service:					
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	\$	25,198	\$	
Activities			44,199		
Library			14,333		
Other operating expenditures			814		
Special projects			3,688		
Total economic and community					
development	88,233		88,232		1
Debt service:					
Principal			24,621		
Interest			3,355		
Total debt service	27,976		27,976		-
Non-departmental:					
Retiree insurance			54,828		
Other operating expenditures			61,619		
Insurance and bonds			65,483		
Total non-departmental	184,855		181,930		2,925
Total expenditures	2,682,433		2,667,427		15,006
Appropriated Fund Balance	7,525		-		(7,525)
Net change in fund balance	\$ -		7,481	\$	7,481
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending			1,229,870 1,237,351		

ARPA Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

					Var	iance					
	Project			Prior	Cı	urrent	-	Total to	Pos	sitive	
	Aut	horization	Years		Year		Date		(Negative)		
Revenues:											
Grant revenues	\$	827,657	\$	818,145	\$	9,512	\$	827,657	\$	_	
Total revenues		827,657		818,145		9,512	_	827,657			
Expenditures:											
Grant expenditures		827,657		818,145		9,512		827,657		-	
Total expenditures		827,657		818,145		9,512		827,657		-	
Revenues over (under) expenditures		-		_		_		_		_	
0. 											
Appropriated fund balance											
Net change in fund balance	\$	-	\$	-		-	\$		\$	-	
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending					\$	-					

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Balance Sheets June 30, 2024

	En	Business terprise ant Fund	Grant Sund	re Grant und	metary Fund	Violence	Youth Prevention	Youth	O.A.R Activities Fund	Gove	Nonmajor ernmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>											
Cash and investments	\$	25,149	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 19,048	\$		\$		\$	44,197
Total assets	\$	25,149	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 19,048	\$	<u>-</u>	\$		\$	44,197
Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>s</u>										
Liabilities	\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$ -	\$	4,925	\$	2,100	\$	7,025
Fund balances		25,149	 		19,048		(4,925)		(2,100)		37,172
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	25,149	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 19,048	\$	-	\$	-	\$	44,197

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Nonmajor Governmental Funds Combining Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Ent	Business erprise ant Fund	sc	IF Grant Fund	AFG	Fire Grant Fund	Co	emetary Fund	NC Youth Violence Prevention Fund		Violence Prevention		R.O.A.R. Youth Activities Fund		Gov	Nonmajor ernmental Funds
Revenues:																
Interest income	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	28	\$	-	\$	-	\$	28		
Grant income		-		-		-		-		15,088		-		15,088		
Other		_		-		6,851		-		-		-		6,851		
Total revenues		-		-		6,851		28		15,088		-		21,967		
Expenditures:																
Community service		-		-		-		-		18,925		2,100		21,025		
Library		-		34,908		-		-		-		-		34,908		
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-		-		-		-		
Total expenditures				34,908		-		-		18,925		2,100		55,933		
Revenues over (under) expenditures		-		(34,908)		6,851		28		(3,837)		(2,100)		(33,966)		
Fund balance, beginning		25,149		34,908		(6,851)		19,020		(1,088)		-		71,138		
Fund balance, ending	\$	25,149	\$	-	\$	-	\$	19,048	\$	(4,925)	\$	(2,100)	\$	37,172		

Special Revenue Fund – Rural Business Enterprise Grant Fund Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:	Duaget	1 Ictuai	(regative)
Other	\$	\$ -	\$
Total revenues	15,500		(15,500)
Expenditures:			
Loans to businesses		-	
Other			
Total expenditures	15,500		15,500
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	-	-
Appropriated fund balance			
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	-	\$ -
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending		25,149 \$ 25,149	

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Capital Project Fund – SCIF Fund Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual

From Inception and For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Variance		
	Project	Prior Current		Total to	Positive
	Authorization	Years	<u>Year</u>	Date	(Negative)
Revenues:					
Grant revenues	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -
Total revenues	500,000		500,000	500,000	-
Expenditures:					
Grant expenditures	648,000		474,257	474,257	173,743
Total expenditures	648,000		474,257	474,257	173,743
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(148,000)	_	25,743	25,743	173,743
Other financing sources: Transfers from other funds	148,000				148,000
Total other sources	148,000				148,000
Revenues and other sources	·	¢.	¢ 25.742	¢ 25.742	© 25.742
over (under) expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,743	\$ 25,743	\$ 25,743
Appropriated fund balance					
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ -	25,743	\$ 25,743	\$ 25,743
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending			\$ 25,743		

