Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana

Financial Statements With Auditors' Report

As of and For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana

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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Commissioners Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three, a component unit of the Caddo Parish Commission, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three'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 opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the 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, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on pages 28 - 29, the Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability on page 30, and the Schedule of Contributions on page 31 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.

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

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three, a component unit of the Caddo Parish Commission's, basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information listed in the table of contents as Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head and shown on page 32 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head 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 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 Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 18, 2021, on our consideration of Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three'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 Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three'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 Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Cook & Morehart

Certified Public Accountants

May 18, 2021

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Statement of Net Position December 31, 2020

	-	overnmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,326,663
Investments		529,647
Accounts receivable:		and July 1997 September 1991
Ad valorem tax		1,797,108
Assessment - service charge		458,371
Sales tax		205,850
Other		28,884
Prepaid expenses		19,078
Capital assets:		,
Land		74,350
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		1,629,217
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Total assets		6,069,168
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension related		888,733
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		94,001
Long-term liabilities:		
Due within one year		113,759
Due in more than one year		3,042,507
Total liabilities		2 250 267
Total liabilities		3,250,267
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
PAGE DE CONTRACTOR DE CONTRACT		2 222 970
Unavailable revenue - property taxes and assessment - service charges Pension related		2,322,879
Pension related		404,010
Total deferred inflows of resources		2,726,889
NET POSITION (DEFICIT)		
Investment in capital assets		1,703,567
Unrestricted (deficit)		(722,822)
Total net position (deficit)	\$	980,745

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

						R	et (Expense) evenue and
			Program	Rev	enues		Changes in Net Assets
Functions / Programs	Expenses		narges for Services	G	Operating rants and ntributions		overnmental Activities
Functions / Programs: Governmental Activities							
Public safety - fire protection	\$ 2,904,993	\$	358,032	\$	224,464	\$	(2,322,497)
Total governmental activities	2,904,993	,	358,032		224,464	_	(2,322,497)
	General revenue	s:					
	Assessment -	serv	ice charge				459,451
	Ad valorem ta	X	hrough a least considerate				1,654,436
	Sales tax						1,221,591
	Interest incom	ie					27,799
	State revenue	sha	ring				27,750
	Fire insurance	reba	ate				27,907
	Miscellaneous	5					24,924
	Total general re	venu	es				3,443,858
	Change in net po	sitior	1				1,121,361
	Net position (defi	cit) -	beginning				(140,616)
	Net position endi	ng				\$	980,745

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Balance Sheet Governmental Fund December 31, 2020

	General Fund
Assets	
Cash	\$ 1,326,663
Investments	529,647
Accounts receivable	
Ad valorem tax	1,797,108
Assessment - service charge	458,371
Sales tax	205,850
Other	 28,884
Total assets	\$ 4,346,523
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 94,001
Total liabilities	94,001
Deferred inflows of resources	
Unavailable revenue - property taxes and assessment-service charges	2,322,879
Fund balance	8
Unassigned	1,929,643
Total fund balance	1,929,643
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balance	\$ 4,346,523

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of the Governmental Fund to the Statement of Net Position December 31, 2020

Fund balances - total governmental fund	\$ 1,929,643
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 governmental fund.	1,703,567
Other long-term amounts are not available to pay for current -period expenditures and therefore are not available in the fund:	
Deferred outflows of resources - pension related	888,733
Long-term liabilities and other amounts, including compensated absences, bonds payable, net pension liabilities, and interest payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental fund:	
Compensated absences 113,759	
Net pension liability 3,042,507	
Deferred inflows of resources - pension related 404,010	(3,560,276)
The nonallocation method of accounting for prepayment is used in the fund statements, since the prepayment does not provide expendable	
financial resources.	19,078
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 980,745

