#### PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT

# \$4,965,000\* MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission)

#### OFFERED FOR SALE NOT SOONER THAN

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 10:15 A.M. E.D.T. Through the Facilities of *PARITY*® and at the offices of Cumberland Securities Company, Inc.



This *Preliminary Official Statement* and the information contained herein are subject to completion or amendment. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the *Official Statement* is delivered in final form. Under no circumstances shall this *Preliminary Official Statement* constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such jurisdiction.

#### PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED APRIL 14, 2021

<u>NEW ISSUE</u> BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY Rating: S&P – "AA-" (See "MISCELLANEOUS-Rating" herein)

Due: May 1, as shown below.

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on existing law and assuming compliance with certain tax covenants of the County, as hereafter defined, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference in calculating the alternative minimum tax. For an explanation of certain tax consequences under federal law which may result from the ownership of the Bonds, see the discussion under the heading "LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Matters" herein. Under existing law, the Bonds and the income therefrom will be exempt from all state, county and municipal taxation in the State of Tennessee, except Tennessee franchise and excise taxes. (See "LEGAL MATTERS -Tax Matters" herein.)

# \$4,965,000\* MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission)

Dated: Date of delivery (Assume May 25, 2021).

The \$4,965,000\* General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds") issued by McMinn County, Tennessee (the "County") are issuable in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 and authorized integral multiples thereof. The Bonds will be issued in book-entry-only form and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository of the Bonds. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, as the nominee for DTC, principal, and interest with respect to the Bonds shall be payable to Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, which will, in turn, remit such principal and interest to the DTC participants for subsequent disbursements to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds will be made in book-entry-only form, in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof and will bear interest at the annual rates as shown below. Interest on the Bonds is payable semi-annually from the date thereof commencing on November 1, 2021 and thereafter on each May 1 and November 1 by check or draft mailed to the owners thereof as shown on the books and records of Regions Bank, Nashville, Tennessee, the registration and paying agent (the "Registration Agent"). In the event of discontinuation of the book-entry-only system, principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable at the designated corporate trust office of the Registration Agent.

The Bonds are payable from unlimited *ad valorem* taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the County. For the prompt payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, the full faith and credit of the County are irrevocably pledged. The Bonds shall be additionally payable from, but not secured by, the revenues consisting of payments by the Hiwassee Utility Commission (the "Commission") to the County under an intergovernmental revenue note of the Commission in favor of the County, which note is payable from the Commission's revenues derived from the operation of the Commission's water procurement, treatment, storage, and distribution system. See section entitled "SECURITIES OFFERED – Security".

The Bonds maturing May 1, 2030 and thereafter are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity on or after May 1, 2029.

Due		Interest			Due		Interest		
(May 1)	Amount*	Rate	<b>Yield</b>	CUSIP**	(May 1)	Amount*	Rate	<b>Yield</b>	CUSIP**
2022	\$240,000				2033	\$235,000			
2023	240,000				2034	235,000			
2024	240,000				2035	235,000			
2025	240,000				2036	235,000			
2026	240,000				2037	235,000			
2027	240,000				2038	235,000			
2028	235,000				2039	235,000			
2029	235,000				2040	235,000			
2030	235,000				2041	235,000			
2031	235,000				2042	235,000			
2032	235,000								

This cover page contains certain information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of this issue. Investors must read the entire *Preliminary Official Statement* to obtain information essential to make an informed investment decision.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approval of the legality thereof by Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Knoxville, Tennessee, Bond Counsel, whose opinion will be delivered with the Bonds. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the County by Vance Baker, esquire, County Attorney. It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery through the facilities of Depository Trust Company in New York, New York, on or about \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

#### **Cumberland Securities Company, Inc.**

Municipal Advisor

\*Preliminary, subject to change.

This *Preliminary Official Statement* speaks only as of its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change.

This *Preliminary Official Statement* may contain forecasts, projections, and estimates that are based on current expectations but are not intended as representations of fact or guarantees of results. If and when included in this *Preliminary Official Statement*, the words "expects," "forecasts," "projects," "intends," "anticipates," "estimates," and analogous expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements as defined in the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and any such statements inherently are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this *Preliminary Official Statement*. The Issuer disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in the Issuer's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions, or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

This *Preliminary Official Statement* and the Appendices hereto contain brief descriptions of, among other matters, the Issuer, the Bonds, the Resolution, the Disclosure Certificate, and the security and sources of payment for the Bonds. Such descriptions and information do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. The summaries of various constitutional provisions and statutes, the Resolution, the Disclosure Certificate, and other documents are intended as summaries only and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents and laws, and references herein to the Bonds are qualified in their entirety to the forms thereof included in the Bond Resolution.

The Bonds have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Resolution has not been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, in reliance on exemptions contained in such Acts. This *Preliminary Official Statement* does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation, or sale.

No dealer, broker, salesman, or other person has been authorized by the Issuer, the Municipal Advisor or the Underwriter to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this *Preliminary Official Statement*, and, if given or made, such other information or representations should not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Issuer, the Municipal Advisor or the Underwriter. Except where otherwise indicated, all information contained in this *Preliminary Official Statement* has been provided by the Issuer. The information set forth herein has been obtained by the Issuer from sources which are believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a representation of, the Municipal Advisor or the Underwriter. The information contained herein is subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this *Preliminary Official Statement* nor any sale made hereunder shall under any circumstances create an implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer, or the other matters described herein since the date hereof or the earlier dates set forth herein as of which certain information contained herein is given.

In connection with this offering, the Underwriter may over-allot or effect transactions which stabilize or maintain the market prices of the Bonds at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. Such stabilizing, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

\*\*Copyright, American Bankers Association (the "ABA"). CUSIP data herein are provided by CUSIP Global Services, which is managed on behalf of the ABA by S&P Global Market Intelligence, a division of S&P Global Inc. The CUSIP numbers listed above are being provided solely for the convenience of Bondholders only at the time of issuance of the Bonds and the Issuer makes no representation with respect to such numbers nor undertakes any responsibility for their accuracy now or at any time in the future. The CUSIP number for a specific maturity is subject to being changed after the issuance of the Bonds as a result of various subsequent actions including, but not limited to, a refunding in whole or in part of such maturity or as a result of the procurement of secondary market portfolio insurance or other similar enhancement by investors that is applicable to all or a portion of certain maturities of the Bonds.

#### MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

#### **OFFICIALS**

County MayorJohn GentryDirector of FinanceJason LuallenCounty ClerkMelinda KingCounty AttorneyVance Baker

#### **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Brent Carter Tad Simpson
Jerry Millsaps J.W. McPhail
Roger Masingale Tim King
Dale Holbrook Charles Slack
David Crews Scott Curtis

#### BOND REGISTRATION AND PAYING AGENT

Regions Bank Nashville, Tennessee

#### **BOND COUNSEL**

Bass, Berry & Sims PLC Knoxville, Tennessee

#### **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Cumberland Securities Company, Inc.

#### TABLE OF CONTENTS

SUMMARY STATEMENT	
SUMMARY NOTICE OF SALE	iii
DETAILED NOTICE OF SALE	iv
EXHIBIT A	Xii
EXHIBIT B	xiv
BID FORM	xvii
SECURITIES OFFERED	
Authority and Purpose	
Refunding Plan	
Description of the Bonds	
Security	2
Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations	2
Optional Redemption of the Bonds	2
Mandatory Redemption	3
Notice of Redemption	4
Payment of Bonds	4
BASIC DOCUMENTATION	
Registration Agent	5
Book-Entry-Only System	5
Discontinuance of Book-Entry-Only System	
Disposition of Bond Proceeds	8
Discharge and Satisfaction of Bonds	
Remedies of Bondholders	9
LEGAL MATTERS	
Litigation	10
Tax Matters	
Federal	10
State Tax	12
Changes in Federal and State Tax Law	12
Closing Certificates	12
Approval of Legal Proceedings	
MISCELLANEOUS	
Rating	14
Competitive Public Sale	14
Municipal Advisor; Related Parties; Other	14
Additional Debt	
Debt Limitations	
Debt Record	16
Continuing Disclosure	16
Five-Year History of Filing	
Content of Annual Report	
Reporting of Significant Events	17
Termination of Reporting Obligation	
Amendment; Waiver	
Default	
Bondholder Risk – COVID-19	
Additional Information	
CERTIFICATION OF THE COUNTY	22

APPENDIX B-1: MCMINN COUNTY SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION STATEMEN
---

Location	
General	B-1
Transportation	
Education	
Healthcare	B-2
Manufacturing and Commerce	B-3
Major Employers in the County	B-4
Employment Information	B-4
Economic Data	B-5
Recent Developments	B-6
Debt Structure	
Summary of Long-Term Indebtedness	B-7
Indebtedness and Debt Ratios	
Debt Service Requirements – Hiwassee Utility Commission	B-10
Financial Information	
Basis of Accounting and Presentation.	B-11
Fund Balances and Retained Earnings	
Five-Year Summary of Revenues, Expenditures and	
Changes in Fund Balance – General Fund	B-12
Investment and Cash Management Practices	
Real Property Assessment, Tax Levy and Collection Procedures	
State Taxation of Property	B-13
County Taxation of Property	
Assessment of Property	
Periodic Reappraisal and Equalization	
Valuation for Property Tax Purposes	
Certified Tax Rate	
Tax Freeze for the Elderly Homeowners	
Tax Collection and Tax Lien	
Assessed Valuations	
Property Tax Rates and Collections	
Ten Largest Taxpayers	
Pension Plans	
1 CHSIOH 1 IdHS	D-13
PPENDIX B-2: HIWASSEE UTILITY COMMISSION SUPPLEMENTAL	
INFORMATION STATEMENT The Commission	
Introduction	R-1
History	
Location	
Economic Dependency	
Board of Commissioners	
Rates	
Operating Revenues	
System of Operations	B-3
ebt Structure	D 4
Summary of Bonded Indebtedness	
Bonded Debt Service Requirements	B-5
Five Year Summary of Revenues, Expenditures and	

	Retained Earnings  Debt Service Coverages	
APPENDIX C-1:	MCMINN COUNTY GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
APPENDIX C-2:	HIWASSEE UTILITY COMMISSION GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT**

The information set forth below is provided for convenient reference and does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this *Preliminary Official Statement*. This Summary Statement shall not be reproduced, distributed or otherwise used except in conjunction with the remainder of this *Preliminary Official Statement*.

The Issuer	.McMinn County, Tennessee (the "County" or "Issuer"). See APPENDIX B contained herein.
Securities Offered	.\$4,965,000* General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds") of the County, dated the date of issuance (assume May 25, 2021). The Bonds mature each May 1 beginning May 1, 2022 through May 1, 2042, inclusive. See the section entitled "SECURITIES OFFERED" herein for additional information.
Security	The Bonds are payable from unlimited <i>ad valorem</i> taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the County. For the prompt payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, the full faith and credit of the County are irrevocably pledged. The Bonds shall be additionally payable from, but not secured by, the revenues consisting of payments by the Hiwassee Utility Commission (the "Commission") to the County under an intergovernmental revenue note of the Commission in favor of the County, which note is payable from the Commission's revenues derived from the operation of the Commission's water procurement, treatment, storage and distribution system.
Purpose	.The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of (i) refinancing, in whole or in part, certain Outstanding Bonds of the County, as described herein; and (ii) payment of the costs related to the issuance and sale of the Bonds. See the section entitled "SECURITIES OFFERED - Authority and Purpose" contained herein.
Optional Redemption	The Bonds maturing May 1, 2030 and thereafter are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity on or after May 1, 2029.
Tax Matters	In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on existing law and assuming compliance with certain tax covenants of the County, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. For an explanation of certain tax consequences under federal law which may result from the ownership of the Bonds, see the discussion under the heading "LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Matters" herein. Under existing law, the Bonds and the income therefrom will be exempt from all state, county and municipal taxation in the State of Tennessee, except Tennessee franchise and excise taxes. (See "LEGAL MATTERS -Tax Matters" herein.)
Bank Qualification	The Bonds will be treated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. See the section entitled "LEGAL MATTERS - Tax Matters" for additional information.
Rating	.S&P: "AA-". See the section entitled "MISCELLANEOUS - Rating" for more information.
Municipal Advisor	.Cumberland Securities Company, Inc., See the section entitled "MISCELLANEOUS-Municipal Advisor; Related parties; Other" herein.
Underwriter	·
Bond Counsel	.Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Book-Entry-Only	The Bonds will be	e issued under the Book-Entry-Only System except as otherwise
	described herein.	For additional information, see the section entitled "BASIC
	DOCUMENTATIO	ON - Book-Entry-Only System"

Registration Agent......Regions Bank, Nashville, Tennessee.

Disclosure .....

...In accordance with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended, the County will provide the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") through the operation of the Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA") and the State Information Depository ("SID"), if any, annual financial statements and other pertinent credit or event information, including Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports, see the section entitled "MISCELLANEOUS-Continuing Disclosure."

#### GENERAL FUND BALANCES Summary of Changes In Fund Balances For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 7,674,056	\$ 7,705,733	\$ 7,365,388	\$ 6,912,713	\$ 7,579,990
Revenues	10,191,123	10,546,580	11,541,261	12,803,383	12,857,533
Expenditures	11,355,447	12,026,44	13,241,434	13,410,566	14,195,976
Other Financing Sources:					
Lease / Sale of Assets	-	-	36,856	-	-
Insurance Recovery	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers In	1,196,001	1,139,519	1,210,642	1,274,460	1,889,188
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$ 7,705,733</u>	<u>\$ 7,365,388</u>	<u>\$ 6,912,713</u>	<u>\$ 7,579,990</u>	<u>\$ 8,130,735</u>

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports of the County.

#### SUMMARY NOTICE OF SALE

#### \$4,965,000\*

# MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Mayor of McMinn County, Tennessee (the "County") will receive electronic or written bids until 10:15 a.m. E.D.T. on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 for the purchase of all, but not less than all, of the County's \$4,965,000\* General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds"). Electronic bids must be submitted through *PARITY*® as described in the "Detailed Notice of Sale". In case of written bids, bids will be received by the County's Municipal Advisor, Cumberland Securities Company, Inc., via facsimile at 865-988-1863. Prior to accepting bids, the County reserves the right to adjust the principal amount and maturity amounts of the Bonds being offered as set forth in the Detailed Notice of Sale, to postpone the sale to a later date, or to cancel the sale based upon market conditions via Bloomberg News Service and/or the *PARITY*® System not later than 9:30 a.m., Eastern Daytime Time, on the day of the bid opening. Such notice will specify the revised principal amounts, if any, and any later date selected for the sale, which may be postponed or cancelled in the same manner. If the sale is postponed, a later public sale may be held at the hour and place and on such date as communicated upon at least forty-eight hours' notice via Bloomberg News Service and/or the *PARITY*® System.

Electronic bids must be submitted through *PARITY*® via the BiDComp Competitive Bidding Service as described in the Detailed Notice of Sale, and no other provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. For the purposes of the bidding process, both written and electronic, the time maintained by *PARITY*® shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in *PARITY*® conflict with the terms of the Detailed Notice of Sale and this Summary Notice of Sale, the Detailed Notice of Sale and this Summary Notice of Sale shall prevail.

The Bonds will be issued in book-entry-only form (except as otherwise described in the Detailed Notice of Sale) and dated the date of issuance (assume May 25, 2021). The Bonds will mature on May 1 in the years 2022 through 2042, inclusive, with term bonds optional, with interest payable on May 1 and November 1 of each year, commencing November 1, 2021. Bidders must bid not less than ninety-nine and one-half percent (99.50%) of par or more than one hundred and twenty-five percent (125%) of par for the Bonds. The approving opinion for the Bonds will be furnished at the expense of the County by Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Bond Counsel, Knoxville, Tennessee. **No rate or rates bid for the Bonds shall exceed three percent (3.00%) per annum.** Unless all bids are rejected, the Bonds will be awarded by the County Mayor of the County on the sale date to the bidder whose bid results in the lowest true interest rate on the Bonds.

In the event that the competitive sale requirements of applicable Treasury Regulations are not met, the County will require bidders to comply with the "hold-the-offering-price rule" or the "10% Test" for purposes of determining the issue price of the Bonds as described in the Detailed Notice of Sale. Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the competitive sale requirements of applicable Treasury Regulations are not satisfied.

Additional information, including the *Preliminary Official Statement* in near final form and the Detailed Notice of Sale, may be obtained through <a href="https://www.prospectushub.com">www.prospectushub.com</a> or from the County's Municipal Advisor, Cumberland Securities Company, Inc., (865) 988-2663. Further information regarding *PARITY®* may be obtained from i-Deal LLC, 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10018, Telephone: 212-849-5000.

/s/	John Gentry	
	County Mayor	

#### DETAILED NOTICE OF SALE

#### \$4,965,000\*

#### MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Mayor of McMinn County, Tennessee (the "County") will receive electronic or written bids until 10:15 a.m. E.D.T. on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 for the purchase of all, but not less than all, of the County's \$4,965,000\* General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds"). Electronic bids must be submitted through *PARITY*® as described in this "Detailed Notice of Sale." In case of written bids, bids will be received by the County's Municipal Advisor, Cumberland Securities Company, Inc., via facsimile at 865-988-1863. Prior to accepting bids, the County reserves the right to adjust the principal amount and maturity amounts of the Bonds being offered as set forth herein, to postpone the sale to a later date, or to cancel the sale based upon market conditions via Bloomberg News Service and/or the *PARITY*® System not later than 9:30 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, on the day of the bid opening. Such notice will specify the revised principal amounts, if any, and any later date selected for the sale, which may be postponed or cancelled in the same manner. If the sale is postponed, a later public sale may be held at the hour and place and on such date as communicated upon at least forty-eight hours' notice via Bloomberg News Service and/or the *PARITY*® System.

<u>Description of the Bonds</u>. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered book-entry-only form (except as otherwise described herein) without coupons, be dated the date of issuance (assume May 25, 2021), bear interest payable each May 1 and November 1, commencing November 1, 2021 be issued, or reissued upon transfer, in \$5,000 denominations or multiples thereof, as shall be requested by the purchaser or registered owner thereof, as applicable, and will mature and be payable as follows:

<u>Year</u>	Amount*	<u>Year</u>	Amount*
2022	\$240,000	2033	\$235,000
2023	240,000	2034	235,000
2024	240,000	2035	235,000
2025	240,000	2036	235,000
2026	240,000	2037	235,000
2027	240,000	2038	235,000
2028	235,000	2039	235,000
2029	235,000	2040	235,000
2030	235,000	2041	235,000
2031	235,000	2042	235,000
2032	235,000		

<u>Bank Qualification.</u> The Bonds are "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Registration and Depository Participation. The Bonds, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., DTC's partnership nominee. When the Bonds are issued, ownership interests will be available to purchasers only through a book-entry-only system maintained by DTC (the "Book-Entry-Only System"). One fully-registered bond certificate will be issued for each maturity, in the entire aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and will be deposited with DTC. The Book-Entry-Only System will evidence beneficial ownership interests of the Bonds in the principal amount of \$5,000 for the Bonds and any integral multiple of \$5,000, with transfers of beneficial ownership interest effected on the records of DTC participants and, if

necessary, in turn by DTC pursuant to rules and procedures established by DTC and its participants. The successful bidder, as a condition to delivery of the Bonds, shall be required to deposit the bond certificates with DTC, registered in the name of Cede & Co., nominee of DTC. The Bonds will be payable, at maturity or upon earlier redemption to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC, and transfer of principal and interest payments (as applicable) to beneficial owners of the Bonds by Participants of DTC, will be the responsibility of such participants and of the nominees of beneficial owners. The County will not be responsible or liable for such transfer of payments or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records maintained by DTC, its participants or persons acting through such participants. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the successful bidder for the Bonds certifies that it intends to hold the Bonds for its own account and has no present intent to re-offer the Bonds, the use the Book-Entry-Only System is not required.

In the event that the Book-Entry-Only System for the Bonds is discontinued and a successor securities depository is not appointed by the County, Bond Certificates in fully registered form will be delivered to, and registered in the names of, the DTC Participants or such other persons as such DTC participants may specify (which may be the indirect participants or beneficial owners), in authorized denominations of \$5,000 for the Bonds or integral multiples thereof. The ownership of Bonds so delivered shall be registered in registration books to be kept by the Registration Agent (named herein) and the County and the Registration Agent shall be entitled to treat the registered owners of the Bonds, as their names appear in such registration books as of the appropriate dates, as the owners thereof for all purposes described herein and in the Resolution authorizing the Bonds.

Security Pledged. The Bonds shall be payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the County. For the prompt payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, the full faith and credit of the Issuer are irrevocably pledged. The Bonds shall be additionally payable from, but not secured by, the revenues consisting of payments by the Hiwassee Utility Commission (the "Commission") to the County under an intergovernmental revenue note of the Commission in favor of the County, which note is payable from the Commission's revenues derived from the operation of the Commission's water procurement, treatment, storage and distribution system.

Municipal Bond Insurance. The County has provided information to prospective bond insurance companies in order to qualify the Bonds under their respective optional bidding programs. If the successful bidder or bidders for the Bonds desires to purchase a municipal bond insurance policy insuring payment of all or a portion of the debt service payable on the Bonds, the successful bidder or bidders does so at its own risk and expense and the obligation of the successful bidder to pay for such series Bonds shall not be conditioned on the issuance of a municipal bond insurance policy. The County will cooperate with the successful bidder(s) in obtaining such insurance, but the County will not enter into any additional agreements with a bond insurer. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the successful bidder(s) will be responsible for all costs, expenses and charges associated with the issuance of such insurance, including but not limited to the premium for the insurance policy, and excluding only the fees of the rating agency that will be paid by the County.

<u>Purpose</u>. The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of (i) refinancing, in whole or in part, certain outstanding bonds of the County; and (ii) payment of the costs related to the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

Optional Redemption. The Bonds maturing on May 1, 2030 and thereafter are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity at the option of the County on or after May 1, 2029, at any time at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest.

Term Bond Option; Mandatory Redemption. Bidders shall have the option to designate certain consecutive serial maturities of the Bonds as one or more term bonds ("Term Bonds") bearing a single interest rate. If a successful bidder for the Bonds designates certain consecutive serial maturities of such Bonds to be combined as one or more Term Bonds as allowed herein, then each Term Bond shall be subject to mandatory

sinking fund redemption by the County at a redemption price equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption at the rate stated in the Term Bonds to be redeemed. Each such mandatory sinking fund redemption shall be made on the date on which a consecutive maturity included as part of a Term Bond is payable in accordance with the bid of the successful bidder for the Bonds and in the amount of the maturing principal installment for the Bonds listed herein for such principal payment date.

Bidding Instructions. The County will receive electronic or written bids for the purchase of all, but not less than all, of the Bonds. Bidders for the Bonds are requested to name the interest rate or rates the Bonds are to bear in multiples of one-eighth of one percent and/or one-hundredth of one percent (.01%) or one (1) basis point, but no rate specified shall be in excess of three percent (3.00%) per annum for the Bonds. There will be no limitation on the number of rates of interest that may be specified in a single bid for the Bonds but a single rate shall apply to each single maturity of the Bonds. Bidders must bid not less than ninety-nine and one-half percent (99.50%) of par or no more than one hundred and twenty-five percent (125%) of par.

Electronic bids must be submitted through *PARITY*® via BiDCOMP Competitive Bidding System and no other provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. Subscription to the i-Deal LLC Dalcomp Division's BiDCOMP Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit an electronic bid. The County will not confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidder to subscribe. For the purposes of the bidding process, the time as maintained by *PARITY*® shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids whether in electronic or written form. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in *PARITY*® conflict with the terms of this Detailed Notice of Sale, this Notice shall prevail. An electronic bid made through the facilities of *PARITY*® shall be deemed an offer to purchase in response to this Detailed Notice of Sale and shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed, written bid delivered to the County. The County shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by or as a result of the use of the electronic bidding facilities provided and maintained by *PARITY*®. The use of *PARITY*® facilities are at the sole risk of the prospective bidders.

For further information regarding *PARITY*<sup>®</sup>, potential bidders may contact i-Deal LLC at 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, NY, 10018, Telephone: 212-849-5000.

In the event of a system malfunction in the electronic bidding process bidders may submit bids prior to the established date and time by FACSIMILE transmission sent to the County's Municipal Advisor, Cumberland Securities Company, Inc. at 865-988-1863. Any facsimile submission is made at the sole risk of the prospective bidder. The County and the Municipal Advisor shall not be responsible for confirming receipt of any facsimile bid or for any malfunction relating to the transmission and receipt of such bids.

Any written bids should be submitted by facsimile to the County's Municipal Advisor at 865-988-1863. Written bids must be submitted on the Bid Forms included with the *Preliminary Official Statement*.

The County reserves the right to reject all bids for the Bonds and to waive any informalities in the bids accepted.

Unless all bids for the Bonds are rejected, the Bonds will be awarded by the County Mayor to the bidder whose bid complies with this notice and results in the lowest true interest rate on the Bonds to be calculated as that rate that, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest on the Bonds (compounded semi-annually from the date of the Bonds), produces an amount equal to the purchase price of the Bonds. For purposes of calculating the true interest cost, the principal amount of Term Bonds scheduled for mandatory sinking fund redemption as part of the Term Bond shall be treated as a serial maturity in such year. In the event that two or more bidders offer to purchase the Bonds at the same lowest true interest rate, the County Mayor shall determine in his sole discretion which of the bidders shall be awarded the Bonds.

After receipt of the bids, the County reserves the right to make adjustments and/or revisions to the Bonds, as described below.

Adjustment and/or Revision. While it is the County's intention to sell and issue the approximate par amounts of the Bonds as offered herein, there is no guarantee that adjustment and/or revision may not be necessary in order to properly size the Bonds or if the refundings fail to save the County the funds necessary to complete the refundings. Accordingly, the County Mayor reserves the right, in his sole discretion, to adjust the original par amount of the Bonds by up to twenty-five percent (25%). The principal factor to be considered in making any adjustments is the amount of premium bid for particular maturities. Among other factors the County Mayor may (but shall be under no obligation to) consider in sizing the par amounts and individual maturities of the Bonds is the size of individual maturities or sinking fund installments and/or other preferences of the County. Additionally, the County Mayor reserves the right to change the dated date of the Bonds.

In the event of any such adjustment and/or revision with respect to the Bonds, no rebidding will be permitted, and the portion of such premium or discount (as may have been bid for the Bonds) shall be adjusted in the same proportion as the amount of such revision in par amount of the Bonds bears to the original par amount of such Bonds offered for sale.

The successful bidder for the Bonds will be tentatively notified by not later than 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Daytime Time), on the sale date of the exact revisions and/or adjustments required, if any.

Good Faith Deposit. No good faith check will be required to accompany any bid submitted. The successful bidder shall be required to deliver to the County's Municipal Advisor (by wire transfer) the amount of up to two percent (2%) of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds offered for sale which will secure the faithful performance of the terms of the bid. A wire transfer must be received by the County's Municipal Advisor no later than the close of business on the day following the competitive sale. The wire instructions will be sent to the winning bidder after all bids are received.

The good faith deposit shall be applied (without interest) to the purchase price of the Bonds. If the successful bidder should fail to accept or pay for the Bonds when tendered for delivery and payment, the good faith deposit will be retained by the County as liquidated damages.

In the event of the failure of the County to deliver the Bonds to the purchaser in accordance with the terms of this Notice within forty-five (45) days after the date of the sale, the good-faith deposit will be promptly returned to the purchaser unless the purchaser directs otherwise.

#### Establishment of Issue Price

<u>Undertakings of the Successful Bidder.</u> The successful bidder for the Bonds shall make a bona fide public offering of the Bonds and shall, within 30 minutes after being notified of the award of the Bonds, advise the County in writing (via facsimile transmission or electronic mail) of the initial public offering prices of the Bonds (the "Initial Reoffering Prices"). The successful bidder must, by facsimile transmission or delivery received by the County within 24 hours after award, furnish the following information to the County to complete the *Official Statement* in final form, as described below:

- A. Selling compensation (aggregate total anticipated compensation to the underwriters expressed in dollars, based on the expectation that all the Bonds are sold at the prices or yields at which the successful bidder advised the County that the Bonds were initially offered to the public).
- B. The identity of the other underwriters if the successful bidder is part of a group or syndicate.
- C. Any other material information that the County determines is necessary to complete the *Official Statement* in final form.

After the award of the Bonds, the County will prepare copies of the final *Official Statement* and will include therein such additional information concerning the reoffering of the Bonds as the successful bidder may reasonably request; provided, however, that the County will not include in the final *Official Statement* a "NRO" ("not reoffered") designation with respect to any maturity of the Bonds. The successful bidder will be responsible to the County in all aspects for the accuracy and completeness of information provided by such successful bidders with respect to such reoffering.

The County expects the successful bidder to deliver copies of such *Official Statement* in final form (the "Final Official Statement") to persons to whom such bidder initially sells the Bonds and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") via the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access System ("EMMA"). The successful bidder will be required to acknowledge receipt of the Final Official Statement, to certify that each has made delivery of the Final Official Statement to the MSRB, to acknowledge that the County expects the successful bidder to deliver copies of such Final Official Statement to persons to whom such bidder initially sells the Bonds and to certify that the Bonds will only be offered pursuant to the Final Official Statement and only in states where the offer is legal.

#### Establishment of Issue Price

- a. The successful bidder shall assist the County in establishing the issue price of the Bonds as more fully described herein. All actions to be taken by the County under this Detailed Notice of Bond Sale to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be taken on behalf of the County by the Municipal Advisor, and any notice or report to be provided to the County may be provided to the Municipal Advisor.
- b. The County intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Bonds) will apply to the initial sale of the Bonds (the "Competitive Sale Requirements") because:
  - 1. the County shall disseminate this Detailed Notice of Bond Sale to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
  - 2. all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
  - 3. the County expects to receive bids for the Bonds from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
  - 4. the County anticipates awarding the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Detailed Notice of Bond Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Detailed Notice of Bond Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

c. In the event that the Competitive Sale Requirements are not satisfied as to the Bonds, the County shall so advise the successful bidder. In such event, the County intends to treat the (i) the first price at which 10% of a maturity of the Bonds (the "10% Test") is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity and/or (ii) the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of any maturity of the Bonds as the issue price of that maturity (the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule"), in each case applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis (and if different interest rates apply within a maturity, to each separate CUSIP number within that maturity). The winning bidder shall advise the County promptly after the award of the Bonds if any maturities of the Bonds satisfy the 10% Test as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds. The Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule shall apply to all maturities that do not satisfy the 10% Test as of the sale date. Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the County determines to apply the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule to any maturity of the Bonds.

Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that some or all of the maturities of the Bonds will be subject to the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.

- d. By submitting a bid, in the event of application of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, the successful bidder for the Bonds shall deemed to have (i) confirmed that the underwriters have offered or will offer the Bonds to the public on or before the date of award at the offering price or prices (the "Initial Offering Price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in the bid submitted by the successful bidder and (ii) agree, on behalf of the underwriters participating in the purchase of the Bonds, that the underwriters will neither offer nor sell unsold Bonds of any maturity to which the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule shall apply to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:
  - 1. the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or
  - 2. the date on which the underwriters have sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the Initial Offering Price to the public.

In the event of application of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule to any maturity of the Bonds, any successful bidder will advise the County promptly after the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the sale date whether it has sold 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the Initial Offering Price to the public.

- e. By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that:
  - (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each third-party distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement, as applicable:
    - (A) (1) to report the prices at which it sells to the public any unsold Bonds of each maturity allocated to it to which the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule applies until the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the sale date and (2) comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the successful bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires,
    - (B) to promptly notify the successful bidder of the Bonds that, to its knowledge, are made to a purchaser who is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, and
    - (C) to acknowledge that, unless otherwise advised by the underwriter, dealer or broker-dealer, the successful bidder shall assume that each order submitted by the underwriter, dealer or broker-dealer is a sale to the public.
  - (ii) any agreement among underwriters or selling group agreement relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter or dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity to which the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule applies allocated to it until the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the sale date and (B) comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the successful bidder or the underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

- The County acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth above, the successful bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event that an underwriter is a party to a third-party distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable to the Bonds, and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds.
- g. Sales of any Bonds to any person that is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this Detailed Notice of Bond Sale. Further, for purposes of this Detailed Notice of Bond Sale:
  - 1. "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party;
  - 2. "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the County (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public);
  - 3. a purchaser of any of the Bonds is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (A) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other); and
  - 4. "sale date" means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the County to the successful bidder.

<u>Issue Price Certificate</u>. The winning bidder will be required to provide the County, at closing, with an issue price certificate consistent with the foregoing and meeting the requirements of bond counsel. The form of the issue price certificate is attached to this Detailed Notice of Sale as <u>Exhibit A</u> if the Competitive Sale Requirements are met, and the form of the issue price certificate is attached to this Detailed Notice of Sale as Exhibit B if the Competitive Sale Requirements are not met.

<u>Legal Opinion</u>. The approving opinion of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Knoxville, Tennessee, Bond Counsel along with other certificates including, but not limited to, a tax certificate and a continuing disclosure certificate dated as of the date of delivery of the Bonds will be furnished to the purchaser at the expense of the County. As set forth in the *Preliminary Official Statement*, Bond Counsel's opinion with respect to the Bonds will state that interest on the Bonds will be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes; is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal law alternative minimum tax. As set forth in the *Preliminary Official Statement*, the owners of the Bonds, however, may be subject to certain additional taxes or tax consequences arising with respect to ownership of the Bonds. Reference is hereby made to the *Preliminary Official Statement* and the form of the opinion contained in Appendix A.

Continuing Disclosure. At the time the Bonds are delivered, the County will execute a Continuing Disclosure Certificate in which it will covenant for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide certain financial information relating to the County by not later than twelve months after each of the County's fiscal years (the "Annual Report"), and to provide notice of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. The Annual Report (and audited financial statements, if filed separately) will be filed with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") through the operation of the Electronic Municipal Market Access system (the "EMMA") and any State Information Depository established in the State of Tennessee (the "SID"). If the County is unable to provide the Annual Report to the MSRB and the SID by the date required, notice of each failure will be sent to the MSRB and the SID on or before such date. The notices of material events will be filed by the County either with the MSRB and the SID. The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of events are summarized in the *Preliminary Official Statement*.

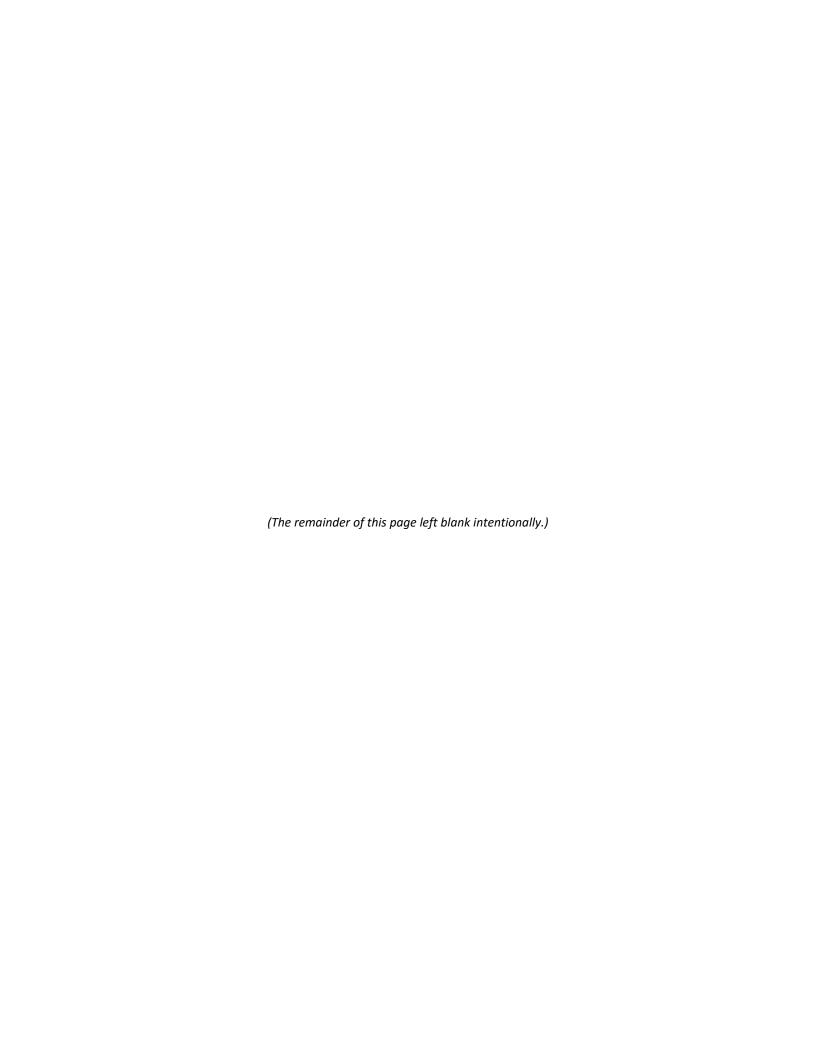
<u>Delivery of Bonds</u>. Delivery of the Bonds is expected within forty-five (45) days. At least five (5) days' notice will be given to the successful bidder of such delivery. Delivery will be made in Book-Entry-Only form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York. Payment for the Bonds must be made in *Federal Funds* or other immediately available funds.

<u>CUSIP Numbers</u>. CUSIP numbers will be assigned to the Bonds at the expense of the County. The County will assume no obligation for assignment of such numbers or the correctness of such numbers and neither failure to record such numbers on Bonds nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and make payment for the Bonds.

Official Statements; Other. The County has deemed the *Preliminary Official Statement* to be final as of its date within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") except for the omission of certain pricing and other information. The County will furnish the successful bidder at the expense of the County a reasonable number of copies of the *Official Statement* in final form, containing the pricing and other information to be supplied by the successful bidder and to be dated the date of the sale, to be delivered by the successful bidder to the persons to whom each such bidder and members of its bidding group initially sell the Bonds within seven (7) business days. Acceptance of a bid of the Bonds will constitute a contract between the County and the successful bidder for the provision of such copies within seven business days of the sale date.

<u>Further Information</u>. Additional information, including the *Preliminary Official Statement*, this Detailed Notice of Sale and the Official Bid Form, may be obtained from the County's Municipal Advisor, Cumberland Securities Company, Inc., Telephone: 865-988-2663. Further information regarding *PARITY*® may be obtained from i-Deal LLC, 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York, 10018, Telephone: 212-849-5000.

/s/ John Gentry, County Mayor



#### **EXHIBIT A**

# MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE [\$\_\_\_\_\_ GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021 (HIWASSEE UTILITY COMMISSION)]

### ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE (if Competitive Sales Requirement is met)

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER] ("[SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER]"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds") of McMinn County, Tennessee (the "Issuer").

#### 1. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.

- (a) As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the Public by [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] are the prices listed in Schedule A (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Bonds used by [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. Attached as Schedule B is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] to purchase the Bonds.
- (b) [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.
- (c) The bid submitted by [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.

#### 2. **Defined Terms**

- (a) *Maturity* means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.
- (b) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter.
- (c) Related party means an entity that shares with another entity (1) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (2) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (3) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interest of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interest by one entity of the other).
- (d) Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 21, 2021.
- (e) Underwriter means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract

directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER]'s interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Certificate with respect to the Bonds and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Bass, Berry & Sims PLC in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

Dated:	
	[NAME OF UNDERWRITER]
	By:
	Name:
	Title:

#### **EXHIBIT B**

# MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE [\$\_\_\_\_\_ GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021 (HIWASSEE UTILITY COMMISSION)]

## ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE (if Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule applies)

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER] ("[SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER]") [and the other members of the underwriting syndicate (together, the "Underwriting Group")], hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds") of McMinn County, Tennessee (the "Issuer").

1. **Sale of the General Rule Maturities.** As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in Schedule A.

#### 2. Initial Offering Price of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities.

- (a) [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule A (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds is attached to this certificate as Schedule B.
- (b) As set forth in the [Detailed Notice of Sale and bid award], [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] agreed in writing on or prior to the Sale Date that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, [it][they] would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any third-party distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the third-party distribution agreement, to comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Bonds during the Holding Period.

#### 3. **Defined Terms.**

- (a) General Rule Maturities means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."
- (b) *Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities* means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule B hereto as the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities."
- (c) Holding Period means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER] sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.
- (d) Maturity means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different

maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.

- (e) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter.
- (f) Related party means an entity that shares with another entity (1) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (2) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (3) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interest of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interest by one entity of the other).
- (g) Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 21, 2021.
- (h) *Underwriter* means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents [SHORT NAME OF UNDERWRITER]'s interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Certificate with respect to the Bonds and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Bass, Berry & Sims PLC connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

Dated:	
	[NAME OF UNDERWRITER]
	By:

#### BID FORM

Honorable John Gentry, County Mayor 6 East Madison Avenue Athens, TN 37303 April 21, 2021

Dear Mayor Gentry:

For your legally issued, properly executed \$4,965,000\* General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds") of McMinn County, Tennessee, in all respects as more fully outlined in your Detailed Notice of Sale, which by reference are made a part hereof, we will pay you a sum of (\$ ).

The Bonds shall be dated the date of issuance (assume May 25, 2021) and shall be callable in accordance with the Detailed Notice of Sale. The Bonds shall mature on May 1 and bear interest at the following rates:

May 1			May 1		
<b>Year</b>	Amount*	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	Amount*	<u>Rate</u>
2022	\$240,000	%	2033	\$235,000	%
2023	240,000	<u></u> %	2034	235,000	%
2024	240,000	%	2035	235,000	%
2025	240,000	%	2036	235,000	%
2026	240,000	<u></u> %	2037	235,000	%
2027	240,000	%	2038	235,000	%
2028	235,000	%	2039	235,000	%
2029	235,000	<u></u> %	2040	235,000	%
2030	235,000	%	2041	235,000	%
2031	235,000	<u></u> %	2042	235,000	%
2032	235,000	<u></u> %			

We have elected the option to designate two or more consecutive serial maturities as term bond maturities as indicated:

Term Bond 1: Maturities from May 1, 20_	through May 1, 20 @%.
Term Bond 2: Maturities from May 1, 20_	through May 1, 20 @%.
Term Bond 3: Maturities from May 1, 20_	through May 1, 20 @%.
Term Bond 4: Maturities from May 1, 20_	through May 1, 20 @%.
Term Bond 5: Maturities from May 1, 20_	through May 1, 20 @%.
Term Bond 6: Maturities from May 1, 20_	through May 1, 20 @%.

It is our understanding that the Bonds are offered for sale as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" subject to the final approving opinion of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Bond Counsel, Knoxville, Tennessee, whose opinion together with the executed Bonds, will be furnished by the County without cost to us.

If our bid is accepted, we agree to provide a good faith deposit for up to 2% of the Bonds on which we have bid by the close of business on the date following the competitive public sale as outlined in the *Detailed Notice of Sale*. Should for any reason we fail to comply with the terms of this bid, this good faith deposit shall be forfeited by us as full liquidated damages. Otherwise, this good faith deposit shall be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds on which we have bid.

This bid is a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds identified in the Notice of Sale, on the terms set forth in this bid form and the Notice of Sale, and is not subject to any conditions, except as permitted by the Notice of Sale. By submitting this bid, we confirm that we have an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds. [If the bidder cannot confirm an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds, the preceding sentence should be crossed out.]

Accepted for and on behalf of	Respectfully submitted,	
McMinn County, Tennessee, this		
21st day of April, 2021.		
	Total interest cost from	
John Gentry, County Mayor	May 25, 2021 to final maturity \$	
	Less: Premium /plus discount, if any \$	
	Net Interest Cost \$	
	True Interest Rate%	

The computations of net interest cost and true interest rate are for comparison purposes only and are not to be considered as part of this proposal.

## \$4,965,000\* MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

# General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission)

#### SECURITIES OFFERED

#### AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

This *Preliminary Official Statement* which includes the Summary Statement hereof and appendices hereto, is furnished in connection with the offering by McMinn County, Tennessee (the "County") of \$4,965,000\* General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 9-21-101 <u>et. seq.</u>, *Tennessee Code Annotated*, and other applicable provisions of law and pursuant to resolutions duly adopted by the County Commission of the County on March 15, 2021 (the "Resolutions").

The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of (i) refinancing, in whole or in part, certain Outstanding Bonds, as described in the "REFUNDING PLAN" below; and (ii) payment of the costs related to the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

#### **REFUNDING PLAN**

The County is proposing to refund the County's outstanding General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (Hiwassee Utility Commission), dated December 15, 2015, maturing June 1, 2022 through June 1, 2042 in the outstanding principal amount of \$4,845,000 (the "Outstanding Bonds").