Special Revenue Fund – AFG Fire Grant Fund Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual From Inception and For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Actual				Variance			
]	Project		Prior	Cı	ırrent	Tot	al to	Po	sitive
	Aut	horization		Years		Year	D	ate	(Ne	gative)
Revenues:										
Grant revenues	\$	217,000	\$	203,639	\$	-	\$203	3,639	\$ (13,361)
Local funds		-		-		6,851		5,851		6,851
Total revenues		217,000		203,639		6,851	210	0,490		(6,510)
Expenditures:										
Grant expenditures		217,000		210,490		_	210	0,490		6,510
Total expenditures		217,000		210,490			210	0,490		6,510
Revenues over (under)										
expenditures				(6,851)		6,851		-		
Revenues and other sources										
over (under) expenditures	\$		\$	(6,851)	\$	6,851	\$		\$	-
Appropriated fund balance		-								
Net change in fund balance	\$	-	\$	_		6,851	\$		\$	
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending					\$	(6,851)				

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Special Revenue Fund – Cemetery Fund Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:			
Interest income	\$	\$ 28	\$
Total revenues	19,082	28	(19,054)
Expenditures:			
Other operating expenditures			
Total expenditures	19,082		19,082
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	28	28
Appropriated fund balance			
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	28	\$ 28
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending		19,020 \$ 19,048	

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Special Revenue Fund – NC Youth Violence Prevention Fund Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:			
Grant Income	\$	\$ 15,088	\$
Total revenues	19,082	15,088	(3,994)
Expenditures:			
Community Service		18,925	
Total expenditures	19,082	18,925	157
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	(3,837)	(3,837)
Appropriated fund balance			
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	(3,837)	\$ (3,837)
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending		(1,088) \$ (4,925)	

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Special Revenue Fund – R.O.A.R. Youth Activities Fund Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues: Interest income Total revenues	\$ 	\$ -	\$ -
Expenditures: Other operating expenditures Total expenditures		2,100 2,100	(2,100)
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	(2,100)	(2,100)
Appropriated fund balance	<u>-</u>		
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	(2,100)	\$ (2,100)
Fund balance, beginning Fund balance, ending		\$ (2,100)	

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Water and Sewer Fund Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual (Non – GAAP) For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues:	Budget	7 ictuai	(regarive)
Operating revenue:			
Water sales	\$	\$ 521,778	\$
Sewer sales		1,073,153	
Late fees		23,127	
Other operating revenue		35,511	
Total operating revenues	1,653,568	1,653,569	1
Nonoperating revenues:			
Investment earnings		5,898	
Total nonoperating revenues	5,898	5,898	-
Total revenues	1,659,466	1,659,467	1
Expenditures:			
Water and sewer administration:			
Salaries and employee benefits		383,258	
Telephone		10,869	
Utilities		15,681	
Maintenance and repairs - equipment		1,867	
Maintenance and repairs - vehicles		3,608	
Equipment rental		6,012	
Auto supplies		19,008	
Departmental supplies		21,455	
Other operating expenditures		6,173	
Total water and sewer administration	\$ 468,987	\$ 467,931	\$ 1,056

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Water and Sewer Fund Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual (Non – GAAP) (continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Expenditures (continued):			
Water treatment:			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	\$ 70,790	\$
Training		5,481	
Telephone		8,163	
Utilities		33,326	
Maintenance and repairs - equipment		34,058	
Other operating expenditures		8,650	
Total water treatment	162,037	160,468	1,569
Water maintenance:			
Salaries and employee benefits		59,591	
Maintenance and repairs - equipment		12,368	
Maintenance and repairs - vehicles		13,568	
Auto supplies		34,726	
Departmental supplies		39,244	
Other operating expenditures		897	
Total water maintenance	165,990	160,394	5,596
Sewage treatment:			
Salaries and employee benefits		115,429	
Professional services		42,878	
Training		893	
Telephone		19,014	
Utilities		134,560	
Maintenance and repairs - equipment		48,427	
Departmental supplies		53,602	
Other operating expenditures		867	
Total sewage treatment	417,764	415,670	2,094
Nondepartmental:			
Insurance and bonds		35,848	
Professional services		19,486	
Total nondepartmental	\$ 55,335	\$ 55,334	\$ 1