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Governmental Fund

For the Year Ended Decemer 31, 2020

_		General Fund
Revenues		
Ad valorem tax	\$	1,654,436
Service charge assessment		459,451
Charges for services - transport fees		358,032
Sales tax		1,221,591
Intergovernmental revenue:		
State revenue sharing		27,750
Fire insurance rebate		27,907
State supplemental pay on-behalf payments		101,484
Interest income		27,799
Miscellaneous		24,924
Total revenues	10 <u></u>	3,903,374
Expenditures		
Current - fire protection		2,491,852
Capital outlay		718,378
Total expenditures		3,210,230
Net change in fund balance		693,144
Fund balance at beginning of year		1,236,499
Fund balance at end of year	_\$_	1,929,643

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of the Governmental Fund to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Net change in fund balance - total governmental fund	\$	693,144
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental fund report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays (\$718,378) exceeds depreciation (\$212,213) in the current period.		506,165
Revenues that are not available to pay current obligations are not reported in the governmental fund.		•
Nonemployer contributions to cost-sharing pension plan	1	122,980
The nonallocation method of accounting for prepayments is used in the fund statements, since the prepayment does not provide expendable financial resources.		102
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental fund.		
Compensated absences (32,679) Pension expense (168,351)	(2	201,030)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 1,1	21,361

INTRODUCTION

The Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three (the District) was created by resolution of the Caddo Parish Commission on April 11, 1984, to purchase and maintain fire equipment and to provide fire protection for the people of Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three. The District is governed by a board of commissioners consisting of 5 members: 2 members are appointed by the Caddo Parish Commission; 2 members are appointed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of Greenwood; and one member, who is the chairman, is appointed by the other 4 board members. Members serve two year terms and receive no compensation for their services.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's financial statements are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three are discussed below.

A. Reporting Entity

Because the Caddo Parish Commission appoints two members of the governing board and because the District operates within the geographical boundaries of Caddo Parish, The District was determined to be a component unit of the Caddo Parish Commission, the governing body of the parish and the governmental body with oversight responsibility. This report includes only funds which are maintained by the District and does not present information on the Caddo Parish Commission, the general government service provided by that governmental unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the Commission.

B. Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements

The Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the funds maintained by the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. The Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's general fund is classified as governmental activities. The Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three does not have any business-type activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, the governmental activities column is presented on a consolidated basis and is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's net position is reported in two parts – invested in capital assets (net of related debt), and unrestricted net position.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's functions. The functions are supported by program revenues and general government revenues. The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by any related program revenues, which must be directly associated with the function. Program revenues of the District consist of transport fees billed to insurance companies and individuals, nonemployer contributions to cost-sharing pension plan, and other grants. The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenues.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three as an entity and the change in the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

C. Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three are recorded in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three:

Governmental Funds – the focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental fund of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three:

a. General fund is the general operating fund of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in the governmental category. GASB 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 District's general fund was determined to be a major fund.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures 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.

1. Accrual:

The governmental funds in the government-wide financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Revenues of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three consist principally of property taxes, service charges on property, transport fees collected from billings, grants, other intergovernmental revenues, and interest income. Property taxes and service charges are recorded in the year for which the taxes are levied. Property taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, become due on November 15 of each year, and become delinquent on December 31. Because the 2020 tax levy and service charge assessment are intended to fund the 2021 fiscal year, the levy and assessment have been recorded as a receivable and deferred inflows of resources. Interest income is recorded when earned. Transport fees, grants, and other intergovernmental revenues are recorded when received because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Sales taxes are recognized in the period in which the underlying exchange has occurred.

Modified Accrual:

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual: i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days after year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, if any, is recognized when due. Depreciation is not recognized in the governmental fund financial statements.

E. Budgets

The District uses the following budget practices:

- A preliminary budget for the ensuing year is prepared by the Fire Chief and Officers of the District prior to December 31 of each year and is made available for public inspection at least fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year.
- After completion of all action necessary to finalize and implement the budget, the budget is adopted by the Board of Commissioners.
- 3. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year.
- 4. The budget is established and controlled by the board of commissioners at the object level of expenditure. All changes in the budget must be approved by the board.
- The budget is adopted on a cash basis for the general fund. One amendment was made to the 2020 budget.

F. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

Cash includes amounts in petty cash, interest-bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or money market accounts with state banks organized under

Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States. Investments are limited by Louisiana Revised Statue (R.S.) 33:2955. If the original maturities of investments exceed 90 days, they are classified as investments; however, if the original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are carried at fair value.

G. Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$2,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at acquisition value as of the date received. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings

24 - 37 years

Equipment

3 - 33 years

H. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

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

The District's governmental activities and governmental fund report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has items that meet this definition and qualify for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item "unavailable revenue" is reported in the governmental fund balance sheet and statement of net position. The District reports unavailable revenue from two sources: property taxes and assessment – service charges. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period for which the amounts were levied and budgeted. The District also has deferred inflows of resources related to pensions reported in the government-wide statement of net position.

I. Compensated Absences

The District has the following policy relating to vacation and sick leave:

After one year of service, fireman earn from 18 to 28 days of annual leave each year, depending on their length of service. Annual leave must be taken in the year earned. Unused annual leave cannot be accumulated. Upon termination, employees are paid for any earned but unused annual leave in the year of termination. The current portion of compensated absences payable (the amount estimated to be used during the period of availability) is recorded as a liability in the fund

financial statements. The entire balance of compensated absences payable is recognized as a liability in the government-wide financial statements. The non-current portion represents a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide statements.

Each full-time employee is entitled to full pay during sickness or incapacity not brought about by his or her own negligence or culpable indiscretion, for a period of not less than 52 weeks, during any calendar year.

J. Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

K. Assessment - Service Charge

A primary revenue source is the service charge fee assessed by the District. The District is authorized to levy a fee to assess persons owning each residential or commercial structure located wholly or partly within the boundaries of said District. The amount of the assessment is \$110 per year.

L. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

M. Fund Balances

GASB has issued Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, which defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be reported within one of the fund balance categories list below.

- Nonspendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either

 (a) not in spendable form, such as inventory or prepaid expenses, or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact, such as a trust that must be retained in perpetuity.
- Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources
 are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations
 of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling
 legislation.

- 3. Committed fund balances include amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed by the District's board of commissioners (the District's highest level of decision making authority). Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District's board of commissioners removes those constraints by taking the same type of action (i.e. legislation, resolution, or ordinance).
- 4. Assigned fund balances are amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The District's board of commissioners have the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes.
- Unassigned fund balance are the residual classification for the District's general fund and include all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

When both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted fund balance first, then unrestricted fund balance. Furthermore, committed fund balances are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used.

N. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities in the statement of net position. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of the 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.

O. Sales Tax

A special election was held on November 16, 2019 in which a 1% sales and use tax was passed by the voters. The sales tax began January 1, 2020, with proceeds of tax, after paying the reasonable and necessary costs of collecting and administering the tax, to be dedicated and used for any lawful purpose of the District, including, but not limited to, acquiring, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining fire protection facilities and purchasing fire trucks and other firefighting equipment.

(2) Levied Taxes

The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes:

	Authorized	Levied	Expiration
	Millage	Millage	Date
Operating	16.70	16.70	2039

(3) Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

At December 31, 2020, the District had cash, cash equivalents and investments (book balances), totaling \$1,856,310 as detailed below.

A. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments

The District had cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2020 (book balances) totaling \$1,326,663 in interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent.

B. Investments

At December 31, 2020, the District had investments totaling \$529,647 as follows:

Government backed mortgage securities	\$	240,697
Certificates of deposit		228,597
Cash and money market funds	r <u>. </u>	60,353
	\$	529,647

At December 31, 2020, the District had investments totaling \$240,697 consisting of U.S. Government backed mortgage securities. The market value of this particular type of investment is not materially different from its carrying amount. The investments are in the name of the District, held by an investment company and are insured by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation.

The certificates of deposits have initial maturities greater than 90 days and are carried at cost, which approximates market. Cash and money market funds are carried at cost, which approximates market.

C. Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank or other depositing institution failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. As of December 31, 2020, \$967,307 of the District's bank balances of \$1,575,218 were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department, not in the District's name:

Demand deposits \$ 967,307

(4) Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Balance at			Balance at
	Jan. 1, 2020	Additions	Deletions	Dec. 31, 2020
Governmental Activities: Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 74,350	\$	\$	\$ 74,350
	74,350			74,350
Capital assets, being depreciated:			·	
Buildings	933,585	176,398		1,109,983
Equipment	2,931,093	541,980	(219,185)	3,253,888
Total capital assets, being depreciated	1	-		
at historical cost	3,864,678	718,378	(219,185)	4,363,871
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings	(543,019)	(44,416)		(587,435)
Equipment	(2,198,607)	(167,797)	219,185	(2,147,219)
Total accumulated depreciation	(2,741,626)	(212,213)	219,185	(2,734,654)
Total capital assets				
being depreciated, net	1,123,052	506,165		1,629,217
Governmental activities capital				
assets, net	\$ 1,197,402	\$ 506,165	\$	\$ 1,703,567

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$212,213.

(5) Risk Management

The District purchases commercial insurance to provide workers compensation coverage and general liability and property insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year.

(6) Pension Plan

The District participates in the State of Louisiana Firefighters' Retirement System (System), a costsharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by Act 434 of 1979 to provide retirement, disability and survivor benefits to firefighters in Louisiana.

PLAN DESCRIPTION

Benefit provisions are authorized within Act 434 of 1979 and amended by LRS 11:2251-11:2272. The following is a brief description of the plan and its benefits and is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the appropriate statutes for more complete information.

Eligibility Requirements

Any person who becomes an employee as defined in RS 11:2252 on and after January 1, 1980 shall become a member as a condition of employment. Members in the System consist full-time firefighters, eligible employees of the retirement system, or any person in a position as defined in the municipal fire and police civil service system that earns at least \$375 per month, excluding state supplemental pay, and is employed by a fire department of any municipality, parish, or fire district of the State of Louisiana, except for Orleans Parish and the City of Baton Rouge.

No person who has attained age fifty or over shall become a member of the System, unless the person becomes a member by reason of a merger or unless the System received an application for membership before the applicant attained the age of fifty. No person who has not attained the age of eighteen years shall become a member of the System.

Any person who has retired from service under any retirement system or pension fund maintained basically for public officers and employees of the state, its agencies or political subdivisions, and who is receiving retirement benefits therefrom may become a member of this System, provided the person meets all other requirements for membership. Service credit from the retirement system or pension plan from which the member is retired shall not be used for reciprocal recognition of service with this System, or for any other purpose in order to attain eligibility or increase the amount of service credit in this System.

Retirement Benefits

Employees with 20 or more years of service who have attained age 50, or employees who have 12 years of service who have attained age 55, or 25 years or service at any age are entitled to annual pension benefits equal to 3.333% of their average final compensation based on the 36 consecutive months of highest pay multiplied by their total years of service, not to exceed 100%. Employees may elect to receive their pension benefits in the form of a joint and survivor annuity.

If employees terminate before rendering 12 years of service, they forfeit the right to receive the portion of their accumulated plan benefits attributable to their employer's contributions

Benefits are payable over the retirees' lives in the form of a monthly annuity. A member may elect an unreduced benefit or any of seven options at retirement.

See R.S. 11:2256(A) for additional details on retirement benefits.

Disability Benefits

A member who acquires a disability, and who files for disability benefits while in service, and who upon medical examination and certification as provided for in Title 11, is found to have a total disability solely as the result of injuries sustained in the performance of his official duties, or for any cause, provided the member has at least five years of creditable service and provided that the disability was incurred while the member was an active contributing member in active service, shall be entitled to disability benefits under the provisions of R.S. 11:2258(B).

Death Benefits

Benefits shall be payable to the surviving eligible spouse or designated beneficiary of a deceased member as specified in R.S. 11:2256(B) and (C).