The Outstanding Bonds were issued for the benefit of the Hiwassee Utility Commission (the "Commission"). The Commissions was jointly created by the County and Bradley County by an Interlocal Agreement, dated November 2, 1972 for the purpose of providing for the establishment, development, management and operation of the business of the Commission. The Commission operates a water procurement, treatment, storage and distribution system (the "System") that supplies water to the citizens of the County and Bradley County.

As required by Title 9, Chapter 21, Part 9 of Tennessee Code Annotated as supplemented and revised, a plan of refunding (the "Plan") for the Outstanding Bonds was submitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Finance for review, and a report was received thereon.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS**

The Bonds will be dated and bear interest from their date of issuance and delivery (assume May 25, 2021). Interest on the Bonds will be payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1,

commencing November 1, 2021. The Bonds are issuable in book-entry-only form in \$5,000 denominations or integral multiples thereof as shall be requested by each respective registered owner.

The Bonds shall be signed by the County Mayor and shall be attested by the County Clerk. No Bond shall be valid until it has been authorized by the manual signature of an authorized officer or employee of the Registration Agent and the date of the authentication noted thereon.

#### **SECURITY**

The Bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the County. For the prompt payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, the full faith and credit of the County are irrevocably pledged. The Bonds shall be additionally payable from but not secured by the revenues, consisting of payments by the Commission to the County under an intergovernmental revenue note of the Commission in favor of the County, which note is payable from the Commission's revenues derived from the operation of the System.

The County, through its governing body, shall annually levy and collect a tax on all taxable property within the County, in addition to all other taxes authorized by law, sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. Principal and interest one Bonds falling due at any time when there are insufficient funds from such tax shall be paid from the current funds of the County and reimbursement therefore shall be made out of taxes provided by revenues from the Project are the Resolution when the same shall have been collected. The taxes may be reduced to the extent of revenues from the Project are available therefrom or due to direct appropriations from the General Fund of the County to the payment of debt service on the Bonds.

The Bonds are not obligations of the State of Tennessee (the "State") or any political subdivision thereof other than the County.

#### **QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS**

Under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in the case of certain financial institutions, no deduction from income under the federal tax law will be allowed for that portion of such institution's interest expense which is allocable to tax-exempt interest received on account of tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986. The Code, however, provides that certain "qualified tax-exempt obligations," as defined in the Code, will be treated as if acquired on August 7, 1986. Based on an examination of the Code and the factual representations and covenants of the County as to the Bonds, Bond Counsel has determined that the Bonds upon issuance will be "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of the Code.

#### OPTIONAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS

Bonds maturing May 1, 2030, and thereafter, shall be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity at the option of the County on May 1, 2029 and thereafter, as a whole or in part, at any time, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

If less than all the Bonds shall be called for redemption, the maturities to be redeemed shall be designated by the Board of the County, in its discretion. If less than all the principal amount of

the Bonds of a maturity shall be called for redemption, the interests within the maturity to be redeemed shall be selected as follows:

- (i) if the Bonds are being held under a Book-Entry-Only System by DTC, or a successor Depository, the amount of the interest of each DTC Participant in the Bonds to be redeemed shall be determined by DTC, or such successor Depository, by lot or such other manner as DTC, or such successor Depository, shall determine; or
- (ii) if the Bonds are not being held under a Book-Entry-Only System by DTC, or a successor Depository, the Bonds within the maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Registration Agent by lot or such other random manner as the Registration Agent in its discretion shall determine.

#### MANDATORY REDEMPTION

The bidders have the option of creating term bonds pursuant to the Detailed Notice of Sale. If term bonds are created, then the following provisions will apply. Subject to the credit hereinafter provided, the County shall redeem Bonds maturing May 1, 20\_\_, and May 1, 20\_\_ on the redemption dates set forth below opposite the maturity date, in aggregate principal amounts equal to the respective dollar amounts set forth below opposite the respective redemption dates at a price of par plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption. The Bonds to be so redeemed within a maturity shall be selected in the manner described above relating to optional redemption.

The dates of redemption and principal amount of Bonds to be redeemed on said dates are as follows:

		Principal Amount
	Redemption	of Bonds
<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Date</u>	Redeemed

\*Final Maturity

At its option, to be exercised on or before the forty-fifth (45) day next preceding any such redemption date, the County may (i) deliver to the Registration Agent for cancellation Bonds of the maturity to be redeemed, in any aggregate principal amount desired, and/or (ii) receive a credit in respect of its redemption obligation for any Bonds of the maturity to be redeemed which prior to said date have been purchased or redeemed (otherwise than through the operation of this section) and canceled by the Registration Agent and not theretofore applied as a credit against any redemption obligation. Each Bond so delivered or previously purchased or redeemed shall be credited by the Registration Agent at 100% of the principal amount thereof on the obligation of the County on such payment date and any excess shall be credited on future redemption obligations in chronological order, and the principal amount of Bonds to be redeemed by operation shall be accordingly reduced. The County shall on or before the forty-fifth (45) day next preceding each payment date furnish the Registration Agent with its certificate indicating whether or not and to what extent the provisions of clauses (i) and (ii) described above are to be availed of with respect to such payment and confirm that funds for the balance of the next succeeding prescribed payment will be paid on or before the next succeeding payment date.

#### NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

Notice of call for redemption, whether optional or mandatory, shall be given by the Registration Agent on behalf of the County not less than twenty (20) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption by sending an appropriate notice to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, at the addresses shown on the Bond registration records of the Registration Agent as of the date of the notice; but neither failure to mail such notice nor any defect in any such notice so mailed shall affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for redemption of any of the Bonds for which proper notice was given. The notice may state that it is conditioned upon the deposit of moneys in an amount equal to the amount necessary to affect the redemption with the Registration Agent no later than the redemption date ("Conditional Redemption"). As long as DTC, or a successor Depository, is the registered owner of the Bonds, all redemption notices shall be mailed by the Registration Agent to DTC, or such successor Depository, as the registered owner of the Bonds, as and when above provided, and neither the County nor the Registration Agent shall be responsible for mailing notices of redemption to DTC Participants or Beneficial Owners. Failure of DTC, or any successor Depository, to provide notice to any DTC Participant or Beneficial Owner will not affect the validity of such redemption. The Registration Agent shall mail said notices as and when directed by the County pursuant to written instructions from an authorized representative of the County (other than for a mandatory sinking fund redemption, notices of which shall be given on the dates provided herein) given at least forty-five (45) days prior to the redemption date (unless a shorter notice period shall be satisfactory to the Registration Agent). From and after the redemption date, all Bonds called for redemption shall cease to bear interest if funds are available at the office of the Registration Agent for the payment thereof and if notice has been duly provided as set forth herein. In the case of a Conditional Redemption, the failure of the County to make funds available in part or in whole on or before the redemption date shall not constitute an event of default, and the Registration Agent shall give immediate notice to the affected Bondholders that the redemption did not occur and that the Bonds called for redemption and not so paid remain outstanding.

#### **PAYMENT OF BONDS**

The Bonds will bear interest from their date or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, on the dates provided herein, such interest being computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. Interest on each Bond shall be paid by check or draft of the Registration Agent to the person in whose name such Bond is registered at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding the interest payment date. The principal of and premium, if any, on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent.

(The remainder of this page left blank intentionally.)

#### **BASIC DOCUMENTATION**

#### REGISTRATION AGENT

The Registration Agent, Regions Bank, Nashville, Tennessee, its successor or the County will make all interest payments with respect to the Bonds on each interest payment date directly to Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the registered owner as shown on the Bond registration records maintained by the Registration Agent, except as follows. However, if the winning bidder certifies to the County that it intends to hold the Bonds for its own account and has no present intent to reoffer the Bonds, then the use of the Book-Entry-Only System is not required.

So long as Cede & Co. is the Registered Owner of the Bonds, as nominee of DTC, references herein to the Bondholders, Holders or Registered Owners of the Bonds shall mean Cede & Co. and shall not mean the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. For additional information, see the following section.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM**

The Registration Agent, its successor or the Issuer will make all interest payments with respect to the Bonds on each interest payment date directly to Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the registered owner as shown on the Bond registration records maintained by the Registration Agent as of the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding the interest payment date (the "Regular Record Date") by check or draft mailed to such owner at its address shown on said Bond registration records, without, except for final payment, the presentation or surrender of such registered Bonds, and all such payments shall discharge the obligations of the Issuer in respect of such Bonds to the extent of the payments so made, except as described above. Payment of principal of the Bonds shall be made upon presentation and surrender of such Bonds to the Registration Agent as the same shall become due and payable.

So long as Cede & Co. is the Registered Owner of the Bonds, as nominee of DTC, references herein to the Bondholders, Holders or Registered Owners of the Bonds shall mean Cede & Co. and shall not mean the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

The Bonds, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., DTC's partnership nominee, except as described above. When the Bonds are issued, ownership interests will be available to purchasers only through a book-entry-only system maintained by DTC (the "Book-Entry-Only System"). One fully registered bond certificate will be issued for each maturity, in the entire aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC and its Participants. DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over

100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized Book-Entry-Only transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at <a href="www.dtcc.com">www.dtcc.com</a>.

Purchase of Ownership Interests. Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Security ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the Book-Entry-Only System for the Bonds is discontinued.

Payments of Principal and Interest. Principal and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts, upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Registration Agent on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records, unless DTC has reason to believe it will not receive payment on such date. Payments by Direct and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with municipal securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name", and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Issuer or the Registration Agent subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, principal, tender price and interest payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Registration Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

*Notices*. Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may

wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Security documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds f or their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registration agent and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed. Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Issuer as soon as practicable after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

NONE OF THE ISSUER, THE UNDERWRITER, THE BOND COUNSEL, THE MUNICIPAL ADVISOR OR THE REGISTRATION AGENT WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO SUCH PARTICIPANTS OR THE PERSONS FOR WHOM THEY ACT AS NOMINEES WITH RESPECT TO THE PAYMENT TO, OR THE PROVIDING OF NOTICE FOR, SUCH PARTICIPANTS OR THE PERSONS FOR WHOM THEY ACT AS NOMINEES.

Transfers of Bonds. To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

None of the Issuer, the Bond Counsel, the Registration Agent, the Municipal Advisor or the Underwriter will have any responsibility or obligation, legal or otherwise, to any party other than to the registered owners of any Bond on the registration books of the Registration Agent.

#### DISCONTINUANCE OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM

In the event that (i) DTC determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds or (ii) to the extent permitted by the rules of DTC, the County determines to discontinue the Book-Entry-Only System, the Book-Entry-Only System shall be discontinued. Upon the occurrence of the event described above, the County will attempt to locate another qualified securities depository, and if no qualified securities depository is available, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to Beneficial Owners.

No Assurance Regarding DTC Practices. The foregoing information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's Book-Entry-Only System has been obtained from sources that the County believes to be reliable, but the County, the Bond Counsel, the Registration Agent and the

Municipal Advisor do not take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds as nominee of DTC, references herein to the holders or registered owners of the Bonds will mean Cede & Co. and will not mean the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. None of the County, the Bond Counsel, the Registration Agent or the Municipal Advisor will have any responsibility or obligation to the Participants, DTC or the persons for whom they act with respect to (i) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC or by any Direct or Indirect Participant of DTC, (ii) payments or the providing of notice to Direct Participants, the Indirect Participants or the Beneficial Owners or (iii) any other action taken by DTC or its partnership nominee as owner of the Bonds.

For more information on the duties of the Registration Agent, please refer to the Resolution. Also, please see the section entitled "SECURITIES OFFERED – Redemption."

#### DISPOSITION OF BOND PROCEEDS

The proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall be applied by the County as follows:

- (a) an amount, which together with investment earnings thereon and other legally available funds of the County, if any, will be sufficient to pay principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Outstanding Bonds until and through the redemption date therefor shall be transferred to the paying agent for the Outstanding Bonds to be held to the earliest optional redemption date and used for the payment and retirement of the Outstanding Bonds; and
- (b) the remainder of the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall be used to pay the costs of issuance the Bonds, and all necessary legal, accounting and fiscal expenses, printing, engraving, advertising and similar expenses, bond insurance premium, if any, administrative and clerical costs, rating agency fees, registration agent fees, and other necessary miscellaneous expenses incurred in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

#### DISCHARGE AND SATISFACTION OF BONDS

If the County shall pay and discharge the indebtedness evidenced by any of the Bonds in any one or more of the following ways:

- 1. By paying or causing to be paid, by deposit of sufficient funds as and when required with the Registration Agent, the principal of and interest on such Bonds as and when the same become due and payable;
- 2. By depositing or causing to be deposited with any trust company or financial institution whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or similar federal agency and which has trust powers ("an Agent"; which Agent may be the Registration Agent) in trust or escrow, on or before the date of maturity or redemption, sufficient money or Defeasance Obligations, as hereafter defined, the principal of and interest on which, when due and payable, will provide sufficient moneys to pay or redeem such Bonds and to pay interest thereon when due until the maturity or redemption date (provided, if such Bonds are to be redeemed prior to maturity thereof,

proper notice of such redemption shall have been given or adequate provision shall have been made for the giving of such notice); or

3. By delivering such Bonds to the Registration Agent, for cancellation by it;

and if the County shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the County with respect to such Bonds, or make adequate provision therefor, and by resolution of the Governing Body instruct any such Escrow Agent to pay amounts when and as required to the Registration Agent for the payment of principal of and interest on such Bonds when due, then and in that case the indebtedness evidenced by such Bonds shall be discharged and satisfied and all covenants, agreements and obligations of the County to the holders of such Bonds shall be fully discharged and satisfied and shall thereupon cease, terminate and become void.

If the County shall pay and discharge the indebtedness evidenced by any of the Bonds in the manner provided in either clause (a) or clause (b) above, then the registered owners thereof shall thereafter be entitled only to payment out of the money or Defeasance Obligations deposited as aforesaid.

Except as otherwise described below, neither Defeasance Obligations nor moneys deposited with the Registration Agent pursuant to this Section nor principal or interest payments on any such Defeasance Obligations shall be withdrawn or used for any purpose other than, and shall be held in trust for, the payment of the principal and interest on said Bonds; provided that any cash received from such principal or interest payments on such Defeasance Obligations deposited with the Registration Agent, (A) to the extent such cash will not be required at any time for such purpose, shall be paid over to the County as received by the Registration Agent and (B) to the extent such cash will be required for such purpose at a later date, shall, to the extent practicable, be reinvested in Defeasance Obligations maturing at times and in amounts sufficient to pay when due the principal and interest to become due on said Bonds on or prior to such redemption date or maturity date thereof, as the case may be, and interest earned from such reinvestments shall be paid over to the County, as received by the Registration Agent. Defeasance Obligations shall mean direct obligations of, or obligations, the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by, the United States of America, or obligations of any agency or instrumentality of the United States, which obligations shall not be subject to redemption prior to their maturity other than at the option of the registered owner thereof.

### REMEDIES OF BONDHOLDERS

Under Tennessee law, any Bondholder has the right, in addition to all other rights:

- (1) By mandamus or other suit, action or proceeding in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce its rights against the County, including, but not limited to, the right to require the County to assess, levy and collect taxes adequate to carry out any agreement as to, or pledge of, such taxes, fees, rents, tolls, or other charges, and to require the County to carry out any other covenants and agreements, or
- (2) By action or suit in equity, to enjoin any acts or things which may be unlawful or a violation of the rights of such Bondholder.

### **LEGAL MATTERS**

### LITIGATION

There are no suits threatened or pending challenging the legality or validity of the Bonds or the right of the County to sell or issue the Bonds.

### TAX MATTERS

### Federal

*General.* Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Knoxville, Tennessee, is Bond Counsel for the Bonds. Their opinion under existing law, relying on certain statements by the County and assuming compliance by the County with certain covenants, is that interest on the Bonds:

- is excluded from a bondholder's federal gross income under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and
- is not a preference item for a bondholder under the federal alternative minimum tax.

The Code imposes requirements on the Bonds that the County must continue to meet after the Bonds are issued. These requirements generally involve the way that Bond proceeds must be invested and ultimately used. If the County does not meet these requirements, it is possible that a bondholder may have to include interest on the Bonds in its federal gross income on a retroactive basis to the date of issue. The County has covenanted to do everything necessary to meet these requirements of the Code.

A bondholder who is a particular kind of taxpayer may also have additional tax consequences from owning the Bonds. This is possible if a bondholder is:

- an S corporation,
- a United States branch of a foreign corporation,
- a financial institution,
- a property and casualty or a life insurance company,
- an individual receiving Social Security or railroad retirement benefits,
- an individual claiming the earned income credit or
- a borrower of money to purchase or carry the Bonds.

If a bondholder is in any of these categories, it should consult its tax advisor.

Bond Counsel is not responsible for updating its opinion in the future. It is possible that future events or changes in applicable law could change the tax treatment of the interest on the Bonds or affect the market price of the Bonds. See also section "CHANGES IN FEDERAL AND STATE TAX LAW" below.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel on the federal income tax treatment of interest on the Bonds, or under State, local or foreign tax law.

Bond Premium. If a bondholder purchases a Bond for a price that is more than the principal amount, generally the excess is "bond premium" on that Bond. The tax accounting treatment of bond premium is complex. It is amortized over time and as it is amortized a bondholder's tax basis in that Bond will be reduced. The holder of a Bond that is callable before its stated maturity date may be required to amortize the premium over a shorter period, resulting in a lower yield on such Bonds. A bondholder in certain circumstances may realize a taxable gain upon the sale of a Bond with bond premium, even though the Bond is sold for an amount less than or equal to the owner's original cost. If a bondholder owns any Bonds with bond premium, it should consult its tax advisor regarding the tax accounting treatment of bond premium.

Original Issue Discount. A Bond will have "original issue discount" if the price paid by the original purchaser of such Bond is less than the principal amount of such Bond. Bond Counsel's opinion is that any original issue discount on these Bonds as it accrues is excluded from a bondholder's federal gross income under the Internal Revenue Code. The tax accounting treatment of original issue discount is complex. It accrues on an actuarial basis and as it accrues a bondholder's tax basis in these Bonds will be increased. If a bondholder owns one of these Bonds, it should consult its tax advisor regarding the tax treatment of original issue discount.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding. Information reporting requirements apply to interest on tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds. In general, such requirements are satisfied if the interest recipient completes, and provides the payor with a Form W-9, "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification," or if the recipient is one of a limited class of exempt recipients. A recipient not otherwise exempt from information reporting who fails to satisfy the information reporting requirements will be subject to "backup withholding," which means that the payor is required to deduct and withhold a tax from the interest payment, calculated in the manner set forth in the Code. For the foregoing purpose, a "payor" generally refers to the person or entity from whom a recipient receives its payments of interest or who collects such payments on behalf of the recipient.

Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations. Under the Code, in the case of certain financial institutions, no deduction from income under the federal tax law will be allowed for that portion of such institution's interest expense which is allocable to tax-exempt interest received on account of tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986. The Code, however, provides that certain "qualified tax-exempt obligations", as defined in the Code, will be treated as if acquired on August 7, 1986. Based on an examination of the Code and the factual representations and covenants of the County as to the Bonds, Bond Counsel has determined that the Bonds, upon issuance, will be "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of the Code.

If an owner purchasing a Bond through a brokerage account has executed a Form W-9 in connection with the establishment of such account, as generally can be expected, no backup withholding should occur. In any event, backup withholding does not affect the excludability of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for Federal income tax purposes. Any amounts withheld pursuant to backup withholding would be allowed as a refund or a credit against the

owner's Federal income tax once the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

### **State Taxes**

Under existing law, the Bonds and the income therefrom are exempt from all present state, county and municipal taxes in Tennessee except (a) Tennessee excise taxes on interest on the Bonds during the period the Bonds are held or beneficially owned by any organization or entity, or other than a sole proprietorship or general partnership doing business in the State of Tennessee, and (b) Tennessee franchise taxes by reason of the inclusion of the book value of the Bonds in the Tennessee franchise tax base of any organization or entity, other than a sole proprietorship or general partnership, doing business in the State of Tennessee.

### CHANGES IN FEDERAL AND STATE TAX LAW

From time to time, there are Presidential proposals, proposals of various federal committees, and legislative proposals in the Congress and in the states that, if enacted, could alter or amend the federal and state tax matters referred to herein or adversely affect the marketability or market value of the Bonds or otherwise prevent holders of the Bonds from realizing the full benefit of the tax exemption of interest on the Bonds. Further, such proposals may impact the marketability or market value of the Bonds simply by being proposed. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposal might be enacted or whether if enacted it would apply to bonds issued prior to enactment. In addition, regulatory actions are from time to time announced or proposed and litigation is threatened or commenced which, if implemented or concluded in a particular manner, could adversely affect the market value, marketability or tax status of the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether any such regulatory action will be implemented, how any particular litigation or judicial action will be resolved, or whether the Bonds would be impacted thereby. Purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation. The opinions expressed by Bond Counsel are based upon existing legislation and regulations as interpreted by relevant judicial and regulatory authorities as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, and Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion as of any date subsequent thereto or with respect to any proposed or pending legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

### **CLOSING CERTIFICATES**

Upon delivery of the Bonds, the County will execute in a form satisfactory to Bond Counsel, certain closing certificates including the following: (i) a certificate as to the *Official Statement*, in final form, signed by the County Mayor acting in his official capacity to the effect that to the best of his knowledge and belief, and after reasonable investigation, (a) neither the *Official Statement*, in final form, nor any amendment or supplement thereto, contains any untrue statements of material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make statements therein, in light of the circumstances in which they are made, misleading, (b) since the date of the *Official Statement*, in final form, no event has occurred which should have been set forth in such a memo or supplement, (c) there has been no material adverse change in the operation or the affairs of the County since the

date of the *Official Statement*, in final form, and having attached thereto a copy of the *Official Statement*, in final form, and (d) there is no litigation of any nature pending or threatened seeking to restrain the issuance, sale, execution and delivery of the Bonds, or contesting the validity of the Bonds or any proceeding taken pursuant to which the Bonds were authorized; (ii) certificates as to the delivery and payment, signed by the County Mayor acting in his official capacity, evidencing delivery of and payment for the Bonds; (iii) a signature identification and incumbency certificate, signed by the County Mayor and County Clerk acting in their official capacities certifying as to the due execution of the Bonds; and, (iv) a Continuing Disclosure Certificate regarding certain covenants of the County concerning the preparation and distribution of certain annual financial information and notification of certain material events, if any.

### APPROVAL OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Certain legal matters relating to the authorization and the validity of the Bonds are subject to the approval of Bass, Berry & Sims PLC, Knoxville, Tennessee, Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel has not prepared the *Preliminary Official Statement* or the *Official Statement*, in final form, or verified their accuracy, completeness or fairness. Accordingly, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion of any kind concerning the *Preliminary Official Statement* or *Official Statement*, in final form, except for the information in the section entitled "LEGAL MATTERS - Tax Matters." The opinion of Bond Counsel will be limited to matters relating to authorization and validity of the Bonds and to the tax-exemption of interest on the Bonds under present federal income tax laws, both as described above. The legal opinion will be delivered with the Bonds and the form of the opinion is included in APPENDIX A. For additional information, see the section entitled "MISCELLANEOUS – "Competitive Public Sale", "Additional Information" and "Continuing Disclosure."

(The remainder of this page left blank intentionally.)

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **RATING**

S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") has given the Bonds the rating of "AA-".

There is no assurance that such rating will continue for any given period of time or that the rating may not be suspended, lowered or withdrawn entirely by S&P, if circumstances so warrant. Due to the ongoing uncertainty regarding the economy and debt of the United States of America, including, without limitation, the general economic conditions in the country, and other political and economic developments that may affect the financial condition of the United States government, the United States debt limit, and the bond ratings of the United States and its instrumentalities, obligations issued by state and local governments, such as the Bonds, could be subject to a rating downgrade. Additionally, if a significant default or other financial crisis should occur in the affairs of the United States or of any of its agencies or political subdivisions, then such event could also adversely affect the market for, and ratings, liquidity, and market value of outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of the rating may have an adverse effect on the secondary market price of the Bonds.

The rating reflects only the views of S&P and any explanation of the significance of such rating should be obtained from S&P.

### **COMPETITIVE PUBLIC SALE**

The Bonds will be offered for sale at competitive public bidding on April 21, 2021. Details concerning the public sale were provided to potential bidders and others in the *Preliminary Official Statement* that was dated April 14, 2021.

The successful bidder for the Bonds was an account led by,	,
(the "Underwriters") who contracted with the County, subject to the conditions se	t forth in
the Official Notice of Sale and Bid Form to purchase the Bonds at a purchase price of \$	
(consisting of the par amount of the Bonds, less an underwriter's discount of \$	and less
an original issue discount of \$	

### MUNICIPAL ADVISOR; RELATED PARTIES; OTHER

Municipal Advisor. Cumberland Securities Company, Inc., has served as Municipal Advisor (the "Municipal Advisor") to the County for purposes of assisting with the development and implementation of a bond structure in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor has not been engaged by the County to compile, create, or interpret any information in the *Preliminary Official Statement* and *Official Statement* relating to the County, including without limitation any of the County's financial and operating data, whether historical or projected. Any information contained in the *Preliminary Official Statement* and *Official Statement* concerning the County, any of its affiliates or contractors and any outside parties has not been independently verified by the Municipal Advisor, and inclusion of such information is not, and should not be construed as, a representation by the Municipal Advisor as to its accuracy or

completeness or otherwise. The Municipal Advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the County to review or audit any information in the *Preliminary Official Statement* and *Official Statement* in accordance with accounting standards.

Regions Bank. Regions Bank (the "Bank") is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Regions Financial Corporation. The Bank provides, among other services, commercial banking, investments and corporate trust services to private parties and to State and local jurisdictions, including serving as registration, paying agent or filing agent related to debt offerings. The Bank will receive compensation for its role in serving as Registration and Paying Agent for the Bonds. In instances where the Bank serves the County in other normal commercial banking capacities, it will be compensated separately for such services.

Official Statement. Certain information relative to the location, economy and finances of the Issuer is found in the Preliminary Official Statement, in final form and the Official Statement, in final form. Except where otherwise indicated, all information contained in this Preliminary Official Statement has been provided by the Issuer. The information set forth herein has been obtained by the Issuer from sources which are believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a representation of, the Municipal Advisor or the Underwriter. The information contained herein is subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Preliminary Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall under any circumstances create an implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer, or the other matters described herein since the date hereof or the earlier dates set forth herein as of which certain information contained herein is given.

Cumberland Securities Company, Inc. distributed the *Preliminary Official Statement*, in final form, and the *Official Statement*, in final form on behalf of the County and will be compensated and/or reimbursed for such distribution and other such services.

*Bond Counsel*. From time to time, Bass, Berry & Sims PLC has represented the Bank on legal matters unrelated to the County and may do so again in the future.

Other. Among other services, Cumberland Securities Company, Inc. and the Bank may also assist local jurisdictions in the investment of idle funds and may serve in various other capacities, including Cumberland Securities Company's role as serving as the County's Dissemination Agent. If the County chooses to use one or more of these other services provided by Cumberland Securities Company, Inc. including Dissemination Agent and/or the Bank, then Cumberland Securities Company, Inc. and/or the Bank may be entitled to separate compensation for the performance of such services.

### ADDITIONAL DEBT

The County has not authorized any additional debt. However, the County has ongoing capital needs that may or may not require the issuance of additional debt. The County may also authorize the issuance of refunding bonds as savings opportunities arise.

(The remainder of this page left blank intentionally.)

### **DEBT LIMITATIONS**

Pursuant to Title 9, Chapter 21, *Tennessee Code Annotated*, as amended, there is no limit on the amount of bonds that may be issued when the County uses the statutory authority granted therein to issue bonds. (see "DEBT STRUCTURE - Indebtedness and Debt Ratios" for additional information.)

### **DEBT RECORD**

There is no record of a default on principal and interest payments by the County from information available. Additionally, no agreements or legal proceedings of the County relating to securities have been declared invalid or unenforceable.

### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

The County will at the time the Bonds are delivered execute a Continuing Disclosure Certificate under which it will covenant for the benefit of holders and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds to provide certain financial information relating to the County by not later than twelve months after the end of each fiscal year commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 (the "Annual Report"), and to provide notice of the occurrence of certain significant events not later than ten business days after the occurrence of the events and notice of failure to provide any required financial information of the County. The issuer will provide notice in a timely manner to the MSRB of a failure by the County to provide the annual financial information on or before the date specified in the continuing disclosure agreement. The Annual Report (and audited financial statements if filed separately) and notices described above will be filed by the County with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") at www.emma.msrb.org and with any State Information Depository which may be established in Tennessee (the "SID"). The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of events is summarized below. These covenants have been made in order to assist the Underwriters in complying with Securities Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12(b), as it may be amended from time to time (the "Rule 15c2-12").

Five-Year History of Filing. While it is believed that all appropriate filings were made with respect to the ratings of the County's outstanding bond issues, some of which were insured by the various municipal bond insurance companies, no absolute assurance can be made that all rating changes of bonds insured by such insurance companies were made or made in a timely manner as required by Rule 15c2-12. The County does not deem any of the forgoing omissions to be material, and therefore, in the judgment of the County, for the past five years, the County has complied in all material respects with its existing continuing disclosure agreements in accordance with Rule 15c2-12.

Content of Annual Report. The County's Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the General Purpose Financial Statements of the County for the fiscal year, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; provided, however, if the County's audited financial statements are not available by the time the Annual Report is required to be filed, the Annual Report shall contain unaudited financial statements in a format similar to the financial statements contained herein, and the audited financial statements shall be filed when available.

The Annual Report may be incorporated by reference from other documents, including *Official Statements* in final form for debt issues of the County or related public entities, which have been submitted to each of the Repositories or the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. If the document incorporated by reference is a final *Official Statement*, in final form, it will be available from the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The County shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

Reporting of Significant Events. The County will file notice regarding material events with the MSRB and the SID, if any, as follows:

- 1. Upon the occurrence of a Listed Event (as defined in (3) below), the County shall in a timely manner, but in no event more than ten (10) business days after the occurrence of such event, file a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB and SID, if any.
- 2. For Listed Events where notice is only required upon a determination that such event would be material under applicable Federal securities laws, the County shall determine the materiality of such event as soon as possible after learning of its occurrence.
- 3. The following are the Listed Events:
  - a. Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - b. Non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - c. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - d. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - e. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - f. Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
  - g. Modifications to rights of Bondholders, if material;
  - h. Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - Defeasances;
  - j. Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
  - k. Rating changes;

- 1. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person;
- m. The consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- n. Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- o. Incurrence of a financial obligation (which includes a debt obligation, or a derivative instrument entered into connection with, or pledged as security or as a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or a guarantee of debt obligation or derivative instrument) of the County, if material, or agreement as to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms as of a financial obligation of the County, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- p. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation (as described above) of the County, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

Termination of Reporting Obligation. The County's obligations under the Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds.

Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Disclosure Certificate, the County may amend the Disclosure Certificate, and any provision of the Disclosure Certificate may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (a) If the amendment or waiver relates to the provisions concerning the Annual Report and Reporting of Significant Events it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature or status of an obligated person with respect to the Bonds, or the type of business conducted;
- (b) The undertaking, as amended or taking into account such waiver, would, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the original issuance of the Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and
- (c) The amendment or waiver does not, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interests of the Holders or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of the Disclosure Certificate, the County shall describe such amendment in the next Annual Report, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or, in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the County. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, (i) notice of such change shall be given, and (ii) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

*Default.* In the event of a failure of the County to comply with any provision of the Disclosure Certificate, any Bondholder or any beneficial owner may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the County to comply with its obligations under the Disclosure Certificate. A default under the Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default, if any, under the Resolution, and the sole remedy under the Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the County to comply with the Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

### **BONDHOLDER RISK - COVID-19**

The world-wide outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus, has spread to several counties and cities in the State of Tennessee, including the Issuer and is considered by the World Health Organization to be a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. The spread of COVID-19 has led to quarantine and other "social distancing" measures in affected regions. While effects of COVID-19 on the Issuer may be temporary, the virus has affected travel, commerce and financial markets across the world. Additionally, U.S. and global stock markets have recently experienced significant volatility and overall declines that have attributed to COVID-19 concerns.

The Issuer is unable to predict: (i) the extent or duration of the COVID-19 outbreak or any other epidemic or pandemic; (ii) the extent or duration of existing and additional quarantines, travel restrictions or other measures relating to COVID-19 or any other epidemic or pandemic; or (iii) whether and to what extent the COVID-19 outbreak or any other epidemic or pandemic may disrupt the local or global economy, manufacturing or the supply chain or whether any such disruption may adversely affect the operations of the Issuer. Given the evolving nature of the spread of the virus and the behavior of governments, businesses and individuals in response thereto, the Issuer cannot accurately predict the magnitude of the impact of COVID-19 on the Issuer and its financial condition. The Issuer is proactively taking steps to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and to preserve effective staffing for all essential Issuer operations.

Although the Issuer cannot accurately predict the magnitude of the ultimate impact of COVID-19 outbreak on the Issuer's finances, the Issuer is carefully monitoring the immediate effect of the COVID-19 outbreak on the Issuer's finances and is attempting to make projections as to the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak for the upcoming fiscal year.

For the current fiscal year, the Issuer's largest source of revenues is property tax revenues. Property tax revenues are levied each year on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in October and are delinquent the following March 1<sup>st</sup>. The Issuer has already collected almost 91% of its billed property taxes for tax year 2020, which is comparable to prior years. Economic uncertainties resulting from the COVID-19 outbreak may result in delays in collecting the remaining amount of tax year 2020 property taxes outstanding, which is a relatively small portion of the Issuer's revenues, and may also affect collections in future years if the COVID-19 outbreak and resulting economic restrictions continue.

The administration for the Issuer has a budget for the 2021 fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020 which anticipates an overall 0% increase in revenues. This increase includes a projected 38% increase in sales tax revenues. Given the uncertainties as to when businesses, including tourism-related businesses, will be fully operational, the projected revenues from sales and use taxes, hotel-motel taxes and other similar business taxes may be significantly less or more than what has been projected in the Issuer's proposed budget.

With respect to sales and use tax revenues for the dates outlined below, the Issuer's local sales and use tax revenues were:

			% Increase or
	2019 Revenues	2020 Revenues	Decrease
Jan	\$ 919,073.71	\$ 945,206.69	2.8%
Feb	952,102.78	970,778.04	2.0%
Mar	1,155,422.17	1,071,099.67	(7.3%)
Apr	1,075,527.75	1,107,521.31	3.0%
May	1,110,045.31	1,667,249.24	50.2%
Jun	1,121,825.11	993,865.98	(12.9%)
Jul	1,048,460.81	1,596,853.45	52.3%
Aug	1,043,843.22	1,546,313.65	48.1%
Sep	1,071,457.24	1,638,371.19	52.9%
Oct	1,019,396.87	1,638,379.27	60.7%
Nov	1,022,224.88	1,684,214.60	64.8%
Dec	1,396,539.13	2,195,150.71	57.2%
TOTAL	\$12,935,912.98	\$17,055,011.80	31.8%

The Issuer expects to receive some federal and/or State assistance to offset costs to the Issuer of addressing the COVID-19 outbreak. As this point, the Issuer has not been informed as to the timing or amount of federal or State assistance that may be provided, nor does the Issuer know the scope of expenses that will be payable from such assistance. The Issuer's proposed budget for the 2021 fiscal year does not include any such assistance as a source of revenue to provide for a balanced budget.

The Issuer's liquidity position remains strong. As of June 30, 2020, the Issuer is estimating in excess of \$7 million in fund balance for the General Fund (\$2 million unassigned), which is approximately 50% of the Issuer's General Fund budget for the 2021 fiscal year. The Issuer's current liquidity position is expected to be adequate to fund essential services and make timely debt service payments on debt of the Issuer.

Various types of information regarding employment and income trends within the County are detailed in APPENDIX B. This information was assembled prior to the COVID-19 outbreak and may not be reflective of current financial conditions. For example, unemployment rates throughout the United States, including the County, have increased significantly since the COVID-19 outbreak. Furthermore, APPENDIX B lists the largest employers in the County. The COVID-19 outbreak has affected businesses throughout the United States, including businesses in the County, and many of the employers listed in APPENDIX B have been forced to reduce their employment levels from the levels described in APPENDIX B. Given the fluidity of the current economic environment, the Issuer is not able to provide sufficiently accurate updates to this information.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Use of the words "shall," "must," or "will" in this *Preliminary Official Statement* in summaries of documents or laws to describe future events or continuing obligations is not intended as a representation that such event will occur or obligation will be fulfilled but only that the document or law contemplates or requires such event to occur or obligation to be fulfilled.

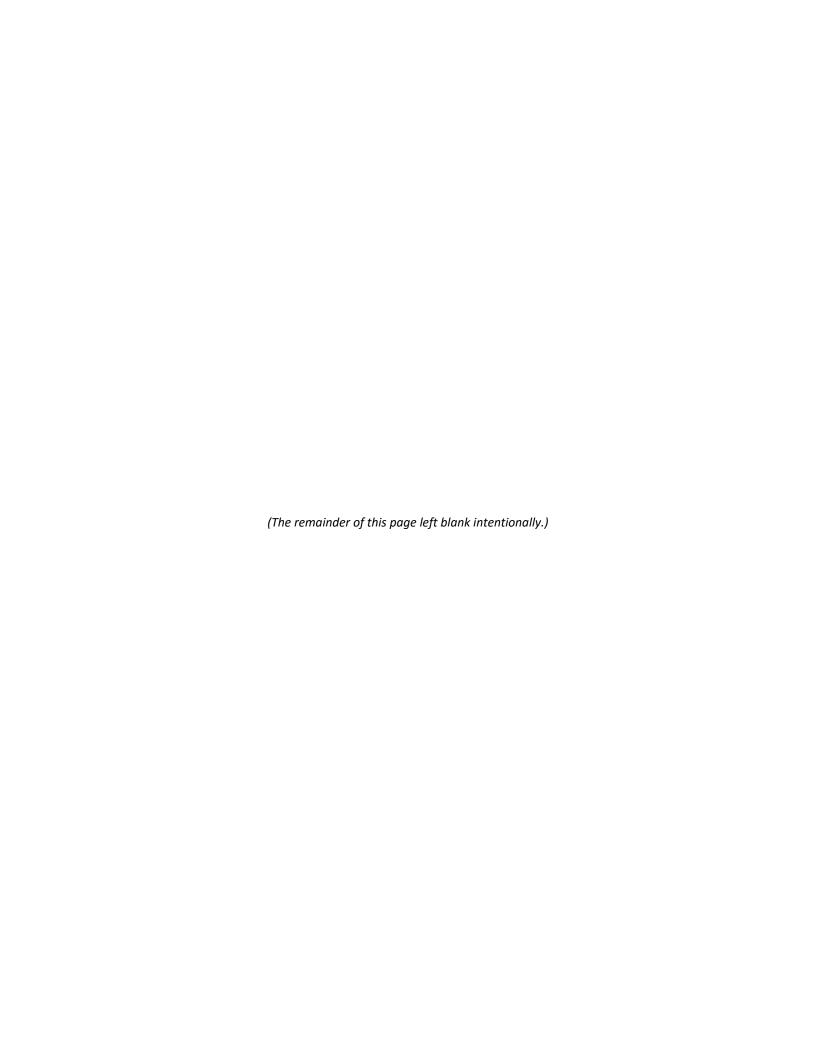
Any statements made in this *Preliminary Official Statement* involving estimates or matters of opinion, whether or not so expressly stated, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the estimates or matters of opinion will be realized. Neither this *Preliminary Official Statement* nor any statement which may have been made orally or in writing is to be construed as a contract with the owners of the Bonds.

The references, excerpts and summaries contained herein of certain provisions of the laws of the State of Tennessee, and any documents referred to herein, do not purport to be complete statements of the provisions of such laws or documents, and reference should be made to the complete provisions thereof for a full and complete statement of all matters of fact relating to the Bonds, the security for the payment of the Bonds, and the rights of the holders thereof.

The *Preliminary Official Statement* and *Official Statement*, in final form, and any advertisement of the Bonds, is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the County and the purchasers of any of the Bonds. Any statements or information printed in this *Preliminary Official Statement* or the *Official Statement*, in final form, involving matters of opinions or of estimates, whether or not expressly so identified, is intended merely as such and not as representation of fact.

The County has deemed this *Preliminary Official Statement* as "final" as of its date within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 except for the omission of certain pricing information allowed to be omitted pursuant to Rule 15c2-12.

(The remainder of this page left blank intentionally.)



### **CERTIFICATION OF THE COUNTY**

On behalf of the County, we hereby certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief, the information contained herein as of this date is true and correct in all material respects, and does not contain an untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated where necessary to make the statement made, in light of the circumstance under which they were made, not misleading.

	/s/
	County Mayor
ATTEST:	
/s/	
County Clerk	

### APPENDIX A

### **LEGAL OPINION**

### LAW OFFICES OF BASS, BERRY & SIMS PLC 900 SOUTH GAY STREET, SUITE 1700 KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37902

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as bond counsel in conn	ection with the issuance by McMinn County
Tennessee (the "Issuer") of the \$	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series
2021 (Hiwassee Utility Commission) (the "Bonds	s") dated, 2021. We have
examined the law and such certified proceedings	s and other papers as we deemed necessary to
render this opinion.	

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials furnished to us without undertaking to verify such facts by independent investigation.

Based on our examination, we are of the opinion, as of the date hereof, as follows:

- 1. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and issued in accordance with the constitution and laws of the State of Tennessee and constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer.
- 2. The resolution of the Board County Commissioners of the Issuer authorizing the Bonds has been duly and lawfully adopted, is in full force and effect and is a valid and binding agreement of the Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms.
- 3. The Bonds constitute general obligations of the Issuer to which the Issuer has validly and irrevocably pledged its full faith and credit. The principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable from unlimited ad valorem taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the Issuer. The Bonds shall be additionally payable from, but not secured by, the revenues consisting of payments by the Hiwassee Utility Commission (the "Commission") to the Issuer under an intergovernmental revenue note of the Commission in favor of the Issuer, which note is payable from the Commission's revenues derived from the operation of the Commission's water procurement, treatment, storage and distribution system.
- 4. Interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. The opinion set forth in the preceding sentence is subject to the condition that the Issuer comply with all requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that interest thereon be, or continue to be, excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with certain of such requirements could cause interest on the Bonds to be so included in gross income retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Issuer has covenanted to comply with all such requirements. Except as set forth in this Paragraph 4 and Paragraph 6 below, we express no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds.

- 5. Under existing law, the Bonds and the income therefrom are exempt from all present state, county and municipal taxes in Tennessee except (a) Tennessee excise taxes on all or a portion of the interest on any of the Bonds during the period such Bonds are held or beneficially owned by any organization or entity, other than a sole proprietorship or general partnership, doing business in the State of Tennessee, and (b) Tennessee franchise taxes by reason of the inclusion of the book value of the Bonds in the Tennessee franchise tax base of any organization or entity, other than a sole proprietorship or general partnership doing business in the State of Tennessee.
- 6. The Bonds are "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

It is to be understood that the rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds and the resolutions authorizing the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted and that their enforcement may be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity.

We express no opinion herein as to the accuracy, adequacy or completeness of the Official Statement relating to the Bonds.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to update or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

Yours truly,

### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION STATEMENT MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **LOCATION**

McMinn County (the "County") is located in Southeast Tennessee. The County is bordered by Meigs County to the west, Roane and Loudon Counties to the north, Monroe County to the east, and Bradley and Polk Counties to the south. The City is located about 52 miles north from Chattanooga and 58 miles south from Knoxville. The City of Athens is the county seat and is the largest city in the County at a population of 13,458. According to the 2010 Census, the City of Etowah has a population of 3,490. The County has a population of 52,266 according to the 2010 Census.

### **GENERAL**

Main Street Program. McKenzie was accredited with Tennessee Main Street Accreditation. McKenzie has a historically significant downtown that it plans to improve through the Main Street program, encouraging new investment and entrepreneurship.

As of August 2020, there are 39 communities that are accredited through the state program Tennessee Main Street Accreditation and a program of the national Trust for Historic Preservation (called Main Street America). The Main Street Program provides training, support and grant opportunities to assist in downtown revitalization efforts to focus on historic preservation, community events and economic revitalization. In 2019, accredited Tennessee Main Street communities generated \$111 million of public and private investment and nearly 1,000 new jobs. The Tennessee Main Street Program requires communities to illustrate a commitment from local government and other local organizations, an adequate organizational budget, a strong historic preservation ethic, a collection of historic commercial buildings and a walkable district.