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina

Water and Sewer Fund

Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual (Non – GAAP) (continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Expenditures (continued):			(Frigures)
Sewer maintenance:			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$	\$ 22,878	\$
Maintenance and repairs - equipment		590	
Maintenance and repairs - vehicles		18,019	
Auto supplies		18,833	
Departmental supplies		8,131	
Other operating expenditures		579	
Total sewer maintenance	78,207	69,030	9,177
Sewer contract operations and maintenance:			
Other operating expenses		48,348	
Total sewer contract opetrations and maintenance	52,375	48,348	4,027
Total operating expenditures	1,400,695	1,377,175	23,520
Capital outlay	6,300	6,300	
Debt Service:			
Principal repayment		93,419	
Interest		63,899	
Total debt service	157,319	157,318	1
Total debt set vice	137,319	137,316	
Total expenditures	1,564,314	1,540,793	23,521
Revenues over (under) expenditures	95,152	118,674	23,522
Appropriated fund balance	(95,152)		95,152
Revenues and other financing sources			
over (under) expenditures and			
other financing uses	\$ -	\$ 118,674	\$ 118,674
Reconciliation from budgetary basis (modified accrual)	to full accrual:		
Revenues over (under) expenditures		\$ 118,674	
Reconciling items:			
Principal retirement		93,419	
Capital outlay		6,300	
Decrease in deferred outflows of resources - pensions		(12,253)	
Decrease in deferred outflows of resources - OPEB		(24,514)	
Increase in net pension liability		(584)	
Decrease in OPEB liability		154,332	
Increase in deferred inflows of resources - pensions		(9,770)	
Increase in deferred inflows of resources - OPEB		(98,849)	
Depreciation		(307,778)	
Increase in compensated absences		(7,024)	
Capital contributions		695,740	
Total reconciling items		489,019	
Change in net position		\$ 607,693	

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Water and Sewer Capital Projects Fund Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual (Non – GAAP) From Inception and for the Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Actual				
	Project	Prior	Current	Total to	Positive		
	Authorization	Years	<u>Year</u>	Date	(Negative)		
Revenues:							
AIA water mapping	\$ 157,500	\$ 60,863	\$ 96,637	\$ 157,500	\$ -		
CDBG	2,000,000	255,980	19,099	275,079	(1,724,921)		
Golden Leaf	435,000	159,000	-	159,000	(276,000)		
Strap Streamflow Rehab Project	250,000	26,500	216,725	243,225	(6,775)		
LISC RVCRI Grant	150,000	-	73,279	73,279	(76,721)		
NCDEQ	15,000,000	-	290,000	290,000	(14,710,000)		
Total revenues	17,992,500	502,343	695,740	1,198,083	(16,794,417)		
Expenditures:							
AIA water mapping	157,500	82,612	74,888	157,500	-		
CDBG	2,000,000	255,980	19,099	275,079	1,724,921		
Golden Leaf	435,000	88,000	-	88,000	347,000		
Strap Streamflow Rehab Project	250,000	105,500	144,500	250,000	-		
LISC RVCRI Grant	150,000	6,240	87,845	94,085	55,915		
NCDEQ	15,000,000	-	290,000	290,000	14,710,000		
Total expenditures	17,992,500	538,332	616,332	1,154,664	16,837,836		
Revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ -	\$ (35,989)	\$ 79,408	\$ 43,419	\$ 43,419		