Athens was designated a Micropolitan Statistical Area (the "mSA"). The Athens mSA had a population of 52,266 according to the 2010 US Census. The Athens mSA is also part of the Chattanooga-Cleveland-Athens, TN-GA Combined Statistical Area (the "CSA") of southeast Tennessee and northeast Georgia. According to the 2010 Census, the CSA had a population of 698,157. The CSA includes McMinn, Hamilton, Marion and Sequatchie Counties in Tennessee. The City of Chattanooga is the largest city in the CSA with a population of 167,674 according to the 2010 Census.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

The County has I-75 access located in Athens and has US Highway 411 and State Highway 30 going through Etowah. Other highways in the County are US 11 and State Highways 39, 305 and 309. Rail transportation is provided by CSX Transportation and Norfolk-Southern Railroad. The nearest port is in Chattanooga on the Hiwassee about 50 miles to the south. McMinn County Airport is the local airport with a 5,500-foot runway. The nearest commercial airports are the McGhee Tyson Airport in Knoxville and the Chattanooga Metro Airport both about 50 miles to the north and south, respectively.

### **EDUCATION**

The City of Etowah School System operates a single elementary school with a fall 2020 enrollment of about 387 with about 26 teachers. The City of Athens School System operates five schools. The 2020 fall enrollment is about 1,786 students with about 110 teachers. The McMinn County School System operates nine schools. The System had a fall 2020 enrollment of about 5,491 students with about 349 teachers. The County also has a vocational high school. There are a total of 3 schools within the city limits of Etowah: two elementary schools, one City operated and one County operated, and one County operated high school.

Source: Tennessee Department of Education.

Cleveland State Community College is a comprehensive two-year community college that operates within the governance of the Tennessee Board of Regents. The college is located in Cleveland, Tennessee, just 30 miles northeast of Chattanooga. The fall of 2019 semester had an enrollment of 3,272 students. The college has offices and classrooms in Athens and Vonore. Cleveland State's service area includes Bradley, Meigs, McMinn, Monroe, and Polk Counties.

Source: Cleveland State Community College and TN Higher Education Commission.

Tennessee Wesleyan College is a private, four-year liberal arts college located in Athens (McMinn County) and is affiliated with the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. The College offers baccalaureate programs in fine arts, humanities, natural and social sciences as well as business, nursing, other career-related areas, and teacher certification. The College was founded in 1857 and one of the original buildings on the forty-acre campus is Old College Hall, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Tennessee Wesleyan College enrolls over 850 students. A sister school, Nagasaki Wesleyan, is located in Isahaya, Japan. Each year, several Nagasaki Wesleyan students transfer to TWC to complete their degrees.

Source: Tennessee Wesleyan College.

The Tennessee College of Applied Technology at Athens. The Tennessee College of Applied Technology at Athens (the "TCAT-A") is part of a statewide system of 26 vocational-technical schools. The TCAT-A meets a Tennessee mandate that no resident is more than 50 miles from a vocational-technical shop. The institution's primary purpose is to meet the occupational and technical training needs of the citizens including employees of existing and prospective businesses and industries in the region. The TCAT-A serves the southeast region of the state including McMinn, Monroe, Bradley, Meigs, and Polk Counties. The TCAT-A began operations in 1963, and the main campus is located in McMinn County. Fall 2018 enrollment was 721 students.

Source: Tennessee Technology Center at Athens and TN Higher Education Commission.

### HEALTHCARE

Starr Regional Medical Center – Starr Regional Medical Center (the "SRMC") is a 190-bed acute care facility in Athens. This facility is part of LifePoint Hospital, Inc. based in Brentwood, Tennessee. LifePoint, after being combined with Riverview Regional Medical Center Healthcare in 2018, has a network of 84 hospital hospitals in 30 states.

Source: LifePoint Hospitals, Inc.

Woods Memorial Hospital, located in Etowah, is an acute care, 72-bed facility. It is a county-owned facility. Services offered by Woods include home health, hospice, a regional dialysis center, a weight management program, an occupational health clinic, birthing center and a better breathing center. Woods also operates the county's ambulance service and a nursing home. There are about 300 full time employees with 75 physicians representing numerous specialties.

Source: Wood Memorial Hospital.

### MANUFACTURING AND COMMERCE

*Industrial Parks*. Athens/McMinn Interstate Industrial Park (350 acres) and the Mt. Verd Interchange Industrial Park (233 acres) are both located in Athens.

Select Tennessee Certified Sites. The North Etowah Industrial Park (271 acres) and the 75 Regional Commerce Park (149 acres) are both certified as Select Tennessee Certified Sites. The Select Tennessee Certified Sites Program has helped communities prepare industrial sites for private investment and job creation since 2012. The certification process ensures that each certified site meets high quality standards and are primed for development. Certified sites must have documented environmental conditions and geotechnical analysis, existing onsite utilities or a formal plan to extend utilities to the site, and truck-quality road access. The program's goal is to give companies detailed and reliable information during the site selection process and markets the sites to a targeted group of site selection consultants and business leaders in Tennessee's key industry clusters. As of January 2021, sixty-five sites in Tennessee have been certified and 23 companies have invested over \$1.8 billion in capital investment to construct facilities on certified sites, accounting for more than 7,200 new job commitments.

Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development.

DENSO Tennessee. The automotive parts plant DENSO has three locations in the state – Maryville, Athens and Jackson – and employs roughly 5,000 people in Tennessee as of March 2019. DENSO's Athens facility manufactures fuel injectors, fuel pumps, oxygen sensors, ignition coils, monolithic carriers and spark plugs. DENSO has invested approximately \$3 billion in Tennessee. DENSO is a leading global automotive supplier of advanced technology, systems and components in the areas of thermal, powertrain control, electronics and information and safety. The company provides parts for 20 automakers, including Toyota, Honda, Daimler Chrysler, General Motors, Ford and Subaru. DENSO employs more than 23,000 people across the North American region, and DENSO's North American consolidated sales totaled \$10.9 billion for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018.

[balance of page left blank]

### Major Employers in McMinn County, Tennessee

<u>Company</u>	<b>Product/Service</b>	<b>Employment</b>
Hackney Home Furnishing	Furniture	1,523
DENSO	Auto Exhaust System	1,400
Calhoun Newprint Co	Paper	900
McMinn County	Government & Education	800
McMinn County Schools	Education	713
Johnson Controls	Metal Seat Frames	705
Athens Regional Medical Center	Hospital	625
Resolute Forest Products	Paper mil	567
Waupaca Foundry, INC	Gray, Aluminum Iron Castings	554
Heil Trailer International	Aluminum Tanker Truck Trailers	500
Adient US	Manufacturer	452
Woods Memorial	Hospital	360
Mayfield Dairy Farms	Dairy Products	350
Thomas & Betts	Switch Boxes, Outlets	350
Athens Regional Medical Center	Hospital	305
Manville Johns Corporation	Manufacturer	300
Johns Manville	Mat Fiber and Reinforcements	250
Dynasty Spas	Hot Tubs	250
Cresent Hosiery Mills	Hosiery	200
City of Etowah	Government	184
E&E Manufacturing	Metal Stamping and Fasteners	170
Mills Products	Appliance Trim Parts	160
JM Huber	Silica	130

Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (2020), Times Free Press and the City.

### **EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

Due to the national rise in unemployment due to COVID-19 in the spring of 2020, the rates for the County for November 2020 do not represent the usual unemployment rate.

For the month of November 2020, the unemployment rate for the Athens mSA and McMinn County stood at 5.0% with 23,485 persons employed out of a labor force of 24,730. As of November 2020, the unemployment rate in the Chattanooga-Cleveland-Dalton CSA stood at 4.4%, representing 551,191 persons employed out of a workforce of 576,333.

The following charts show unemployment trends in the area for the last 5 years:

### Unemployment

	Annual Average <b>2015</b>	Annual Average <b>2016</b>	Annual Average <b>2017</b>	Annual Average <b>2018</b>	Annual Average <b>2019</b>
	2013	2010	<u>2017</u>	2010	2017
National	5.3%	4.9%	4.4%	3.6%	3.9%
Tennessee	5.6%	4.7%	3.8%	3.5%	3.4%
Athens mSA & McMinn County	6.3%	5.4%	4.4%	4.1%	3.8%
Index vs. National	119	110	100	114	97
Index vs. State Chattanooga-Cleveland-	113	115	116	117	112
Athens CSA	5.6%	4.9%	4.0%	3.7%	3.5%
Index vs. National	106	100	91	103	90
Index vs. State	100	104	105	106	103

Source: Tennessee Department of Employment Security, CPS Labor Force Estimates Summary.

### **ECONOMIC DATA**

### **Per Capita Personal Income**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
National	\$47,058	\$48,978	\$49,870	\$51,885	\$54,446
Tennessee	\$40,801	\$42,593	\$43,726	\$44,950	\$46,900
<b>McMinn County</b>	\$31,925	\$33,135	\$33,722	\$34,645	\$35,897
Index vs. National	68	68	68	67	66
Index vs. State Chattanooga-Cleveland-	78	78	77	77	77
Athens CSA	\$36,597	\$38,296	\$38,998	\$40,231	\$41,769
Index vs. National	78	78	78	78	77
Index vs. State	90	90	89	90	89

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

[balance of page left blank]

### **Social and Economic Characteristics**

	<u>National</u>	<b>Tennessee</b>	McMinn County
Median Value Owner Occupied Housing	\$217,500	\$167,200	\$133,200
% High School Graduates or Higher Persons 25 Years Old and Older	85.2%	87.5%	84.5%
% Persons with Income Below Poverty Level	10.5%	13.9%	14.5%
Median Household Income	\$62,843	\$53,320	\$43,285

Source: U.S. Census Bureau State & County QuickFacts - 2019.

### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

*DENSO Manufacturing*. DENSO's McMinn County facility completed a \$190 million expansion to build a new 224,000 square foot facility in 2018 that resulted in 320 jobs. DENSO underwent a \$85 million expansion that was completed in mid-2017 and hired an additional 400 people.

*Mayfield Dairy*. The Mayfield Dairy facility in Athens, owned by Dean Foods, employed 50 new people in 2018 due to an increase in volume.

Source: Chattanooga Times Free Press, Knoxville News Sentinel and WBIR news, Knoxville, TN.

[balance of page left blank]

# McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE SUMMARY OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

	(I) As of June 30,  ST 2020  S) OUTSTANDING	5,015,000	4,965,000 (4,845,000)	\$ 5,135,000
	INTEREST RATE(S)	Fixed	Fixed	
ebt	DUE DATE	June 2042	May 2042	
Hiwassee Utility Commission Supported Debt	PURPOSE	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (Hiwassee Supported)  TOTAL BONDED DEBT	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Hiwassee Supported) Less: Refunded Debt	NET TOTAL DEBT
	AMOUNT ISSUED	\$ 5,555,000	\$ 4,965,000 (5,555,000)	\$ 4,965,000
		1	I	

NOTES:

(1) The above figures do not include short-term notes outstanding, if any. For more information, see the notes to the Financial Statements in the GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS included herein.

## McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Indebtedness and Debt Ratios

### INTRODUCTION

The information set forth in the following is based upon information derived in part from the GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, attached herein and the table should be read in conjunction with those statements. The table does not include fining alone whether disclosed or not in this document.

				For the	Fiscal	For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30	June 3	0			Afte	After Issuance
INDEBTEDNESS		<u>2016</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2018</u>		<u>2019</u>		<u>2020</u>		2021
TAX SUPPORTED General Obligation Bonds & Notes * Hiwassee Supported Debt		5,655,000		5,495,000		5,340,000		5,180,000		5,015,000		5,135,000
TOTAL DEBT	\$	5,655,000	S	5,495,000	<b>↔</b>	5,340,000	8	5,180,000	S	5,015,000	S	5,135,000
Less: Debt Service Funds Less: Revenue Supported Debt		(5,655,000)		(5,495,000)		(5,340,000)		(5,180,000)		(5,015,000)		(5,135,000)
NET DIRECT DEBT	↔	1	\$	1	S	1	<b>∞</b>	1	8	1	\$	•
PROPERTY TAX BASE Estimated Actual Value Appraised Value Assessed Value	\$ 4 7 1	4,081,828,981 3,963,047,758 1,154,209,567	\$ 4,0 3,6 1,1	\$ 4,097,470,742 3,978,234,343 1,159,226,499	\$ 4,0 1,1	\$ 4,302,036,771 4,037,891,713 1,173,263,474	\$ 2,4,4,1,	\$ 4,435,426,999 4,435,426,999 1,289,271,084	\$ 4,6 1,3	\$ 4,616,444,896 4,616,444,896 1,344,650,405	8 4 4 1	\$ 4,616,444,896 4,616,444,896 1,344,650,405

		For the Fis	For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30	ne 30	Af	After Issuance
DEBT RATIOS	2016	2017	2018	<u>2019</u>	2020	2021
TOTAL DEBT to Estimated Actual Value	0.14%	0.13%	0.12%	0.12%	0.11%	0.11%
TOTAL DEBT to Appraised Value	0.14%	0.14%	0.13%	0.12%	0.11%	0.11%
TOTAL DEBT to Assessed Value	0.49%	0.47%	0.46%	0.40%	0.37%	0.38%
NET DIRECT DEBT to Estimated						
Actual Value	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	%00.0
NET DIRECT DEBT to Appraised Value	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	%00.0
NET DIRECT DEBT to Assessed Value	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	%00.0
PER CAPITA RATIOS						
POPULATION (1)	52,700	52,931	53,336	53,794	54,252	54,252
PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME (2)	\$33,722	\$34,645	\$35,897	\$35,897	\$35,897	\$35,897
Estimated Actual Value to POPULATION	\$77,454	\$77,412	\$80,659	\$82,452	\$85,093	\$85,093
Assessed Value to POPULATION	\$21,902	\$21,901	\$21,998	\$23,967	\$24,785	\$24,785
Total Debt to POPULATION	\$107	\$104	\$100	96\$	\$92	\$6\$
Net Direct Debt to POPULATION	80	80	80	80	80	80
Total Debt Per Capita as a percent of						
PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME	0.32%	0.30%	0.28%	0.27%	0.26%	0.26%
PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	%00.0	%00.0	0.00%

(1) Per Capita computations are based upon POPULATION data according to the U.S. Census.
(2) PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME is based upon the most current data available from the U.S. Department of Commerce.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \bf McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE \\ BONDED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS - Hiwassee Utility Commission Debt \\ \end{tabular}$ 

% Principal Repaid	All Debt		3.31%					26.68%					49.66%					72.54%					95.42%	100.00%	
÷.	s(1)	TOTAL	322,469	321,795	320,823	319,383	317,583	315,423	313,023	305,383	302,445	299,155	295,630	291,870	287,875	283,645	279,180	274,480	269,545	264,375	258,970	253,330	247,455	241,345	6.385,178
Total Bonded Debt	Service Requirements(1)	Interest	\$ 152,469	81,795	80,823	79,383	77,583	75,423	73,023	70,383	67,445	64,155	60,630	56,870	52,875	48,645	44,180	39,480	34,545	29,375	23,970	18,330	12,455	6,345	\$ 1,250,178
T ,	Servic	Principal	\$ 170,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	\$ 5,135,000
	spuo	TOTAL	- 8	(321,519)	(323,019)	(324,419)	(320,719)	(322,019)	(322,269)	(322,394)	(322,144)	(321,506)	(320,206)	(323,756)	(321,725)	(324,538)	(321,738)	(318,775)	(325,025)	(320,750)	(321,300)	(321,500)	(321,350)	(320,850)	\$ (6,761,519)
Less:	Refunded or Prepaid Bonds	Interest	9	(146,519)	(143,019)	(139,419)	(135,719)	(132,019)	(127,269)	(122,394)	(117,144)	(111,506)	(105,206)	(98,756)	(91,725)	(84,538)	(76,738)	(68,775)	(60,025)	(50,750)	(41,300)	(31,500)	(21,350)	(10,850)	
Refunded	Refunde	Principal		(175,000)	(180,000)	(185,000)	(185,000)	(190,000)	(195,000)	(200,000)	(205,000)	(210,000)	(215,000)	(225,000)	(230,000)	(240,000)	(245,000)	(250,000)	(265,000)	(270,000)	(280,000)	(290,000)	(300,000)	(310,000)	\$ (4,845,000) \$ (1,916,519)
% Principal Repaid	2020 Bonds		%00.0					24.17%					47.94%					71.60%					95.27%	%00.00	
	7		Ū					7					47					71					95	10	
	1	TOTAL	,	321,795	320,823	319,383	317,583	315,423	313,023	305,383	302,445	299,155	295,630 47	291,870	287,875	283,645	279,180	274,480 71	269,545	264,375	258,970	253,330	247,455 95	241,345 100	\$ 6,062,710
	1	Interest (2) TOTAL		81,795 321,795	80,823 320,823	79,383 319,383	77,583 317,583		73,023 313,023	70,383 305,383	67,445 302,445	64,155 299,155	•	56,870 291,870	52,875 287,875	48,645 283,645	44,180 279,180		34,545 269,545	29,375 264,375	23,970 258,970	18,330 253,330		_	\$1,097,710 \$ 6,062,710
ınding,	Bonds, Series 2020		,			79,383	(,,	75,423 315,423	73,023				295,630					274,480				_	247,455	241,345	\$ 4,965,000 \$ 1,097,710 \$ 6,062,710
General Obligation Refunding.	Bonds, Series 2020	Interest (2)	- 59	240,000 81,795	240,000 80,823	240,000 79,383 3	240,000 77,583 3	75,423 315,423	240,000 73,023	235,000 70,383	235,000 67,445	235,000 64,155	235,000 60,630 295,630	235,000 56,870	235,000 52,875	235,000 48,645	235,000 44,180	235,000 39,480 274,480	235,000 34,545	235,000 29,375	235,000 23,970	235,000 18,330	235,000 12,455 247,455	6,345 241,345 1	\$ 4,965,000 \$ 1,097,710
General Obligation Refunding.	Bonds, Series 2020	Principal Interest (2)	152,469 \$ 322,469 \$ -	321,519 240,000 81,795	323,019 240,000 80,823	324,419 240,000 79,383 3	320,719 240,000 77,583 3	240,000 75,423 315,423	322,269 240,000 73,023	322,394 235,000 70,383	322,144 235,000 67,445	321,506 235,000 64,155	320,206 235,000 60,630 295,630	323,756 235,000 56,870	321,725 235,000 52,875	324,538 235,000 48,645	321,738 235,000 44,180	318,775 235,000 39,480 274,480	325,025 235,000 34,545	320,750 235,000 29,375	321,300 235,000 23,970	321,500 235,000 18,330	321,350 235,000 12,455 247,455	235,000 6,345 241,345 1	\$ 7,083,988 \$ 4,965,000 \$ 1,097,710
General Obligation Refunding.	G.O. Supported (1) Bonds, Series 2020	TOTAL Principal Interest (2)	\$ 152,469 \$ 322,469 -	146,519 321,519 240,000 81,795	143,019 323,019 240,000 80,823	139,419 324,419 240,000 79,383 3	135,719 320,719 240,000 77,583 3	322,019 240,000 75,423 315,423	127,269 322,269 240,000 73,023	122,394 322,394 235,000 70,383	117,144 322,144 235,000 67,445	111,506 321,506 235,000 64,155	105,206 320,206 235,000 60,630 295,630	98,756 323,756 235,000 56,870	91,725 321,725 235,000 52,875	84,538 324,538 235,000 48,645	76,738 321,738 235,000 44,180	68,775 318,775 235,000 39,480 274,480	60,025 325,025 235,000 34,545	50,750 320,750 235,000 29,375	41,300 321,300 235,000 23,970	31,500 321,500 235,000 18,330	21,350 321,350 235,000 12,455 247,455	320,850 235,000 6,345 241,345 1	\$ 4,965,000 \$ 1,097,710

<sup>(1)</sup> The above figures do not include short-term notes outstanding, if any. For more information, see the notes to the Financial Statements in the GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS included herein.

(2) Estimated Interest Rates. Estimated Average Coupon 2.02%.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND PRESENTATION

The accounts of the County are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The modified accrual basis of accounting is used to account for all governmental funds of the County. Revenues for such funds are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Expenditures, other than interest or long-term debt, are recognized when incurred and measurable.

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred except for prepaid expenses, such as insurance, which are fully expended at the time of payment.

### FUND BALANCES, NET ASSETS AND RETAINED EARNINGS

The following table depicts audited fund balances, net assets and retained earnings for the last five fiscal years ending June 30:

For	the	Fiscal	Year	Ended	June 30

<b>Fund Type</b>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Governmental Funds:					
General	\$ 7,705,733	\$ 7,365,388	\$ 6,912,713	\$ 7,579,990	\$ 8,130,735
Road & Bridge	2,385,789	2,772,216	3,706,355	2,123,758	1,545,814
Constitutional	267,397	298,478	403,799	518,907	462,381
Capital Projects	14,913,073	17,661,207	19,158,471	19,361,541	21,000,574
Woods Memorial Fund	4,132,798	4,145,763	4,231,363	4,296,568	4,327,129
Other Governmental	406,691	343,341	321,686	281,774	257,774
Total	<u>\$29,811,481</u>	<u>\$34,734,387</u>	<u>\$34,734,387</u>	<u>\$34,162,686</u>	<u>\$35,724,407</u>
Proprietary Fund					
Solid Waste Fund	\$(775,916)	\$(1,270,040)	\$(945,870)	\$(459,671)	\$222,523

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Auditor's Report, McMinn County, Tennessee.

[balance of page left blank]

### McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Five Year Summary of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes In Fund Balances - General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30

	<u>2016</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2018</u>		<u>2019</u>	2020
Revenues:							<u> </u>	
Local Taxes	\$ 6,670,984	\$	7,020,757	\$	8,045,495	\$	9,401,983	\$ 9,697,117
Intergovernmental	2,832,652		2,804,721		2,707,329		2,555,391	2,312,100
Charges for current services	71,984		82,616		64,602		66,687	67,225
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	210,133		216,512		228,690		227,636	217,370
Investment Earnings	35,724		62,072		89,056		135,099	132,815
Miscellaneous	369,646		359,902		406,089		416,587	430,906
Total Revenues	\$ 10,191,123	\$	10,546,580	\$	11,541,261	\$	12,803,383	\$ 12,857,533
Expenditures:								
General Government	\$ 4,530,481	\$	4,802,687	\$	5,797,432	\$	5,439,640	\$ 5,815,200
Public Safety	5,927,946		6,285,915		6,560,289		7,045,232	7,466,388
Health	697,616		730,257		667,413		705,434	675,973
Social Servives	7,532		6,272		6,270		6,270	6,272
Culture and Recreations	191,872		201,313		210,030		213,990	232,143
Highways	-		-		-		-	-
Debt Service	-		-		-		-	-
Capital Projects	-		-		-		-	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 11,355,447	\$	12,026,444	\$	13,241,434	\$	13,410,566	\$ 14,195,976
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues								
Over Expenditures	\$ (1,164,324)	\$	(1,479,864)	\$	(1,700,173)	\$	(607,183)	\$ (1,338,443)
Other Sources:								
Proceeds from Sale of Property	\$ -	\$	-	\$	36,856	\$	-	\$ -
Insurance Recovery	-		-		-		-	-
Operating Transfers In	1,196,001		1,139,519		1,210,642		1,274,460	1,889,188
Operating Transfers Out	 							 
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	\$ 1,196,001	\$	1,139,519	\$	1,247,498	\$	1,274,460	\$ 1,889,188
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 31,677	\$	(340,345)	\$	(452,675)	\$	667,277	\$ 550,745
Fund Balance July 1	7,674,056		7,705,733		7,365,388		6,912,713	7,579,990
Prior Period Adjustments	 -	_		_		_	<del>-</del>	 
Fund Balance June 30	\$ 7,705,733	\$	7,365,388	\$	6,912,713	\$	7,579,990	\$ 8,130,735

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for McMinn County, Tennessee.

### INVESTMENT AND CASH MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Investment of idle County operating funds is controlled by state statute and local policies and administered by the County Trustee. Generally, such policies limit investment instruments to direct U. S. Government obligations, those issued by U.S. Agencies or Certificates of Deposit. As required by prevailing statutes, all demand deposits or Certificates of Deposit are secured by similar grade collateral pledged at 110% of market value for amounts in excess of that guaranteed through federally sponsored insurance programs. Deposits with savings and loan associations must be collateralized as outlined above, by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank or by providing notes secured by the first mortgages or first deeds for trust upon residential property in the state equal to at least 150 percent of the amount of uninsured deposits. All collateral must be held in a third party escrow account for the benefit of the County. For reporting purposes, all investments are stated at cost which approximates market value. The County Trustee is responsible for all County investments.

### REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT, TAX LEVY AND COLLECTION PROCEDURES

### State Taxation of Property; Classifications of Taxable Property; Assessment Rates

Under the Constitution and laws of the State of Tennessee, all real and personal property is subject to taxation, except to the extent that the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee (the "General Assembly") exempts certain constitutionally permitted categories of property from taxation. Property exempt from taxation includes federal, state and local government property, property of housing authorities, certain low cost housing for elderly persons, property owned and used exclusively for certain religious, charitable, scientific and educational purposes and certain other property as provided under Tennessee law.

Under the Constitution and laws of the State of Tennessee, property is classified into three separate classes for purposes of taxation: Real Property; Tangible Personal Property; and Intangible Personal Property. Real Property includes lands, structures, improvements, machinery and equipment affixed to realty and related rights and interests. Real Property is required constitutionally to be classified into four sub classifications and assessed at the rates as follows:

- (a) Public Utility Property (which includes all property of every kind used or held for use in the operation of a public utility, such as railroad companies, certain telephone companies, freight and private car companies, street car companies, power companies, express companies and other public utility companies), to be assessed at 55% of its value;
- (b) Industrial and Commercial Property (which includes all property of every kind used or held for use for any commercial, mining, industrial, manufacturing, business or similar purpose), to be assessed at 40% of its value;
- (c) Residential Property (which includes all property which is used or held for use for dwelling purposes and contains no more than one rental unit), to be assessed at 25% of its value; and
- (d) Farm Property (which includes all real property used or held for use in agriculture), to be assessed at 25% of its value.

Tangible Personal Property includes personal property such as goods, chattels and other articles of value, which are capable of manual or physical possession and certain machinery and equipment. Tangible Personal Property is required constitutionally to be classified into three sub classifications and assessed at the rates as follows:

- (a) Public Utility Property, to be assessed at 55% of its value;
- (b) Industrial and Commercial Property, to be assessed at 30% of its value; and
- (c) All other Tangible Personal Property (including that used in agriculture), to be assessed at 5% of its value, subject to an exemption of \$7,500 worth of Tangible Personal Property for personal household goods and furnishings, wearing apparel and other tangible personal property in the hands of a taxpayer.

Intangible Personal Property includes personal property, such as money, any evidence of debt owed to a taxpayer, any evidence of ownership in a corporation or other business organization having multiple owners and all other forms of property, the value of which is expressed in terms of what the property represents rather than its own intrinsic value. The Constitution of the State of Tennessee empowers the General Assembly to classify Intangible Personal Property into sub classifications and to establish a ratio of assessment to value in each class or subclass and to provide fair and equitable methods of apportionment of the value to the State of Tennessee for purposes of taxation.

The Constitution of the State of Tennessee requires that the ratio of assessment to value of property in each class or subclass be equal and uniform throughout the State of Tennessee and that the General Assembly direct the method to ascertain the value and definition of property in each class or subclass. Each respective taxing authority is constitutionally required to apply the same tax rate to all property within its jurisdiction.

### County Taxation of Property

The Constitution of the State of Tennessee empowers the General Assembly to authorize the several counties and incorporated towns in the State of Tennessee to impose taxes for county and municipal purposes in the manner prescribed by law. Under the *Tennessee Code Annotated*, the General Assembly has authorized the counties in Tennessee to levy an *ad valorem* tax on all taxable property within their respective jurisdictions, the amount of which is required to be fixed by the county legislative body of each county based upon tax rates to be established on the first Monday of July of each year or as soon thereafter as practicable.

All property is required to be taxed according to its value upon the principles established in regard to State taxation as described above, including equality and uniformity. All counties, which levy and collect taxes to pay off any bonded indebtedness, are empowered, through the respective county legislative bodies, to place all funds levied and collected into a special fund of the respective counties and to appropriate and use the money for the purpose of discharging any bonded indebtedness of the respective counties.

### Assessment of Property

County Assessments; County Board of Equalization. The function of assessment is to assess all property (with certain exceptions) to the person or persons owning or claiming to own

such property on January I for the year for which the assessment is made. All assessment of real and personal property are required to be made annually and as of January 1 for the year to which the assessment applies. Not later than May 20 of each year, the assessor of property in each county is required to (a) make an assessment of all property in the county and (b) note upon the assessor's records the current classification and assessed value of all taxable property within the assessor's jurisdiction.

The assessment records are open to public inspection at the assessor's office during normal business hours. The assessor is required to notify each taxpayer of any change in the classification or assessed value of the taxpayer's property and to cause a notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation stating where and when such records may be inspected and describing certain information concerning the convening of the county board of equalization. The notice to taxpayers and such published notice are required to be provided and published at least 10 days before the local board of equalization begins its annual session.

The county board of equalization is required (among other things) to carefully examine, compare and equalize the county assessments; assure that all taxable properties are included on the assessments lists and that exempt properties are eliminated from the assessment lists; hear and act upon taxpayer complaints; and correct errors and assure conformity to State law and regulations.

State Assessments of Public Utility Property; State Board of Equalization. The State Comptroller of the Treasury is authorized and directed under Tennessee law to assess for taxation, for State, county and municipal purposes, all public utility properties of every description, tangible and intangible, within the State. Such assessment is required to be made annually as of the same day as other properties are assessed by law (as described above) and takes into account such factors as are prescribed by Tennessee law.

On or before the first Monday in August of each year, the assessments are required to be completed and the State Comptroller of the Treasury is required to send a notice of assessment to each company assessable under Tennessee law. Within ten days after the first Monday in August of each year, any owner or user of property so assessed may file an exception to such assessment together with supporting evidence to the State Comptroller of the Treasury, who may change or affirm the valuation. On or before the first Monday in September of each year, the State Comptroller of the Treasury is required to file with the State Board of Equalization assessments so made. The State Board of Equalization is required to examine such assessments and is authorized to increase or diminish the valuation placed upon any property valued by the State Comptroller of the Treasury.

The State Board of Equalization has jurisdiction over the valuation, classification and assessment of all properties in the State. The State Board of Equalization is authorized to create an assessment appeals commission to hear and act upon taxpayer complaints. The action of the State Board of Equalization is final and conclusive as to all matters passed upon by the Board, subject to judicial review consisting of a new hearing in chancery court.

#### Periodic Reappraisal and Equalization

Tennessee law requires reappraisal in each county by a continuous six-year cycle comprised of an on-site review of each parcel of real property over a five-year period, or, upon approval of the State Board of Equalization, by a continuous four-year cycle comprised of an one-site review of each parcel of real property over a three-year period, followed by revaluation of all such property in the year following completion of the review period. Alternatively, if approved by the assessor and adopted by a majority vote of the county legislative body, the reappraisal program may be completed by a continuous five-year cycle comprised of an on-site review of each parcel of real property over a four-year period followed by revaluation of all such property in the year following completion of the review period.

After a reappraisal program has been completed and approved by the Director of Property Assessments, the value so determined must be used as the basis of assessments and taxation for property that has been reappraised. The State Board of Equalization is responsible to determine whether or not property within each county of the State has been valued and assessed in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Tennessee.

#### Valuation for Property Tax Purposes

County Valuation of Property. The value of all property is based upon its sound, intrinsic and immediate value for purposes of sale between a willing seller and a willing buyer without consideration of speculative values. In determining the value of all property of every kind, the assessor is to be guided by, and follow the instructions of, the appropriate assessment manuals issued by the division of property assessments and approved by the State board of equalization. Such assessment manuals are required to take into account various factors that are generally recognized by appraisers as bearing on the sound, intrinsic and immediate economic value of property at the time of assessment.

State Valuation of Public Utility Property. The State Comptroller of the Treasury determines the value of public utility property based upon the appraisal of the property as a whole without geographical or functional division of the whole (i.e., the unit rule of appraisal) and on other factors provided by Tennessee law. In applying the unit rule of appraisal, the State Comptroller of the Treasury is required to determine the State's share of the unit or system value based upon factors that relate to the portion of the system relating to the State of Tennessee.

#### Certified Tax Rate

Upon a general reappraisal of property as determined by the State Board of Equalization, the county assessor of property is required to (1) certify to the governing bodies of the county and each municipality within the county the total assessed value of taxable property within the jurisdiction of each governing body and (2) furnish to each governing body an estimate of the total assessed value of all new construction and improvements not included on the previous assessment roll and the assessed value of deletions from the previous assessment roll. Exclusive of such new construction, improvements and deletions, each governing body is required to determine and certify a tax rate (herein referred to as the "Certified Tax Rate") which will provide the same ad valorem revenue for that jurisdiction as was levied during the previous year.

The governing body of a county or municipality may adjust the Certified Tax Rate to reflect extraordinary assessment changes or to recapture excessive adjustments.

Tennessee law provides that no tax rate in excess of the Certified Tax Rate may be levied by the governing body of any county or of any municipality until a resolution or ordinance has been adopted by the governing body after publication of a notice of the governing body's intent to exceed the Certified Tax Rate in a newspaper of general circulation and the holding of a public hearing.

The Tennessee Local Government Public Obligations Act of 1986 provides that a tax sufficient to pay when due the principal of and interest on general obligation bonds (such as the Bonds) shall be levied annually and assessed, collected and paid, in like manner with the other taxes of the local government as described above and shall be in addition to all other taxes authorized or limited by law. Bonds issued pursuant to the Local Government Public Obligations Act of 1986 may be issued without regard to any limit on indebtedness provided by law.

#### Tax Freeze for the Elderly Homeowners

The Tennessee Constitution was amended by the voters in November 2006 to authorize the Tennessee General Assembly to enact legislation providing property tax relief for homeowners age 65 and older. The General Assembly subsequently adopted the Property Tax Freeze Act permitting (but not requiring) local governments to implement a program for "freezing" the property taxes of eligible taxpayers at an amount equal to the taxes for the year the taxpayer becomes eligible. For example, if a taxpayer's property tax bill is \$500 for the year in which he becomes eligible, his property taxes will remain at \$500 even if property tax rates or appraisals increase so long as he continues to meet the program's ownership and income requirements.

#### Tax Collection and Tax Lien

Property taxes are payable the first Monday in October of each year. The county trustee of each county acts as the collector of all county property taxes and of all municipal property taxes when the municipality does not collect its own taxes.

The taxes assessed by the State of Tennessee, a county, a municipality, a taxing district or other local governmental entity, upon any property of whatever kind, and all penalties, interest and costs accruing thereon become and remain a first lien on such property from January 1 of the year for which such taxes are assessed. In addition, property taxes are a personal debt of the property owner as of January and, when delinquent, may be collected by suit as any other personal debt. Tennessee law prescribes the procedures to be followed to foreclose tax liens and to pursue legal proceedings against property owners whose property taxes are delinquent.

Assessed Valuations. According to the Tax Aggregate Report of Tennessee, property in the County reflected a ratio of appraised value to true market value of 1.00. The following table shows pertinent data for tax year 2019<sup>1</sup>.

<u>Class</u>	<b>Assessed Valuation</b>	Rate	<b>Appraised Value</b>
Public Utility Property	\$ 52,960,984	55%	\$ 121,216,882
Commercial/Industrial/Mineral	328,272,440	40%	820,681,100
Personal Tangible Property	268,681,156	30%	895,603,614
Residential, Farm and Open Space	694,735,825	25%	2,778,943,300
Totals	<u>\$1,344,650,405</u>		<u>\$4,616,444,896</u>

Source: 2019 Tax Aggregate Report of Tennessee.

The estimated assessed value of property in the County for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 (tax year 2019) is \$1,344,650,405 compared to \$1,289,271,084 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 (tax year 2018). The estimated actual value of all taxable property for tax year 2019 is \$4,616,444,896 compared to \$4,435,426,999 for tax year 2018.

Property Tax Rates and Collections. The following table shows the property tax rates and collections of the County for tax years 2016 through 2020 as well as the aggregate uncollected balances for each fiscal year ending June 30.

	PROPERTY TAX		AND	Fiscal Yr Co	llections	Aggreg Uncolled Baland	eted
Tax Year <sup>2</sup>	Assessed Valuation	Tax Rates	Taxes Levied	Amount	Pct	as of June 3 Amount	0, 2020 Pct
2016	\$1,159,226,499	\$1.6155	\$19,018,314	\$18,340,868	96.4%	N/A	
2017	1,173,263,474	1.6155	19,430,741	18,890,757	97.2%	N/A	
2018	1,289,271,084	1.5469	20,435,647	19,859,314	97.2%	N/A	
2019	1,344,650,405	1.5469	21,376,576	20,500,586	95.9%	\$954,536	4.5%
2020	1,297,678,712	1.5469	21,948,796		IN PRO	CESS	

Source: Tax Aggregate Reports of Tennessee and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of McMinn County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The tax year coincides with the calendar year, therefore, tax year 2019 is actually fiscal year 2019-2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The tax year coincides with the calendar year, therefore, tax year 2020 is actually fiscal year 2020-2021.

*Ten Largest Taxpayers*. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 (tax year 2019), the ten largest taxpayers in the County are as follows:

	<u>Taxpayer</u>	<b>Business Type</b>	<b>Taxes Paid</b>
1.	Resolute	Paper Mill	\$1,742,062
2.	DENSO	Automotive	1,319,403
3.	Johns Manville/Schuller	Manufacturer	451,271
4.	Waupaca Foundry	Castings	300,020
5.	Evonik	Manufacturer	235,535
6.	E&E Manufacturing	Manufacturer	210,613
7.	Starr Regional Medical Center	Hospital	195,715
8.	Adient US LLC	Manufacturer	180,315
9.	ABB Installation	Manufacturer	169,876
10.	Dean Foods/Mayfield	<b>Dairy Products</b>	149,404
	TOTAL		<u>\$4,954,214</u>

Source: The County.

#### **PENSION PLAN**

Employees of McMinn County and non-certified employees of the discreetly presented McMinn County Schools with membership in the TCRS before January 1, 2014 are provided a defined benefit pension plan through the Public Employee Retirement Plan, an agent multiple-employer pension plan administered by the TCRS. The TCRS was created by state statute under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37. The TCRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the proper operation and administration of the TCRS. The Tennessee Treasury Department, an agency in the legislative branch of state government, administers the plans of the TCRS.

For additional information on the funding status, trend information and actuarial status of the County's retirement programs, please refer to the appropriate Notes to Financial Statements located in the General Purpose Financial Statements of the County attached herein.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION STATEMENT HIWASSEE UTILITY COMMISSION

#### HIWASSEE UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### INTRODUCTION

The Hiwassee Utilities Commission (the "Commission") consists primarily of office facilities; water procurement, treatment, storage, and distribution facilities. The Commission provides services consisting of the treatment and distribution of water to its customers through its Waterworks System. The Commission provides no other services to its customers.

#### **HISTORY**

The Commission was created on November 2, 1972, by agreement between the Bradley and McMinn Counties of Tennessee. The Counties jointly own and operate the Commission which is responsible for providing urban type public facilities and for the collection and disposition of the revenues from such facilities. Currently, the Commission provides water on a contract and demand basis to five (5) customers within Bradley and McMinn Counties.

#### **LOCATION**

The Commission operates within Bradley and McMinn Counties (the "Counties"). These Counties are located in the southeast portion of the State of Tennessee, in a valley between the Cumberland and Great Smoky Mountains. Bradley County is approximately 26 miles northeast of Chattanooga and 80 miles south of Knoxville, and McMinn County is located about 52 miles north from Chattanooga and 58 miles south from Knoxville.

#### **ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY**

Cleveland Utilities is the major source of revenue for Hiwassee Utilities Commission. Cleveland Utilities, Athens Utility Board, Calhoun-Charleston Utility District of McMinn and Bradley Counties, McMinn County and Riceville Utility District are under contract with Hiwassee Utilities Commission for a minimum commodity charge. If usage drops below the agreed level, the minimum charge must be paid as per the schedule on page 16 in the supplemental information to the Financial Statements.

Hiwassee Utilities Commission sells a substantial portion of its water to one customer. For years ending June 30, 2020 and 2019, sales to that customer totaled \$2,382,133 and \$2,326,073, respectively. At June 30, 2020 and 2019, amounts due from that customer included in trade accounts receivable were \$192,552 and \$188,844, respectively. The Cleveland Utilities Board contracted with Hiwassee Utilities Commission on June 22, 2006, under which the Water Division agreed to purchase an annual quantity of water equal to an average of 2,466,667 gallons of water per day. The contract language called for this minimum requirement to adjust to 5,335,000 gallons per day on July 1, 2008, due to improvements and an expansion to the HUC plant.

#### THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The following is a list of the current members of the Board of Commissioners:

Doug Harrod, Chairman Douglas Lecomte, Vice-Chairman Joe Edwards, Treasurer Joe Allen Secretary Fred Murphy Tony Steed

#### **RATES**

The current rates for the Commission (as of Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020) are as follows:

<u>Customer</u>	Contract Demand <u>Gallons / Day</u>	Contract Quantity <u>Gallons / Day</u>	Demand Charge / MG	Commodity Charge / MG
Athens	2,300,000	1,265,000	0.1500	1.0810
Calhoun - Charleston	500,000	275,000	0.1500	1.0810
Cleveland	9,700,000	5,335,000	0.1500	1.0810
McMinn County	500,000	0	0.1500	1.0810
Riceville	500,000	275,000	0.1500	1.0810

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the Commission.

#### **OPERATING REVENUES**

The following table sets forth for each of the fiscal years indicated gross operating revenues for the Waterworks System.

**REVENUE** (Fiscal Year Ended June 30)

<b>Customers</b>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Cleveland Utilities	\$2,309,611	\$2,307,930	\$2,093,398	\$2,326,073	\$2,382,133
Other Customers	856,272	905,550	846,713	839,098	953,489
TOTAL	\$3,165,883	\$3,213,480	\$2,940,111	\$3,165,171	\$3,335,622

Source: Audited Financial Statements of the Commission.

#### **SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS**

The financial statements of the Commission for the year ended June 30, 2020 have been examined by Wedgewood Accounting, PLLC, Cleveland, Tennessee, independent accountants, whose report thereon appears herein.

# HIWASSEE UTILITIES COMMISSION SUMMARY OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

# BONDED DEBT

INTEREST (1) RATE(S) OUTSTANDING	Eixed \$ 5,040,000 Fixed 5,015,000	\$ 10,055,000	Eixed \$ 4,985,000 Fixed 4,965,000 (9,710,000)	\$ 10,295,000
DUE	June 2042 June 2042		June 2042 June 2042	
PURPOSE	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (Bradley County TN) General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (McMinn County TN)	NET BONDED DEBT	General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (Bradley County TN) General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (McMinn County TN) Less: Refunded Bonds	TOTAL BONDED DEBT
AMOUNT ISSUED	\$ 5,580,000 5,555,000	\$ 11,135,000	\$ 4,985,000 4,965,000 (10,335,000)	\$ 10,750,000

NOTES:

(1) The Hiwassee Utilities Commission was created by Bradley County, Tennessee and McMinn County, Tennessee. For more information, see the Notes to the Financial Statements included herein.