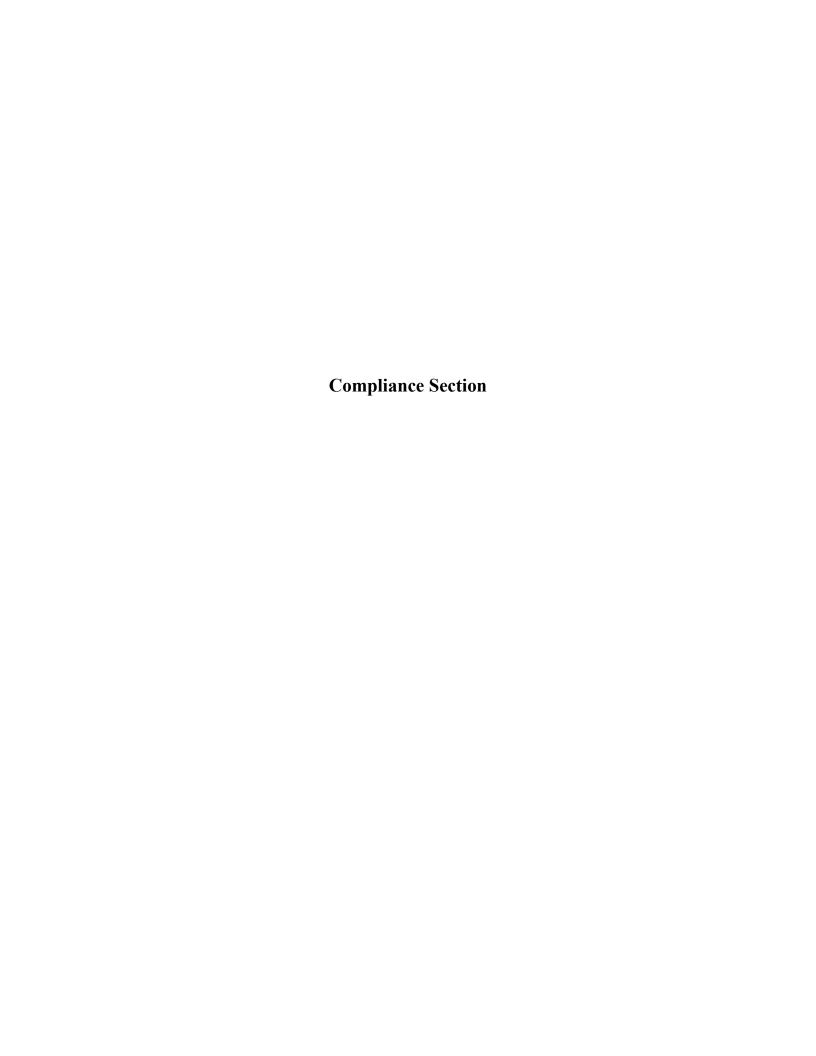


Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable June 30, 2024

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	В	collected alances e 30, 2023	Ac	lditions		llections and Credits	В	collected alances e 30, 2024
2023-2024	\$	_	\$	853,480	\$	780,203	\$	73,277
2022-2023	Ψ	79,360	Ψ	-	Ψ	41,964	Ψ	37,396
2021-2022		39,807		_		9,204		30,603
2020-2021		27,479		_		4,039		23,440
2019-2020		31,233		_		5,444		25,789
2018-2019		25,056		_		6,297		18,759
2017-2018		18,701		_		4,804		13,897
2016-2017		18,137		_		4,582		13,555
2015-2016		16,235		_		4,501		11,734
2014-2015		14,624		_		2,948		11,676
2013-2014		13,223		_		13,223		-
	\$	283,855	\$	853,480	\$	877,209		260,126
Less: allowance for uncolled	ctible a	ccounts - G	eneral I	Fund				54,453
Ad valorem taxes recei	vable -	net					\$	205,673
Reconciliation to revenues:								
Ad valorem taxes - General	l Fund						\$	935,706
Reconciling items:								
Other								(58,497)
Total collections and cred	its						\$	877,209

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Analysis of Current Year Tax Levy For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Town-Wide Levy					Total Levy			
	Property Valuation	Rate		Total Levy	E: Re	roperty scluding egistered Motor Yehicles		gistered Motor ehicles	
Original levy									
Property taxed at current year's rate	\$ 118,025,479	0.0073	\$	849,807	\$	740,150	\$	109,657	
Discoveries				4,607		4,607			
Releases				(934)		(934)			
Net levy				853,480		743,823		109,657	
Less - uncollected taxes	s at June 30, 2024			73,277		73,277			
Current year's tax	xes collected		\$	780,203	\$	670,546	\$	109,657	
Current levy colle	ction percentage			91.41%		90.15%		100.00%	



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Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
And On Compliance and Other Matters Based On An Audit Of Financial Statements
Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Town Commissioners Town of Fairmont, North Carolina

We have audited, 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, the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprises the Town of Fairmont's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 27, 2024. The financial statements of the Fairmont ABC Board were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of Fairmont'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 Town of Fairmont's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town'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 than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Fairmont's financial statements are free of 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..

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results 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 *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Lumberton, North Carolina

S. Prestra Douglas of Vosonita, LIP

November 27, 2024

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Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major State Program and Internal Control Over Compliance; In Accordance with OMB Uniform Guidance and the State Single Audit Implementation Act

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Board of Commissioners Fairmont, North Carolina

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

We have audited the Town of Fairmont, North Carolina, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement and the Audit Manual for Governmental Auditors in North Carolina, issued by the Local Government Commission, that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Fairmont's major State programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Town of Fairmont's major State programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Town of Fairmont complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major State programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Town of Fairmont and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major State program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Fairmont's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Town of Fairmont's State programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Town of Fairmont's compliance based on our audit.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Town of Fairmont's compliance with the requirements of each major State program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Town of Fairmont's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circum-stances.
- obtain an understanding of Town of Fairmont's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Town of Fairmont's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section and above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Lumberton, North Carolina November 27, 2024