HIWASSEE UTILITIES COMMISSION BONDED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

ce % All Principal	Repaid	75 3.35%	92:	133	153	:53	.33 26.66%	33	153	15	:65	40 49.78%	.40	.20	06	09	960 72.61%	060	.20	140	099	10 95.43%	900.001 069	99
Total Senior Revenue Bonded Debt Service Requirements	TOTAL	5 \$ 647,7	5 643,8	_	3 639,053													060'689 0		) 517,940	99,905 (	) 494,910	0 482,690	999 202 61 8 9
Revenue Bonde Requirements	Interest	\$ 302,775	163,876	161,933	159,053	155,453	151,133	146,333	141,053	135,115	128,465	121,340	113,740	105,750	97,290	98,36	78,960	060,69	58,750	47,940	36,660	24,910	12,690	\$ 2.500.666
Total Senior	Principal	\$ 345,000	480,000	480,000	480,000	480,000	480,000	480,000	475,000	475,000	475,000	475,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	470,000	\$ 10,295,000
% 2021 Principal	Repaid	0.00%					24.17%					47.94%					71.60%					95.27%	100.00%	
ding Bonds,	TOTAL	s	321,795	320,823	319,383	317,583	315,423	313,023	305,383	302,445	299,155	295,630	291,870	287,875	283,645	279,180	274,480	269,545	264,375	258,970	253,330	247,455	241,345	\$6.062,710
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (McMinn County, TN)	Interest (3)	€	81,795	80,823	79,383	77,583	75,423	73,023	70,383	67,445	64,155	60,630	56,870	52,875	48,645	44,180	39,480	34,545	29,375	23,970	18,330	12,455	6,345	\$1,097,710
General Ol Series 203	Principal	· ·	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	\$4,965,000
% 2021 Principal	Repaid	%00.0					24.07%					48.14%					71.72%					95.29%	100.00%	
ling Bonds, mty, TN)	TOTAL	s	322,081	321,110	319,670	317,870	315,710	313,310	310,670	307,670	304,310	300,710	291,870	287,875	283,645	279,180	274,480	269,545	264,375	258,970	253,330	247,455	241,345	\$ 6,085,181
General Obligation Refunding Bonds. Series 2021 (Bradley County, TN)	Interest (2)	€	82,081	81,110	79,670	77,870	75,710	73,310	70,670	67,670	64,310	60,710	56,870	52,875	48,645	44,180	39,480	34,545	29,375	23,970	18,330	12,455	6,345	\$ 1,100,181
General Ob Series 202	Principal	•	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	235,000	\$ 4,985,000
	TOTAL	-	(646,138)	(644,038)	(646,838)	(644,438)	(641,463)	(642,200)	(642,694)	(642,194)	(641,175)	(643,575)	(645,525)	(641,744)	(647,656)	(642,356)	(641,738)	(649,381)	(641,163)	(642,600)	(643,000)	(642,700)	(641,700)	\$ (13,514,313)
: Refunded Debt	Interest	· ·	(291,138)	(284,038)	(276,838)	(269,438)	(261,463)	(252,200)	(242,694)	(232,194)	(221,175)	(208,575)	(195,525)	(181,744)	(167,656)	(152,356)	(136,738)	(119,381)	(101,163)	(82,600)	(63,000)	(42,700)	(21,700)	
Less:	Principal	s	(355,000)	(360,000)	(370,000)	(375,000)	(380,000)	(390,000)	(400,000)	(410,000)	(420,000)	(435,000)	(450,000)	(460,000)	(480,000)	(490,000)	(505,000)	(530,000)	(540,000)	(260,000)	(580,000)	(000,009)	(620,000)	\$ (9,710,000)
r Debt: as of	TOTAL	\$ 647,775	646,138	644,038	646,838	644,438	641,463	642,200	642,694	642,194	641,175	643,575	645,525	641,744	647,656	642,356	641,738	649,381	641,163	642,600	643,000	642,700	641,700	\$ 14,162,088
Outstanding Water and Sewer Debt: as of June 30, 2020 (1)	Interest	\$ 302,775	291,138	284,038	276,838	269,438	261,463	252,200	242,694	232,194	221,175	208,575	195,525	181,744	167,656	152,356	136,738	119,381	101,163	82,600	63,000	42,700	21,700	\$ 4,107,088
Outstanding W	Principal	\$ 345,000	355,000	360,000	370,000	375,000	380,000	390,000	400,000	410,000	420,000	435,000	450,000	460,000	480,000	490,000	505,000	530,000	540,000	260,000	580,000	000,009	620,000	\$ 10,055,000
F.Y. Ended	2/28	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	l

(1) The Hiwassec Utilities Commission was created by Bradley County, Tennessee and McMinn County, Tennessee. For more information, see the Notes to the Financial Statements included herein.

(2) Estimated Interest rates. Estimated Average Coupon of 2.02%.

### HIWASSEE UTILITIES COMMISSION OF BRADLEY AND MCMINN COUNTIES, TENNESSEE

Five Year Summary of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes In Retained Earnings For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30

Operating Revenues         \$ 3,165,883         \$ 3,213,480         \$ 2,940,111         \$ 3,165,171         \$ 3,335,622           Total Operating Revenues         \$ 3,165,883         \$ 3,213,480         \$ 2,940,111         \$ 3,165,171         \$ 3,335,622           Operating Expenses:         \$ 376,942         \$ 379,522         \$ 384,030         \$ 370,387         \$ 446,597           Contracted plant operations         \$ 376,942         \$ 379,522         \$ 384,030         \$ 370,387         \$ 446,597           Contracted plant operations         \$ 376,942         \$ 379,522         \$ 384,030         \$ 370,387         \$ 446,597           Contracted plant operations         \$ 257,829         \$ 595,591         \$ 544,767         \$ 590,602         \$ 595,906           Lab supplies, analysis and reports         8 123         7,261         6,820         6111         7,064           Chemicals         148,297         118,685         119,603         114,093         117,701           Sunging disposal         163,335         39,124         88,231         145,967         115,002           Scutiny and safety         6,109         6,600         4125         8,201         1,313         5,422           Longevity and safety         9,979         9,305         6,520 <t< th=""><th>O</th><th><u>2016</u></th><th><u>2017</u></th><th><u>2018</u></th><th><u>2019</u></th><th><u>2020</u></th></t<>	O	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Operating Expenses:         Contracted plant operations         \$ 376,942         \$ 379,522         \$ 384,030         \$ 370,387         \$ 446,597           Contracted plant overhead         229,972         271,914         234,212         224,723         271,172           Electricity         567,829         595,591         544,767         590,602         595,906           Lab supplies, analysis and reports         8,123         7,261         6,820         6,111         7,064           Chemicals         148,297         138,651         150,635         145,939         177,701           Sampling         11,182         13,761         12,965         11,950         15,002           Sludge disposal         163,335         39,124         82,321         54,667         103,705           Sccurity and safety         6,109         6,600         4,125         8,201         1,313           Telephone and communications         12,962         14,645         14,674         12,579         15,145           Longevity pay         9,079         9,305         6,320         5,113         5,642           Property insurance         27,246         27,789         26,537         29,355         28,802           Other fees, permits and professiona		\$ 3,165,883	\$ 3,213,480	\$ 2,940,111	\$ 3,165,171	\$ 3,335,622
Contracted plant operations         \$ 376,942         \$ 379,522         \$ 384,030         \$ 370,387         \$ 446,597           Contracted plant overhead         229,972         271,914         234,212         224,723         271,172           Electricity         567,829         595,591         544,767         590,602         595,906           Lab suplies, analysis and reports         8,123         7,261         6,820         6,111         7,064           Chemicals         148,297         138,651         150,635         145,939         177,701           Sampling         11,182         13,761         12,965         11,950         15,002           Sludge disposal         163,335         39,124         82,321         54,667         103,705           Security and safety         6,109         6,600         4,125         8,201         1,313           Telephone and communications         12,962         14,645         14,624         12,579         15,145           Longevity pay         9,079         9,305         6,320         5,113         5,642           Property insurance         27,246         27,789         26,537         29,355         28,810           Other fees, permits and professional services         33,225 <td><b>Total Operating Revenues</b></td> <td>\$ 3,165,883</td> <td>\$ 3,213,480</td> <td>\$ 2,940,111</td> <td>\$ 3,165,171</td> <td>\$ 3,335,622</td>	<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	\$ 3,165,883	\$ 3,213,480	\$ 2,940,111	\$ 3,165,171	\$ 3,335,622
Contracted plant overhead   229.972   271.914   234.212   224.723   271.172     Electricity   567,829   595,591   544.767   590,602   595,906     Lab supplies, analysis and reports   8,123   7,261   6,820   6,111   7,064     Chemicals   148,297   138,651   150,635   145,939   177.701     Sampling   11,182   13,761   12,965   11,950   15,002     Sludge disposal   163,335   39,124   82,321   54,667   103,705     Security and safety   6,109   6,600   4,125   8,201   1,313     Telephone and communications   12,962   14,645   14,624   12,579   15,145     Longevity pay   9,079   9,305   6,320   5,113   5,642     Property insurance   27,246   27,789   26,537   29,355   28,810     Other fees, permits and professional services   33,225   23,032   18,674   45,594   60,711     Office supplies and small equipment   4,231   18,150   3,037   4,824   4,479     Commision Expense   8,048   8,251   10,125   9,230   9,110     Salary - Office manager   33,865   34,881   35,932   37,011   38,129     Payroll taxes   2,692   2,583   3,459   4,145   3,130     Maintenance   357,595   347,089   317,445   390,421   379,596     Provision for depreciation and amortization   723,231   746,599   728,271   719,030   678,619     Total Operating Expenses   8 (423,286)   \$2,684,748   \$2,584,299   \$2,669,882   \$2,841,831     Net Operating Income (Loss)   \$441,920   \$258,732   \$355,812   \$495,289   \$493,791      Other Revenues (Expenses):	Operating Expenses:					
Electricity	Contracted plant operations	\$ 376,942	\$ 379,522	\$ 384,030	\$ 370,387	\$ 446,597
Lab supplies, analysis and reports	Contracted plant overhead	229,972	271,914	234,212	224,723	271,172
Chemicals	Electricity	567,829	595,591	544,767	590,602	595,906
Sampling         11,182         13,761         12,965         11,950         15,002           Sludge disposal         163,335         39,124         82,321         54,667         103,705           Security and safety         6,109         6,600         4,125         8,201         1,313           Telephone and communications         12,962         14,645         14,624         12,579         15,145           Longevity pay         9,079         9,305         6,320         5,113         5,642           Property insurance         27,246         27,789         26,537         29,355         28,810           Other fees, permits and professional services         33,225         23,032         18,674         45,594         60,711           Office supplies and small equipment         4,231         18,150         3,037         4,824         4,479           Commission Expense         8,048         8,251         10,125         9,230         9,110           Salary- Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         375,595         347,089         317,	Lab supplies, analysis and reports	8,123	7,261	6,820	6,111	7,064
Sludge disposal   163,335   39,124   82,321   54,667   103,705   Security and safety   6,109   6,600   4,125   8,201   1,313   1,545   1,465   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,465   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,465   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,465   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,465   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,465   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,4624   1,4624   12,579   15,145   1,4624	Chemicals	148,297	138,651	150,635	145,939	177,701
Security and safety         6,109         6,600         4,125         8,201         1,313           Telephone and communications         12,962         14,645         14,624         12,579         15,145           Longevity pay         9,079         9,305         6,320         5,113         5,642           Property insurance         27,246         27,789         26,537         29,355         28,810           Other fees, permits and professional services         33,225         23,032         18,674         45,594         60,711           Office supplies and small equipment         4,231         18,150         3,037         4,824         4,479           Commission Expense         8,048         8,251         10,125         9,230         9,110           Salary - Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Net Operating Expenses         \$ (	Sampling	11,182	13,761	12,965	11,950	15,002
Telephone and communications	Sludge disposal	163,335	39,124	82,321	54,667	103,705
Descript pay	Security and safety	6,109	6,600	4,125	8,201	1,313
Property insurance	Telephone and communications	12,962	14,645	14,624	12,579	15,145
Other fees, permits and professional services         33,225         23,032         18,674         45,594         60,711           Office supplies and small equipment         4,231         18,150         3,037         4,824         4,479           Commision Expense         8,048         8,251         10,125         9,230         9,110           Salary - Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286) <td< td=""><td>Longevity pay</td><td>9,079</td><td>9,305</td><td>6,320</td><td>5,113</td><td>5,642</td></td<>	Longevity pay	9,079	9,305	6,320	5,113	5,642
Other fees, permits and professional services         33,225         23,032         18,674         45,594         60,711           Office supplies and small equipment         4,231         18,150         3,037         4,824         4,479           Commision Expense         8,048         8,251         10,125         9,230         9,110           Salary - Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286) <td< td=""><td>Property insurance</td><td>27,246</td><td>27,789</td><td>26,537</td><td>29,355</td><td>28,810</td></td<>	Property insurance	27,246	27,789	26,537	29,355	28,810
Office supplies and small equipment         4,231         18,150         3,037         4,824         4,479           Commision Expense         8,048         8,251         10,125         9,230         9,110           Salary - Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Expense         \$ (425,286)         \$ (		33,225	23,032	18,674	45,594	60,711
Commiston Expense         8,048         8,251         10,125         9,230         9,110           Salary - Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -		4,231	18,150	3,037	4,824	4,479
Salary - Office manager         33,865         34,881         35,932         37,011         38,129           Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -         -         -         -         -           Bond Premium Amortization         5,019 <t< td=""><td></td><td>8,048</td><td>8,251</td><td>10,125</td><td>9,230</td><td>9,110</td></t<>		8,048	8,251	10,125	9,230	9,110
Payroll taxes         2,692         2,583         3,459         4,145         3,130           Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -         -         -         -         -           Bond Premium Amortization         5,019         4,610         4,610         4,610         4,610           Total Other Revenue         \$ (861,218)		33,865	34,881	35,932	37,011	38,129
Maintenance         357,595         347,089         317,445         390,421         379,596           Provision for depreciation and amortization         723,231         746,599         728,271         719,030         678,619           Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -         -         -         -         -           Bond Premium Amortization         5,019         4,610         4,610         4,610         4,610           Total Other Revenue         \$ (861,218)         \$ (461,899)         \$ (720,543)         \$ (306,575)         \$ (290,050)           Increase in Net Assets		2,692	2,583	3,459	4,145	
Provision for depreciation and amortization   723,231   746,599   728,271   719,030   678,619						
Total Operating Expenses         \$ 2,723,963         \$ 2,684,748         \$ 2,584,299         \$ 2,669,882         \$ 2,841,831           Net Operating Income (Loss)         \$ 441,920         \$ 528,732         \$ 355,812         \$ 495,289         \$ 493,791           Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -		-				
Other Revenues (Expenses):           Interest Expense         \$ (423,286)         \$ (347,578)         \$ (335,000)         \$ (325,119)         \$ (314,119)           Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -		\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$
Interest Expense \$ (423,286) \$ (347,578) \$ (335,000) \$ (325,119) \$ (314,119) Interest Income 6,507 8,300 9,430 13,934 19,459 Loss on Disposal of Assets (173,665) (127,231) (399,583)	Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 441,920	\$ 528,732	\$ 355,812	\$ 495,289	\$ 493,791
Interest Income         6,507         8,300         9,430         13,934         19,459           Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -<	Other Revenues (Expenses):					
Loss on Disposal of Assets         (173,665)         (127,231)         (399,583)         -         -         -           Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -	Interest Expense	\$ (423,286)	\$ (347,578)	\$ (335,000)	\$ (325,119)	\$ (314,119)
Refunding Bond Issuance Costs         (275,793)         -	Interest Income	6,507	8,300	9,430	13,934	19,459
Bond Premium Amortization         5,019         4,610         4,610         4,610         4,610           Total Other Revenue         \$ (861,218)         \$ (461,899)         \$ (720,543)         \$ (306,575)         \$ (290,050)           Change in Net Position         \$ (419,298)         \$ (461,899)         \$ (720,543)         \$ (306,575)         \$ (290,050)           Increase in Net Assets         \$ 22,622         \$ 66,833         \$ (364,731)         \$ 188,714         \$ 203,741           Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated Adjustments         5,248,544         4,829,246         4,896,079         4,531,348         4,720,062           Adjustments         (441,920)         -         -         -         -         -	Loss on Disposal of Assets	(173,665)	(127,231)	(399,583)	-	-
Total Other Revenue         \$ (861,218)         \$ (461,899)         \$ (720,543)         \$ (306,575)         \$ (290,050)           Change in Net Position         \$ (419,298)         \$ (461,899)         \$ (720,543)         \$ (306,575)         \$ (290,050)           Increase in Net Assets         \$ 22,622         \$ 66,833         \$ (364,731)         \$ 188,714         \$ 203,741           Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated Adjustments         5,248,544         4,829,246         4,896,079         4,531,348         4,720,062           Adjustments         (441,920)         -         -         -         -         -         -	Refunding Bond Issuance Costs	(275,793)	-	-	-	-
Change in Net Position       \$ (419,298)       \$ (461,899)       \$ (720,543)       \$ (306,575)       \$ (290,050)         Increase in Net Assets       \$ 22,622       \$ 66,833       \$ (364,731)       \$ 188,714       \$ 203,741         Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated Adjustments       5,248,544       4,829,246       4,896,079       4,531,348       4,720,062         Adjustments       (441,920)       -       -       -       -       -	Bond Premium Amortization	5,019	4,610	4,610	4,610	4,610
Increase in Net Assets         \$ 22,622         \$ 66,833         \$ (364,731)         \$ 188,714         \$ 203,741           Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated Adjustments         5,248,544         4,829,246         4,896,079         4,531,348         4,720,062	Total Other Revenue	\$ (861,218)	\$ (461,899)	\$ (720,543)	\$ (306,575)	\$ (290,050)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated       5,248,544       4,829,246       4,896,079       4,531,348       4,720,062         Adjustments       (441,920)       -       -       -       -       -	Change in Net Position	\$ (419,298)	\$ (461,899)	\$ (720,543)	\$ (306,575)	\$ (290,050)
Adjustments (441,920)	Increase in Net Assets	\$ 22,622	\$ 66,833	\$ (364,731)	\$ 188,714	\$ 203,741
Adjustments (441,920)	Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated	5,248,544	4,829,246	4,896,079	4,531,348	4,720,062
Net Assets, End of Year <u>\$ 4,829,246</u> <u>\$ 4,896,079</u> <u>\$ 4,531,348</u> <u>\$ 4,720,062</u> <u>\$ 4,923,803</u>	, , ,	 	 <u>-</u>	 <del>-</del>	 <u>-</u>	 <u> </u>
	Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 4,829,246	\$ 4,896,079	\$ 4,531,348	\$ 4,720,062	\$ 4,923,803

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Hiwassee Utilities Commission of Bradley and McMinn Counties, Tennessee

HIWASSEE UTILITIES COMMISSION OF BRADLEY AND MCMINN COUNTIES, TENNESSEE

Historical Debt Service Coverage For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30

		<u>2016</u>		2017		<u>2018</u>		2019		2020
Operating Revenue	<del>\$</del>	3,165,883	<b>↔</b>	3,213,480	<b>↔</b>	2,940,111	<b>↔</b>	3,165,171	<b>↔</b>	3,335,622
Operating Expenses	8	(2,723,963)	<b>⇔</b>	(2,684,748)	<b>⇔</b>	(2,584,299)	<b>⇔</b>	(2,669,882)	<b>⇔</b>	(2,841,831)
Net Operating Revenue	<del>\$</del>	441,920	<b>↔</b>	528,732	<b>⇔</b>	355,812	<b>↔</b>	495,289	<b>⇔</b>	493,791
Add: Depreciation & Amortization	<del>\$</del>	723,231	<b>↔</b>	746,599	<b>⇔</b>	728,271	<b>↔</b>	719,030	<b>⇔</b>	678,619
Add: Other Income	<del>\$</del>	6,507	<b>↔</b>	8,300	<b>⇔</b>	9,430	<b>↔</b>	13,934	<b>⇔</b>	19,459
Income Available For Debt Service	8	1,171,658	~	1,283,631	8	1,093,513	8	1,228,253	↔	1,191,869
Maximum Debt Service Requirements on All Bonds (2021)		647,775		647,775		647,775		647,775		647,775
Bond Coverage		1.81 x		1.98 x		1.69 x		1.90 x		1.84

Source: Annual Audit Reports for the District

×

#### GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**OF** 

MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED

**JUNE 30, 2020** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2020



# **Annual Financial Report Table of Contents**

	Page Numbers
Introductory Section	
Roster of County Officials	I-1
Financial Section	
Independent Auditor's Report	i
Management's Discussion and Analysis (unaudited)	iv
Basic Financial Statements	
Statement of Net Position	A-1
Statement of Activities	A-3
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds	A-5
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position	
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund	A-8
Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities	A - 10
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and	
Actual – GAAP Basis – General Fund	A - 11
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and	
Actual – Road and Bridge Fund	A - 12
Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Fund	A - 13
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position – Proprietary Fund	A - 14
Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Fund	A - 15
Statement of Net Position – Fiduciary Funds	A - 16
Notes to Financial Statements	A - 17
Required Supplementary Information (unaudited) Other than MD&A	
Schedule of Changes in McMinn County's Net Pension Liability (Asset)	
and Related Ratios Based on Participation	B - 1
Schedule of McMinn County's Contributions Based on Participation	2 .
in the Public Employee Pension Plan of TCRS	B-2
Notes to Pension Schedule – McMinn County	B-3
Schedule of McMinn County Schools' Proportionate Share of the Net	2 0
Pension Asset Teacher Legacy Pension Plan of TCRS	B-4
Schedule of McMinn County Schools' Contributions Teacher Legacy Plan of TCRS	B-5
Schedule of McMinn County Schools' Proportionate Share of the Net	ВЗ
Pension Liability (Asset) Teacher Retirement Plan of TCRS	B-6
Schedule of McMinn County Schools' Contributions Teacher Retirement Plan of TCRS	B – 7
Schedule of Changes in McMinn County's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios	B-8
Schedule of Changes in McMinn County's Board of Education Total OPEB Liability	ъ
and Related Ratios	B – 9
Schedule of Changes in McMinn County's Board of Education - TGOP Total Liability	<b>D</b> – 9
OPEB Liability and Related Ratios	B - 10

	Page Numbers
Other Supplementary Information	
Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund Detail	C - 1
Governmental Funds	
Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	C-4
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances –	0 (
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	C-6 C-8
Combining Balance Sheet – Constitutional Officers Major Governmental Funds Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances –	C – 8
Constitutional Officers Major Governmental Funds	C – 10
Combining Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances – Constitutional Officers	
Fee and Commission Accounts	C - 12
Fiduciary Funds	
Combining Schedule of Changes in Assets and Liabilities – Agency Funds	C – 14
Combining Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances - Constitutional Officers	
Agency Funds	C – 17
Budgetary Comparison Schedules	
Budgetary Comparison Schedules - Special Revenue Nonmajor Governmental Funds	C – 19
Discretely Presented Component Unit – Board of Education	
Combining Balance Sheet – Board of Education Governmental Funds	D - 1
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Board of Education Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position	D-2
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Board	
of Education Governmental Funds	D-3
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	ъ
of Board of Education Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities	D-4
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual Board of Education Governmental Funds	D-5
Financial Schedules	
Schedule of Property Taxes Receivable	E-1
Schedule of Investments by Fund	E-2
Combining Schedule of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances –	Б 3
Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments with Trustee	E-3
Schedule of Salaries and Official Bonds of Principal Officials Schedule of Tax Rates and Assessments	E-5 E-6
Schedule of Tax Rates and Assessments	$\mathbf{E} = 0$
Single Audit Section	
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards	F-1
Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal and State Awards	F-4
Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting	
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with <i>Government Auditing Standards</i>	F-5
Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program	$1 - \mathcal{J}$
and Report on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with	
the Uniform Guidance	F-7
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs	F – 9
Schedule of Prior Audit Findings	F - 10

#### ROSTER OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

#### June 30, 2020

County MayorJohn GentryDirector of FinanceJason LuallenCommissioner of HighwaysDan EvansAdministrator of SchoolsLee ParkisonTrusteePhil TuggleAssessor of PropertyKeith Price

Members of the County Commission:

Brent Carter

David Crews, Chairman

Scott Curtis
Dale Holbrook
Tim King
Roger Masingale

Jerry Milsaps Charles Slack J.W. McPhail Tad Simpson

Members of the County Commission Audit Committee:

Scott Curtis Tad Simpson J.W. McPhail Tim King Dale Holbrook

Constitutional Officers:

Circuit, General Sessions and Probate

Courts Clerk Rhonda J. Cooley
Clerk and Master Patty S. Gaines
County Clerk Melinda King
Register of Deeds Cheryl Ingram
Sheriff Joe D. Guy

#### **ROSTER OF COUNTY OFFICIALS**

June 30, 2020

Members of the County Board of Education:

Quinten Howard

Sharon Brown, Chairperson

Donna Cagle Rob Shamblin Mike Cochran Bill Irvin

Denise Cunningham Donna Maxwell Mike Lowry Tony Allman

Members of the McMinn County Emergency Communications District:

Mike Jones, Chairman

Mark Lowry Richard Brogan Harold Masengil David Crews Ronald Hall Russell Duggan David St. John



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and the Board of Commissioners McMinn County, Tennessee

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely-presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of McMinn County, Tennessee (the County) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the McMinn County Emergency Communications District ("E-911 District"), a discretely presented component unit, which represents 6.9% of the assets and 3.05% of the revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the McMinn County Emergency Communications District, a discretely presented component unit, is based on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely-presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of McMinn County, Tennessee as of June 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund and road and bridge fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages iv through x and the required supplementary information on pages B-1 through B-10, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise McMinn County's basic financial statements. The introductory section, budgetary comparison schedules, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, other supplementary information and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The budgetary comparison schedules, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, other supplementary information, and schedule of expenditures of federal awards 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. Such 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, the budgetary comparison schedules, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, other supplementary information, and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 18, 2021, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough, PLLC

Chattanooga, Tennessee January 18, 2021

iii

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

As management of the McMinn County Government, we offer readers of the McMinn County Government's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the McMinn County Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in this report.

#### **Financial Highlights**

#### **Primary Government**

- The assets of the McMinn County Primary Government exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$102,604,526 (net position).
- The total net position of the McMinn County Primary Government increased by \$2,070,944 or 7.88% of 2020 expenses, which totaled \$26,289,436.
- At the close of the current fiscal year, the McMinn County Government's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$35,670,541, an increase of \$1,507,359 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 8.42% of this total amount, \$3,005,063 is available for spending at the government's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$3,005,063, or 21.17%, of the total general fund expenditures. This demonstrates the County's fiscal discipline and positions the County well to meet unexpected emergencies, temporary cash needs and other uncertainties the County faces in the normal course of everyday operations.
- McMinn County Government general fund revenue sources, including transfers, were \$159,481 less than budgeted. The two largest factors in this variance were \$425,951 received in tax revenues more than budgeted and \$735,965 deficit in intergovernmental revenues.

#### Component Unit, McMinn County Board of Education

- Governmental fund assets of the McMinn County Board of Education, a component unit, exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$6,905,555. Of this amount, \$4,437,377 (unassigned fund balance) may be used to meet the ongoing obligations of the McMinn County Board of Education, subject to the restrictions imposed by the State of Tennessee. In addition, the Statement of Net Position shows an investment of \$26,516,756 in capital assets of the Board.
- The McMinn County Board of Education's net position decreased by \$598,155. The decrease is attributed to the disposition of capital assets.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the McMinn County Government's basic financial statements. The McMinn County Government's basic financial statements encompass three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide financial statements.** The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the McMinn County Government's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the McMinn County Government's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the McMinn County Government is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the McMinn County Government that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of the McMinn County Government include general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, economic development, and culture and recreation. The government-wide financial statements also include the business-type activity of the McMinn County Government, a solid waste disposal operation (landfill).

The government-wide financial statements include not only the McMinn County Government itself (known as the *primary government*), but also a legally separate school district for which the McMinn County Government is financially accountable. The activities of the McMinn County Board of Education, a component unit, are governmental in nature. Financial information for the McMinn County Board of Education is reported separately from the financial information presented for the primary government itself. The McMinn County Board of Education does not issue separate financial statements.

Also included in the government-wide financial statements are the activities of the Emergency Communications District, a component unit for which the County is financially accountable, but which issues its own financial statements. The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages A-1 through A-4 of this report.

**Fund financial statements.** 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 McMinn County Government, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the McMinn County Government can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The McMinn County Government maintains nine individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, Constitutional Officers Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Woods Memorial Permanent Fund all of which are considered to be major funds.

Data from the other four governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

The McMinn County Government adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages A-5 through A-12 of this report.

**Proprietary funds.** Services for which the McMinn County Government charges customers a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. The McMinn County Government maintains two different types of proprietary funds. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The McMinn County Government uses an enterprise fund to account for its solid waste operation. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages A-13 through A-15 of this report.

**Fiduciary funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the McMinn County Government's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on page A-16 of this report.

**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 A-17 through A-56 of this report.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain *required supplementary information*. Management's Discussion and Analysis is included on pages iv through x, and McMinn County Government's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees can be found on page B-1 of this report.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with non-major governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information. Combining and individual fund statements and schedules can be found on pages C-4 through C-7 of this report.

#### **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the McMinn County Government, assets exceeded liabilities by \$102,881,406 at the close of the most recent fiscal year. A summary version of the Statement of Net Position at June 30, 2020 is as follows:

#### McMinn County, Tennessee Net Position-Primary Government June 30, 2020

D...... 4----

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Current and Other Assets Capital Assets	\$ 53,042,946 64,432,555	\$ 47,611,577 66,823,262	\$ 3,491,675 3,246,997	\$ 2,630,762 3,393,484	\$ 56,534,621 67,679,552	\$ 50,242,339 70,216,746
Total Assets	117,475,501	114,434,839	6,738,672	6,024,246	124,214,173	120,459,085
Deferred Pension Outflows	513,942	706,626	21,273	21,579	535,215	728,205
Other Liabilities Long-Term Liabilities Total Liabilities	781,069 375,555 1,156,624	706,986 357,048 1,064,034	8,445 6,487,215 6,495,660	18,374 6,460,659 6,479,033	789,514 6,862,770 7,652,284	725,360 6,817,707 7,543,067
Deferred Inflows of Resources	14,228,293	12,334,488	41,762	26,463	14,270,055	12,360,951
Net Position: Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted Unrestricted Total Net Position	64,432,555 10,317,886 27,854,085 \$102,604,526	64,062,492 11,922,856 25,757,595 \$101,742,943	3,246,997 87,909 (3,112,383) \$ 222,523	3,303,395 85,205 (3,848,271) \$ (459,671)	67,679,552 10,405,795 24,741,702 \$ 102,827,049	67,365,887 12,008,061 21,909,324 \$ 101,283,272

The investment in capital assets of the McMinn County Government (e.g., land, buildings, infrastructure, machinery, and equipment) accounts for 66% of total net position. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending.

An additional portion of the McMinn County Primary Government's net position (10%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of *unrestricted net position* of \$24,741,702 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens. For additional discussion on the assignment of fund balance please see the discussion under Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds, beginning on page viii.

The Primary Government's net position increased by \$2,070,944 during the current fiscal year.

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities increased the McMinn County Government's net position by \$1,388,750. A summary version of the Statement of Activities is as follows:

# McMinn County, Tennessee Change in Net Position For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Governmental Activities			Business-type Activities		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	
Revenues:							
Charges for services	\$ 3,934,285	\$ 3,741,604	\$ 1,664,727	\$ 1,418,386	\$ 5,599,012	\$ 5,159,990	
Operating grants							
and contributions	5,869,375	6,446,931	-	43,050	5,869,375	6,489,981	
General revenues:							
Taxes	15,373,049	15,152,936	-	-	15,373,049	15,152,936	
Investment earnings	507,817	629,671	45,803	43,451	553,620	673,122	
Miscellaneous	906,481	869,035	58,843	17,344	965,324	886,379	
Total revenues	26,591,007	26,840,177	1,769,373	1,522,231	28,360,380	28,362,408	
Expenses:							
General government	10,573,502	9,439,002	-	_	10,573,502	9,439,002	
Public safety	7,538,835	7,128,207	-	-	7,538,835	7,128,207	
Health	679,145	708,606	-	-	679,145	708,606	
Social services	6,272	6,270	-	-	6,272	6,270	
Culture and recreation	232,143	213,990	-	-	232,143	213,990	
Public works/roads							
and bridges	6,172,360	5,333,321	-	-	6,172,360	5,333,321	
Solid waste			1,087,179	1,036,032	1,087,179	1,036,032	
Total expenses	25,202,257	22,829,396	1,087,179	1,036,032	26,289,436	23,865,428	
Increase (decrease) in							
net position	1,388,750	4,010,781	682,194	486,199	2,070,944	4,496,980	
Net position, beginning	101,215,776	97,752,162	(459,671)	(945,870)	100,756,105	96,806,292	
Net position, ending	\$102,604,526	\$101,762,943	\$ 222,523	\$ (459,671)	\$102,827,049	\$101,303,272	

As shown in the table, General Government, Public Works, and Public Safety were the three largest governmental activities for this fiscal year, 43%, 24%, and 29%, respectively, of total governmental activities expense.

The McMinn County's tax levy of \$1.5469 on each hundred dollars of assessed taxable property provides revenues for the operation of the County. McMinn County Government maintained the tax rate this fiscal year from the previous year. The 2020-2021 fiscal year budget was balanced by approving a tax rate of \$1.5469 due to the assessed value of property decreasing through the reappraisal process. Revenues are required to remain the same for existing property as a result of reappraisal.

**Business-type activities.** Operating revenues for the Solid Waste Disposal Fund increased 16% over the prior year. Operating expenses increased by \$51,147, or 5%. The resulting change in net position for the solid waste operation was an increase of \$682,194. This change in net position was an increase of \$195,995 from the previous fiscal year. The change is primarily related to the accounting of the closure and post-closure care costs.

#### Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the McMinn County Government uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental Funds.** The focus of the McMinn County Government's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the McMinn County Government's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the McMinn County Government's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$35,670,045, an increase of \$1,507,359 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 24% or \$8,578,576 is restricted due to internal or external limitations on its use. Approximately, 68% or \$24,086,902 has been committed, assigned or nonspendable meaning there are limitations resulting from its intended use. The remaining 8% of fund balance, or \$3,005,063, is unassigned.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the McMinn County Government. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$3,005,063, while total fund balance was \$8,076,373. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 21% of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 57% of that same amount.

The fund balance of the McMinn County Government's general fund increased by \$496,383 during the current fiscal year. The largest factor in the increase can be mainly attributed to local revenue growth received above the last year's amount.

**Proprietary funds.** The McMinn County Government's proprietary funds statements provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail. Unrestricted net deficit of the solid waste operation at the end of the year amounted to (\$3,112,383). The total change in net position for the solid waste operation was an increase of \$682,194. Other factors concerning the finances of this fund have already been addressed in the discussion of the McMinn County Government's business-type activities.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Differences between the original budget of the General Fund and the final amended budget were within the normal course of County business; the increase totaling approximately \$458,000 in appropriations.

The primary differences can be summarized briefly as follows:

- 1. An increase of \$98,000 for additional Sheriff Deputy positions and an additional School Resource officer.
- 2. An increase of \$120,000 for overage in Jail operational expenses.
- 3. An increase of \$50,000 for equipment and communications purchases.
- 4. An increase of \$223,000 for purchase of land and Eureka Trail improvements.
- 5. An increase of \$695,000 for employee health insurance claims over premiums.
- 6. An increase of \$100,000 for COVID related expenses.

#### **Capital Asset Administration**

Capital assets. The McMinn County Government's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2020 amounts to \$67,679,552 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure (roads and bridges).

The total increase in the McMinn County Government's net investment in capital assets for the current year was \$313,668 or 0.47%. The largest factor contributing to the increase was the addition to capital assets related to the Bi-Centennial Park improvements.

# McMinn County, Tennessee Capital Assets (net of depreciation) June 30, 2020 Primary Government

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	<u>2020</u>	2019	2020	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Land	\$ 3,359,328	\$ 3,132,108	\$ 438,950	\$ 438,950	\$ 3,798,278	\$ 3,571,058
Construction in						
progress	565,925	2,931,746	-	-	565,925	2,931,746
Infrastructure	37,627,213	34,674,939	2,335,358	2,337,678	39,962,571	37,012,617
Buildings	19,069,573	19,796,865	1,216	1,447	19,070,789	19,798,312
Other fixed assets	3,810,516	3,526,834	471,473	525,320	4,281,989	4,052,154
Total	<u>\$ 64,432,555</u>	\$ 64,062,492	\$ 3,246,997	\$ 3,303,395	\$ 67,679,552	\$ 67,365,887

#### McMinn County, Tennessee Change in Capital Assets For the Fiscal Year-End June 30, 2020 Primary Government

	Governmental		<b>Business-Type</b>			
	Acti	ivities	Activities		Total	
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	2019
Beginning balance Additions Deletions	\$ 141,797,879 7,415,181 (3,698,077)	\$ 135,032,068 7,922,570 (1,156,759)	\$ 9,624,729 18,424	\$ 9,582,647 201,082 (159,000)	\$ 151,422,608 7,433,605 (3,698,077)	\$ 144,614,715 8,123,652 (1,315,759)
Balance before depreciation Accumulated	145,514,983	141,797,879	9,643,153	9,624,729	155,158,136	151,422,608
depreciation  Balance after	(81,082,428)	(77,735,387)	(6,396,156)	(6,321,334)	(87,478,584)	(84,056,721)
depreciation	<u>\$ 64,432,555</u>	<u>\$ 64,062,492</u>	\$ 3,246,997	\$ 3,303,395	<u>\$ 67,679,552</u>	<u>\$ 67,365,887</u>

Additional information on the McMinn County Government's capital assets can be found in Note G of this report on page A-31.

**Long-Term Debt** At the end of the current fiscal year, the McMinn County Government had no long-term debt outstanding.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

- The unemployment rate for McMinn County at the end of this fiscal year was 9.8%, (not seasonally adjusted), which is an increase from 4.6% at the end of fiscal year 2020. The county's unemployment rate is higher than the state rate for June 2020, 7.40%, (seasonally adjusted); and also, lower than the national rate, 11.1%, (seasonally adjusted), for the same period.
- To help lower the unemployment rate and to help improve the county's economic activity, the McMinn County Government continually seeks to spur growth of industry in McMinn County. The efforts of the McMinn County Government along with the McMinn County Economic Development Authority to help the growth of existing industries include providing information about available industrial properties, by providing the demographics of the County to interested parties and providing information regarding available continuing education and training.
- These factors were considered in preparing the McMinn County Government's budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

During the current year, unassigned fund balance in the general fund increased to \$3,013,342. The McMinn County Government's budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year was balanced by appropriating \$2,948,435 of the unassigned fund balance. It is the normal, conservative nature of County operations to spend less than is allowed through the adopted budget. Conservative revenue projections and conservative spending have long been strengths of McMinn County's operations.

#### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the McMinn County Government'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:

Office of the Director of Finance McMinn County Courthouse 6 East Madison Avenue Athens, TN 37303

#### McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2020

June 30, 2020	Primary Government				
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total		
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 462,381	\$ 400	\$ 462,781		
Equity in pooled cash and investments	34,358,423	3,214,617	37,573,040		
Restricted cash	45,269	_	45,269		
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible	15,510,251	168,260	15,678,511		
Due from primary government	-	-	-		
Inventories	23,712	-	23,712		
Net pension asset	2,642,910	108,398	2,751,308		
Restricted assets:					
Amounts accumulated for pension benefits	2 025 252	429.050	4 264 202		
Land and other nondepreciable assets	3,925,253	438,950	4,364,203		
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	60,507,302	2,808,047	63,315,349		
Total assets	117,475,501	6,738,672	124,214,173		
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES					
Pension changes in assumptions	182,389	12,052	194,441		
Change in proportion of net pension liability (asset)	-	-	-		
Pension contributions after measurement date	292,553	9,221	301,774		
OPEB change in assumptions	-	-	-		
OPEB deferred contributions	39,000		39,000		
Total deferred outflows of resources	513,942	21,273	535,215		
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	413,683	8,445	422,128		
Due to primary government	-	-	-		
Total OPEB liability	367,386	-	367,386		
Net pension liability	-	-	-		
Long-term liabilities:					
Due in less than one year	375,555	-	375,555		
Due in more than one year		6,487,215	6,487,215		
Total liabilities	1,156,624	6,495,660	7,652,284		
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES					
Pension changes in experience	714,484	32,108	746,592		
Pension changes in investment earnings	410,505	9,654	420,159		
Pension change in proportion of net liability (asset)	-	-	-		
OPEB changes in experience	-	-	-		
OPEB changes in assumptions	5,372	-	5,372		
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	13,097,932		13,097,932		
Total deferred inflows of resources	14,228,293	41,762	14,270,055		
NET POSITION					
Investment in capital assets	64,432,555	3,246,997	67,679,552		
Assigned	· -	-	· · · · · -		
Committed	-	-	_		
Restricted for:					
General	6,297	-	6,297		
Road and bridges	1,545,814	-	1,545,814		
Constitutional officers	462,381	-	462,381		
Pension	1,517,921	66,636	1,584,557		
Permanent endowment:					
Expendable	1,232,963	-	1,232,963		
Nonexpendable	3,094,167	-	3,094,167		
Other uses	2,236,954	-	2,236,954		
Unrestricted	28,075,474	(3,091,110)	24,984,364		
Total net position	\$ 102,604,526	\$ 222,523	\$ 102,827,049		
The New to Desir Fire will State when you into an I was	C 41	<del>-</del>	<del>_</del>		

The Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement. A - 1

	ent Units
McMinn County	McMinn County
Board of	Emergency
Education	Communications
\$ -	\$ -
5,889,109	1,595,517
5,005,105	1,575,517
8,652,930	22,080
401,253	,
-	-
8,426,340	-
188,225	-
990,892	185,557
25,525,864	1,911,013
50,074,613	3,714,167
904,407	-
-	558,032
2,313,587	2 (00
107.440	2,600
187,440	
3,405,434	560,632
717 (2)	22 202
717,626	32,393
- 6 047 506	95
6,047,506	31,909 329,818
-	329,010
594,264	_
-	-
7,359,396	394,215
3,734,382	7,792
1,928,622	-
40,487	-
780,306	-
407,117	522
7,016,681	
13,907,595	8,314
26,516,756	2,096,570
179,118	-
275,000	-
-	-
-	-
3,627,256	-
2,027,230	
-	-
-	-
2,014,060	-
(399,134)	1,775,700
\$ 32,213,056	\$ 3,872,270

# McMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

#### Year ended June 30, 2020

		Program Revenues		
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT				
Government activities:				
General government	\$ 10,573,502	\$ 3,580,035	\$ 2,641,983	\$ -
Public safety	7,538,835	354,250	-	· -
Health	679,145	, -	-	-
Social services	6,272	-	-	-
Culture and recreation	232,143	-	-	-
Roads and bridges	6,172,360	<del>_</del>	3,227,392	<u> </u>
Total governmental activities	25,202,257	3,934,285	5,869,375	-
Business-type activities:				
Solid waste disposal	1,087,179	1,664,727	_	-
•				
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	\$ 26,289,436	\$ 5,599,012	\$ 5,869,375	\$ -
Component units:				
Education	\$ 50,116,535	\$ 405,718	\$ 37,068,074	\$ -
Emergency communications	1,601,651	642,500	829,906	<u>-</u>
				\$ -
TOTAL COMPONENT UNITS	\$ 51,718,186	\$ 1,048,218	\$ 37,897,980	<u>Ф -</u>
	General revenues: Property taxes Sales taxes Business taxes Hotel/Motel tax Other taxes Miscellaneous Unrestricted in Total general Change in net pos	xes vestment earnings revenues sition		
	Net position - end	ing		

The Notes to Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Net (Expense) Revenues and Changes in Net Position

]	Primary Governmen	t	Compon	ent Units
Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	McMinn County Board of Education	McMinn County Emergency Communications
\$ (4,351,484) (7,184,585) (679,145) (6,272) (232,143) (2,944,968) (15,398,597)		\$ (4,351,484) (7,184,585) (679,145) (6,272) (232,143) (2,944,968) (15,398,597)		
(15,398,597)	\$ 577,548 577,548	577,548 (14,821,049)	\$ (12,642,743) 	\$ - (129,245) (129,245)
12,597,468 820,969 368,855 427,562 1,158,195 906,481 507,817 16,787,347 1,388,750 101,215,776	58,843 45,803 104,646 682,194 (459,671)	12,597,468 820,969 368,855 427,562 1,158,195 965,324 553,620 16,891,993 2,070,944 100,756,105	11,889,602	64,200 21,840 86,040 (43,205) 3,915,475
\$ 102,604,526	\$ 222,523	\$ 102,827,049	\$ 32,213,056	\$ 3,872,270

# BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

June 30, 2020

	General	Road and Bridge	Constitutional Officers	
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 462,381	
Equity in pooled cash and investments	7,284,190	1,179,986	-	
Restricted cash	45,269	- -	-	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles	8,473,629	2,258,921	-	
Due from other funds	1,971	-	-	
Inventories	23,712			
Total assets	\$ 15,828,771	\$ 3,438,907	\$ 462,381	
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 187,770	\$ 108,769	\$ -	
Accrued items and other	54,593	156	-	
Total liabilities	242,363	108,925		
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	7,510,035	1,784,168	_	
Total deferred inflow of resources	7,510,035	1,784,168		
Fund balances:				
	23,712			
Nonspendable Assigned	3,062,121	-	<del>-</del>	
Restricted for:	3,002,121	-	-	
General government	6,297	_	_	
Alcohol and drug treatment	393,240	_	_	
Sexual offender registration	63,412	_	_	
Hotel/Motel tax	1,169,620	_	_	
Road and bridges	-	1,545,814	_	
Constitutional officers	_		462,381	
Permanent Endowment			- /	
Expendable	-	-	-	
Nonexpendable	-	-	-	
Other restricted activities	352,908	-	-	
Unassigned	3,013,342	-	-	
Total fund balances	8,084,652	1,545,814	462,381	
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of				
resources, and fund balances	\$ 15,837,050	\$ 3,438,907	\$ 462,381	

Capital Projects	Woods Memorial Permanent Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ - 20,919,162	\$ - 4,327,130	\$ 256,397	\$ 462,381 33,966,865 45,269
3,900,488	- - -	2,842 - -	14,635,880 1,971 23,712
\$ 24,819,650	\$ 4,327,130	\$ 259,239	\$ 49,136,078
\$ 14,852 - 14,852	\$ - - -	\$ 1,465 1,465	\$ 311,391 56,214 367,605
3,803,729 3,803,729	<u>-</u>		13,097,932 13,097,932
21,001,069	-	-	23,712 24,063,190
- - -	- - -	- - -	6,297 393,240 63,412 1,169,620
-	- -	-	1,545,814 462,381
- - - -	1,232,963 3,094,167	257,774 	1,232,963 3,094,167 610,682 3,013,342
21,001,069 \$ 24,819,650	\$ 4,327,130 \$ 4,327,130	257,774 \$ 259,239	\$ 49,144,357

# RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

# June 30, 2020

Differences in amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position page A-1:

Fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 35,678,820
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	64,432,555
The net pension asset is considered a long-term asset and, therefore, not reported in the funds.	2,642,910
Deferred results and contributions to pension plans made after the measurement date are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds but must be deferred in the statement of net position.	474,942
Deferred results and contributions to OPEB plans made after the measurement date are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds but must be deferred in the statement of net position.	39,000
Certain revenues will be collected after year-end but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.	826,322
The internal service fund is used by management to charge costs of medical and dental insurance to individuals. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in the governmental activities in the statement of net position	391,558
Long-term liabilities applicable to the County's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as fund liabilities.  Total OPEB liability Compensated absences	(367,386) (375,555)
Certain amounts related to the total OPEB liability are deferred amortized over time. The items are not reported in the funds.	(5,372)
Certain amounts related to the net pension asset are deferred amortized over time. The items are not reported in the funds.	(1,124,989)
Net position of governmental activities	\$102,612,805

# GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	 General	Road and eral Bridge			
REVENUES					
Taxes	\$ 9,697,117	\$	1,747,004	\$	-
Intergovernmental	2,312,100		3,227,392		-
Charges for services	67,225		-		3,512,810
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	217,370		-		-
Investment earnings	132,815		22,451		1,444
Miscellaneous	 430,906		50,397		<u>-</u>
Total revenues	 12,857,533		5,047,244		3,514,254
EXPENDITURES					
Current:	5.015.200				2 27 ( 007
General government	5,815,200		-		2,376,897
Public safety Health	7,466,388		-		-
Social services	675,973 6,272		-		-
Culture and recreation	232,143		-		-
Roads and bridges	232,143		5,625,188		_
Capital outlay:	_		3,023,100		_
General government	-		-		_
Total expenditures	 14,195,976		5,625,188		2,376,897
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES	 				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(1,338,443)		(577,944)		1,137,357
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers from other funds	1,889,188		-		-
Transfers to other funds	 				(1,193,883)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
AND OTHER SOURCES OVER					
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	550,745		(577,944)		(56,526)
FUND BALANCES					
Beginning, as restated	 7,579,990		2,123,758		518,907
Ending	\$ 8,130,735	\$	1,545,814	\$	462,381

	Capital Projects	Woods Memorial Permanent Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$	3,928,928 329,883 - 307,557 479,540 5,045,908	\$ - - - 41,838 - - 41,838	\$ - 136,880 1,712 - 138,592	\$ 15,373,049 5,869,375 3,580,035 354,250 507,817 960,843 26,645,369
	572,112 - - - -	8,105 - 3,172 - -	90,293 72,447 - -	8,862,607 7,538,835 679,145 6,272 232,143 5,625,188
	2,139,458 2,711,570	11,277	162,740	2,139,458 25,083,648
_	2,334,338	30,561	(24,148)	1,561,721
	(695,305)	- -	- -	1,889,188 (1,889,188)
	1,639,033	30,561	(24,148)	1,561,721
	19,361,541	4,296,568	281,922	34,162,686
\$	21,000,574	\$ 4,327,129	\$ 257,774	\$ 35,724,407

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

### Year ended June 30, 2020

Differences in amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities on pages A-3:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 1,561,721
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital outlay, reported as expenditures in governmental funds, are shown as capital assets in the statement of net position.	4,173,678
Depreciation expense on governmental capital assets are included in the governmental activities in the statement of activities.	(3,803,615)
The net effect of various transactions involving capital assets is to decrease net position.	(904,453)
Net gain (loss) of the internal service fund are reported with governmental activities	313,965
Revenues in the statement of activites that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the fund financial statements.	122,714
Certain items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.	
Change in compensated absences	(18,506)
Change in net pension asset and related deferrals	9,843
Change in OPEB liability and related deferrals	 (12,235)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 1,443,112

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GAAP BASIS - GENERAL FUND

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 9,271,166	\$ 9,271,166	\$ 9,697,117	\$ 425,951
Intergovernmental revenues	2,675,122	3,048,065	2,312,100	(735,965)
Charges for services	60,500	62,000	67,225	5,225
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	179,500	187,764	217,370	29,606
Investment earnings	80,000	80,000	132,815	52,815
Miscellaneous	340,000	389,278	392,644	3,366
Total revenues	12,606,288	13,038,273	12,819,271	(219,002)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	5,603,156	6,662,934	5,815,200	847,734
Public safety	7,334,075	7,852,078	7,466,388	385,690
Health	841,975	849,612	675,973	173,639
Social services	7,532	7,532	6,272	1,260
Culture and recreation	251,253	251,253	232,143	19,110
Total expenditures	14,037,991	15,623,409	14,195,976	1,427,433
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(1,431,703)	(2,585,136)	(1,376,705)	1,208,431
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Proceeds from sale of capital asset	5,000	5,000	38,262	33,262
Transfers in	1,080,000	1,775,305	1,880,909	105,604
Total other financing sources	1,085,000	1,780,305	1,919,171	138,866
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources of	over (under)			
expenditures and other uses	\$ (346,703)	\$ (804,831)	542,466	\$ 1,347,297
Fund Balances				
Beginning			7,579,990	
Ending			\$ 8,122,456	

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	Original	Final		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Budget	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 1,730,060	\$ 1,730,060	\$ 1,747,004	\$ 16,944
Intergovernmental revenues	2,763,212	2,763,212	3,227,392	464,180
Investment earnings	30,000	30,000	22,451	(7,549)
Sale of equipment	5,000	43,000	43,255	255
Miscellaneous	2,545	2,545	7,142	4,597
Total revenues	4,530,817	4,568,817	5,047,244	478,427
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Road and bridge:				
Administration	267,626	267,626	236,555	31,071
Highway and bridge maintenance	2,826,106	3,843,518	3,492,759	350,759
Equipment maintenance and operation	579,292	579,292	400,992	178,300
Other charges	214,425	214,425	192,895	21,530
Employee benefits	342,300	521,388	494,057	27,331
Interest on notes	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Capital outlay	766,500	808,000	807,930	70
Total budgetary expenditures	4,997,249	6,235,249	5,625,188	610,061
Excess of revenues and other sources over				
expenditures and other uses	\$ (466,432)	\$ (1,666,432)	(577,944)	\$ 1,088,488
Fund Balances				
Beginning, restated			2,114,135	
Ending			\$ 1,536,191	

# PROPRIETARY FUND STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2020

	Business-type Activities- Solid Waste Disposal Fund	Governmental Activities- Internal Service Fund
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Petty cash	\$ 400	\$ -
Equity in pooled cash and investments	3,214,617	391,558
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts	168,260	
Total current assets	3,383,277	391,558
Noncurrent assets:		
Net pension asset	108,398	-
Capital assets -		
Land and other nondepreciable assets	438,950	-
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	2,808,047	
Total noncurrent assets	3,355,395	<u>-</u>
Total assets	6,738,672	391,558
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES		
Pension changes in assumptions	12,052	-
Pension contributions after measurement date	9,221	_
Total deferred outflow of resources	21,273	
LIABILITIES Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued payroll Total current liabilities	1,040 7,405 8,445	
Long-term liabilities:		
Estimated liability for closure and post-closure costs	6,487,215	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	6,495,660	
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES Pension changes in investment earnings Pension changes in experience Total deferred inflow of resources	9,654 32,108 41,762	- - -
NET POSITION		
Investment in capital assets	3,246,997	<del>-</del>
Restricted for pension	87,909	<del>-</del>
Restricted for medical insurance	-	391,558
Unrestricted	(3,112,383)	-
Total net position	\$ 222,523	\$ 391,558

# PROPRIETARY FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	Business-type Activities- Solid Waste Disposal Fund	Governmental Activities- Internal Service Fund	
OPERATING REVENUES	·		
Charges for services	\$ 1,664,727	\$ -	
Medical premiums	-	3,458,453	
Other state revenues	50,893	-	
Miscellaneous revenues	7,950		
Total operating revenues	1,723,570	3,458,453	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Salaries and wages	274,320	=	
Repairs and maintenance	227,030	=	
Surcharges	7,749	-	
Closure and post-closure care costs	95,165	-	
Contracts with private agencies	166,686	-	
Employee benefits	90,606	-	
Fuel	44,522	-	
Supplies and materials	4,497	-	
Insurance	27,963	-	
Medical claims expense	-	3,144,488	
Other	73,819	-	
Depreciation and amortization	74,822		
Total operating expenses	1,087,179	3,144,488	
Operating income	636,391	313,965	
NONOPERATING REVENUES			
Investment earnings	45,803	<del>_</del>	
Total nonoperating revenues	45,803		
Change in net position	682,194	313,965	
NET POSITION			
Beginning	(459,671)	77,593	
Ending	\$ 222,523	\$ 391,558	

# PROPRIETARY FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	Business-type Activities- Solid Waste Disposal Fund		Governmental Activities- Internal Service Fund	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts from customers	\$	1,640,043	\$	3,458,453
Receipts from state		50,893		-
Payments to employees		(277,024)		-
Payments for goods and services		(721,410)		(3,144,488)
Net cash from operating activities		692,502		313,965
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVIT	IES			
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(18,424)		
Net cash from capital and related financing activities		(18,424)		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Interest on investments		45,803		<u>-</u>
Net cash from investing activities		45,803		<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		719,881		313,965
BEGINNING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		2,495,136		77,593
ENDING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$	3,215,017	\$	391,558
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET				
CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Operating income	\$	636,391	\$	313,965
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Depreciation and amortization expense		74,822		-
Increase in net pension asset		(18,309)		-
Change in pension related deferred outflows and inflows		15,605		-
Increase in accounts receivable		(32,634)		-
Increase in accounts payable		(9,414)		-
Increase in due to other funds		(515)		-
Increase in liability for closure and postclosure care costs		26,556		<u>-</u>
Total adjustments		56,111		
Net cash from operating activities	\$	692,502	\$	313,965

### FIDUCIARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2020

	Athens School Fund	School School		Constitutional Officers Agency Funds	
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 636,518	
Investments	-	-	-	1,437,850	
Equity in pooled cash and investments	-	-	19,966	-	
Receivables:					
Property taxes	2,055,904	449,715	-	-	
Accounts	294,078	63,866	13,129	<u> </u>	
Total assets	2,349,982	513,581	33,095	2,074,368	
LIABILITIES					
Accrued items and other	242,685	55,995	25	-	
Intergovernmental payables	73,127	12,885	33,070	235,081	
Deferred revenue	2,046,417	447,654	-	-	
Due to litigants, heirs and others				1,839,287	
Total liabilities	2,362,229	516,534	33,095	2,074,368	
NET POSITION	<u>\$ (12,247)</u>	\$ (2,953)	\$ -	\$ -	

# NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June	30	202	n
June	JU.	404	U

		PAGE
Note A -	Summary of Significant Accounting Policies	A - 17
Note B -	Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability	A - 27
Note C -	Deposits and Investments	A - 28
Note D -	Receivables	A - 30
Note E -	Solid Waste Disposal Closure and Post Closure Care Costs	A - 30
Note F -	Commitments and Contingencies	A-31
Note G -	TCRS Stabilization Trust	A - 31
Note H -	Capital Assets	A - 34
Note I -	Employee Benefit Plans	A - 35
Note J -	Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)	A - 46
Note K -	Long-term Liabilities	A - 56
Note L -	Interfund Transfers	A - 56
Note M -	Joint Ventures	A - 56
Note N -	Major Taxpayers	A - 57
Note O -	Litigation	A - 57
Note P -	Risk Management	A – 57
Note Q -	Subsequent Events	A - 57

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**JUNE 30, 2020** 

#### NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

McMinn County, Tennessee (the "County") was incorporated in 1819, by the Tennessee State Legislature and operates under a legislative body – County Mayor form of government. The present form of government was established in 1982 by constitutional amendment.

The financial statements of the County have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting. The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes GAAP for governmental units.

#### (1) <u>REPORTING ENTITY</u>

In evaluating the County as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting entities) for which the County may be financially accountable and, as such, should be included within the County's financial statements. The County (the primary government) is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) it is able to impose its will on the organization or (2) there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefit or to impose specific financial burden on the County. Additionally, the primary government is required to consider other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The financial statements are formatted to allow the user to clearly distinguish between the primary government and its component units.

#### **Discretely-Presented Component Units**

<u>McMinn County Board of Education</u> – The McMinn County Board of Education provides public education for grades kindergarten through twelve. The ten-member board is currently comprised of elected members who appoint the superintendent. The McMinn County Commission levies taxes for the operations of the school system, approves the Board of Education's budget, and must approve any debt issuances. The financial activities also include the operations of a general fund type and two special revenue funds. The Board of Education does not issue separate financial statements.

McMinn County Emergency Communications District (E-911 District) – The E-911 District was established to provide services under the Emergency Communications District Law, Tennessee Code Annotated, Chapter 86. The E-911 District board members are appointed by the County Mayor, with concurrence required by the County Commission, and are responsible for the E-911 District operations. The County Commission must approve any bonds or indebtedness of the E-911 District. Complete financial statements may be obtained from: McMinn County Emergency Communications District, 1107 South Congress Parkway, Athens, TN 37303.

#### (2) JOINT VENTURES

A joint venture is a legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual agreement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate and specific activity subject to joint control in which the participants retain (a) an ongoing financial interest or (b) an ongoing financial responsibility. The County participates in the following joint ventures:

<u>Hiwassee Utilities Commission</u> - The County is a participant in a joint venture with Bradley County in the operation of the Hiwassee Utilities Commission. Further information can be found in Note L – Joint Ventures.

**E.G. Fisher Public Library** - In 1995, the Library was formed as a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Tennessee. The Library is a full-service library offering circulation and reference services, reader's advisory, children's services and programs, and a substantial genealogical collection to residents of McMinn County. Further information can be found in Note L – Joint Ventures.

#### (3) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - GASB STATEMENT No. 34

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the County as a whole) and fund financial statements, focusing on either the County as a whole or major individual funds (within the fund financial statements). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize activities as either governmental activities or business-type activities. In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, the governmental activities (a) are presented on a consolidated basis in a single column and (b) are reflected on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which incorporates long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reflects both the gross and net cost per functional category (public safety, highways, and streets, etc.), which are otherwise being supported by general government revenues (property, sales and use taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits and charges, etc.). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. The program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Program revenues include revenues from fines and forfeitures, licenses and permits fees, service assessments, and charges for services. The operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. The net cost (by function or business-type activity) is normally covered by general revenue (property, sales or gas taxes, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc.).

This government-wide focus is designed to view the County as a complete entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. Emphasis here is on the major governmental funds. Non-major governmental funds (by category) are summarized into a single column.

The governmental fund financial statements are presented on a current financial resource and modified accrual basis of accounting. This is the manner in which these funds are normally budgeted. This presentation is deemed most appropriate to (a) demonstrate legal and covenant compliance, (b) demonstrate the source and use of liquid resources, and (c) demonstrate how the County's actual experience conforms to the budget or fiscal plan. Since the governmental fund statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is presented on the page following each statement, which briefly explains the adjustments necessary to transform the fund-based financial statements into the governmental activity's column of the government-wide presentation.

Internal service funds of a government (which traditionally provide services primarily to other funds of the government) are presented in the summary form as part of the proprietary fund financial statement. Operating revenues and expenses are the result of providing services to the principal user of the internal service. Any revenues or expenses that are not the result of providing those services are classified as nonoperating. Since the principal users of the internal services are the County's governmental activities, financial statements of internal service funds are consolidated into the governmental activities column when presented at the government-wide level. To the extent possible, the costs of these services are reflected in the appropriate functional activity (public safety, highways, and streets, etc.). The County uses an internal service fund to account for costs associated with the employees' health insurance plan.

The County's fiduciary funds (which have been redefined and narrowed in scope) are presented in the fund financial statements by type (agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, etc.) and cannot be used to finance activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide financial statements.

The focus of the GASB Statement No. 34 model is on the County as a whole and the fund financial statements. The focus of the fund financial statements is on the major individual governmental funds as well as the fiduciary funds (by category). Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared (between years and between governments) to enhance the usefulness of the information.

#### (4) <u>Basis of Presentation</u>

The financial transactions of the County are recorded in individual funds. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The GASB Statement No. 34 model sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The non-major funds are combined in a single column in the fund financial statements and detailed in the combining section.

The County reports the following major funds, proprietary funds, and other fund types:

#### a) Major Funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures applicable to the general operations of county government that are not properly accounted for in another fund. All general operating revenues that are not restricted or designated as to their use by outside sources are recorded in the General Fund. Revenues are derived primarily from taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

<u>Constitutional Officers Fund</u> – The Constitutional Officers Fund is used to account for the activities associated with the administrative functions of the County's Constitutional Officers.

**Road and Bridge Fund** – The Road and Bridge Fund is used to account for the County's share of the State of Tennessee gasoline and motor fuel taxes. These taxes are utilized to maintain non-state roads within the County.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> – The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for resources designated to construct or acquire capital assets and major improvements. Revenues are derived primarily from the issuance of long-term liabilities, intergovernmental revenues, grants, and earnings on investments.

<u>Permanent Fund</u> – The County maintains a permanent fund that provides for the endowment from receipts of funds resulting from the previous sale of the Woods Memorial Hospital.

#### b) Proprietary Fund:

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> – Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations which are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The enterprise fund consists of the solid waste disposal operations used to account for county landfill activities.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the landfill, the enterprise fund, are charged to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

#### (5) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The Government-wide Financial Statements and the Proprietary and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The Governmental Funds in the Fund Financial Statements are presented on the modified accrual basis.

Accrual - Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

<u>Modified Accrual</u> – All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual (i.e., both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined. "Available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place.

Major revenue sources susceptible to accrual include grants, interest, sales and use taxes, hotel/motel taxes, property taxes, and intergovernmental revenues. In general, other revenues are recognized when cash is received. The County defined the length of time used for "available" to be sixty days for the purpose of revenue recognition in the governmental fund financial statements.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due.

In applying the "susceptible to accrual" concept to intergovernmental revenues pursuant to GASB Statement No. 33, the provider should recognize liabilities and expenses and the recipient should recognize receivables and revenue when the applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met. The recipient should, under most circumstances, report resources transmitted before the eligibility requirements are met as advances by the provider and as deferred inflows of resources.

#### (6) BUDGET POLICY AND BUDGETARY DATA

#### **Budget Basis/Authority**

General revenues and expenditures accounted for in all the governmental funds, except for the Law Library Fund, the Fraud and Economic Crimes Fund, and the Constitutional Officers Fund (Special Revenue Fund types) are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with various legal requirements that govern McMinn County operations. The resources of such funds are appropriated based on resolutions adopted by the McMinn County Board of Commissioners that authorized the County to make expenditures. With the exception of project length budgets and grants, all appropriations lapse at year-end.

The Constitutional Officers Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the transactions of the fee and commission accounts of the County Trustee, Register of Deeds, County Clerk, Circuit and General Sessions Court, Clerk and Master and the Sheriff. These separately elected officials pay salaries and related expenditures from fees and commissions earned by their offices.

Excess fees and commissions are transferred to the general fund. Transactions related to the Constitutional Officers, Law Library and Fraud and Economic Crimes Fraud Special Revenue Funds are not subject to the budgetary control of the County Commission. Therefore, these funds are presented as unbudgeted special revenue funds.

#### **Budgetary Process**

Heads of all County departments and agencies submit requests for appropriations to the County Department of Finance. The Board of Education prepares a comprehensive budgetary request that is also sent to the Department of Finance. This budget has been approved by the members of the Board of Education and is sent to the County for adoption.

The Department of Finance in conjunction with the Office of the County Mayor compiles the requests, negotiates with the various departments, and submits a comprehensive budget to the County Commission. By July 1, the final County and Board budget is adopted by County Commissioners.

The appropriated County budget is prepared by fund, department, and major category level. For the County, the budgetary level is at the major category level, that is, the level at which management cannot overspend funds without a budget amendment approved by the County Commission.

The budget adopted by the County for the Board of Education is recommended by the County Mayor and adopted in total. The County does not exercise control over the Board at the department or major category level. After the budget for the Board of Education is approved, the Board of Education may modify it within the total appropriation granted by the County Commission.

The budget and actual schedules included herein are not intended to demonstrate compliance at the legal level of budgetary control. Such statements and schedules are included in the County's separately issued.

<u>The Budget – The Appropriation Resolution – The Tax Levy Resolution of McMinn County, Tennessee.</u> Copies of the budget report may be obtained from the McMinn County Finance Department at the following address:

McMinn County Finance Department 6 East Madison Avenue Athens, Tennessee 37303

Encumbrances consisting of open purchase orders, unperformed contracts, and other commitments are recorded, in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, as a formal budgetary control and are utilized in the governmental funds. Outstanding encumbrances are reappropriated in the subsequent year. The County did not have encumbrances recorded at year end.

# (7) ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET FUND POSITION/FUND BALANCE

#### a) Deposits and Investments

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on deposit with the county trustee.

State statutes authorize the government to make direct investments in bonds, notes, or treasury bills of the U.S. government and obligations guaranteed by the U.S. government of any of its agencies; deposit accounts at state and federal chartered banks and savings and loan associations; repurchase agreements; the State Treasurer's Investment Pool; bonds of any state of political subdivision rated A or higher by any nationally recognized rating service; nonconvertible debt securities of certain federal government sponsored enterprises; and the county's own legally issued bonds or notes.

The county trustee maintains a cash and internal investment pool that is used by all funds and the Board of Education. Each fund's portion of this pool is displayed on the statement of net position as Equity in Pooled Cashed and Investments. McMinn County and the Board of Education have adopted a policy of reporting U.S. Treasury Obligations, U.S. agency obligations, and repurchase agreements with maturities of one year or less when purchased on the balance sheet at amortized cost. Certificates of deposit are reported at cost. Investments in the State Treasurer's Investment Pool are reported at amortized cost using a Stable Net Asset Value. State statutes required the state treasurer to administer the pool under the same terms and conditions, including collateral requirement, as prescribed for other funds invested by the state treasurer. All other investments are reported at fair value.

#### b) Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

Transactions between the County and its component units that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "advances to/from component units." All other outstanding balances between the County and its component units are reported as "due to/from Component Units/Primary Government."

All receivables are shown net of any allowance for doubtful accounts. Property taxes receivable are recognized as of the date an enforceable legal claim to the property taxes arises. In the State of Tennessee this date is January 1<sup>st</sup> and is referred to as the lien date. Revenues from property taxes, however, are recognized in the period for which the taxes are levied, which for the County is October 1 of the ensuing fiscal year. Since the receivable for property taxes is recognized before the period of revenue recognition, the entire amount of the receivable, less an estimated amount for uncollectible taxes is reported as a deferred inflow of resources in the fund financial statements.

Property taxes receivable are also reported as of June 30 for the taxes that are levied and uncollected during the current fiscal year as well as the previous ten years. These property taxes receivable is presented on the fund balance sheet with offsetting deferred inflows of resources to reflect amounts available as of June 30. Property taxes collected within 60 days of year-end are considered available and are accrued as revenue. Property taxes collected later than 60 days after year-end are not considered available and are accrued and reported as deferred revenue. An allowance for uncollectible taxes is also recorded representing the estimated amount of delinquent taxes receivable that will be filed with the Chancery Court for collection. Delinquent taxes filed with the court for collection are considered uncollectible and are written-off.

#### c) Inventories

Inventories are stated at lower of cost or net realizable value. Governmental fund inventory is valued at cost, which is recorded as expenditure at the time individual inventory items are purchased. Cost is determined on the first in, first out (FIFO) method.

#### d) Restricted Assets

Restricted assets consist of amounts held in a pension stabilization trust by the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) for the benefit of the discretely presented McMinn County School Department's Teacher Retirement Plan. The purpose of this trust is to accumulate funds to provide stabilization (smoothing) of retirement costs to the school system in times of fluctuating investment returns and market downturns. These funds are held and invested by TCRS pursuant to an irrevocable agreement and may only be used for the benefit of the McMinn County School Department to fund retirement benefits upon approval of the TCRS Board of Directors. To date, the McMinn County School Department has not withdrawn any funds from the trust to pay pension costs. Trust documents provide that the funds are not subject to the claims of general creditors of the school department.

#### e) Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased or acquired are carried at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are recorded at fair market value as of the date donated. The County maintains infrastructure asset records consistent with other capital assets. The County's threshold for additions to capital assets is \$10,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year except for buildings and improvements that are capitalized when the cost is \$50,000 or more. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on capital assets is calculated on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Useful Life</u>
Buildings	40-50 years
Infrastructure (roads, bridges, etc.)	40-50 years
Building improvements	10-20 years
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles	4-20 years

#### f) Deferred Outflows/Inflow of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (as either an expense or expenditure) until that period. The County reports deferred pension inflows and deferred contributions on pension plans. Differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments are deferred and amortized over five years. Deferred contributions for the pension plans were made during the fiscal year but are after the measurement date of the actuarial report. These amounts will be recognized during the next measurement period.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as inflow of resources (revenue) until that period. The County has three items that qualify for reporting in this category: (1) Unavailable revenue for property taxes recorded as receivables for the current calendar year tax levy which is not due until the subsequent fiscal year. This amount, reported on the governmental funds balance sheet, will be recognized as revenue next year as it is received. (2) Certain amounts related to pensions must be deferred and (3) Certain amounts related to pensions must be deferred.

Differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments are deferred and amortized over five years. Changes in pension plan assumptions are deferred and amortized over the expected remaining service lives of employees.

#### g) Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted – net position and unrestricted – net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the government's policy to consider restricted – net position to have been depleted before unrestricted – net position is applied. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### h) Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the government will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the government's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

#### i) Compensated Absences

It is the policy of the County and its component units to permit employees to accumulate, in varying amounts, earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. Annual vacation time accrues at the rate of ½ day per month during the first twelve months of employment, one day per month for employment years two through ten and at one day and a half for each year thereafter. Employees cannot accumulate annual vacation time in excess of 24 days.

All accumulated vacation time is paid to employees unless they are terminated for cause. Sick leave accrues at the rate of ½ day per month, during the first five years of continuous employment and increases to one day per month starting in the sixth year. There are no limits on the amount of sick leave that can be accumulated, but no payment is made to employees for unused sick leave unless they meet the requirements for retirement incentives as explained in the heading "Retirement Incentives" in the subsequent disclosure. Any changes in the vacation liability amounts between periods are adjusted to salary costs in the period of those changes.

Vacation pay liabilities from the County's and the Board of Education's governmental funds are not reported in their respective fund financial statements because it is not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. No expenditure is reported for these amounts. The compensated absences liability and the related change in the liability are reported in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements of the County and its component units.

#### j) Retirement Incentives

Medical insurance – Employees meeting the requirement of a full-service retirement under the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) (thirty years of creditable service and with a minimum of ten years employment with the County) will be reimbursed \$2,000 of insurance costs for five years or until the employee becomes eligible for Medicare (whichever comes first), or a lump sum payment of \$10,000, on a pay-as-you go basis.

Sick leave – employees meeting the requirement of a full-service retirement under TCRS will be paid for unused sick leave days on record at retirement. Payment for each unused day will be at a rate of one-half of the minimum substitute teacher pay paid by the McMinn County Board of Education.

Substantially all full-time County employees are eligible to participate in retirement benefit plans established by the State of Tennessee.

#### k) Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability or asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of McMinn County's, the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan and the Teacher Retirement Plan's participation in the Public Employee Retirement Plan of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS), and additions to/deductions from the plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the TCRS. For this purpose, benefits (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms of the Public Employee Retirement Plan of TCRS, the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan and the Teacher Retirement Plan. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### 1) Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by McMinn County Government OPEB Plan. For this purpose, McMinn County Government OPEB Plan recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value, except for money market investments and participating interest-earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at cost.

#### m) 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. Similarly, long-term debt and other obligations of the County are recorded as liabilities in the appropriate fund. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as expense in the period incurred.

In the 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. Premiums received on debt issuances are 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.

#### n) Net Position

The government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted.

*Investment in Capital Assets* is intended to reflect the net position of assets which are associated with non-liquid capital assets less outstanding capital asset related debt.

Restricted Net Position represents net position that has third party (statutory, bond covenant or granting agency) limitations on their use.

Unrestricted Net Position represents net position that is not restricted for any project or other purpose. While management may have categorized and segmented portions for various purposes, the County has the unrestricted authority to revisit or alter these managerial decisions.

#### o) Fund Balance

Governmental funds utilize a fund balance presentation for equity. Fund balance is categorized as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned.

*Nonspendable Fund Balance* – amounts that are either not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaids) or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact (such as notes receivable or principal of a permanent fund).

Restricted Fund Balance – amounts constrained to specific purposes by third parties (statutory, bond covenant or granting agency), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – amounts constrained to specific purposes by the County itself using its highest level of decision-making authority; reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purposes unless the government takes the same highest-level action to remove the constraint.

Assigned Fund Balance – amounts the County intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority. The County Commission has by resolution authorized the County's Budget/Finance Committee to make assignments for the general government. This is the residual classification for all governmental funds other than the general fund. At June 30, 2020, the General fund assigned balance consists of \$2,459,050 debt service; \$474,642 emergency services; \$79,018 health department; and \$49,411 public health.

*Unassigned Fund Balance* – amounts that are available for any purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General fund.

For the classification of Governmental Fund balances, the County considers an expenditure to be made from the most restrictive classification first when more than one is available.

Fund Balance	<u>General</u>	Road and <u>Bridge</u>	Constitutional Officers	Capital <u>Projects</u>	Woods <u>Memorial</u>	Other Governmental
Nonspendable	\$ 23,712	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Assigned	3,062,121	-	-	21,001,069	-	-
Restricted	1,985,477	1,545,814	462,381	-	4,327,130	257,774
Unassigned	3,005,063		<del>_</del>			
-	\$ 8,076,373	\$ 1,545,814	\$ 462,381	\$ 21,001,069	\$ 4,327,130	\$ 257,774

#### (8) REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND EXPENSES

Expenditures are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, except for the following instances permitted by generally accepted accounting principles. General obligation long-term debt principal and interest are reported only when due.

#### a) Property Taxes

Property taxes levied by the County are assessed by the Assessor of Property and collected by the Trustee, both of whom are elected officials of the County. Property tax revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. "Available" means due or past due and receivable within the current period and collected no longer than 60 days after the close of the current period. Uncollected amounts not considered available are recorded as deferred revenues. McMinn County has unlimited ability to levy ad valorem taxes.

The property tax calendar applicable to the current fiscal year is as follows:

Lien date	January 1, 2019
Levy date	October 1, 2019
Tax bills mailed	October 1, 2019
Payment due dates	October 1, 2019 through February 28, 2020
Delinquency date	March 1, 2020

#### b) Grant Revenue

The County, a recipient of grant revenues, recognizes revenues (net of estimated uncollectible amounts if any) when all applicable eligibility requirements, including time requirements, are met.

Some grants and contributions consist of capital assets or resources that are restricted for capital purposes – to purchase, construct, or renovate capital assets associated with a specific program. These are reported separately from grants and contributions that may be used either for operating expenses or for capital expenditures of the program at the discretion of the County.

#### c) Investment Income

The County maintains a pooled cash system through the McMinn County Trustee. The fair value of purchased investments and investment income at fiscal year-end is allocated to each fund on the total cash position of that fund at the fiscal year end.

#### d) Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the County has numerous transactions between funds to provide services, construct assets, service debt, etc. These transactions are generally reflected as transfers except for transactions reimbursing a fund for expenditures made by it for the benefit of another fund. Such transactions are recorded as expenditures in the disbursing fund and as a reduction of expenditures in the receiving fund. Transactions that would be treated as revenues or expenditures if they involve organizations external to the County are treated as revenues in the receiving fund and expenditures in the disbursing fund. Amounts owed to one fund or component unit by another are reported as due to/due from other funds or component units. Amounts reported in the fund financial statements as due to/due from other funds are eliminated in the governmental activity's column of the government-wide statement of net position.

#### e) Payments Between the County and Component Units

Resource flows (except those that affect the statement of net positions/balance sheet only, such as loans and repayments) between a primary government and its discretely presented component units are reported as external transactions – that is, as revenues and expenses. Payments from component units consist of debt service payments from "911" Emergency Communication for equipment purchased by the County.

#### f) Indirect Costs

Expenses reported by function include direct expenses that are specifically associated with a service or program and are clearly identifiable to a particular program. Some functions, such as general government, include expenses that are in essence indirect expenses of other functions. The County has elected not to charge these indirect expenses to other functions.

#### g) Estimates

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

#### NOTE B-STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### **Compliance with Finance Related Legal and Contractual Provisions**

The County incurred no material violations of finance related legal and contractual provisions.

#### **Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Individual Funds**

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the County had material excess of expenditures over appropriations of \$566,760 in the road and bridge fund.

#### NOTE C – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### **Deposits and Investments**

McMinn County and the Board of Education participate in an internal cash and investment pool through the Office of the Trustee. The Trustee is the treasurer of the county and in this capacity is responsible for receiving, disbursing, and investing most county funds. Each fund's portion of this pool is displayed on the balance sheets or statements of net position as Equity in Pooled Cash and Investments. Cash reflected on the balance sheets or statements of net positions represents nonpooled amounts held separately by individual funds.

#### **Deposits**

Legal provisions. All deposits with financial institutions must be secured by one of two methods. One method involves financial institutions that participate in the bank collateral pool administered by the state treasurer. Participating banks determine the aggregate balance of their public fund accounts for the State of Tennessee and its political subdivisions. The amount of collateral required to secure these public deposits must equal at least 105 percent of the averaged daily balance of public deposits held. Collateral securities required to be pledged by the participating banks to protect their public fund accounts are pledged to the state treasurer on behalf of the bank collateral pool. The securities pledged to protect these accounts are pledged in the aggregate rather than against each account. The members of the pools may be required by agreement to pay an assessment to cover any deficiency. Under this additional assessment agreement, public fund accounts covered by the pool are considered to be insured for purposes of credit risk disclosure.

For deposits with financial institutions that do not participate in the bank collateral pool, state statutes require that all deposits be collateralized with collateral whose market value is equal to 105 percent of the uninsured amount of the deposits. The collateral must be placed by the depository bank in an escrow account in a second bank for the benefit of the County.

#### **Investments**

Legal provisions. Counties are authorized to make direct investments in bonds, notes, or treasury bills of the U.S. government and obligations guaranteed by the U.S. government or any of its agencies; deposits at state and federal chartered banks and savings and loan associations; bonds of any state or political subdivision rated A or higher by any nationally recognized rating service; nonconvertible debt securities or certain federal government sponsored enterprises; and the county's own legally issued bonds or notes. These investments may not have a maturity greater than two years. The county may make investment with longer maturities if various restrictions set out in state law are followed. Counties are also authorized to make investments in the State Funding Board, Securities purchased under a repurchase agreement must be obligations of the U.S. government or obligations guaranteed by the U.S. government or any of its agencies. When repurchase agreements are executed, the purchase of the securities must be priced at least two percent below the fair value of the securities on the day of purchase.

Investment balances. As of June 30, 2020, McMinn County had investments carried at amortized cost using a Stable Net Asset Value which approximates fair value as established by generally accepted accounting principles. All investments are in the county trustee's investment pool. Separate disclosure concerning pooling investments cannot be made for McMinn County and the Board of Education since both pool their deposits and investments through the county trustee.

At June 30, 2020, the carrying amount of the County's deposits is as follows:

#### **NOTE C – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS** (Continued)

Balances with the Trustee are as follows:

Cash on hand	\$ 609,788
Bank accounts	9,491,469
Interest-bearing deposits in financial institutions	 36,946,669
	\$ 47,047,926

The deposits and investments held by the Trustee are recorded within the financial statements as follows:

		Гrustee <u>Balance</u>		utstanding <u>Warrants</u>	(	Carrying <u>Value</u>
Primary Government	\$ 3	88,526,378	\$	953,339	\$	37,573,039
Component Units:		, ,		,		, ,
Board of Education		6,441,115		641,190		5,799,925
Emergency Communications District		1,702,447		94,941		1,607,476
Total government-wide	4	16,669,940		1,689,470		44,980,440
Trustee:						
Fee and CommissionA29		356,077		-		356,077
Agency fund:						
Judicial District Drug	<del></del>	21,909	_	1,945	_	19,964
	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>17,047,926</u>	\$	1,691,415	<u>\$</u>	<u>45,356,481</u>
Deposits held by Constitutional Officers are as follows:						
	Con	stitutional				
	(	Officers				
	Spec	ial Revenue				
		Funds		Agency		
	<u>(Ma</u>	ajor Fund)		<b>Funds</b>		<u>Total</u>
Circuit, General Sessions						
and Probate Clerks	\$	190,077	\$	1,280,335	\$	1,470,412
Clerk and Master		12,321		558,952		571,273
County Clerk		(112,438)		62,902		(49,536)
Register of Deeds		16,343		139,005		155,348
Trustee		356,077		- 22 174		356,077
Sheriff	<u></u>	1(2,291	Φ.	33,174	Φ.	33,175
	<u>5</u>	462,381	3	2,074,368	3	2,536,749

<u>Custodial credit risk</u> – Custodial credit risk for the County, the Constitutional Officers and the District deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County, the Constitutional Officers and District deposits may not be returned to them. As required by state statutes, the County's, the Constitutional Officers' and the District's policy is to require that financial institutions holding its deposits to be members of the Tennessee Collateral pool or pledge collateral for deposits in excess of federal depository insurance. The collateral is required to be held by the County, the Constitutional Officer and the District or their agents in the County's, the Constitutional Officers' or the District's name.

<u>Credit risk</u> – At June 30, 2020 none of the County's, the Constitutional Officers', or the District's bank balances were exposed to credit risk.

#### NOTE D - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2020, consist of the following:

	Property <u>Taxes</u>	Other <u>Taxes</u>	Accounts	<u>Notes</u>	Allowance for <u>Uncollectible</u>	<u>Net</u>
Governmental Activities	· <del>-</del>					
General	\$ 8,252,693	\$ 176,231	\$ 752,705	\$ -	\$ 708,000	\$ 8,473,629
Road and bridge	1,959,026	459,093	7,802	-	167,000	2,258,921
Capital projects	4,182,663	-	78,825	85,000	361,000	3,985,488
Nonmajor	_	-	2,842	-	-	2,842
J	14,394,382	635,324	842,174	85,000	1,236,000	14,720,880
Business-type Activity:	, ,	,	,	,	, ,	
Solid waste disposal		12,975	177,920		22,635	168,260
	<u>\$ 14,394,382</u>	<u>\$ 648,299</u>	<u>\$ 1,020,094</u>	<u>\$ 85,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,258,635</u>	<u>\$ 14,889,140</u>
Component Units:						
Board of Education	\$ 7,400,891	\$ 957,394	\$ 1,002,645	\$ -	\$ 708,000	\$ 8,652,930
E-911 District	-	ψ <i>351</i> ,331.	22,080	_	-	22,080
L 711 District	\$ 7,400,891	\$ 957,394	\$ 1,024,725	<u>s</u> -	\$ 708,000	\$ 8,675,010
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<del>-</del>	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	<u> </u>
Fiduciary:						
Agency	\$ 2,739,619	\$ 357,944	<u>\$ 13,129</u>	\$ -	\$ 234,000	<u>\$ 2,876,692</u>

Notes receivable consists of non-interest-bearing funds from the County to the City of Etowah - \$85,000 to assist with the purchase of industrial park development. As industrial park property is sold, the notes are to be retired by the County and the Development Authority.

#### NOTE E – SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL POST CLOSURE CARE COSTS

The McMinn County Landfill has an active permit on file with the State of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for a sanitary landfill. The County has provided financial assurances for estimated post closure liabilities as a required by the State of Tennessee via a Contract in Lieu of Performance Bond. These financial assurances are on file with the Department of Environment and Conservation.

State and federal laws and regulations require that McMinn County place a final cover on its landfill when closed and perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill site for thirty years after closure. In addition to operating expenses related to current activities of the landfill, an expense provision and related liability are being recognized based on the future closure and post closure care costs that will be incurred near or after the date the landfill no longer accepts waste.

The recognition of these landfill closure and post closure care costs is based on the amount of the landfill space used during the fiscal year. The estimated liability for landfill closure and post closure care cost of \$6,487,215 as of June 30, 2020, which is based on 54% usage of the landfill. It is estimated that an additional \$4,664,870 will be recognized as closure and post closure care expenses between the date of the balance sheet and the date the landfill is expected to be filled to capacity. The estimated remaining life of the class I and class III/IV landfill area are expected to be 14.7 and 12 years, respectively. The estimated total current cost of the landfill closure and post closure care of \$11,152,085 is based on the amount that would be paid if all equipment, facilities, and services required to close, monitor, and maintain the landfill were acquired as of June 30, 2020. However, the actual cost of closure and post closure care may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in landfill laws and regulations.

#### NOTE F – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The County is a party to various legal proceedings. At the date of these financial statements, the County cannot estimate its liability, if any, from losses that may result from certain proceedings. In the opinion of management and the County attorneys, the potential adverse impact of these proceedings would not be material to the combined financial statements of the County.

The County has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by grantor agencies. Such audits could result in reimbursements to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the grant. County management is not aware of any potential losses from such disallowance and believes that reimbursements, if any, would not be material.

#### NOTE G – TCRS STABILIZATION TRUST

#### **Legal Provisions**

The McMinn County School Department is a member of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) Stabilization Reserve Trust. The school department has placed funds into the irrevocable trust as authorized by statute under Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA), Title 8, Chapters 34-37. The TCRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the proper operation and administration of the trust. Funds of trust members are held and invested in the name of the trust for the benefit of each member. Each member's funds are restricted for the payment of retirement benefits of that member's employees. Trust funds are not subject to the claims of general creditors of the school department. 48 The trust is authorized to make investments as directed by the TCRS Board of Trustees. The McMinn County School Department may not impose any restrictions on investments placed by the trust on their behalf.

#### **Investment Balances**

Assets of the TCRS, including the Stabilization Reserve Trust, are invested in the Tennessee Retiree Group Trust (TRGT). The TRGT is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as an investment company. The State of Tennessee has not obtained a credit quality rating for the TRGT from a nationally recognized credit ratings agency. The fair value of investment positions in the TRGT is determined daily based on the fair value of the pool's underlying portfolio. Furthermore, TCRS had not obtained or provided any legally binding guarantees to support the value of participant shares during the fiscal year. There are no restrictions on the sale or redemption of shares.

Investments are reported at fair value. Securities traded on a national exchange are valued at the last reported sales price. Investment income consists of realized and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments and interest and dividend income. Interest income is recognized when earned. Securities and securities transactions are recorded in the financial statements on a trade-date basis. The fair value of assets of the TRGT held at June 30, 2020, represents the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. Assets held are categorized for fair value measurement within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset and give the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that can be accessed at the measurement date.
- Level 2 Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; assets or liabilities that have a bid-ask spread price in an inactive dealer market, brokered market and principal-to-principal market; and Level 1 assets or liabilities that are adjusted.
- Level 3 Valuations derived from valuation techniques in which significant inputs are unobservable.

Investments where fair value is measured using the Net Asset Value ("NAV") per share have no readily determinable fair value and have been determined to be calculated consistent with FASB principles for investment companies.

#### **NOTE G – TCRS STABILIZATION TRUST (Continued)**

Where inputs used in the measurement of fair value fall into different levels of the hierarchy, fair value of the instrument in its entirety is categorized based on the lowest level input that is significant to the valuation. This assessment 49 requires professional judgement and as such management of the TRGT developed a fair value committee that worked in conjunction with the plan's custodian and investment professionals to make these valuations. All assets held were valued individually and aggregated into classes to be represented in the table below.

Short-term securities generally include investments in money market-type securities reported at cost plus accrued interest.

Equity and equity derivative securities classified in Level 1 are valued using last reported sales prices quoted in active markets that can be accessed at the measurement date. Equity and equity derivative securities classified in Level 2 are securities whose values are derived daily from associated traded securities. Equity securities classified in Level 3 are valued with last trade data having limited trading volume.

U.S. Treasury Bills, Bonds, Notes and Futures classified in Level 1 are valued using last reported sales prices quoted in active markets that can be accessed at the measurement date. Debt and debt derivative securities classified in Level 2 are valued using a bid-ask spread price from multiple independent brokers, dealers, or market principals, which are known to be actively involved in the market. Level 3 debt securities are valued using proprietary information, a single pricing source, or other unobservable inputs related to similar assets or liabilities.

Real estate investments classified in Level 3 are valued using the last valuations provided by external investment advisors or independent external appraisers. Generally, all direct real estate investments are appraised by a qualified independent appraiser(s) with the professional designation of Member of the Appraisal Institute ("MAI"), or its equivalent, every three (3) years beginning from the acquisition date of the property. The appraisals are performed using generally accepted valuation approaches applicable to the property type.

Investments in private mutual funds, traditional private equity funds, strategic lending funds and real estate funds that report using GAAP, the fair value, as well as the unfunded commitments, were determined using the prior quarter's NAV, as reported by the fund managers, plus the current cash flows. These assets were then categorized by investment strategy. In instances where the fund investment reported using non-GAAP standards, the investment was valued using the same method, but was classified in Level 3.

On June 30, 2020, the McMinn County School Department had the following investments held by the trust on its behalf.

	Weighted Average			
	Maturity	M 4 '4'		Fair
Investment	(days)	Maturities		Value
Investments at Fair Value:			_	
U.S. Equity	N/A	N/A	\$	58,349
Developed Market International Equity	N/A	N/A		26,351
Emerging Market International Equity	N/A	N/A		7,529
U.S. Fixed Income	N/A	N/A		37,646
Real Estate	N/A	N/A		18,822
Short-term Securities	N/A	N/A		1,882
NAV – Private Equity and Strategic Lending	N/A	N/A	_	37,646
Total			\$	188,225

**NOTE G – TCRS STABILIZATION TRUST** (Continued)

Fa	ıir V	alue I	Measurements	Using

Investment by Fair Value Level	_	air Value 6-30-20	N	Quoted Prices in Active Iarkets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Signif Oth Obser Inpu (Leve	er vable its	Signifi Unobser Inpu (Leve	vable ts		NAV
U.S. Equity	\$	58,349	\$	58,349	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Developed Market		*								
International Equity		26,351		26,351		0		0		0
Emerging Market										
International Equity		7,529		7,529		0		0		0
U.S. Fixed Income		37,646		0	37	,646		0		0
Real Estate		18,822		0		0	13	8,822		0
Short-term Securities		1,882		0	1	,882		0		0
Private Equity and										
Strategic Lending		37,646		0		0		0	3	<u>37,646</u>
Total	\$	188,225	\$	92,229	\$ 39	<u>,528</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	8,822	<u>\$</u> .	<u>37,646</u>

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

The trust's investments include various types of investment funds, which in turn invest in any combination of stock, bonds and other investments exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and market risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported for trust investments.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The McMinn County School Department does not have the ability to limit trust investment 51 maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The McMinn County School Department does not have the ability to limit the credit ratings of individual investments made by the trust.

#### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the county's investment in a single issuer. McMinn County School Department places no limit on the amount the county may invest in one issuer.

#### **Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the county will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Pursuant to the trust agreement, investments are held in the name of the trust for the benefit of the McMinn County School Department to pay retirement benefits of the school department employees.

For further information concerning the school department's investments with the TCRS Stabilization Reserve Trust, audited financial statements of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System may be obtained at <a href="https://comptroller.tn.gov/content/dam/cot/sa/advancedsearch/disclaimer/2020/ag19091.pdf">https://comptroller.tn.gov/content/dam/cot/sa/advancedsearch/disclaimer/2020/ag19091.pdf</a>.

#### NOTE H – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2020, is as follows:

Primary Government	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Non-depreciable assets:				
Land	\$ 3,132,108	\$ 227,220	\$ -	\$ 3,359,328
Construction in progress	2,931,746	849,236	3,215,057	565,925
Total non-depreciable assets	6,063,854	1,076,456	3,215,057	3,925,253
Depreciable assets:				
Infrastructure	94,253,004	5,038,694	=	99,291,698
Buildings	29,493,889	-	-	29,493,889
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles	11,987,132	1,300,030	483,019	12,804,143
Total depreciable assets	135,734,025	6,338,724	483,019	141,589,730
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	59,578,065	2,422,661	336,241	61,664,485
Buildings	9,697,024	727,292	_	10,424,316
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles	8,460,298	653,662	120,333	8,993,627
Total accumulated depreciation	77,735,387	3,803,615	456,574	81,082,428
Depreciable assets, net	57,998,638	2,535,109	26,445	60,507,302
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 64,062,492</u>	<u>\$ 3,611,565</u>	<u>\$ 3,241,502</u>	<u>\$ 64,432,555</u>
	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Additions	Retirements	Balance
Business-type Activities:				
Non-depreciable Assets:				
Land	\$ 438,950	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 438,950
Total non-depreciable assets	438,950			438,950
Depreciable assets:				
Infrastructure	6,373,603	-	-	6,373,603
Buildings	160,572	-	-	160,572
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles	2,651,604	18,424		2,670,028
Total depreciable assets	9,185,779	18,424	<del></del>	9,204,203
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	4,035,925	2,320	-	4,038,245
Buildings	159,125	231	-	159,356
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles	2,126,284	72,271		2,198,555
Total accumulated depreciation	6,321,334	74,822		6,396,156
Depreciable assets, net	2,864,445	(56,398)	<del></del>	2,808,047
Business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 3,303,395</u>	<u>\$ (56,398)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 3,246,997</u>

#### **NOTE H – CAPITAL ASSETS** (Continued)

#### **Discretely Presented Component Units**

		Seginning Balance	Ad	ditions	Retirements	Ending Balance
Non-depreciable assets:						
Land	\$	1,176,449	\$	_	\$ -	\$ 1,176,449
Construction in progress		346,940		906,064	1,253,004	
Total non-depreciable assets		1,523,389		906,064	1,253,004	1,176,449
Depreciable assets:						
Infrastructure		3,563,294		-	=	3,563,294
Buildings		52,092,629	1	,221,783	-	53,314,412
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles		11,247,981		450,980	917,545	10,781,416
Total depreciable assets		66,903,904	1	,672,763	917,545	67,659,122
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Infrastructure		446,364		317,814	-	764,178
Buildings		29,553,561	1	,548,218	-	31,101,779
Equipment, furniture, and vehicles		7,744,688		654,894	43,294	8,356,288
Total accumulated depreciation		37,744,613	2	,520,926	43,294	40,222,245
Depreciable assets, net		29,159,291		(848, 163)	874,251	27,436,877
Component unit's capital assets, net	\$	30,682,680	\$	57,901	\$ 2,127,255	<u>\$ 28,613,326</u>
Depreciation expense is charged to functions	s as foll	ows:				
Governmental Activities:						
General government					\$ 1,305,432	
Public safety					7,921	
Roads and bridges					2,490,262	
Total					\$ 3,803,615	
Business-type activities:						
Solid waste disposal fund					<u>\$ 74,822</u>	
Discretely Presented Component Units:						
Education					\$ 2,359,907	
E-911 District					161,019	
Total					\$ 2,520,926	

#### NOTE I - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

#### Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System - McMinn County

#### General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. Employees of McMinn County and non-certified employees of the discreetly presented McMinn County Schools with membership in the TCRS before January 1, 2014 are provided a defined benefit pension plan through the Public Employee Retirement Plan, an agent multiple-employer pension plan administered by the TCRS. The TCRS was created by state statute under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37. The TCRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the proper operation and administration of the TCRS. The Tennessee Treasury Department, an agency in the legislative branch of state government, administers the plans of the TCRS. The TCRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <a href="https://treasury.tn.gov/Retirement/Boards-and-Governance/Reporting-and-Investment-Policies">https://treasury.tn.gov/Retirement/Boards-and-Governance/Reporting-and-Investment-Policies</a>.

#### **NOTE I – EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS** (Continued)

Benefits provided. Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37 establishes the benefit terms and can be amended only by the Tennessee General Assembly. The chief legislative body may adopt the benefit terms permitted by statute. Members are eligible to retire with an unreduced benefit at age 60 with 5 years of service credit or after 30 years of service credit regardless of age. Benefits are determined by a formula using the member's highest five consecutive year average compensation and the member's years of service credit. Reduced benefits for early retirement are available at age 55 and vested. Members vest with five years of service credit. Service-related disability benefits are provided regardless of length of service.

Five years of service is required for non-service-related disability eligibility. The service related and non-service-related disability benefits are determined in the same manner as a service retirement benefit but are reduced 10 percent and include projected service credits. A variety of death benefits are available under various eligibility criteria.

Member and beneficiary annuitants are entitled to automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs) after retirement. A COLA is granted each July for annuitants retired prior to the 2nd of July of the previous year. The COLA is based on the change in the consumer price index (CPI) during the prior calendar year, capped at 3 percent, and applied to the current benefit. No COLA is granted if the change in the CPI is less than one-half percent. A one percent COLA is granted if the CPI change is between one-half percent and one percent. A member who leaves employment may withdraw their employee contributions, plus any accumulated interest.

Employees covered by benefit terms. At the measurement date of June 30, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	388
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	651
Active employees	460
	1,499

Contributions. Contributions for employees are established in the statutes governing the TCRS and may only be changed by the Tennessee General Assembly. Employees contribute 5 percent of salary. McMinn County makes employer contributions at the rate set by the Board of Trustees as determined by an actuarial valuation. For the year ended June 30, 2020 employer contributions for McMinn County were \$325,329 based on a rate of 4.17% percent of covered payroll and \$226,076 for the McMinn County Schools based on a rate of 4.17% percent of covered payroll. By law, employer contributions are required to be paid. The TCRS may intercept McMinn County's state shared taxes if required employer contributions are not remitted. The employers actuarially determined contribution (ADC) and member contributions are expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year, the cost of administration, as well as an amortized portion of any unfunded liability.

#### **Net Pension Liability (Asset)**

*Pension liabilities (assets)*. McMinn County's net pension liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

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

Inflation 2.5 percent

Salary increase Graded salary ranges from 8.72 to 3.44 percent based on age,

including inflation, average 4.00 percent

Investment rate or return 7.25 percent, net of pension plan investment expenses, including

inflation

Cost-of-living adjustment 2.25 percent

Mortality rates were based on actual experience including an adjustment for some anticipated improvement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation was based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016. The demographic assumptions were adjusted to reflect more closely actual and expected future experience.

#### **NOTE I – EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)**

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees in conjunction with the June 30, 2016 actuarial experience study. A blend of future capital market projections and historical market returns was used in a building-block method in which a best-estimate of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) is developed for each major asset class. These best estimates 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 of 2.5 percent. The best-estimates of geometric real rates of return and the TCRS investment policy target asset allocation for each major class is summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Expected	
Asset Class	Real Rate of Return	Target Allocation
U.S. equity	5.69%	31%
Developed market international equity	5.29%	14%
Emerging market international equity	6.36%	4%
Private equity and strategic lending	5.79%	20%
U.S. fixed income	2.01%	20%
Real estate	4.32%	10%
Short-term securities	0.00%	1%
		100%

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees as 7.25 percent based on a blending of the factors described above.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current rate and that contributions from McMinn County will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rate pursuant to an actuarial valuation in accordance with the funding policy of the TCRS Board of Trustees and as required to be paid by state statute. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive 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.

#### **Changes in Net Pension Liability (Asset)**

	Increase (Decrease)					
	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Asset			
	<u>(a)</u>	<u>(b)</u>	(a) - (b)			
Balances at June 30, 2018	\$ 55,179,297	\$ 60,087,393 \$	(4,908,096)			
Changes for the year:						
Service cost	1,230,795	-	1,230,795			
Interest expense	3,980,521	-	3,980,521			
Differences between expected						
and actual experience	(916,416)		(916,416)			
Changes in Assumptions	· -	-	<u>-</u>			
Contributions – employer	-	551,405	(551,405)			
Contributions – employees	-	661,159	(661,159)			
Net investment income	-	4,405,546	(4,405,546)			
Benefits payments, including						
refunds of employee contributions	(3,012,695)	(3,012,695)	-			
Administrative expense	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(40,872)	40,872			
Other changes	<u>-</u> _		<u> </u>			
Net changes	1,282,205	2,564,543	(1,282,338)			
Balances at June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 56,461,502</u>	<u>\$ 62,651,936</u> <u>\$</u>	(6,190,434)			

#### NOTE I – EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

#### Allocation of Agent Plan Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset)

	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Asset
McMinn County	\$ 33,312,286	\$ 36,964,642 \$	(3,652,356)
Non-certified McMinn County School	23,149,216	25,687,294	(2,538,078)
Balances at June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 56,461,502</u>	<u>\$ 62,651,936</u> <u>\$</u>	(6,190,434)

Sensitivity of the net pension liability (asset) to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of McMinn County calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1%		Current	1%
		Decrease (6.25%)	Discount Rate (7.25%)	 Increase (8.25%)
Net pension liability (asset)	\$	513,602	<u>\$ (6,190,434)</u>	\$ (11,783,316)

# Pension Expense (Negative Pension Expense) and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

Pension Expense. For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County recognized negative pension expense of \$180,655.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	C	Deferred Outflows of Resources	I	Deferred nflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-	\$	1,286,072
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments		-		738,909
Changes in Assumptions		328,301		-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement				
date of June 30, 2019		526,596		
Total	<u>\$</u>	854,897	\$	2,024,981

<sup>\*</sup>The amount shown above for "Contributions subsequent to the measurement date of June 30, 2019," will be recognized as a reduction (increase) to net pension liability (asset) in the following measurement period.

## Allocation of Agent Plan Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	I	Deferred Inflows of Resources
McMinn County Non-certified McMinn County Schools	\$ 806,983 560,784	\$	1,497,332 1,040,519
Total	\$ 1,367,767	\$	2,537,851

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

Year	Ended	June	30:

2020	\$ (120,774)
2021	(307,148)
2022	(995,737)
2023	(370,613)
2024	(23,189)
Thereafter	- -

<sup>\*</sup>In the table shown above, positive amounts will increase pension expense while negative amounts will decrease pension expense.

## Payable to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2020, McMinn County reported a payable of \$0 for the outstanding amount of contributions to the pension plan required at the year ended June 30, 2020.

## Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System - McMinn County Schools Teacher Legacy Pension Plan

#### General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. The Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) was created by state statute under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37. The TCRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the proper operation and administration of all employer pension plans in the TCRS. The Tennessee Treasury Department, an agency in the legislative branch of state government, administers the plans of the TCRS. The TCRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at https://treasury.tn.gov/retirement/boards-and-governance/reporting-and-investment-policies.

Teachers employed by McMinn County Schools with membership in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) before July 1, 2014 are provided with pensions through the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan, a cost sharing multiple-employer pension plan administered by the TCRS. The Teacher Legacy Pension Plan closed to new membership on June 30, 2014 but will continue providing benefits to existing members and retirees.

Beginning July 1, 2014, the Teacher Retirement Plan became effective for teachers employed by Local Education Agencies (LEAS) after June 30, 2014. The Teacher Retirement Plan is a separate cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan.

Benefits provided. Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37 establishes the benefit terms and can be amended only by the Tennessee General Assembly. Members of the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan are eligible to retire with an unreduced benefit at age 60 with 5 years of service credit or after 30 years of service credit regardless of age. Benefits are determined by a formula using the member's highest five consecutive year average compensation and the member's service credit. A reduced early retirement benefit is available at age 55 if vested. Members are vested with five years of service credit. Service-related disability benefits are provided regardless of length of service. Five years of service is required for non-service-related disability eligibility. The service related and non-service-related disability benefits are determined in the same manner as a service retirement benefit but are reduced 10 percent and include projected service credits. A variety of death benefits are available under various eligibility criteria. Member and beneficiary annuitants are entitled to automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs) after retirement. A COLA is granted each July for annuitants retired prior to the 2nd of July of the previous year. The COLA is based on the change in the consumer price index (CPI) during the prior calendar year, capped at 3 percent, and applied to the current benefit. No COLA is granted if the change in the CPI is less than one-half percent. A one percent COLA is granted if the CPI change is between one-half percent and one percent. A member who leaves employment may withdraw their employee contributions, plus any accumulated interest.

Contributions. Contributions teachers are established in the statutes governing the TCRS and may only be changed by the Tennessee General Assembly. Employees contribute 5 percent of salary. The Local Education Agencies (LEA) makes employer contributions at the rate set by the Board of Trustees as determined by an actuarial valuation. By law, employer contributions for the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan are required to be paid. The TCRS may intercept the state shared taxes of the sponsoring governmental entity of the LEA if the required employer contributions are not remitted. if required employer contributions are not remitted. Employer contributions by McMinn County Schools for the year ended June 30, 2020, to the Teacher Legacy Pension Plan were \$1,889,424, which is 10.72% percent of covered payroll. The employer rate, when combined with member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year, the cost of administration, as well as an amortized portion of any unfunded liability.

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

Pension liabilities (assets). At June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools reported an asset of (\$5,611,738) for its proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset). The net pension liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. McMinn County Schools' proportion of the net pension liability was based on McMinn County Schools' share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating LEAs. At the measurement date of June 30, 2019, McMinn County Schools' proportion was 0.545793 percent. The proportion measured as of June 30, 2018 was 0.540274 percent.

Pension expense (negative pension expense). For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County recognized pension expense (negative pension expense) of \$741,039.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	I	Deferred nflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$	3,154,540
Changes in assumptions	756,211		-
Net difference between projected and actual			
earnings on pension plan investments	-		1,603,382
Changes in proportion of net pension liability (asset)	-		14,307
LEA's contributions subsequent to the measurement			
date of June 30, 2019	 1,889,424		<u>-</u>
Total	\$ 2,645,635	\$	4,772,229

McMinn County Schools' employer contributions of \$1,914,310, reported as pension related deferred outflows of resources, subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as an increase in net pension liability (asset) in the year ended June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:

2021	\$(1,152,889)
2022	(1,609,286)
2023	(720,668)
2024	(533,175)
2025	<del>-</del>
Thereafter	-

<sup>\*</sup>In the table shown above, positive amounts will increase pension expense while negative amounts will decrease pension expense.

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

Inflation 2.5 percent

Salary increase Graded salary ranges from 8.72 to 3.44 percent based on age,

including inflation, average 4.00 percent

Investment rate or return 7.25 percent, net of pension plan investment expenses, including

inflation

Cost-of-Living Adjustment 2.25 percent

Mortality rates were based on actual experience including an adjusted for some anticipated improvement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016. The demographic assumptions were adjusted to reflect more closely actual and expected future experience.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees in conjunction with the June 30, 2016 actuarial experience study. A blend of future capital market projections and historical market returns was used in a building -block method in which a best-estimate of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) is developed for each major asset class. These best estimates 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 of 2.5 percent. The best-estimates of geometric real rates of return and the TCRS investment policy target asset allocation for each major asset class is summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Expected	
Asset Class	Real Rate of Return	Target Allocation
U.S. equity	5.69%	31%
Developed market international equity	5.29%	14%
Emerging market international equity	6.36%	4%
Private equity and strategic lending	5.79%	20%
U.S. fixed income	2.01%	20%
Real estate	4.32%	10%
Short-term securities	0.00%	1%
		100%

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees as 7.25 percent based on a blending of the factors described above.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current rate and that contributions from all LEAs will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rate pursuant to an actuarial valuation in accordance with the funding policy of the TCRS Board of Trustees and as required to be paid by state statute. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive 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 net pension liability (asset) to changes in the discount rate. The following presents McMinn County Schools' proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what McMinn County Schools' proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(6.25%)	(7.25%)	(8.25%)
Net pension liability (asset)	\$ 11,474,383	\$ (5,611,738)	\$ (19,203,274)

*Pension plan fiduciary net position*. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued TCRS financial report.

#### Payable to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools reported a payable of \$0 for the outstanding amount of contributions to the pension plan required at the year ended June 30, 2020.

## Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System - McMinn County Schools Teacher Retirement Plan

#### General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. The Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) was created by state statute under Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37. The TCRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the proper operation and administration of all employer pension plans in the TCRS. The Tennessee Treasury Department, an agency in the legislative branch of state government, administers the plans of the TCRS. The TCRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at https://treasury.tn.gov/Retirement/Boards-and-Governance/Reporting-and-Investment-Policies. Teachers with membership in the TCRS before July 1, 2014 of McMinn County Schools are provided with pensions through the Teacher Retirement Plan, a cost sharing multiple-employer pension plan administered by the TCRS. The Teacher Legacy Pension Plan closed to new membership on June 30, 2014 but will continue providing benefits to existing members and retirees. Beginning July 1, 2014, the Teacher Retirement Plan became effective for teachers employed by LEAs after June 30, 2014. The Teacher Retirement Plan is a separate cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan.

Benefits provided. Tennessee Code Annotated Title 8, Chapters 34-37 establishes the benefit terms and can be amended only by the Tennessee General Assembly. Members of the Teacher Retirement Plan are eligible to retire with an unreduced benefit at 65 years of age with 5 years of service credit or pursuant to the rule of 90 in which the member's age and credit service total 90. Benefits are determined by a formula using the member's highest five consecutive year average compensation and the member's years of service credit. A reduced early retirement benefit is available at age 60 and vested or pursuant to the rule of 80. Members are vested with five years of service credit. Service-related disability benefits are provided regardless of length of service. Five years of service is required for non-service-related disability eligibility. The service related and non-service-related disability benefits are determined in the same manner as a service retirement benefit but are reduced 10 percent and include projected service credits. A variety of death benefits are available under various eligibility criteria. Member and beneficiary annuitants are entitled to automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs) after retirement. A COLA is granted each July for annuitants retired prior to the 2nd of July of the previous year. The COLA is based on the change in the consumer price index (CPI) during the prior calendar year, capped at 3 percent, and applied to the current benefit. No COLA is granted if the change in the CPI is less than one-half percent. A one percent COLA is granted if the CPI change is between one-half percent and one percent. A member who leaves employment may withdraw their employee contributions, plus any accumulated interest. Under the Teacher Retirement Plan, benefit terms and conditions, including COLAs, can be adjusted on a prospective basis. Moreover, there are defined cost controls and unfunded liability controls that provide for the adjustment of benefit terms and conditions on an automatic basis.

Contributions. Contributions for teachers are established in the statutes governing the TCRS and may only be changed by the Tennessee General Assembly or by automatic cost controls set out in law. Teachers contribute 5 percent of salary. The Local Education Agencies (LEA) makes employer contributions at the rate set by the Board of Trustees as determined by an actuarial valuation. Per the statutory provision governing the TCRS, the employer contribution rate cannot be less than 4 percent, except for in years when the maximum funded level, approved by the TCRS Board of Trustees, is reached. By law, employer contributions for the Teacher Retirement Plan are required to be paid. The TCRS may intercept the state shared taxes of the sponsoring governmental entity of the LEA if the required employer contributions are not remitted. Employer contributions by McMinn County Schools for the year ended June 30, 2020, to the Teacher Retirement Plan were \$199,341 which is 4.00% percent of covered payroll. The employer rate, when combined with member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year, the cost of administration, as well as an amortized portion of any unfunded liability.

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

Pension liabilities (assets). At June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools reported a liability (asset) of (\$231,189) for its proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset). The net pension liability (asset) was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial value as of that date. McMinn County Schools' proportion of the net pension liability (asset) was based on McMinn County Schools' share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating LEAs. At the measurement date of June 30, 2019, McMinn County Schools' proportion was 0.409557 percent. The proportion measured as of June 30, 2018 was 0.378570 percent.

Pension expense (negative pension expense). For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools recognized pension expense (negative pension expense) of \$70,266.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools reported deferred outflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	0	Deferred utflows of Resources	In	eferred flows of esources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	-		\$30,773
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments		-		9,774
Changes in assumptions		8,033		-
Changes in proportion of net pension liability (asset)		-		26,180
LEA's contributions subsequent to the measurement				
date of June 30, 2019		199,341		_
			Φ.	
Total	<u>\$</u>	207,374	\$	66,727

McMinn County Schools' employer contributions of \$199,341, reported as pension related deferred outflows of resources, subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction (increase) of net pension liability (asset) in the year ended June 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:

2020	\$ (7,189)
2021	(8,685)
2022	(5,943)
2023	(4,545)
2024	(4,147)
Thereafter	(28,185)

<sup>\*</sup>In the table shown above, positive amounts will increase pension expense while negative amounts will decrease pension expense.

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

Inflation 2.5 percent

Salary increase Graded salary ranges from 8.72 to 3.44 percent based on age,

including inflation, average 4.00 percent

Investment rate or return 7.25 percent, net of pension plan investment expenses,

including inflation

Cost-of-Living Adjustment 2.25 percent

Mortality rates were based on actual experience including an adjustment for some anticipated improvement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study performed for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016. The demographic assumptions were adjusted to reflect more closely actual and expected future experience.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees in conjunction with the June 30, 2016 actuarial experience study. A blend of future capital market projections and historical market returns was used in a building-block method in which a best-estimate of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) is developed for each major asset class. These best estimates 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 of 2.5 percent. The best-estimates of geometric real rates of return and the TCRS investment policy target asset allocation for each major asset class is summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Expected	
Asset Class	Real Rate of Return	Target Allocation
U.S. equity	5.69%	31%
Developed market international equity	5.29%	14%
Emerging market international equity	6.36%	4%
Private equity and strategic lending	5.79%	20%
U.S. fixed income	2.01%	20%
Real estate	4.32%	10%
Short-term securities	0.00%	1%
		100%

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was established by the TCRS Board of Trustees as 7.25 percent based on a blending of the three factors described above.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current rate and that contributions from all the LEAs will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rate pursuant to an actuarial valuation in accordance with the funding policy of the TCRS Board of Trustees and as required to be paid by state statute. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive 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 net pension liability (asset) to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of McMinn County Schools' proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what McMinn County Schools' proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

	1%	Current	1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(6.25%)	(7.25%)	(8.25%)
Proportionate share of the			
net pension liability (asset)	<u>\$ 73,250</u>	<u>\$ (231,189)</u>	<u>\$ (456,226)</u>

*Pension plan fiduciary net position*. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued TCRS financial report.

# Payable to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2020, McMinn County Schools reported a payable of \$0 for the outstanding amount of contributions to the pension plan required at the year ended June 30, 2020.

# **Defined Contribution Plan – McMinn County Schools Teacher Retirement Plan**

Teachers hired after July 1, 2014, by McMinn County Schools are required to participate in a hybrid pension plan consisting of a defined benefit portion, which is detailed in the pensions footnote above and is managed by the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System, and a defined contribution portion which is placed into the state's 401(k) plan and is managed by the employee. The defined contribution portion of the plan requires that McMinn County Schools contribute five percent of each teacher's salary into their defined contribution plan. In addition, teachers are required to contribute two percent of their salaries into this defined contribution plan, unless they opt out of the employee portion. During the year, McMinn County Schools contributed \$257,258 and teachers contributed \$89,887 to this plan.

# NOTE J – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

# **OPEB Plan – McMinn County Government – Commercial Plan**

*Plan description*. In addition to providing pension benefits, the County provides a portion of the health care benefits for certain retired employees under a single employer defined benefit OPEB plan. The McMinn County Government OPEB plan is administered through Healthscope Benefits. A stand-alone financial report is not issued. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

Benefits provided. Those with 30 years of service with 10 of those years with McMinn County are eligible for a reimbursement of \$2,000 for 5 years or until they are Medicare eligible (if earlier), or a lump sum amount of \$10,000. In addition, a retiree must have met the age requirement of 55 years with 10 years of service with McMinn County to be eligible for County health insurance until they are Medicare eligible and must pay 100 percent of the premium.

*Employees covered by benefit terms*. At the measurement date of June 30, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	3
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-
Active employees	224
• •	227

Contributions. The County is reimbursed by the retirees using a formula based on date of retirement, years of service, and the County's computed cost for active employees. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the County made no contributions for health care benefits. The County will make payments in amounts sufficient to cover benefits paid and administrative costs; however, the County will not fund the remaining portion of the total OPEB liability.

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

McMinn County's total OPEB liability of \$399,295 was measured as of June 30, 2019, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016. The liability covers McMinn County and the E-911 fund, a discretely presented component unit. The proportionate share of the total OPEB liability and the related expense, deferred outflows and deferred inflows are allocated based on the % of present value of future benefits since contributions cannot be used since they are not required by the County under the Plan. The County's share is 93 percent.

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.0 percent annually
Salary increases	3.50 percent annually
Discount rate	3.87 percent
Healthcare cost trend rates	8.00 percent for 2018, decreasing by 0.5 percent per year to an ultimate rate of 5.00 percent for 2024 and later years
Retirees' share of benefit- related costs	100 percent of projected health insurance premiums for retirees. Retirees with 30 years of creditable service are reimbursed \$2,000 for 5 years or until they are Medicare eligible, if earlier or one lump sum

payment of \$10,000.

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index.

Mortality rates are from the RP-2014 table fully generationally with projection Scale MP-2018.

# **Changes in Total OPEB Liability**

	_	Total OPEB Liability (a)
Balances at June 30, 2019	\$	347,643
Changes for the year:		
Service cost		30,322
Interest		12,805
Change in benefit terms		(6,899)
Differences between expected		
and actual experience		-
Changes in assumptions		5,894
Benefits payments		(22,379)
Net changes		19,743
Balances at June 30, 2020	<u>\$</u>	367,386

Changes in assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.50 percent as of June 30, 2019 to 3.50 percent as of June 30, 2020.

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of McMinn County calculated using the discount rate of 3.50 percent, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.50 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.50 percent) than the current rate:

		1%		1%
		Decrease (2.50%)	count Rate (3.50%)	 Increase (4.50%)
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$</u>	376,145	\$ 367,386	\$ 360,714

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of McMinn County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (7.0 percent decreasing to 4.0 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (9.0 percent decreasing to 6.0 percent) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

		Healthcare	
		Cost	
	1% Decrease	Trend Rates	1% Increase
	(7.0%	(8.0%	(9.0%
	decreasing	decreasing	decreasing
	to 4.0%	to 5.0%)	to 6.0%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 332,162	\$ 367,386	\$ 409,511

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

OPEB Expense. For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County recognized OPEB expense of \$30,587.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. At June 30, 2020, McMinn County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in assumptions Experience gain/loss	\$ - 39,000	\$ 5,372
Total	<u>\$ 39,000</u>	\$ 5,372

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	
2020	\$ 5,693
2021	5,693
2022	5,693
2023	5,693
2024	5,693
Thereafter	5,163
	\$ 33.628

<sup>\*</sup>In the table shown above, positive amounts will increase OPEB expense while negative amounts will decrease OPEB expense.

# Payable to the OPEB Plan

At June 30, 2020, no amounts were payable to the OPEB plan by McMinn County.

## **OPEB Plan – Board of Education – State of Tennessee**

#### General Information about the OPEB Plan

*Plan description*. In addition to providing pension benefits, the McMinn County Board of Education provides a portion of the health care benefits for certain retired employees under a single employer defined benefit OPEB plan. The McMinn County Board of Education OPEB plan is administered through the State of Tennessee. A stand-alone financial report is not issued. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 75.

Benefits provided. Those with 30 years of service with 10 of those years with the Board are eligible for a reimbursement of \$2,000 for 5 years or a lump sum amount of \$10,000. In addition, a retiree must have met the age requirement of 55 years with 10 years of service with the Board to be eligible for Board health insurance until they are Medicare eligible and must pay 100 percent of the premium.

*Employees covered by benefit terms*. At the measurement date of June 30, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	8
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-
Active employees	612
• •	620

Contributions. The Board is reimbursed by the retirees using a formula based on date of retirement, years of service, and the Board's computed cost for active employees. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the Board made no contributions for health care benefits. The Board will make payments in amounts sufficient to cover benefits paid and administrative costs; however, the Board will not fund the remaining portion of the annual required contribution.

#### **Total OPEB Liability**

The Board's total OPEB liability of \$2,106,655 was measured as of June 30, 2019, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2016.

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs. The total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.00 percent annuall		
Salary increases	3.50 percent annually		
Discount rate	3 50 percent		

Discount rate 3.50 percent

Healthcare cost trend rates 8.50 percent for 2017, decreasing by 0.5 percent per year to an

ultimate rate of 5.00 percent for 2024 and later years.

Retirees' share of benefit-

related costs 100 percent of projected health insurance premiums for retirees.

Retirees with 30 years of creditable service are reimbursed \$2,000 for 5 years or until they are Medicare eligible, if earlier or one lump sum

payment of \$10,000.

The discount rate was based on the Bond Buyer's 20 Bond Index.

Mortality rates are from the RP-2014 table Fully Generational Mortality Table with projection scale MP-2018.

## **Changes in Total OPEB Liability**

	Total OPEB Liability (a)
Balances at June 30, 2018	\$ 2,106,655
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	143,805
Interest	77,416
Change in benefit terms	-
Differences between expected	
and actual experience	-
Changes in assumptions	-
Benefits payments,	<u>(77,819)</u>
Net changes	143,402
Balances at June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 2,250,057</u>

Changes in assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.58 percent as of June 30, 2019 to 3.50 percent as of June 30, 2020.

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the total OPEB liability of McMinn County calculated using the discount rate of 3.50 percent, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.50 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.50 percent) than the current rate:

	1%		1%
	Decreas (2.50%)		Increase (4.50%)
Total OPEB liability	<u>\$ 2,425,8</u>	<u>\$ 2,250,057</u>	\$ 2,083,817

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates. The following presents the total OPEB liability of McMinn County, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower (7.0 percent decreasing to 4.0 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (9.0 percent decreasing to 6.0 percent) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

		Healthcare	
		Cost	
	1% Decrease	Trend Rates	1% Increase
	(7.0%	(8.0%	(9.0%
	decreasing	decreasing	decreasing
	to 4.0%	to 5.0%)	to 6.0%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 2,048,110	\$ 2,250,057	<u>\$ 2,492,208</u>

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

OPEB Expense. For the year ended June 30, 2020, McMinn County recognized OPEB expense of \$141,644.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. At June 30, 2020, McMinn County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in experience gain Changes in assumptions	\$	- \$ 711,534 - 53,983
Total	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 765,517</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	
2018	\$ (79,577)
2019	(79,577)
2020	(79,577)
2021	(79,577)
2022	(79,577)
Thereafter	(367,632)

(765,517)

#### Payable to the OPEB Plan

At June 30, 2020, no amounts were payable to the OPEB plan by the Board of Education.

## **OPEB Plan – Board of Education – Closed Teacher Group**

## General information about the OPEB plan

**Plan description** - Employees of McMinn County Board of Education, who were hired prior to July 1, 2015, are provided with pre-65 retiree health insurance benefits through the closed Teacher Group OPEB Plan (TGOP) administered by the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration. This plan is considered to be a multiple employer defined benefit plan that is used to provide postemployment benefits other than pensions (OPEB). However, for accounting purposes, this plan will be treated as a single-employer plan. All eligible pre-65 retired teachers, support staff and disability participants of local education agencies, who choose coverage, participate in the TGOP. This plan is closed to the employees of all participating employers that were hired on or after July 1, 2015.

Benefits provided - The McMinn County Board of Education offers the TGOP to provide health insurance coverage to eligible pre-65 retired teachers, support staff and disabled participants of local education agencies. Insurance coverage is the only postemployment benefit provided to retirees. An insurance committee created in accordance with TCA 8-27-301 establishes and amends the benefit terms of the TGOP. All members have the option of choosing between the partnership promise preferred provider organization (PPO), no partnership promise PPO, standard PPO, limited PPO, or the wellness health savings consumer-driven health plan (CDHP) for healthcare benefits. Retired plan members, of the TGOP, receives the same plan benefits as active employees, at a blended premium rate that considers the cost of all participants. This creates an implicit subsidy for retirees. Participating employers determine their own policy related to direct subsidies provided for the retiree premiums. McMinn County Board of Education does not directly subsidize the policies. The state, as a governmental non-employer contributing entity, provides a direct subsidy for eligible retirees' premiums, based on years of service. Therefore, retirees with 30 or more years of service will receive 45%; 20 but less than 30 years, 35%; and less than 20 years, 20% of the scheduled premium. No subsidy is provided for enrollees of the health savings CDHP. The TGOP is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis and there are no assets accumulating in a trust that meets the criteria of paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

<sup>\*</sup>In the table shown above, positive amounts will increase OPEB expense while negative amounts will decrease OPEB expense.

**Employees covered by benefit terms** - At July 1, 2018, the following employees of McMinn County Board of Education was covered by the benefit terms of the TGOP:

Inactive employees currently receiving benefits	31
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	1
Active employees	532
	564

An insurance committee, created in accordance with TCA 8-27-301, establishes the required payments to the TGOP by member employers and employees through the blended premiums established for active and retired employees. Claims liabilities of the plan are periodically computed using actuarial and statistical techniques to establish premium rates. Administrative costs are allocated to plan participants. Employers contribute towards employee costs based on their own developed policies. During the current reporting period, the McMinn County Board of Education paid \$187,440 to the TGOP for OPEB benefits as they came due.

## **Total OPEB Liability**

**Actuarial assumptions** - The collective total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.25 percent annually
Salary increase	Graded salary ranges from 3.44 to 8.72 percent based on age, including inflation, averaging 4 percent
Healthcare cost trend rates	6.75 percent for 2019, decreasing annually to an ultimate rate of 3.85% for 2050 and later years
Retiree's share of benefit- related costs	Members are required to make monthly contributions in order to maintain their coverage. For the purpose of this valuation a weighted average has been used with weights derived from the current distribution of members among plans offered

Unless noted otherwise, the actuarial demographic assumptions used in the June 30, 2017, valuations were the same as those employed in the July 1, 2017 Pension Actuarial Valuation of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS). These assumptions were developed by TCRS based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2016.

The demographic assumptions were adjusted to reflect more closely actual and expected future experience. Mortality tables are used to measure the probabilities of participants dying before and after retirement. The mortality rates employed in this valuation are taken from the RP-2014 Healthy Participant Mortality Table for Annuitants for non-disabled post-retirement mortality, with mortality improvement projected to all future years using Scale MP-2016. Post-retirement tables are Blue Collar and adjusted with a 2% load for males and a -3% load for females. Mortality rates for impaired lives are the same as those used by TCRS and are taken from a gender distinct table published in the IRS Ruling 96-7 for disabled lives with a 10% load.

**Discount rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.51 percent. This rate reflects the interest rate derived from yields on 20-year, tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds, prevailing on the measurement date, with an average rating of AA/Aa as shown on the Fidelity 20-Year Municipal GO AA index.

# **Changes in Collective Total OPEB Liability**

		otal OPEB Liability (a)
Balances at June 30, 2018	\$	5,576,879
Changes for the year:		
Service cost		320,236
Interest		207,123
Change in benefit terms		-
Differences between expected		
and actual experience		589,144
Changes in assumptions		(472,777)
Benefits payments,		(354,116)
Net changes	Φ.	289,610
Balances at June 30, 2019	<u>\$</u>	5,866,489
Non-employer contributing entities proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability	\$	2,069,040
Employer's proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability	\$	3,797,449
Employer's proportion of the collective total OPEB liability		64.73%

The McMinn County Board of Education has a special funding situation related to benefits paid by the State of Tennessee for its eligible retired employees participating in the TGRP. McMinn County Board of Education's proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability was based on a projection of the employer's long-term share of benefit payments to the OPEB plan relative to the projected share of benefit payments of all participating employers and non-employer contributing entities, actuarially determined. The proportion changed 0.59% from the prior measurement date. McMinn County Board of Education recognized \$163,000 in revenue for subsidies provided by non-employer contributing entities for benefits paid by the TGRP for McMinn County Board of Education retirees.

Changes in assumptions - The discount rate was changed from 3.62% as of the beginning of the measurement period to 3.51% as of June 30, 2019. This change in assumption decreased the total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate - The following presents the proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability related to the TGOP, as well as what the proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate. (expressed in thousands)

	1%		1%
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase
	(2.51%)	(3.51%)	(4.51%)
Proportionate share of collective total			
OPEB liability	\$ 3,360,41	<u>\$ 3,797,449</u>	\$ 4,316,927

Sensitivity of proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability related to the TGOP, as well as what the proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate. (expressed in thousands)

		Healthcare Cost	
	1% Decrease (5.75% decreasing to 2.85%	Trend Rates (6.75% decreasing to 3.85%)	1% Increase (7.75% decreasing to 4.85%)
Proportionate share of collective total OPEB liability	<u>\$ 3,360,411</u>	\$ 3,797,449	\$ 4,316,927

**OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** *OPEB expense* - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, McMinn County Board of Education recognized OPEB expense of \$449,000.

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, McMinn County Board of Education reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB benefits in the TGOP from the following sources:

Out	lows of	In	Deferred aflows of esources
\$	_	\$	68,772
	-		316,859
	-		36,275
	-		-
	187,440		
\$	187,440	\$	421,906
	Outf Res	187,440	Outflows of Resources R  \$ - \$ - 187,440

The amounts shown above for "Employer payments subsequent to the measurement date" will be included as a reduction to total OPEB liability in the following measurement period.

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:	
2021	\$ (55,553)
2022	(55,553)
2023	(55,553)
2024	(55,553)
2025	(199,694)
	<u>\$ (421,906)</u>

In the table above, positive amounts will increase OPEB expense while negative amounts will decrease OPEB expense.

## NOTE K - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liabilities include the accrual of obligations relating to compensated absences. The balance of the liability was \$357,048 included in governmental funds and \$556,155 in the component units. Ad valorem taxes are used to provide for the before mentioned obligations.

During the year ended June 30, 2020, changes in long-term debt were as follows:

		eginning Balance	J	ustments/ dditions	J	justments/ tirements	Ending Balance	•	Current Portion
Governmental Activities Compensated absences	\$	357,048	\$	375,555	\$	357,048	\$ 375,555	\$	375,555
Business-type Activities  Landfill closure and post closure costs		6,460,659		26,556		-	6,487,215		-
Component Unit McMinn Co	unty	BOE							
Compensated absences	\$	556,155 7,373,862	\$	594,264 996,375	\$	556,155 913,203	\$ 594,264 7,457,034	\$	594,264 969,819

## NOTE L-INTERFUND RECEIVALBES AND PAYABLES

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2020, was as follows:

## **Due to/from Other Funds:**

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
Discretely Presented School		
Department:		
General Purpose School	Nonmajor governmental	\$ 401,253
Nonmajor governmental	Discretely Presented Component	
•	Unit:	
	E911 District	95

## NOTE M – INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires them or (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund or capital projects – miscellaneous fund to finance various programs or construction projects accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The composition of primary government and component unit transfers for the year ended June 30, 2020, is as follows:

# **Primary Government**

Funds Transferred From	<u>Funds Transferred To</u>	<u>Amount</u>		
Other governmental funds:				
Trustee	General Fund	\$	400,000	
County Clerk	General Fund		509,495	
Clerk and Master	General Fund		276,109	
		\$	1,185,604	

These transfers were properly approved by the County Commission.

#### NOTE N – JOINT VENTURES

Hiwassee Utilities Commission - The County is a participant in a joint venture with Bradley County in the operation of the Hiwassee Utilities Commission (the "Commission"). The Commission was established in 1972 under the Inter-local Cooperation Act and under Tennessee Code Sections 12-801 and 5-1601 to provide service as an urban public utility and the Commission became operational in 1982. Each of the participants appoints three members of the Board to oversee the operations. In 2015, the Counties authorized the issuance of \$11,135,000 in General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 to retire the outstanding principal on Local Government Public Improvement Series B-14-A bonds issued in 2008. While these are revenue bonds, the Counties will levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property within the corporate limits of each County in the event such revenues are insufficient. The bonds bear an average interest rate of 3.22% per annum. The remaining balance at June 30, 2020, is \$10,055,000 of which McMinn County's exposure is \$5,015,000. Complete separate financial statements for the Commission may be obtained at 3973 Chatata Valley Road, Charleston, Tennessee 37310.

E.G. Fisher Public Library - In 1995, the Library was formed as a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Tennessee. The Library is a full-service library offering circulation and reference services, reader's advisory, children's services and programs, and a strong genealogical collection to residents of McMinn County. The County of Athens and McMinn County participate in the joint operation of the Library in that the Library's Board consists of four members appointed by the McMinn County Commission and three members appointed by the Athens County Council. However, the Library's operations have been excluded from McMinn County's reporting entity because of their limited oversight responsibility and their lack of involvement in directing the Library's budgets, fees, or debt obligations. The Library issues separate financial statements which are available from the E.G. Fisher Public Library Board, 1289 Ingleside Avenue, Athens, Tennessee. Summarized information for the Library's fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the latest available audited financial statements, is as follows:

Total assets	\$	2,454,463
Total deferred outflows of resources		54,838
Total liabilities		(86,959)
Total deferred inflows of resources		(3301)
Total net position	<u>\$</u>	2,419,041

#### NOTE O – MAJOR TAXPAYERS

The County has two taxpayers that paid 16% of the total 2019 property taxes billed and collected prior to June 30, 2020.

## NOTE P - LITIGATION

McMinn County is named as defendant in several lawsuits seeking damages in various amounts, none of which is expected to exceed insurance coverage. The County attorney has stated that it is difficult to estimate the outcome of these cases at this time and that any potential claims against the County not covered by insurance resulting from the litigation cannot specifically be estimated. Therefore, no amounts have been accrued as of June 30, 2020.