S. Prestra Douglas of Vosonita, LLP

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section I. Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements			
Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified.		
Internal control over financial reporting:			
 Material weakness(es) identified? 	yes	X	no
 Significant deficiency(s) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses 	yes	X	none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements	yes	X	no
State Awards			
Internal control over major State programs			
 Material weakness(es) identified? 	Yes	X	_ No
Significant deficiency(s) identified that are not			None
considered to be material weaknesses	Yes	X	
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major State programs:	Unmodified.		
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)	Yes	X	_ No
Identification of major State programs:			
Names of State Programs • SCIF			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and			
Type B programs	\$500,000		
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	Yes	X	_ No

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section II. Financial Statement Findings				
None				
	Section III. State Award Findings and Questioned Costs			
None				

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Finding: Status: 2023-001

The finding has been corrected.

Town of Fairmont, North Carolina Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Pederal Grants: Direct Programs: US Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 21.027 \$ 9,512 \$ - 7 Pass Through: US Department of Housing and Urban Development N.C. Department of Housing and Urban Development N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Community Development Block Grant 14.228 19,099 - 7 US Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division 21.027 19,099 - 7 Total federal assistance 47,710 - 7 State Grants: Cash Assistance VIVA VI	Grantor/Pass-through Grant/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Award Number/State Pass-through Grantor's Number	Federal (Direct Pass- through) Expenditures	Ex	State spenditures
US Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 21.027 \$ 9,512 \$ -						
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US Department of Housing and Urban Development N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Community Development Block Grant 14.228 19,099 -		21.027		\$ 9,512	\$	_
US Department of Housing and Urban Development N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Community Development Block Grant 14.228 19,099 -	Pass Through					
N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Communitiy Development Block Grant 14.228 19,099 -						
Communitiy Development Block Grant 14.228 19,099						
N.C. Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division 21.027 19,099 -	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	14.228		19,099		-
N.C. Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division 21.027 19,099 -	US Department of the Treasury					
Rural Economic Development Division 21.027 19,099 - Total federal assistance 47,710 - State Grants:						
State Grants:	•	21.027		19,099		
Cash Assistance: N.C. Department of Agricultarual and Human Services Streamflow Rehabiliation Assistance Program 22-080-4033 - 144,500 N.C. Department of Transportation Powell Bill DOT-4 - 104,788 N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Infrastructure VUR-W-ARP-0071 - 290,000 Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA) water study grant N.C. Office of State Budget & Management SCIF Grant 10881,10882 - 509,165 Total state assistance - 1,123,341	Total federal assistance			47,710		<u>-</u>
N.C. Department of Agricultarual and Human Services Streamflow Rehabiliation Assistance Program 22-080-4033 - 144,500 N.C. Department of Transportation Powell Bill DOT-4 - 104,788 N.C. Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Infrastructure Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA) water study grant N.C. Office of State Budget & Management SCIF Grant 10881,10882 - 1,123,341	State Grants:					
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Division of Water Infrastructure VUR-W-ARP-0071 - 290,000 Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA) water study grant 74,888 N.C. Office of State Budget & Management - 509,165 SCIF Grant 10881,10882 - 509,165 Total state assistance - 1,123,341	Powell Bill		DOT-4	-		104,788
N.C. Office of State Budget & Management 10881,10882 - 509,165 Total state assistance - 1,123,341	N.C. Department of Environmental Quality					
N.C. Office of State Budget & Management 10881,10882 - 509,165 Total state assistance - 1,123,341	Division of Water Infrastructure		VUR-W-ARP-0071	-		290,000
SCIF Grant 10881,10882 - 509,165 Total state assistance - 1,123,341	Asset Inventory and Assessment (AIA) water study grant					74,888
Total state assistance - 1,123,341	N.C. Office of State Budget & Management					
	SCIF Grant		10881,10882	-		509,165
Total assistance \$ 47,710 \$ 1,123,341	Total state assistance					1,123,341
	Total assistance			\$ 47,710	\$	1,123,341

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards:

Note 1: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of Federal and State awards (SEFSA) includes the federal and State grant activity of the Town of Fairmont under the programs of the federal government and the State of North Carolina for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this SEFSA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 US Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and the State Single Audit Implementation Act. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Town of Fairmont, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Town of Fairmont.

Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported in the SEFSA are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Note 3: Indirect Cost Rate

The Town of Fairmont has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.