# NOTE Q – RISK MANAGEMENT

McMinn County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The County insures itself against potential losses associated with these risks through purchase of commercial insurance. There were no reductions in limits of liability or coverage of insurance policies in effect during 2020 from those in effect in the preceding year. In addition, there have been no losses in excess of insurance coverage during the last three years.

The County provides life and medical protection for all employees in the General Fund, the Road and Bridge Fund, and the Fee Offices through its contract with a commercial insurance carrier. The County pays 100% of the employee premium for the program and 45% of family premiums for covered employees. Prior to fiscal year ended June 30, 2002, the County paid insurance premiums into the Insurance Fund (an internal service fund) from the General Fund and the Road and Bridge Fund to cover the medical costs of the covered employees. The County still maintains a small amount in this fund to pay the medical costs of those covered employees incurred prior to the adoption of the new insurance program, but that were not approved for final payment until after June 30, 2001. There were no approved claims paid out of the Insurance Fund for this fiscal year.

# NOTE R – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated events and transactions subsequent to the balance sheet date through the date of the auditor's report (the date the financial statements were available to be issued) for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Management has not identified any items requiring recognition or disclosure.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) OTHER THAN MD&A

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN MCMINN COUNTY'S NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS BASED ON PARTICIPATION IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN OF TCRS

## Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30

	2	014		2015	2016		2017		2018		2019
Total Pension Liability (Asset)											
Service cost	\$ 1,	060,056	\$	1,091,600	\$ 1,129,071	\$	1,120,614	\$	1,262,067	\$	1,230,795
Interest	3,	561,893		3,638,857	3,728,179		3,817,779		3,891,056		3,980,521
Differences between actual and expected experience	(	784,897)		(582,624)	(672,700)		(610,319)		(892,363)		(916,416)
Change in assumptions		-		-	-		1,313,201		-		-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(2,	603,798)	_	(3,081,017)	(2,907,673)	_	(3,055,176)	_	(2,978,257)		(3,012,695)
Net change in total pension liability	1,	233,254		1,066,816	1,276,877		2,586,099		1,282,503		1,282,205
Total pension liability - beginning	47,	733,748	_	48,967,002	50,033,818	_	51,310,695	:	53,896,794		55,179,297
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 48,	967,002	\$	50,033,818	\$ 51,310,695	\$	53,896,794	\$ :	55,179,297	\$	56,461,502
Plan Fiduciary Net Position											
Contributions - employer	\$	755,409	\$	392,050	\$ 382,097	\$	537,446	\$	546,375	\$	551,405
Contributions - employee		622,258		626,191	612,288		650,525		680,031		661,159
Net investment income	7,	819,985		1,643,662	1,406,797		5,934,826		4,674,162		4,405,546
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(2,	603,798)		(3,081,017)	(2,907,673)		(3,055,176)		(2,978,257)		(3,012,695)
Administrative expense	(	(19,852)		(24,023)	(34,614)		(38,629)		(44,142)		(40,872)
Other		-		-	 3,705	_	(203,044)		-		-
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	6,	574,002		(443,137)	(537,400)		3,825,948		2,878,169		2,564,543
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	47,	789,811		54,363,813	53,920,676	_	53,383,276	:	57,209,224	_	60,087,393
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 54,	363,813	\$	53,920,676	\$ 53,383,276	\$	57,209,224	\$ (	60,087,393	\$	62,651,936
Net Pension Liability (asset) - ending (a) - (b)	\$ (5,	396,811)	\$	(3,886,858)	\$ (2,072,581)	\$	(3,312,430)	<u>\$</u>	(4,908,096)	\$	(6,190,434)
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability		111.02%		107.77%	104.04%		106.15%		108.89%		110.96%
Covered - employee payroll	\$ 12,	445,043	\$	12,375,395	\$ 12,103,298	\$	12,888,387	\$	13,102,460	\$	13,223,121
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of covered-employee payrol	l	-43.37%		-31.41%	-17.12%		-25.70%		-37.46%		-46.82%

<sup>\*</sup>Changes of assumptions. In 2017, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted from changes to the inflation rate, investment rate of return, cost-of-living adjustment, salary growth and mortality improvements.

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 68 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 68. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# SCHEDULE OF MCMINN COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS BASED ON PARTICIPATION IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN OF TCRS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Actuarially determined contribution	\$	755,409	\$ 392,050	\$ 382,097	\$ 408,562	\$ 546,375	\$ 551,405	\$ 526,596
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution		755,409	 392,050	 382,097	 537,446	 546,375	 551,405	526,596
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$ (128,884)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ <u>-</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 12	2,445,043	\$ 12,375,395	\$ 12,103,298	\$ 12,888,387	\$ 13,102,460	\$ 13,223,121	\$ 12,628,201
Contributions as a percentage covered-employee payroll		6.07%	3.17%	3.16%	4.17%	4.17%	4.17%	4.17%

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 68 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 68. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# NOTES TO PENSION SCHEDULE

# June 30, 2020

Valuation date: Actuarially determined contribution rates for 2020 were calculated based on the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method Entry Age Normal

Amortization method Level dollar, closed (not to exceed 20 years)

Remaining amortization period Varies by year

Asset valuation 10-year smoothed within a 20 percent corridor to market value

Inflation 2.5 percent

Salary increases Graded salary ranges from 8.72 to 3.44 percent based on age, including

inflation, averaging 4.00 percent

Investment Rate of Return 7.25 percent, net of investment expense, including inflation

Retirement age Pattern of retirement determined by experience study

Mortality Customized table based on actual experience including an adjustment

for some anticipated improvement.

Cost of Living Adjustments 2.25 percent

Changes of assumptions. In 2017, the following assumptions were changed: decreased inflation rate from 3.00 percent to 2.50 percent; decreased the investment rate of return from 7.50 percent to 7.25 percent; decreased the cost-of-living adjustment from 2.50 percent to 2.25 percent; decreased salary growth graded ranges from an average of 4.25 percent to an average of 4.00 percent; and modified mortality assumptions.

# SCHEDULE OF MCMINN COUNTY SCHOOLS' PROPROTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION ASSET TEACHER LEGACY PENSION PLAN OF TCRS

## Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
McMinn County Schools's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.538341%	0.552247%	0.562726%	0.554835%	0.540274%	0.545793%
McMinn County Schools's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ (87,478)	\$ 226,219	\$ 3,516,723	\$ (181,533)	\$ (1,901,178)	\$ (5,611,738)
McMinn County Schools's covered-employee payroll	\$ 21,129,806	\$ 20,673,397	\$ 20,313,260	\$ 19,613,167	\$ 18,918,665	\$ 18,301,207
McMinn County Schools's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	-0.414002%	1.094253%	17.31%	0.93%	-10.05%	-30.66%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	100.08%	99.81%	97.14%	100.14%	101.49%	104.28%

<sup>\*</sup>The amounts presented were determined as of June 30 of the prior fiscal year.

information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# SCHEDULE OF MCMINN COUNTY SCHOOLS' CONTRIBUTIONS TEACHER LEGACY PLAN OF TCRS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 1,876,330	\$ 1,868,874	\$ 1,836,601	\$ 1,773,029	\$ 1,717,811	\$ 1,914,309	\$ 1,889,424
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	1,876,330	1,868,874	1,836,601	1,773,029	1,717,811	1,914,309	1,889,424
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u> </u>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	<u>\$</u>
McMinn County Schools's covered-employee payroll	\$21,129,806	\$20,673,397	\$20,313,260	\$19,613,167	\$18,918,665	\$18,301,207	\$17,620,974
Contributions as a percentage of McMinn County Schools's covered-employee payroll	8.88%	9.04%	9.04%	9.04%	9.08%	10.46%	10.72%

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 68 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 68. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

Changes of assumptions. In 2017, the following assumptions were changed: decreased inflation rate from 3.00 percent to 2.50 percent; decreased the investment rate of return from 7.50 percent to 7.25 percent; decreased the cost-of-living adjusment from 2.50 percent to 2.25 percent; decreased salary growth graded ranges from an average of 4.25 percent to an average of 4.00 percent; and modified mortality assumptions.

# SCHEDULE OF MCMINN COUNTY SCHOOLS' PROPROTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) TEACHER RETIREMENT PLAN OF TCRS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

		2015	2016		2017	2018	2019
McMinn County Schools' proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0	276518%	0.258308	%	0.362132%	0.378570%	0.409557%
McMinn County Schools' proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	(11,124)	\$ (26,89	1)	\$ (95,542)	\$ (171,692)	\$ (231,189)
McMinn County Schools' covered payroll	\$	574,530	\$ 1,136,56	7	\$ 2,376,825	\$ 3,308,232	\$ 4,334,240
McMinn County Schools' proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll		-1.94%	-2.37	%	-4.02%	-5.19%	-5.33%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		127.46%	121.88	%	126.81%	126.97%	123.07%

<sup>\*</sup>The amounts presented were determined as of June 30 of the prior fiscal year.

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 68 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 68. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# SCHEDULE OF MCMINN COUNTY SCHOOLS' CONTRIBUTIONS TEACHER RETIREMENT PLAN OF TCRS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

	2015	2016		2017		2018	2019			2020
Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC)	\$ 14,363	\$ 28,451	\$	95,073	\$	53,949	\$	84,078	\$	192,445
Contribution in relation to the contractually required contribution	 22,981	45,463	_	95,073		132,330	_	84,078		192,445
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (8,618)	\$ (17,012)	\$		\$	(78,381)	\$		\$	
McMinn County Schools' covered payroll	\$ 574,530	\$ 1,136,567	\$	2,376,825	\$	3,308,232	\$	4,334,240	\$	4,811,165
Contributions as a percentage of McMinn County Schools' covered payroll	4.00%	4.00%		4.00%		4.00%		1.94%		4.00%

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 68 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 68. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

Changes of assumptions. In 2017, the following assumptions were changed: decreased inflation rate from 3.00 percent to 2.50 percent; decreased the investment rate of return from 7.50 percent to 7.25 percent; decreased the cost-of-living adjusment from 2.50 percent to 2.25 percent; decreased salary growth graded ranges from an average of 4.25 percent to an average of 4.00 percent; and modified mortality assumptions.

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN MCMINN COUNTY'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

	2018		2019		2020
Total OPEB Liability					
Service cost	\$ 24,140	\$	30,587	\$	30,322
Interest	10,446		13,420		12,805
Changes in benefit terms	-		-		(1,005)
Differences between actual and expected experience	-		52,370		-
Change in assumptions	(6,257)		(2,184)		-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	 (31,812)		(26,497)		(22,379)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(3,483)		67,696		19,743
Total OPEB liability - beginning	 283,430	_	279,947	_	347,643
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$ 279,947	\$	347,643	\$	367,386
Covered - employee payroll	N/A	\$	7,998,661	\$	8,198,628
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	N/A		4.74%		4.56%

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 75 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 75. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN MCMINN COUNTY'S BOARD OF EDUCATION TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

	2018	2019	2020
Total OPEB Liability			
Service cost	\$ 185,426	\$ 131,751	\$ 143,805
Interest	100,448	77,235	77,416
Differences between actual and expected experience	(63,387)	(858,092)	-
Change in assumptions	-	(8,743)	-
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(54,060)	(51,114)	(77,819)
Net change in total OPEB liability	168,427	(708,963)	143,402
Total OPEB liability - beginning	2,647,191	2,815,618	2,106,655
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$ 2,815,618	\$ 2,106,655	\$ 2,250,057
Covered - employee payroll	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 75 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 75. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN MCMINN COUNTY'S BOARD OF EDUCATION - TGOP TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

# **Last Fiscal Year Ending June 30**

	2018		2019		2020
Total OPEB Liability					
Service cost	\$ 372,000	\$	344,000	\$	320,000
Interest	183,000		219,000		207,000
Differences between actual and expected experience	-		(788,000)		589,000
Change in assumptions	(283,000)		160,000		(473,000)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	 (310,000)	_	(355,000)	_	(354,000)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(38,000)		(420,000)		289,000
Total OPEB liability - beginning	6,035,000		5,997,000	_	5,577,000
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$ 5,997,000	\$	5,577,000	\$	5,866,000
Nonemployer contributing entities proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability	\$ 2,086,000	\$	5 1,907,000	<u>\$</u>	2,069,000
Employer's proportionate share of the collective total OPEB liability	\$ 3,911,000	\$	3,670,000	\$	3,797,000
Covered - employee payroll	N/A		N/A		N/A
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	N/A		N/A		N/A

There are no assets accumulating in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, related to this OPEB plan.

<sup>\*\*</sup>GASB 75 requires a 10-year schedule for this data to be presented starting with the implementation of GASB 75. The information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively prior to the implementation date. Please refer to previously supplied data from the TCRS GASB website for prior years' data, if needed.

# OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes				
Property taxes	\$ 7,131,196	\$ 7,131,196	\$ 7,244,308	\$ 113,112
Local sales tax	555,000	555,000	820,969	265,969
Hotel/Motel taxes	539,318	539,318	427,562	(111,756)
Other taxes	1,045,652	1,045,652	1,204,278	158,626
Total taxes	9,271,166	9,271,166	9,697,117	425,951
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State of Tennessee	2,394,149	2,689,934	2,120,761	(569,173)
United States Government	149,323	224,481	60,349	(164,132)
Other	131,650	133,650	130,990	(2,660)
Total intergovernmental revenues	2,675,122	3,048,065	2,312,100	(735,965)
Charges for services	60,500	62,000	67,225	5,225
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	179,500	187,764	217,370	29,606
Investment earnings	80,000	80,000	132,815	52,815
Miscellaneous	340,000	389,278	392,644	3,366
Total revenues	12,606,288	13,038,273	12,819,271	(219,002)
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government:				
County Commission	166,576	166,576	144,528	22,048
County Mayor	279,027	279,027	242,895	36,132
County Attorney	44,896	44,896	42,289	2,607
Election Commission	281,253	281,253	259,775	21,478
Register of Deeds	41,490	41,490	19,522	21,968
Planning Commission	71,810	71,810	15,387	56,423
County buildings	489,154	489,154	419,378	69,776
Accounting and budgeting	643,596	643,596	608,614	34,982
Purchasing	10,000	10,000	8,573	1,427
Property Assessor's office	506,036	506,036	445,597	60,439

# GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - (continued)

# Year ended June 30, 2020

				Variance with
	Oni ain al	Einal		Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	A atrial	
EXPENDITURES (continued)	Budget	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
Current (continued):				
· · ·				
General government (continued):	¢ 56.005	¢ 56.005	¢ 42.240	¢ 14.626
County Trustee	\$ 56,885	\$ 56,885	\$ 42,249	\$ 14,636
County Clerk	681,999	681,999	597,080	84,919
Audit services	39,500	39,500	39,500	12.226
Circuit Court	79,550	79,550	66,214	13,336
General Sessions Court	275,221	275,221	266,962	8,259
Drug Court	13,000	21,264	21,263	1
Chancery Court	313,333	313,333	268,079	45,254
Courtroom Security	203,279	220,829	217,566	3,263
Agricultural Extension Service	174,217	174,217	159,133	15,084
Soil conversation	43,928	43,928	43,123	805
Interest on notes	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Tourism	179,755	450,203	445,956	4,247
Industrial development	407,192	461,855	178,355	283,500
Airport	53,600	53,600	40,805	12,795
Veterans' services	93,359	97,359	90,113	7,246
Other insurance	205,000	214,548	195,411	19,137
Trustee's commission	175,000	175,000	173,356	1,644
Employee benefits	73,500	768,805	763,477	5,328
Total general government	5,603,156	6,662,934	5,815,200	847,734
Public safety:				
Sheriff's department	2,085,452	2,166,677	1,986,003	180,674
Special patrols	472,745	522,023	511,137	10,886
Sexual Offender Registry	3,000	10,500	7,208	3,292
Jail	3,518,052	3,734,052	3,645,878	88,174
Juvenile services	367,402	367,402	338,242	29,160
Work release program	58,032	58,032	51,696	6,336
Fire prevention and control	142,341	193,341	157,602	35,739
Civil defense	432,218	432,218	432,211	7
Rescue squad	8,100	8,100	7,100	1,000
Other emergency management	199,733	249,733	236,437	13,296
County medical examiner	47,000	110,000	92,874	17,126
Total public safety	7,334,075	7,852,078	7,466,388	385,690

# GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - (continued)

# Year ended June 30, 2020

	0 1	F: 1		Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final	A atrial	Positive (Nagative)
EXPENDITURES (continued):	Budget	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
Current (continued):				
Health:				
Local health center	\$ 683,307	\$ 685,944	\$ 577,019	\$ 108,925
Ambulance service	20,700	20,700	(7,778)	28,478
Litter grant	48,900	53,900	34,426	19,474
Keep McMinn Beautiful	28,150	28,150	21,367	6,783
Other local health services	60,918	60,918	50,939	9,979
Total health	841,975	849,612	675,973	173,639
		<del></del> _		
Social services:				
General welfare assistance	7,532	7,532	6,272	1,260
Culture and recreation:				
Public Library	148,355	148,355	148,355	_
Parks	102,898	102,898	83,788	19,110
Total culture and recreation	251,253	251,253	232,143	19,110
	14.027.001	15 (22 400	14 105 056	1 407 422
Total budgetary expenditures	14,037,991	15,623,409	14,195,976	1,427,433
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)				
budgetary expenditures	(1,431,703)	(2,585,136)	(1,376,705)	1,208,431
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	5,000	5,000	38,262	33,262
Transfers in	1,080,000	1,775,305	1,880,909	105,604
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,085,000	1,780,305	1,919,171	138,866
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over (under) budgetary expenditures and				
other uses	\$ (346,703)	\$ (804,831)	542,466	\$ 1,347,297
Fund Balances				
Beginning			7,579,990	
Depriming				
Ending			\$ 8,122,456	

# NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 2020

	Special Revenue Funds			
	Law Library		Drug Control	
ASSETS				
Equity in pooled cash and investments	\$	74,108	\$	77,022
Receivables:		ŕ		,
Accounts		<del>_</del>		7
Total assets	\$	74,108	\$	77,029
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities:				
Accrued items and other payables	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	1,465
Total liabilities		<u>-</u>		1,465
Fund Balances:				
Restricted		74,108		75,564
Total fund balances		74,108		75,564
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$</u>	74,108	\$	77,029

			Total
Fı	raud and	N	Ionmajor
Е	conomic	Go	vernmental
	Crimes		Funds
\$	105,267	\$	256,397
	2,835		2,842
\$	108,102	\$	259,239
\$	<u>-</u>	\$	1,465
			1,465
	108,102		257,774
	108,102		257,774
\$	108,102	\$	259,239

#### NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	Special Revenue Funds				
	Law Library	Drug Control			
REVENUES					
Fines, forfeitures and penalties Investment earnings	\$ 3,509	\$ 86,232 130			
Total revenues	3,509	86,362			
EXPENDITURES Current:					
General government	35	_			
Public safety	<del>-</del>	72,447			
Total expenditures	35	72,447			
Net change in fund balances	3,474	13,915			
Fund Balances					
Beginning	70,634	61,649			
Ending	\$ 74,108	\$ 75,564			

Ec	aud and onomic Crimes		Total Ionmajor vernmental Funds
\$	47,139 1,582 48,721	\$	136,880 1,712 138,592
	90,258		90,293 72,447
	90,258 (41,537)		162,740 (24,148)
<del></del>	149,639 108,102	<del></del> \$	281,922 257,774

# COMBINING BALANCE SHEET CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND

## June 30, 2020

	Circuit, General Sessions and Probate Court Cle		Clerk and Master		County Clerk	
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	190,077	\$	12,321	\$	(112,438)
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	190,077	\$	12,321	\$	(112,438)
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:			_		_	
Due to other funds	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<del>-</del>	\$	
Total liabilities		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		
Fund Balances:						
Restricted		190,077		12,321		(112,438)
Total fund balances		190,077		12,321		(112,438)
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	190,077	\$	12,321	\$	(112,438)

D.	egister of			neriff's	Con	Total	
	Deeds		Trustee	Narcotic Division		Constitutional Officers	
\$	16,343	\$	356,077	\$ 1	\$	462,381	
\$	16,343	<u>\$</u>	356,077	\$ 1	\$	462,381	
\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$		
	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	 <u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
	16,343		356,077	1		462,381	
	16,343		356,077	 1		462,381	
\$	16,343	\$	356,077	\$ 1	\$	462,381	

# COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND

	Circuit, General Sessions and Clerk and Probate Court Clerk Master		County Clerk			
REVENUES						
Charges for services	\$	709,641	\$	247,592	\$	423,462
Investment earnings		1,444		<u>-</u>		
Total revenues		711,085		247,592		423,462
EXPENDITURES						
Current:		600 10 <b>5</b>				
General government		699,187		<u>-</u>		
Total expenditures		699,187		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures		11,898		247,592		423,462
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers out		-		(247,592)		(546,291)
			'			_
Total other financing sources (uses)		<u> </u>		(247,592)		(546,291)
Net change in fund balances		11,898		-		(122,829)
Fund Balances						
Beginning		178,179		12,321		10,391
Ending	\$	190,077	\$	12,321	\$	(112,438)

				eriff's	~	Total
K	Register of			rcotic	Co	onstitutional
	Deeds	 Trustee	Di	vision		Officers
\$	1,429,205	\$ 702,910 <u>-</u>	\$	- -	\$	3,512,810 1,444
	1,429,205	 702,910				3,514,254
	1,429,673	 248,037				2,376,897
	1,429,673	 248,037		<u>-</u>		2,376,897
	(468)	 454,873		<del>-</del>		1,137,357
		 (400,000)		<u>-</u>		(1,193,883)
	<u>-</u>	 (400,000)		<u>-</u>		(1,193,883)
	(468)	54,873		-		(56,526)
	16,811	 301,204		1		518,907
\$	16,343	\$ 356,077	\$	1	\$	462,381

#### CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS FEE AND COMMISSION ACCOUNTS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES

	Circuit, General Sessions and Probate Court Clerk		Clerk and Master		County Clerk	
REVENUE AND OTHER RECEIPTS						
Fees and commissions	\$	709,641	\$	247,592	\$	423,462
Investment earnings		1,444		<del>-</del>		<u>-</u>
Total revenues		711,085		247,592		423,462
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General government		07.705				
Salaries - Office holder Salaries - Staff		87,705		-		-
Employee benefits		455,683 90,101		-		-
Payroll taxes		39,914		_		_
Office expense		57,714		_		_
Miscellaneous		25,784				
Total expenditures		699,187		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures		11,898		247,592		423,462
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers to General Fund		_		(247,592)		(546,291)
Transfers to General I and			-	(217,552)		(0.10,201)
Total other financing sources (uses)		<u>-</u>		(247,592)		(546,291)
Net change in cash balances		11,898		-		(122,829)
Cash balances at beginning of year		178,179		12,321		10,391
Cash balances at end of year	\$	190,077	\$	12,321	\$	(112,438)

R	Register of Deeds		Trustee		Sheriff's Narcotic Division		Total Constitutional Officers		
\$	272,721	\$	702,910	\$	- -	\$	2,356,326 1,444		
	272,721		702,910		<u>-</u>		2,357,770		
	87,616		87,705		-		263,026		
	85,280		97,390		-		638,353		
	30,228 13,197		49,569 13,359		=		169,898 66,470		
	20,902		13,339		-		20,902		
	35,966		14				61,764		
	273,189		248,037		<u>-</u>		1,220,413		
	(468)		454,873			_	1,137,357		
	<u> </u>		(400,000)		<u>-</u>		(1,193,883)		
	<u>-</u>		(400,000)		<u>-</u>		(1,193,883)		
	(468)		54,873		-		(56,526)		
	16,811		301,204		1		518,907		
\$	16,343	\$	356,077	\$	1	\$	462,381		

#### AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Year	ended	June	<b>30</b> ,	2020
------	-------	------	-------------	------

Year ended June 30, 2020				
	Balance			Balance
	July 1,			June 30,
	2019	Additions	Deductions	2020
CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS				
CIRCUIT, GENERAL SESSIONS				
AND PROBATE CLERK				
Cash	\$ 138,335	\$ 3,944,244	\$ 3,777,442	\$ 305,137
Investments	753,868	340,127	118,797	975,198
Total assets	\$ 892,203	\$ 4,284,371	\$ 3,896,239	\$ 1,280,335
Due to litigants, heirs and others	\$ 892,203	\$ 4,284,371	\$ 3,896,239	\$ 1,280,335
Total liabilities	\$ 892,203	\$ 4,284,371	\$ 3,896,239	\$ 1,280,335
CLERK AND MASTER				
Cash	\$ 49,508	\$ 1,531,205	\$ 1,484,413	\$ 96,300
Investments	436,999	56,430	30,777	462,652
Total assets	\$ 486,507	\$ 1,587,635	\$ 1,515,190	\$ 558,952
Due to litigants, heirs and others	\$ 486,507	\$ 1,587,635	\$ 1,515,190	\$ 558,952
,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Total liabilities	\$ 486,507	\$ 1,587,635	\$ 1,515,190	\$ 558,952
COUNTY CLERK				
Cash	\$ 561,080	\$ 5,488,370	\$ 5,986,548	\$ 62,902
Casii	φ 301,000	ψ 5,400,570	ψ 5,500,540	ψ 02,702
Total assets	\$ 561,080	\$ 5,488,370	\$ 5,986,548	\$ 62,902
Intergovernmental payables	\$ 561,080	\$ 5,488,370	\$ 5,986,548	\$ 62,902
Total liabilities	\$ 561,080	\$ 5,488,370	\$ 5,986,548	\$ 62,902
DECICTED OF DEEDS				
REGISTER OF DEEDS	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,427,225	\$ 1,291,169	\$ 139,005
Cash	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,427,225	\$ 1,291,109	\$ 139,003
Total assets	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,427,225	\$ 1,291,169	\$ 139,005
Intergovernmental payables	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,427,225	\$ 1,291,169	\$ 139,005
m - 11: 12::	Φ 2.040	e 1 407 005	ф 1 201 1 <i>C</i> 0	e 120.007
Total liabilities	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,427,225	\$ 1,291,169	\$ 139,005

(continued)

# AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (continued)

Year	ended	June	30,	2020
------	-------	------	-----	------

		Balance July 1,				Balance June 30,
		2019		Additions	 Deductions	 2020
SHERIFF'S NARCOTIC DIVISION Cash	\$ <u></u>	40,149	\$	288,753	\$ 295,728	\$ 33,174
Total assets	\$	40,149	\$	288,753	\$ 295,728	\$ 33,174
Intergovernmental payables	\$	40,149	\$	288,753	\$ 295,728	\$ 33,174
Total liabilities	\$	40,149	\$	288,753	\$ 295,728	\$ 33,174
TOTAL CONSTITUTIONAL OFFI	CER	S AGENCY I	FUNI	DS		
Cash	\$	792,021	\$	12,679,797	\$ 12,835,300	\$ 636,518
Investments		1,190,867		396,557	 149,574	 1,437,850
Total assets	\$	1,982,888	\$	13,076,354	\$ 12,984,874	\$ 2,074,368
Due to litigants, heirs and others	\$	1,378,710	\$	5,872,006	\$ 5,411,429	\$ 1,839,287
Intergovernmental payables		604,178		7,204,348	 7,573,445	 235,081
Total liabilities	\$	1,982,888	\$	13,076,354	\$ 12,984,874	\$ 2,074,368
OTHER AGENCY FUNDS WITH ATHENS SCHOOL FUND	I TR	USTEE				
Receivables	\$	2,106,200	\$	2,349,982	\$ 2,106,200	\$ 2,349,982
Total assets	\$	2,106,200	\$	2,349,982	\$ 2,106,200	\$ 2,349,982
Accrued items and other	\$	218,957	\$	242,685	\$ 218,957	\$ 242,685
Intergovernmental payables		23,728		60,880	23,728	60,880
Deferred revenues		1,863,515		2,046,417	 1,863,515	 2,046,417
Total liabilities	\$	2,106,200	\$	2,349,982	\$ 2,106,200	\$ 2,349,982
ETOWAH SCHOOL FUND						
Receivables	\$	486,616	\$	513,581	\$ 486,616	\$ 513,581
Total assets	\$	486,616	\$	513,581	\$ 486,616	\$ 513,581
Accrued items and other	\$	51,983	\$	55,995	\$ 51,983	\$ 55,995
Intergovernmental payables		4,012		9,932	4,012	9,932
Deferred revenue		430,621		447,654	 430,621	 447,654
Total liabilities	\$	486,616	\$	513,581	\$ 486,616	\$ 513,581

(continued)

# AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (continued)

·		Balance July 1,					Balance June 30,
		2019	Additions		Ι	Deductions	2020
JUDICIAL DISTRICT DRUG FU	ND						
Cash	\$	20,996	\$	19,965	\$	20,996	\$ 19,965
Receivables		7,519		13,129		7,519	 13,129
Total assets	\$	28,515	\$	33,094	\$	28,515	\$ 33,094
Accrued items and other	\$	621	\$	25	\$	621	\$ 25
Intergovernmental payables		27,894		33,069		27,894	 33,069
Total liabilities	\$	28,515	\$	33,094	\$	28,515	\$ 33,094
TOTAL OTHER AGENCY FUNI	OS						
Cash	\$	20,996	\$	19,965	\$	20,996	\$ 19,965
Receivables		2,600,335		2,876,692		2,600,335	 2,876,692
Total assets	\$	2,621,331	\$	2,896,657	\$	2,621,331	\$ 2,896,657
Accrued items and other	\$	271,561	\$	298,705	\$	271,561	\$ 298,705
Intergovernmental payables		55,634		103,881		55,634	103,881
Deferred revenue		2,294,136		2,494,071		2,294,136	 2,494,071
Total liabilities	\$	2,621,331	\$	2,896,657	\$	2,621,331	\$ 2,896,657

# CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AGENCY FUNDS COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES

,	Circuit, General Sessions and Probate Court Clerk	Clerk and Master
REVENUE AND OTHER RECEIPTS		
Litigation tax	\$ 956,247	\$ 20,275
Mortgage and transfer taxes	-	-
Rule and execution docket	1,872,813	-
Motor vehicle titles and registrations	-	-
Business tax	-	-
Marriage licenses	-	-
Property taxes	-	580,113
Sales tax	-	21,501
Drivers license	-	-
Hotel/Motel tax	-	-
Beer tax and license renewals	-	-
Receipts on behalf of other funds	-	-
Receipts on behalf of others	-	701,954
Alimony and child support	61,985	16,200
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	244,182	-
Department of Safety	197,112	-
Fees and commissions	614,161	247,592
Officer costs	140,034	<u>-</u>
Bonds and deposits	40,825	-
Other	157,012	-
Total revenue and other receipts	4,284,371	1,587,635
EXPENDITURES		
Payments to litigants, heirs and others	1,545,369	376,921
Alimony and child support	61,613	16,200
Payments to State of TN	634,311	-
Funds transferred to other governments	114,478	196,270
Funds transferred to County government	841,280	678,207
Funds remitted to other County offices	- -	-
Payments on behalf of other funds	-	_
Rule and execution docket	-	_
Fees and commissions	699,188	247,592
Other	<del>-</del>	-
Total expenditures	3,896,239	1,515,190
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over		
(under) expenditures	388,132	72,445
Cash and investment balances - beginning of year	892,203	486,507
Cash and investment balances - end of year	\$ 1,280,335	\$ 558,952

County Clerk	Register of Deeds	Trustee	Sheriff's Narcotic Division	Total Constitutional Officers
\$ 41,775	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,018,297
- -	1,202,546	-	-	1,202,546
_	-	-	-	1,872,813
2,528,902	-	-	-	2,528,902
25,727	-	-	-	25,727
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	21,129,689	-	21,709,802
1,841,954	-	-	-	1,863,455
-	-	-	-	-
450,066	-	-	-	450,066
136,450	-	-	-	136,450
-	-	74,799,489	-	74,799,489
5,176	-	-	-	707,130
-	-	-	-	78,185
-	-	-	288,753	532,935
-	-	-	-	197,112
423,462	224,679	702,910	-	2,212,804
-	-	-	-	140,034
-	-	-	-	40,825
 34,858				191,870
 5,488,370	1,427,225	96,632,088	288,753	109,708,442
41,775	-	<del>-</del>	<u>-</u>	1,964,065
· -	-	-	-	77,813
4,436,685	1,038,052	-	-	6,109,048
-	-	-	-	310,748
1,084,626	-	-	-	2,604,113
-	-	-	295,728	295,728
-	-	92,870,634	-	92,870,634
-	-	-	-	-
423,462	224,679	702,910	-	2,297,831
 	28,438			28,438
 5,986,548	1,291,169	93,573,544	295,728	106,558,418
(498,178)	136,056	3,058,544	(6,975)	3,150,024
 561,080	2,949	43,989,382	40,149	45,972,270
\$ 62,902	\$ 139,005	\$ 47,047,926	\$ 33,174	\$ 49,122,294

# DRUG CONTROL SPECIAL REVENUE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Drug Control							
	Budgeted Amounts					Fina	ance with	
	(	Original		Final	1	Actual		ositive egative)
REVENUES	`	Jiigiliai		1 mai		Tetual	(11	egative
Fines, forfeitures and penalties	\$	70,000	\$	70,000	\$	86,232	\$	16,232
Investment earnings		300		300		130		(170)
Miscellaneous		7,200		7,200				(7,200)
Total revenues		77,500		77,500		86,362		8,862
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
Public safety:								
Drug enforcement		107,940		107,940		72,447		35,493
Total budgetary expenditures		107,940		107,940		72,447		35,493
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (unde	r)							
budgetary expenditures	\$	(30,440)	\$	(30,440)		13,915	\$	44,355
FUND BALANCES								
Beginning						61,649		
Ending					\$	75,564		

### CAPITAL PROJECTS GOVERNMENTAL FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

,	Capital Projects						
	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive			
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)			
REVENUES							
Taxes	\$ 3,838,958	\$ 3,838,958	\$ 3,928,928	\$ 89,970			
Intergovernmental	-	331,000	329,883	(1,117)			
Investment earnings	175,000	175,000	307,557	132,557			
Miscellaneous	200,000	200,000	479,540	279,540			
Total revenues	4,213,958	4,544,958	5,045,908	500,950			
EXPENDITURES Current:							
General government	75,000	75,000	572,112	(497,112)			
Capital outlay:							
General government	13,744,255	13,744,255	2,139,458	11,604,797			
Total budgetary expenditures	13,819,255	13,819,255	2,711,570	11,107,685			
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over							
(under) budgetary expenditures	(9,605,297)	(9,274,297)	2,334,338	11,608,635			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USI	ES)						
Transfers out	(695,305)	(695,305)	(695,305)	<u> </u>			
Total other financing sources							
(uses)	\$(10,300,602)	\$ (9,969,602)	1,639,033	\$ 11,608,635			
FUND BALANCES							
Beginning			19,361,541				
Ending			\$ 21,000,574				

# BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 2020

	General Purpose School	Federal Projects	Cafeteria	Total Board of Education Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Equity in pooled cash and investments Receivables (net of allowances for uncollectibles):	\$ 3,913,542	\$ 275,000	\$ 1,700,567	\$ 5,889,109
Property taxes	7,049,029	-	-	7,049,029
Accounts	1,303,963	13	-	1,303,976
Due from primary government	401,253	-	-	401,253
Restricted assets	188,225			188,225
Total assets	12,856,012	275,013	1,700,567	14,831,592
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	461,141	-	20	461,161
Accrued items and other	256,081		384	256,465
Total liabilities	717,222		404	717,626
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	7,016,681			7,016,681
Total deferred inflows of resources	7,016,681			7,016,681
FUND BALANCES				
Assigned	179,105	13	-	179,118
Committed	-	275,000	-	275,000
Restricted	317,402	-	1,700,163	2,017,565
Unassigned	4,625,602			4,625,602
Total fund balances	5,122,109	275,013	1,700,163	7,097,285
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of				
resources, and fund balances	\$ 12,856,012	\$ 275,013	\$ 1,700,567	\$ 14,831,592

## RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

#### June 30, 2020

Differences in amounts reported for the Board of Education in the statement of net position on pages A-1 and A-2:

Fund balances - total Board of Education governmental funds	\$ 7,097,285
Amounts reported for the Board of Education in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in the Board of Education's governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	26,516,756
Net pension asset	8,426,340
Deferred results and contributions to pension plans made after the measurement date are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds but must be deferred in the statement of net position.	3,217,994
Deferred results and contributions to OPEB made after the measurement date are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds but must be deferred in the statement of net position.	187,440
Certain revenues will be collected after year-end but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.	299,925
Long-term liabilities applicable to the Board of Education's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as fund liabilities.  Total OPEB liability  Compensated absences	(6,047,506) (594,264)
Certain amounts related to the total OPEB liability are deferred amortized over time. The items are not reported in the funds.	(1,187,423)
Certain amounts related to the net pension asset are deferred amortized over time. The items are not reported in the funds.	 (5,703,491)
Net position of the Board of Education	\$ 32,213,056

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Tear chucu dunc 30, 2020	General Purpose School	Federal Projects	Cafeteria	Total Board of Education Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 11,889,602	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,889,602
Intergovernmental	29,478,920	4,568,255	3,020,899	37,068,074
Charges for services	24,901	-,500,255	380,817	405,718
Other local revenues	259,124	_	-	259,124
Total revenues	41,652,547	4,568,255	3,401,716	49,622,518
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Education	40,961,344	4,509,923	3,424,687	48,895,954
Capital outlay	250,734			250,734
Total expenditures	41,212,078	4,509,923	3,424,687	49,146,688
Excess of revenues over expenditures	440,469	58,332	(22,971)	475,830
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers from other funds	58,332	-	-	58,332
Transfers to other fund	-	(58,332)	-	(58,332)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and				
other sources over expenditures and				
other uses	498,801	-	(22,971)	475,830
Fund balances, beginning as restated	4,623,308	275,013	1,723,134	6,621,455
Fund balances, ending	\$ 5,122,109	\$ 275,013	\$ 1,700,163	\$ 7,097,285

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

#### Year ended June 30, 2020

Differences in amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities on pages A-3 and A-4:

Net change in fund balances - total Board of Education governmental funds	\$ 475,830
Amounts reported for the Board of Education in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital outlay, reported as expenditures in governmental funds, are shown as capital assets in the statement of net position	250,734
Depreciation expense on governmental capital assets are included in the governmental activities in the statement of activities	(2,366,509)
Certain items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds	
Change in compensated absences	38,109
Change in net pension asset and related deferrals	1,332,432
Change in total OPEB liability and related deferrals	(162,198)
Certain governmental revenues will not be collected for several months after the	
fiscal year and are deferred in the governmental funds	 (62,415)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (494,017)

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

#### Year ended June 30, 2020

	Original	Final		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Budget	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 6,768,565	\$ 6,768,565	\$ 6,806,639	\$ 38,074
Local sales tax	4,170,000	4,375,000	4,912,854	537,854
Other	144,009	156,541	170,109	13,568
Total taxes	11,082,574	11,300,106	11,889,602	589,496
Intergovernmental revenues:				
State of Tennessee:				
Education	29,211,115	29,489,643	29,303,753	(185,890)
Federal funds received from State of				
Tennessee and other sources:				
Education	17,748	171,224	135,835	(35,389)
Food service	31,000	31,000	31,383	383
Federal projects	6,478,175	7,525,375	7,560,103	34,728
Other Government and Citizens Groups		24,500	37,000	12,500
Total intergovernmental revenues	35,738,038	37,241,742	37,068,074	(173,668)
Charges for services:				
Education	26,000	27,000	24,901	(2,099)
Food service	498,200	490,400	380,817	(109,583)
Total charges for services	524,200	517,400	405,718	(111,682)
Miscellaneous:				
Investment earnings	45,000	45,000	48,443	3,443
Contributions	10,000	15,000	19,100	4,100
Sale of equipment	15,000	15,000	8,403	(6,597)
Other	52,000	71,190	183,178	111,988
Total miscellaneous	122,000	146,190	259,124	112,934
Total revenues	47,466,812	49,205,438	49,622,518	417,080

(continued)

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - (continued)

i ear ended June 30, 2020	Oni ain al	Final		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original Budget	Budget	Actual	(Negative)
EXPENDITURES	Budget	Buaget	7 Tettati	(ivegative)
Current:				
Education:				
Regular education program	\$21,614,278	\$21,982,544	\$22,173,389	\$ (190,845)
Alternative instruction program	155,902	155,902	152,870	3,032
Special education program	3,716,258	3,871,539	3,845,489	26,050
Vocational education program	2,274,495	2,341,631	2,278,023	63,608
L.E.A.P.S. program	-	171,918	130,032	41,886
Other	85,607	216,526	64,448	152,078
Attendance	155,238	180,238	177,377	2,861
Health services	131,000	131,000	119,572	11,428
Other student support	1,274,575	1,346,807	1,087,690	259,117
Regular education support	3,015,453	3,528,252	3,108,841	419,411
Special education support	511,235	580,439	563,346	17,093
Vocational education support	192,480	192,372	189,578	2,794
Technology	262,037	262,337	262,238	99
Other programs	-	94,879	78,536	16,343
Board of education	813,533	824,033	817,654	6,379
Office of superintendent	342,725	382,725	382,697	28
Office of principal	2,698,494	2,698,494	2,660,341	38,153
Operation of plant	3,152,638	3,152,638	2,984,259	168,379
Maintenance of plant	1,417,280	1,417,280	941,673	475,607
Transportation	2,514,232	2,514,232	2,421,500	92,732
Community Services	17,748	17,748	15,917	1,831
Early childhood	1,015,797	1,015,796	1,015,797	(1)
Food services	3,412,107	3,523,623	3,424,687	98,936
Total education	48,773,112	50,602,953	48,895,954	1,706,999
Capital outlay:				
Building improvements	308,882	308,882	250,734	58,148
Total budgetary expenditures	49,081,994	50,911,835	49,146,688	1,765,147
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from other funds	67,390	67,390	58,332	(9,058)
Transfers to other funds	(67,390)	(67,390)	(58,332)	(9,058)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources				
over budgetary expenditures and other uses	\$ (1,615,182)	\$ (1,706,397)	\$ 475,830	\$ 2,164,111
Fund Balances				
Beginning, as restated			6,621,455	
Ending			\$ 7,097,285	

### SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE

## June 30, 2020

Year of Levy		Net Amount
		Net Amount
2020 *	\$	19,984,878
2019		1,268,546
2018		977,532
2017		364,185
2016		173,210
2015		133,680
2014		96,423
2013		22,080
Prior Years		429,765
		23,450,299
Less: Estimated uncollectible taxes		2,050,000
Total property taxes receivable	\$	21,400,299
The above outstanding receivables are recorded in the McMinn County, Tennessee financial stater	nents	
at June 30, 2020, as follows:		
Government wide funds:		
General fund	\$	7,095,815
Road and bridge fund	*	1,615,189
Capital projects fund		3,678,403
		- , ,
Component unit funds:		
Board of education		6,716,756
Accounted for in agency funds:		
Athens school funds		1,863,515
Etowah school funds		430,621
		<u> </u>
Total property taxes receivable	\$	21,400,299
rom property materials	*	,,

<sup>\*</sup> Accrual of the anticipated current year levy is required by GASB Statement No. 33.

#### SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS BY FUND

### June 30, 2020

OFFICE OF TRUSTEE			
POOLED INVESTMENTS	Varies	\$	17,573,842
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT:			
Southeast Bank	Varies		14,813,124
Southeast Bank - Woods	Varies	_	4,337,061
Total Office of Trustee		\$	36,724,027
OFFICE OF CIRCUIT, GENERAL SESSION AND PROBATE CLERK			
COURT ORDERED INVESTED FUNDS:			
Simmons Bank	Varies	\$	855,867
Athens Federal Savings & Loan	Varies		136,624
Total Office of Circuit, General Sessions			
and Probate Clerk		\$	992,491
OFFICE OF CLERK AND MASTER			
COURT ORDERED INVESTED FUNDS:			
CapStar Bank	Varies	\$	86,262
Simmons Bank	Varies		345,920
Total Office of Clerk and Master		\$	432,182

# COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCES EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS WITH TRUSTEE

#### Year ended June 30, 2020

	Balance			Commissions
	June 30, 2019	Receipts	Disbursements	and Transfers
Primary Government				
Governmental Activities:				
General Fund	\$ 7,545,662	\$ 17,159,566	\$ 16,857,806	\$ 173,356
Road and Bridge	1,904,805	5,639,497	5,894,405	60,381
Capital projects	19,403,776	5,695,007	4,046,981	72,625
Woods Hospital Proceeds	4,207,234	131,249	9,859	1,313
Other Governmental Funds:				
Law Library	70,634	3,509	-	35
Drug Control	79,718	88,185	90,550	-
Fraud and Economic Crimes	151,152	47,810	92,142	422
<b>Business-type Activities:</b>				
Solid Waste Disposal	2,539,714	1,737,948	995,291	6,912
Internal Service	77,593	3,663,755	3,318,358	-
<b>Discretely Presented Component Units</b>	:			
Board of Education:				
General Purpose School	4,553,310	42,185,065	42,028,693	258,599
School Federal Projects	107,147	4,285,635	4,135,547	-
School Cafeteria	1,736,101	3,147,945	3,151,249	-
E-911 District	1,536,676	1,559,101	1,384,486	8,844
Agency Funds:				
Athens School	-	3,434,672	3,383,225	51,447
Etowah School	-	758,810	746,983	11,827
Judicial District Drug	75,860	421,526	475,477	-
City Sales tax		5,714,844	5,657,696	57,148
	43,989,382	95,674,124	92,268,748	702,909
Trustee Commissions	301,204	702,909	648,036	
Total all funds	\$ 44,290,586	\$ 96,377,033	\$ 92,916,784	\$ 702,909

Funds held by County Trustee:

Cash on hand

Checking - Simmons

Certificates of deposit

Trustee Balance June 30, 2020	Outstanding Warrants	Balance June 30, 2020
\$ 7,674,066 1,589,516 20,979,177 4,327,311	\$ 389,876 409,530 60,016 181	\$ 7,284,190 1,179,986 20,919,161 4,327,130
74,108 77,353 106,398	331 1,131	74,108 77,022 105,267
3,275,459 422,990	60,842 31,432	3,214,617 391,558
4,451,083 257,235 1,732,797 1,702,447	537,541 71,418 32,231 94,971	3,913,542 185,817 1,700,566 1,607,476
- - 21,909	- - 1,945	- - 19,964
-	-	-
46,691,849	1,691,445	45,000,404
356,077	<del>_</del>	356,077
\$ 47,047,926	\$ 1,691,445	\$ 45,356,481
609,788 9,491,469 36,946,669 \$ 47,047,926		

## SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND OFFICIAL BONDS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

#### June 30, 2020

Official	Amount of Salary	Statutory Provisions for Salary	Amount of Bond	Surety	Expiration Date
County Mayor	\$ 112,000	County Commission	\$ 400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Director of Finance	102,503	Section 5-21-109, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Commissioner of Highways	99,813	Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Trustee	90,740	Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	1,525,796	Cincinnati Insurance Company	8/31/2022
Assessor of Property	90,740	Section 8-24-104 (B), T.C	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Administrator of Schools	117,160	State Board of Education and School Boards	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Constitutional Officers:					
Circuit, General Sessions, and Probate Court Clerk		Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Clerk and Master	90,740	Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
County Clerk	90,740	Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Register of Deeds	90,740	Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020
Sheriff	99,813	Section 8-24-102, T.C.A	400,000	Tennessee Risk Management Trust	6/30/2020

### SCHEDULE OF TAX RATES AND ASSESSMENTS

June 30, 2020

ASSESSED VALUES

		Property,					
Year	Tax Rate	Personal and Real	T	otal Utilities		Total	 Total Taxes
2020	1.547%	\$ 1,330,752,618	\$	52,815,772	]	1,383,568,390	\$ 21,403,803
2019	1.547%	1,321,070,981		50,672,894	1	1,371,743,875	21,220,878
2018	1.616%	1,155,448,691		47,320,668	1	1,202,769,359	19,436,753
2017	1.616%	1,126,395,366		50,844,740	1	1,177,240,106	19,024,200
2016	1.616%	1,098,632,944		48,869,740	1	1,147,502,684	18,543,643
2015	1.616%	1,071,624,092		44,062,252	1	1,115,686,344	18,029,491
2014	1.616%	1,077,260,135		41,170,235	1	1,118,430,370	18,073,835
2013	1.555%	1,131,582,629		41,183,408	1	1,172,766,037	18,236,512
2012	1.555%	1,159,803,070		38,629,839	1	1,198,432,909	18,635,632
2011	1.555%	1,149,657,665		39,149,646	1	1,188,807,311	18,485,954

<sup>\*</sup> Based upon estimated assessed values for Public Utilities

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS Year ended June 30, 2020

	Federal CFDA	Pass-Through Grantor's	P 15
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Number	Number	Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	ENT		
Community Development Block Grant - Riceville Utilities	14.228	33004-58117	\$ 123,501
Hospital Assistance for EMS Grant		33007-34619	50,000
Total U.S. Department of Economic & Community Development			173,501
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS			
Computer Grant	90.404	30501-01919-54	1,820
Voting System Grant	90.404	30501-01320-06	160,000
Total U.S. Department of Elections			161,820
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY			
Passed through Tennessee Emergency Management Agency:			
Emergency Management Performance	97.042	34101-09420	35,175
Emergency Management Performance	97.042	34101-28415	34,861
Homeland Security Grant	97.067	55815-25721	25,488
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security			95,524
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION			
Passed through Tennessee Department of Transportation			
Airport UAS Obstruction	20.106	54-555-0157-20	14,080
Airport REIL & PAPI Replacement	20.106	54-555-0154-19	12,302
Governor's Highway Safety	20.607	Z-19-THS159	9,620
Governor's Highway Safety	20.607	Z-20-THS180	224
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			36,226
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards - Primary Government			467,071
COMPONENT UNITS:			
McMinn Board of Education			
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			
Passed through Tennessee Department of Education:			
School Breakfast Program	10.553	None	903,154
Commodities	10.555	None	265,368
National School Lunch Program	10.555	None	1,724,142
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			2,892,664
(continued)			

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS (continued) Year ended June 30, 2020

	Federal	Pass-Through	
	CFDA	Grantor's	T 114
Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Number	Number	Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
Passed through Tennessee Department of Education:			
Title I Grant to Local Educational Agencies			
Title I Grant - Improving Academic Achievement	84.010A	None	\$ 1,676,713
Total Title I Grant Cluster	0.101011	1,0110	1,676,713
Total Title I Grant Cluster			1,070,713
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)			
Individuals with Disabilities Act - Pre-School	84.173A	None	25,124
Individuals with Disabilities Act - Pre-School Discretionary	84.173A	None	5,382
Individuals with Disabilities Act - Pre-K Discretionary	84.173A	None	2,690
Individuals with Disabilities Act - Part B Discretionary Grant	84.027A	None	1,440,174
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)			1,473,370
•			
Title II, Part A, Training	84.367A	None	295,482
Title III	84.365A	None	10,837
Title IV, Part B, Twenty-first CCLU	84.287C	None	38,147
Title IV	84.424A	None	12,290
Carl Perkins, Vocational Education	84.048A	None	164,715
Total passed through Tennessee Department of Education			521,471
TALLIA DA LA CELLA			2 (71 554
Total U.S. Department of Education			3,671,554
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards - Component Units			6,564,218
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards - Reporting Entity			7,031,289

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS (continued) Year ended June 30, 2020

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number	Expenditures
rederar Grantor/r ass-rmough Grantor/r rogram True	Nullioci	Number	Expenditures
State Grants			
Department of Education			
State LEAPS Grant	N/A	119-12-03-030	\$ 130,032
Vocational Rehab Grant	N/A	Z17-51417	75,959
State Funded Pre-K Pilot Grant	N/A	MX4-AAX	1,015,797
Coordinated School Health	N/A	N/A	119,572
Safe Schools Act of 1998	N/A	N/A	105,920
CTE Perkins Reserve	N/A	N/A	45,976
ATSI	N/A	N/A	242,430
IDEA Technology Partnership	N/A	N/A	4,704
IDEA Discretionary Supplemental	N/A	N/A	33,329
Department of Transportation			
Airport Maintenance	N/A	52-555-0453-19	17,864
Litter Grant	N/A	54-500-4020-04	27,538
State Aide	N/A	54-SAR1-S8-026	583,309
Department of Health			
DGA Grant	N/A	GG-19-60154-00	484,238
Special Needs	N/A	GG-18-55917-00	44,772
Healthy Built Environment	N/A	Z-19-194796-00	20,000
Department of Environment & Conservation			
Recreational Trails Program	N/A	32701-03594	238,215
Commission of Children and Youth			
Juvenile Assistance Supplement	N/A	35910-03607	9,000
Juvenile Assistance Reimbursement	N/A	31601-2022	1,755
Total Expenditures of State Awards			3,200,410
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS			\$ 10,231,699

#### NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS

#### **JUNE 30, 2020**

#### NOTE A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal and state awards includes the federal and state grant activity of the County for the year ended June 30, 2020. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the 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). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the net position or the changes in net position of the County.

#### NOTE B. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the schedule are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the general-purpose financial statements.

#### NOTE C. INDIRECT COST RATE

The County uses the 2.0% indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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 the Board of Commissioners McMinn County, Tennessee

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely-presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of McMinn County, Tennessee, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise McMinn County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 18, 2021. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of McMinn County Emergency Communications District's financial statements as described in our report on the County's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditor's testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe 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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be 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 County'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 and the report of the other auditors 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 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.

Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough, PLLC

Chattanooga, Tennessee January 18, 2021



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Honorable Mayor and the Board of Commissioners McMinn County, Tennessee

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the compliance of McMinn County, Tennessee, with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020. The County's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on each of the McMinn County's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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 (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements*, *Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination on the County's compliance.

#### Opinion on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, McMinn County, Tennessee 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 federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of McMinn County, Tennessee, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine our auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major federal program 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 the County's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of McMinn County's 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 federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or 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 federal 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal 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 the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. 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 have not been identified.

This 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.

Henderson Hutcherson & McCullough, PLLC

Chattanooga, Tennessee January 18, 2021

## MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

## Year Ended June 30, 2020

#### SECTION 1 – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements			
Type of auditor's report issued:		Unmodified	
Internal control over financial reporting:			
Material weaknesses identified?		yes	<u>X</u> no
Significant deficiencies that are not considered to be material weaknesses.	es?	yes	X_none reported
Noncompliance material to financial state	tements noted?	yes	<u>X</u> no
Federal Awards			
Internal control over major programs:			
Material weaknesses identified?		yes	<u>X</u> no
Significant deficiencies that are not considered to be material weaknesses.	es?	yes	X none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on comp major programs:	liance for	Unmodified	
Identification of major programs:			
CFDA Number	Name of Federal Program or	Cluster	
84.010A	Title 1, Part A, Improving A	cademic Achiev	ement
Dollar threshold used to distinguish betw	veen type A and type B program	ns:	\$ 750,000
Auditee qualified as low risk auditee?		X yes	no
SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT I	FINDINGS		
None reported.			
SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDI	NGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS		
None reported			

## MCMINN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

## SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

Year Ended June 30, 2020

None reported.

## GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# OF HIWASSEE UTILITY COMMISSION OF BRADLEY AND MCMINN COUNTIES, TENNESSEE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED

**JUNE 30, 2020** 

Financial Statements

June 30, 2020 and 2019

Financial Statements June 30, 2020 and 2019

## CONTENTS

	Page
Independent Auditors' Report	1 - 2
Management's Discussion and Analysis	3 - 4
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
Statements of Net Position	5
Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position	6
Statements of Cash Flows	7
Notes to Financial Statements	8 - 13
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION	
Schedule of Additions and Retirements to Utility Plant	14
Schedule of Insurance Coverage	15
Schedule of Utility Rates in Force	16
Schedule of Age of Accounts Receivable	17
Schedule of Officers	18
Schedules of Bond Principal and Interest Requirements	19
Schedule of Changes in Long-Term Debt by Issue	20
Schedule of Unaccounted for Water - Reporting Worksheet	21
Schedule of Unaccounted for Water - Performance Indicators	22
Independent Auditors' 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	23 - 24
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs	25
Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs	26
Management's Corrective Action Plan	27

# WEDGEWOOD ACCOUNTING, PLLC CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

WILLIAM B. KIRKSEY, CPA BUDDY E. KIMSEY, CPA/PFS MARK A. LAY, CPA SCOTT D. HALL, CPA ANGELA KEY RITCHEY, CPA BRANDON H. BARNES, CPA WEDGEWOOD OFFICE PARK 4395 N. OCOEE STREET CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE 37312

TELEPHONE: (423) 476-5581 FACSIMILE: (423) 472-9893 EMAIL: cpa@wedgewoodaccounting.com **MEMBERS** 

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

TENNESSEE SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Hiwassee Utilities Commission Charleston, Tennessee

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Hiwassee Utilities Commission as of and for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hiwassee Utilities Commission as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the respective changes in financial position and

cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 4 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statement that collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements. The supplemental information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental information schedules reported on pages 14 through 22 have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 3, 2020, on our consideration of Hiwassee Utilities Commission's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Hiwassee Utilities Commission's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Hiwassee Utilities Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Wedgewood accounting, PLC WEDGEWOOD ACCOUNTING, PLLC

Certified Public Accountants

Cleveland, Tennessee

December 3, 2020

#### The Board of Hiwassee Utilities Commission

Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2020 and 2019

The Board of Hiwassee Utilities Commission (the "Board") presents below an analysis of the financial condition and activities as of and for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019. Management's Discussion and Analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the entity's Financial Statements. This information should be read in conjunction with the audited Financial Statements that follow this section.

#### Financial Statement Overview

The Statements of Net Position include the assets, liabilities and deferred inflows/outflows of Hiwassee Utilities Commission that represent available resources and required obligations, with the difference reported as net position. The change in net position is a potential indicator of the improving or deteriorating financial position of Hiwassee Utilities Commission. The change in net position is a function of the revenues and expenses, which are recorded in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Revenues are recorded as they are earned and expenses are recorded when incurred (regardless of cash requirements). Cash activity for the period is presented in the Statements of Cash Flows, and the activity is segmented between operating, investing and financing activities. In addition, the Notes to the Financial Statements offer additional information to provide a full understanding of the financial activity and position of Hiwassee Utilities Commission.

<u>Finan</u>		

manciai riiginights			
	2020	2019	2018
Current assets	\$ 3,453,040	\$ 2,947,016	\$ 2,604,680
Capital assets	10,520,070	11,115,349	11,667,416
Other assets	727,100	742,924	761,690
Total assets	14,700,210	14,805,289	15,033,786
Deferred outflows of resources	408,767	427,347	445,928
Current liabilities	358,757	351,548	452,730
Non-current liabilities	9,826,417	10,161,026	10,495,636
Total liabilities	10,185,174	10,512,574	10,948,366
Net investment in capital assets	772,420	1,051,670	1,297,708
Unrestricted	3,551,383	3,068,392	2,630,700
Restricted	600,000	600,000	602,940
Total net position	4,923,803	4,720,062	4,531,348
Operating revenues	3,335,622	3,165,171	2,940,111
Operating expenses	2,841,831	2,669,882	2,584,299
Operating income	493,791	495,289	355,812
Non-operating revenues (expenses)			
Interest expense	(314,119)	(325,119)	(335,000)
Interest income	19,459	13,934	9,430
Loss on disposal of assets	0	0	(399,583)
Refunding bond issuance costs	0	0	0
Bond premium amortization	4,610	4,610	4,610
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	(290,050)	(306,575)	(720,543)
Change in net position	203,741	188,714	(364,731)

Management's Discussion and Analysis June 30, 2020 and 2019

#### Financial Highlights - (Continued)

As indicated on the previous page under Financial Highlights, operating revenues for the current year versus the prior year increased \$170,451, or approximately 5.39%, which is due to customer growth. Operating expenses for the current year versus the prior year increased \$171,948, or approximately 6.44%, which is due to minimal increases in several expense accounts.

#### Capital Assets

During the year ended June 30, 2020, there were four additions to capital assets totaling \$48,934.85. These assets included the ChemTrac Streaming Current Detectors, Number 7 Valve Replacement, Insource Software, and Dell Servers. The Air Compressor/Maintenance Building, Disinfection Modifications, North Bladder Tank Replacement, 2020 Facilities Painting Project, Number 3 Filter Leak Ground Investigation, Number 1 Filter Valve Bay Replacement, and Row Water South Meter Replacement are still currently works in process. These projects are expected to be completed and placed in service in a subsequent fiscal year. The expenses associated with these projects incurred prior to June 30, 2020, were reclassified to Construction in Progress, as shown on the Statements of Net Position.

#### **Long-Term Debt**

During the year ended June 30, 2020, Hiwassee Utilities Commission entered into no additional notes. The Series 2015 bonds will be paid off according to the amortization schedules included on pages 12 and 19. No additional principal is being paid.

#### Revenue

Cleveland Utilities is the major source of revenue for Hiwassee Utilities Commission. Cleveland Utilities, Athens Utility Board, Calhoun-Charleston Utility District of McMinn and Bradley Counties, McMinn County and Riceville Utility District are under contract with Hiwassee Utilities Commission for a minimum commodity charge. If usage drops below the agreed level, the minimum charge must be paid as per the schedule on page 16 in the supplemental information to the Financial Statements.

Statements of Net Position June 30, 2020 and 2019

		June 30, 2020	 June 30, 2019
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,893,687	\$ 2,536,478
Accounts receivable (customers)		272,715	258,612
Construction in progress		258,251	128,253
Prepaid expenses		28,387	 23,673
Total Current Assets	\$	3,453,040	\$ 2,947,016
Non-Current Assets:			
Capital Assets			
Land and easements	\$	102,174	\$ 102,174
Other assets, net of accumulated depreciation		10,417,896	 11,013,175
Total Capital Assets	<u>\$</u>	10,520,070	\$ 11,115,349
Other Assets:			
Investments - restricted	\$	600,000	\$ 600,000
Deposits		500	500
Feasibility studies, net of amortization		126,600	 142,424
Total Other Assets	<u>\$</u>	727,100	\$ 742,924
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	14,700,210	\$ 14,805,289
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred loss on refunding	\$	408,767	\$ 427,347
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	408,767	\$ 427,347
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	15,108,977	\$ 15,232,636

		June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019		
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities:					
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$	330,000	\$	330,000	
Accounts payable		27,500		20,633	
Other current liabilities		1,257		915	
Total Current Liabilities	\$	358,757	\$	351,548	
Non-Current Liabilities:					
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	\$	9,826,417	\$	10,161,026	
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$	9,826,417	\$	10,161,026	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	10,185,174	\$	10,512,574	
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets	\$	772,420	\$	1,051,670	
Unrestricted		3,551,383		3,068,392	
Restricted		600,000		600,000	
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	4,923,803	\$	4,720,062	
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS	¢r.	15 100 055	ø	15 222 626	
OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION	\$	15,108,977	\$	15,232,63	

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

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019

	Υ	For the Year Ending June 30, 2020		
Operating Revenues: Water revenue	\$	3,335,622	\$	3,165,171
Operating Expenses:				
Contracted plant operations	\$	446,597	\$	370,387
Contracted plant overhead	Ψ	271,172	*	224,723
Electricity		595,906		590,602
Lab supplies, analysis and reports		7,064		6,111
Chemicals		177,701		145,939
Sampling		15,002		11,950
Sludge disposal		103,705		54,667
Security and safety		1,313		8,201
Telephone and communications		15,145		12,579
Longevity pay		5,642		5,113
Property insurance		28,810		29,355
Other fees, permits and professional services		60,711		45,594
Office supplies and small equipment		4,479		4,824
Commission expense		9,110		9,230
Salary - office manager		38,129		37,011
Payroll taxes		3,130		4,145
Maintenance		379,596		390,421
Provision for depreciation and amortization		678,619		719,030
Total operating expenses	\$	2,841,831	\$	2,669,882
Operating Income	\$	493,791	\$	495,289
Non-operating revenues (expenses)				
Interest expense	\$	(314,119)	\$	(325,119)
Interest income		19,459		13,934
Loss on disposal of assets		0		0
Bond premium amortization	,	4,610		4,610
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>\$</u>	(290,050)	<u>\$</u>	(306,575)
Change in net position	\$	203,741	\$	188,714
Net position, beginning of year		4,720,062		4,531,348
Net position, end of year	\$	4,923,803	\$	4,720,062

Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019

	Y	For the Year Ending June 30, 2019		
Cash flows from operating activities:  Receipts from customers	\$	3,321,519	\$	3,164,297
Payments to suppliers for goods and services		(2,119,800)		(2,019,969)
Payments to employees for services		(40,917)		(41,117)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	1,160,802	\$	1,103,211
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:				
Plant asset additions	\$	(48,935)	\$	(132,558)
Construction in progress placed in service/(additions)		(129,998)		(90,372)
Change in investments		0		2,940
Payment of principal on long-term debt		(330,000)		(320,000)
Payment of interest on long-term debt		(314,119)	Φ.	(325,119)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	<u>\$</u>	(823,052)	\$	(865,109)
Cash flows from investing activities:		40.170	4	10.004
Interest received	\$	19,459	\$	13,934
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>\$</u>	19,459	\$	13,934
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	\$	357,209	\$	252,036
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		2,536,478		2,284,442
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	2,893,687	\$	2,536,478
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash				
provided by operating activities:	_		•	40 # 000
Operating income	\$	493,791	\$	495,289
Adjustments to reconcile operating revenues to				
net cash provided by operating activities:		644,214		684,625
Depreciation Amortization		34,405		34,405
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		0 1,100		5 1,100
Accounts receivable		(14,103)		(876)
Prepaid expenses		(4,714)		948
Accounts payable		6,867		(111,219)
Other current liabilities		342		39
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$</u>	1,160,802	\$	1,103,211
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:				
Cash paid during the year for:				
Interest	\$	314,119	\$	325,119

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2020 and 2019

#### Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Reporting Entity

Hiwassee Utilities Commission (the "Commission") was created on November 2, 1972, by agreement between the Bradley and McMinn Counties of Tennessee. The Counties jointly own and operate the Commission which is responsible for providing urban type public facilities and for the collection and disposition of the revenues from such facilities. Currently, the Commission provides water on a contract and demand basis to five (5) customers within Bradley and McMinn Counties. The Counties are also guarantors on the bond issue (see Note 4), so there exists a potential for a future financial burden.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

Hiwassee Utilities Commission follows the provisions of Statement No. 34 (Statement 34) of the Government Accounting Standards Board, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments.* Statement 34 established standards for external financial reporting for all state and local governmental entities, which includes a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows.

Hiwassee Utilities Commission is accounted for as an enterprise fund type using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business and where the Board has decided that the determination of revenues earned, costs incurred and/or net income is necessary for management accountability.

#### **Net Position**

Net position is classified into the following three components, as applicable:

Net investment in capital assets - This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds or deferred inflows at year-end, the portion of the debt or deferred inflows of resources attributable to the unspent proceeds is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets. Rather, that portion of the debt or deferred inflows of resources is included in the same net position component as the unspent proceeds.

Restricted - This component of net position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.

Unrestricted - This component of net position is the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows or resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes of which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available, the Commission considers unrestricted resources to have been applied first.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and so near their maturity that they present insignificant risk of changes in value because of changes in interest rates. Generally, only investments with original maturities of three months or less are treated as cash equivalents. Funds with longer maturity dates are recorded as investments.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2020 and 2019

#### Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### Investments

Investments are stated at fair value except for certificates of deposit, which are reported at cost which approximates market. State statutes authorize the Commission to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds, repurchase agreements and pooled investment funds.

#### **Inventories and Prepaid Items**

Hiwassee Utilities Commission does not maintain any supplies or chemicals in excess of normal operating needs. Therefore, no inventory is recorded as part of the financial statements. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

#### **Restricted Assets**

Certain assets of the Commission are classified as restricted assets because their use is completely restricted by the Commission's charter. Certain resources set aside for the repayment of bonds are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. The restricted cash and cash equivalents are used to segregate resources accumulated for debt service payments over the next twelve months. The restricted investments account is used to report resources set aside to subsidize potential deficiencies from the Commission's operations that could adversely affect debt service payments.

#### Plant and Equipment

Expenditures for the water plant, intakes, pumping stations, water lines, and other fixed assets are recorded at historical cost. Depreciation is calculated by the straight-line method over an estimated period of 10-50 years for the plant and related equipment and an estimated 7-10 years for office fixtures and equipment. Under guidance of the National Council of Governmental Accounting (NCGA) Statement 2, the portion of depreciation which is prorated to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant proceeds is charged against the grant proceeds, rather than charged to income.

#### Feasibility Studies

Prior to commencing construction, studies were made for the feasibility of different services to be provided by Hiwassee Utilities Commission. Expenditures for the individual studies are as follows:

	6	/30/2020	6	5/30/2019
Bradley-McMinn Study	\$	326,635	\$	326,635
Athens Sewer System Evaluation Survey		113,640		113,640
Cleveland Sewer System Evaluation				
Survey - Phase I		159,298		159,298
Cleveland Sewer System Evaluation				
Survey - Phase II		4,207		4,207
Candies Creek Sewer System Evaluation				
Survey - Phase I		15,313		15,313
Candies Creek Sewer System Evaluation				
Survey - Phase II		13,906		13,906
Total Feasibility Studies	\$	632,999	\$	632,999
Less: amortization		(506,399)		(490,575)
Net Feasibility Studies	\$	126,600	\$	142,424

Feasibility studies are being written off over a 40-year period using the straight-line method of amortization.

#### Compensated Absences

The Commission has not recorded any liability for compensated absences, as the employee is not required to work a standard 40-hour week.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2020 and 2019

#### Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### Revenue Recognition

Revenues are recognized based on billings to customers on monthly water usage cycles. The utility distinguishes operating revenues from non-operating items. Operating revenues generally result from charges to customers for their use of water. Operating expenses include the cost of sales, administrative expenses, maintenance and repairs, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

#### **Deferred Outflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. The Commission has only one item that qualifies for reporting in this category, the deferred loss on refunding.

#### **Events Occurring After Reporting Date**

The Organization has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between June 30, 2020, and December 3, 2020, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### Note 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits with financial institutions are required by State of Tennessee statutes to be secured and collateralized by those institutions. The collateral must meet certain requirements and have a total minimum market value of 105% of the value of the deposits placed in the institutions, less the amount protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). However, collateral requirements are not applicable for financial institutions that participate in the State of Tennessee Collateral Pool. As authorized by statutes of the State of Tennessee, the Commission may only invest in obligations of the United States Treasury, its agencies and instrumentalities; money market funds; the Local Government Investment Pool; or in obligations which are rated in either of the two highest-rated categories by a nationally recognized rating agency. At year-end, all deposits and investments of the Hiwassee Utilities Commission were covered by the FDIC limits or by collateral held by the State of Tennessee Collateral Pool for Public Deposits.

The Commission's investments include:

	6/30/2020			6/30/2019				
		Carrying Value		Fair Value		Carrying Value		Fair Value
Certificates of Deposit	\$	600,000	\$	600,000	\$	600,000	\$	600,000
Total Investments	\$	600,000	\$	600,000	\$	600,000	\$	600,000

Investments are reported at fair value, which is the amount at which financial instruments could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties.

Interest rate risk - In accordance with its investment policy, the Commission manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the amount invested in long-term investments and bidding the amount of interest earned on checking accounts with area banks.

Credit risk - State law limits investments in commercial paper and corporate bonds to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs).

Concentration of credit risk - Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Commission's investment in a single issuer. The Commission places no limit on the amount that may be invested with one issuer.

Note 3 - Ca	APITAL	ASSETS
-------------	--------	--------

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2020, was as follows:

Business-type activities:	7/1/2019 Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	6/30/2020 Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated Land and land rights	d: \$ 102,174	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 102,174
Total assets not being depreciated	\$ 102,174	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 102,174
Capital assets being depreciated: Buildings, lines, pumps and equipment Equipment and fixtures Total capital assets being depreciated	\$ 21,540,386 44,701 \$ 21,585,087	\$ 42,776 6,159 \$ 48,935	\$ 0 0 \$ 0	\$ 21,583,162 50,860 \$ 21,634,022
Less Accumulated depreciation for: Buildings, lines, pumps and equipment Equipment and fixtures  Total accumulated depreciation	\$ (10,550,718) (21,194) \$ (10,571,912)	\$ (636,715) (7,499) \$ (644,214)	\$ 0 0 \$ 0	\$ (11,187,433) (28,693) \$ (11,216,126)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	\$ 11,013,175	\$ (595,279)	\$ 0	\$ 10,417,896
Capital asset activity for the prior year	ar ended June 30, 2	2019, was as follows	<b>:</b> :	
Business-type activities:	7/1/2018 Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	6/30/2019 Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciate Land and land rights	ed: \$ 102,174_	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 102,174
Total assets not being depreciated	\$ 102,174	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 102,174
Capital assets being depreciated: Buildings, lines, pumps and equipment Equipment and fixtures Total capital assets being depreciated	52,022	\$ 132,558	\$ 0 (7,321)	\$ 21,540,386
	\$ 21,459,850	\$ 132,558	\$ (7,321)	\$ 21,585,087
Less Accumulated depreciation for Buildings, lines, pumps and equipment Equipment and fixtures		\$ 132,338 \$ (678,025) (6,600)	\$ (7,321) \$ 0 7,321	\$ 21,585,087 \$ (10,550,718) (21,194)
Buildings, lines, pumps and equipment	t \$ (9,872,693)	\$ (678,025)	\$ 0	\$ (10,550,718)

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2020 and 2019

#### Note 4 - NOTES PAYABLE

On December 15, 2015, Hiwassee Utilities Commission issued \$11,135,000 in general obligation refunding bonds, Series 2015, for the purpose of refunding the Series B-14-A bonds in the amount of \$10,335,000. Due to this refunding, the non-refunded amount of the Series B-14-A bonds matured in June 2017 with a fixed rate of 4.000%. The Series 2015 bonds will mature in June 2042 with fixed rates of 3.375% and 3.500% for the next two and three years, respectively.

		Series 2015		
Fiscal Year				Total
Ending June 30	Interest	 Principal	R	equirements
2021	\$ 302,775	\$ 345,000	\$	647,775
2022	291,137	355,000		646,137
2023	284,037	360,000		644,037
2024-2028	1,302,632	1,915,000		3,217,632
2029-2033	1,039,213	2,175,000		3,214,213
2034-2038	677,293	2,545,000		3,222,293
2039-2042	210,000	 2,360,000		2,570,000
	\$ 4,107,087	\$ 10,055,000	\$	14,162,087

Activity in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2020, was as follows:

		7/1/2019						6/30/2020		
	I	Beginning						Ending	ı	Due within
		Balance	_	Additio	ons	R	eductions	 Balance		One Year
Notes payable	\$	10,385,000		\$	0	\$	(330,000)	\$ 10,055,000	\$	330,000
Note premium		106,026			0		(4,610)	 101,416		0
Total	\$	10,491,026	•	\$	0	\$	(334,610)	\$ 10,156,416	\$	330,000

Activity in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2019, was as follows:

	7/1/2018						6/30/2019		
	Beginning	ning Ending		Ending Due		Due within			
	Balance	A	dditions	Ţ	Reductions		Balance		One Year
Notes payable	\$ 10,705,000	\$	0	\$	(320,000)	\$	10,385,000	\$	330,000
Note premium	110,636		0_		(4,610)		106,026		0
Total	\$ 10,815,636	\$	0	\$	(324,610)	\$	10,491,026	\$	330,000

#### Note 5 - FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAXES

As a governmental entity, Hiwassee Utilities Commission is exempt from all federal and state income taxes.

#### Note 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

It is the policy of Hiwassee Utilities Commission to purchase commercial insurance for the risks of losses to which it is exposed. These risks include general liability, property and casualty, worker's compensation, employee health and accident and environmental. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2020 and 2019

#### Note 7 - USE OF ESTIMATES

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

#### Note 8 - RECLASSIFICATION

Certain items have been reclassified in order to present more clearly the financial statements at June 30, 2020.

#### Note 9 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY - MAJOR CUSTOMER

Hiwassee Utilities Commission sells a substantial portion of its water to one customer. For years ending June 30, 2020 and 2019, sales to that customer totaled \$2,382,133 and \$2,326,073, respectively. At June 30, 2020 and 2019, amounts due from that customer included in trade accounts receivable were \$192,552 and \$188,844, respectively. The Cleveland Utilities Board contracted with Hiwassee Utilities Commission on June 22, 2006, under which the Water Division agreed to purchase an annual quantity of water equal to an average of 2,466,667 gallons of water per day. The contract language called for this minimum requirement to adjust to 5,335,000 gallons per day on July 1, 2008, due to improvements and an expansion to the HUC plant.

#### Note 10 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Hiwassee Utilities Commission has evaluated events and transactions that occurred between June 30, 2020 and December 3, 2020, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, for possible recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. During the year, the company applied for a \$2,918,900 State Revolving Loan to fund a new sodium hypochlorite building. As of December 3, 2020, the company has not received the loan and is still in the application process.

Schedule of Additions and Retirements to Utility Plant For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Balance June 30, 2019	A	Additions	Retirement	Balance June 30, 2020
Land and land rights	\$ 102,174	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 102,174
Buildings, lines, pumps and equipment	21,540,386		42,776	0	21,583,162
Fixtures and equipment	 44,701		6,159	 0	 50,860
TOTAL	\$ 21,687,261	\$	48,935	\$ 0	\$ 21,736,196
Less: Accumulated depreciation	 (10,571,912)		(644,214)	 0	 (11,216,126)
Net	\$ 11,115,349	\$	(595,279)	\$ 0	\$ 10,520,070

	Insurance				emium	
Policy No.	Company	Period	Type of Policy	A	mount	Coverage
РНРК2123589	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Special Multi-Peril Policy (Commercial Package)	\$	32,604	See breakdown of policy below
РНРК2123589	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Plant/Equipment		Included in above	\$ 1,000,000 limit on real and personal property; \$1,000,000 limit on loss of income; \$10,000 deductible
PHPK2123589	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Flood and Earthquake		Included in above	\$ 10,000,000 occur- rence and aggregate limit for earthquakes; \$5,000,000 occurrence and aggregate limit for floods; \$25,000 deduc- tible for both
PHPK2123589	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Commercial Liability		Included in above	\$ 3,000,000 aggregate for general and products-completed operations limit; \$1,000,000 limit each for bodily injury/property damage, personal/advertising injury, professional liability and wrongful acts
PHPK2123589	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Commercial Crime		Included in above	\$ 250 deductible; \$25,000 computer fraud limit; \$50,000 limit for employee theft, forgery/alteration, inside and outside the premises theft
PHPK2123589	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Commercial Auto		Included in above	Commercial auto (business or truckers)
PHUB719264	Philadelphia Indemnity	04/20/20-04/20/21	Commercial Excess Liability	\$	1,460	\$ 1,000,000 occurrence and aggregate limit

Schedule of Utility Rates in Force June 30, 2020

Customer	Contract Demand Gallons/Day	Contract Quantity Gallons/Day	Demand Charge/ MG	Commodity Charge/ MG
Athens	2,300,000	1,265,000	0.1500	1.0810
Calhoun-Charleston	500,000	275,000	0.1500	1.0810
Cleveland	9,700,000	5,335,000	0.1500	1.0810
McMinn County	500,000	0	0.1500	1.0810
Riceville	500,000	275,000	0.1500	1.0810

Schedule of Age of Accounts Receivable June 30, 2020

Customer	 0-30	 31-60	61-90	91+		Total
Athens	\$ 55,757	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	55,757
Calhoun-Charleston	12,250	0	0	0		12,250
Cleveland	192,552	0	0	0		192,552
McMinn	2,325	0	0	0		2,325
Riceville	 9,831	 0	0	0	<del></del> .	9,83
TOTALS	\$ 272,715	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	272,715

Schedule of Officers June 30, 2020

Chairman Doug Harrod

Vice-Chairman Douglas Lecomte

Treasurer Joe Edwards

Secretary Joe Allen

Schedules of Bond Principal and Interest Requirements June 30, 2020

			Sei	ries 2015		
Fiscal Year Ending June 30		Interest		Principal	Re	Total equirements
2021	\$	302,775	\$	345,000	\$	647,775
2022		291,137		355,000		646,137
2023		284,037		360,000		644,037
2024		276,838		370,000		646,838
2025		269,438		375,000		644,438
2026		261,462		380,000		641,462
2027		252,200		390,000		642,200
2028		242,694		400,000		642,694
2029		232,194		410,000		642,194
2030		221,175		420,000		641,175
2031		208,575		435,000		643,575
2032		195,525		450,000		645,525
2033		181,744		460,000		641,744
2034		167,656		480,000		647,656
2035		152,356		490,000		642,356
2036		136,738		505,000		641,738
2037		119,381		530,000		649,381
2038		101,162		540,000		641,162
2039		82,600		560,000		642,600
2040		63,000		580,000		643,000
2041		42,700		600,000		642,700
2042	····	21,700		620,000		641,700
Total	\$	4,107,087	\$	10,055,000	\$	14,162,087

Schedule of Changes in Long-Term Debt by Issue June 30, 2020

Description of Indebtedness	Original Amount of Issue	Interest Rate	Date of Issue	Last Maturity Date	Outstanding 7/1/2019	Issued During Period	Paid and/or Matured During Period	Outstanding 6/30/2020
NOTES PAYABLE  General Obligation, Refunding, Series 2015, Bradley General Obligation, Refunding, Series 2015, McMinn	\$ 5,580,000 \$ 5,555,000	3.375% 3.500%	06/01/2018 06/01/2018		\$ 5,040,000 \$ 5,015,000	\$ 0 \$ 0	\$ 165,000 \$ 165,000	\$ 4,875,000 \$ 4,850,000

HIWASSEE UTILITIES COMMISSION
Schedule of Unaccounted for Water - Reporting Worksheet
June 30, 2020

AWV	VA Free Water Audit Soft	tware:	WAS v5.0
? Click to access definition	Reporting Worksheet		American Water Works Association. Copyright © 2014; All Rights Reserved
Water Audit Report for: Hi Click to add a comment Reporting Year:	wassee Utilities Commission (000 2020 7/2019 - 6/2020	0831)	
Please enter data in the white cells below. Where available, metered values should be u grading each component (n/a or 1-10) using the drop-down list to the left of the input cell.  All volume	sed; if metered values are unavailable plo I. Hover the mouse over the cell to obtain es to be entered as: MILLION GAL	a description of the grades	onfidence in the accuracy of the input data by
To select the correct data grading for each input, del utility meets or exceeds all criteria fo			
WATER SUPPLIED		in column 'E' and 'J'>	ster Meter and Supply Error Adjustments Pont: Value;
Volume from own sources: Water imported:	9 2,434.000	MG/Yr + 7 9	0.001 MGYr
Water exported:		MG/Yr 7	MG/Yr ter negative % or value for under-registration
WATER SUPPLIED:	2,433.999		ter positive % or value for over-registration
Billed unmetered: Unbilled metered: Unbilled met	9 54.796	MG/Yr MG/Yr	for help using option Pont: Value:
Unbilled unmetered:	9 0.001	MG/Yr	0.001 MG/Yr 24061
AUTHORIZED CONSUMPTION:	2,431.797	MG/Yr	Use buttons to select <u>p</u> ercentage of water supplied <u>OR</u> value
WATER LOSSES (Water Supplied - Authorized Consumption)	2.202	MG/Yr	Pcnt: Value:
Apparent Losses  Unauthorized consumption:	2 10 0.001	MG/Yr	0.001 MG/Yr
Customer metering inaccuracies: Systematic data handling errors:		MG/Yr MG/Yr	-1.88% MG/Yr
Apparent Losses:	-44.872	MG/Yr	
Real Losses (Current Annual Real Losses or CARL) Real Losses = Water Losses - Apparent Losses:	7 47.074	MG/Yr	
WATER LOSSES:	2.202	MG/Yr	
NON-REVENUE WATER			
NON-REVENUE WATER: = Water Losses + Unbilled Metered + Unbilled Unmetered	56.999	MG/Yr	
SYSTEM DATA  Length of mains:	2 9 17.0	miles	
Number of <u>active AND inactive</u> service connections: Service connection density:	10 5		
Are customer meters typically located at the curbstop or property line? <u>Average</u> length of customer service line:	No 0.0	(length of service line, <u>be</u> ) ft that is the responsibility of	rond the property boundary,
Average operating pressure:			ute duny)
COST DATA			
Total annual cost of operating water system:			
Customer retail unit cost (applied to Apparent Losses): Variable production cost (applied to Real Losses):		\$/1000 gallons (US) \$/Million gallons Use Custom	ner Retail Unit Cost to
WATER AUDIT DATA VALIDITY SCORE:			
	* YOUR SCORE IS: 93 out of 100 **	•	
A weighted scale for the components of consum PRIORITY AREAS FOR ATTENTION:	nption and water loss is included in the ca	culation of the Water Audit Data Valid	lity Score
Based on the information provided, audit accuracy can be improved by addressing the	following components:		
1: Volume from own sources 2: Billed metered			
3: Unbilled metered			

	AWWA Free Water Audit Software:  American Water Works Association.  System Attributes and Performance Indicators  Opportunit © 2014 All Boths Reserved.									
	Water Audit Report for: Hiwassee Utilities Commission (0000831)									
	Reporting Year: 2020 7/2019 - 6/2020									
	*** YOUR WATER AUDIT DATA VALIDITY SCORE IS: 93 out of 100 ***									
System Attributes:										
	Apparent Losses: (44.872) MG/r									
	+ Real Losses: 47.074 MG/Yr									
	= Water Losses: 2.202 MG/Yr									
	Unavoidable Annual Real Losses (UARL):   See limits in definition   MG/Yr									
	Annual cost of Apparent Losses: -\$56,449,141									
	Annual cost of Real Losses: \$52 Valued at Variable Production Cost									
	Return to Reporting Worksheet to change this assumption									
Performance Indicators:										
	Non-revenue water as percent by volume of Water Supplied: 2.3%									
Financia	Non-revenue water as percent by cost of operating system: -1661.2% Real Losses valued at Variable Production Cost									
_	Apparent Losses per service connection per day: -24587.47 gallons/connection/day									
	Real Losses per service connection per day: N/A gallons/connection/day									
Operational Efficiency:	Real Losses per length of main per day*: 7,586,48 gallons/mile/day									
	Real Losses per service connection per day per psi pressure: N/A gallons/connection/day/psi									
	From Above, Real Losses = Current Annual Real Losses (CARL): 47.07 million gallons/year									
	7 Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI) [CARL/UARL]:									
* This performance indicator can	line for evelome with a low convice connection density of less than 32 service connections (mile of nineline									
* This performance indicator app	lies for systems with a low service connection density of less than 32 service connections/mile of pipeline									

# Wedgewood Accounting, Pllc

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

WILLIAM B. KIRKSEY, CPA BUDDY E. KIMSEY, CPA/PFS MARK A. LAY, CPA SCOTT D. HALL, CPA ANGELA KEY RITCHEY, CPA BRANDON H. BARNES, CPA

WEDGEWOOD OFFICE PARK 4395 N. OCOEE STREET **CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE 37312** 

TELEPHONE: (423) 476-5581 FACSIMILE: (423) 472-9893 EMAIL: cpa@wedgewoodaccounting.com **MEMBERS** 

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

TENNESSEE SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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 Board of Directors of the Hiwassee Utilities Commission Charleston, Tennessee

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Hiwassee Utilities Commission as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Hiwassee Utilities Commission's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 3, 2020.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Hiwassee Utilities Commission's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Hiwassee Utilities Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Hiwassee Utilities Commission'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 to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses and significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Nevertheless, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs that we consider to be significant deficiencies in internal control, described in 2020-001.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Hiwassee Utilities Commission'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*.

#### Hiwassee Utilities Commission's Response to Findings

The Hiwassee Utilities Commission's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Hiwassee Utilities Commission's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### 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 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.

Wedgewood Clasurding, PLLC WEDGEWOOD ACCOUNTING, PLLC

Certified Public Accountants

Cleveland, Tennessee

December 3, 2020

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

#### A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditors' report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the Hiwassee Utilities Commission.
- 2. One significant deficiency was disclosed during the audit of the financial statements.

#### B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

2020-001 - Segregation of Duties (Original Finding Number: 2002-001)

CONDITION: Lack of segregation of duties due to the fact that the Commission has only one employee.

CRITERIA: Duties should be segregated in order to improve internal control.

EFFECT: Lack of segregation of duties increases the risk of erroneous and inappropriate actions.

RECOMMENDATION: Although ideal, it is unlikely that additional employees will be hired, so the Board should continue to review the business operations in a timely and thorough manner.

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE: The Commission understands the situation and will continue to monitor results from the operations on a monthly basis.

Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

## FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

Finding Number	Description	Status
2020-001	Lack of Segregation of Duties	Repeated
	(Original Finding Number: 2002-001)	



3973 Chatata Valley Road Charleston, TN 37310 Plant Phone 423.336.2861 Plant FAX 423.336.2000

## Management's Corrective Action Plan

For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

## **Financial Statement Findings:**

2020-001 - Segregation of Duties

RECOMMENDATION: Although ideal, it is unlikely that additional employees will be hired, so the Board should continue to review the business operations in a timely and thorough manner.

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE: The Commission understands the situation and will continue to monitor results from the operations on a monthly basis.

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE: Ongoing

Responsible individual for corrective action:

Doug Harrod, Chairman Hiwassee Utilities Commission