Deferred Retirement Option Plan

After completing 20 years of creditable service and attaining the age of 50 years, or 25 years at any age, a member may elect to participate in the deferred retirement option plan (DROP) for up to 36 months.

Upon commencement of participation in the deferred retirement option plan, employer and employee contributions to the System cease. The monthly retirement benefit that would have been payable is paid into the deferred retirement option plan account. Upon termination of employment, a participant in the program has several options to receive their DROP benefit. A member may (1) elect to roll over all or a portion of their DROP balance into another eligible qualified plan, (2) receive a lump-sum payment from the account, (3) receive single withdrawals at the discretion of the member, (4) receive monthly or annual withdrawals, or (5) receive an annuity based on the deferred retirement option plan account balance. These withdrawals are in addition to his regular monthly benefit.

If employment is not terminated at the end of the 36 months, the participant resumes regular contributions to the System. No withdrawals may be made from the deferred retirement option plan account until the participant retires.

Initial Benefit Option Plan

Effective June 16, 1999, members eligible to retire and who do not choose to participate in DROP may elect to receive, at the time of retirement, an initial benefit option (IBO) in an amount up to 36 months of benefits, with an actuarial reduction of their future benefits. Such amounts may be withdrawn or remain in the IBO account earning interest at the same rate as the DROP account.

Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs)

Under the provisions of R.S. 11:246 and 11:2260(A)(7), the board of trustees is authorized to grant retired members and widows of members who have retired an annual cost of living increase of up to 3% of their current benefit, and all retired members and widows who are 65 years of age and older a 2% increase in their original benefit. In order for the board to grant either of these increases, the System must meet certain criteria detailed in the statute related to funding status and interest earnings (R.S. 11:243). In lieu of these COLAs, pursuant to R.S. 11:241, the board may also grant an increase based on a formula equal to up to \$1 times the total number of years of credited service accrued at retirement or at death of the member or retiree plus the number of years since retirement or since death of the member or retiree to the system's fiscal year end preceding they payment of the benefit increase. If there are not sufficient funds to fund the benefit at the rate of one dollar per year for such total number of years, then the rate shall be reduced in proportion to the amount of funds that are available to fund the cost-of-living adjustment.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Contribution requirements for employers, non-employer contributing entities, and employees are established and may be amended in accordance with Title 11 and Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

Employer and Employee Contributions

According to State statute, employer contributions are actuarially determined each year. For the year ended June 30, 2020, employer and employee contribution rates for members above the poverty line were 27.75% and 10.0%, respectively. The employer and employee contribution rates for those members below the poverty line were 29.75% and 8.0%, respectively. The District's contributions to the System for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019, and 2018 were \$344,283, \$295,172, and \$296,386, respectively. Included in contributions for the year ended December 31, 2020, are contributions in the amount of \$3,992, which was remitted in January, 2021.

Non-employer contributions

According to state statue, the System receives insurance premium tax funds from the state of Louisiana. The tax is considered support from a non-employer contributing entity and appropriated by the legislature each year based on an actuarial study. Non-employer contributions are recognized as revenue during the year ended June 30, 2020 and were excluded from pension expense. Non-employer contributions received by the System and attributable to the District during the year ended June 30, 2020 were \$122,980.

PENSION LIABILITIES, PENSION EXPENSE, AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES RELATED TO PENSIONS

At December 31, 2020, the District reported a liability of \$3,042,507 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the historical employer contributions. The employer's proportion was determined on a basis that is consistent with the manner in which contributions to the pension plan are determined. The allocation percentages were used in calculating each employer's proportionate share of the pension amounts.

The allocation method used in determining each employer's proportion was based on the combined contributions to the System during the year ended June 30, 2020 as compared to the total of all combined contributions to the System during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2020, the District's proportion was .438936%, which was a decrease of .012947% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the District recognized pension expense of \$508,452, plus employer's amortization of change in proportionate share and the difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions, \$4,182.

At December 31, 2020, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual	¢	¢	104 650
experience Changes of assumptions	\$ 294,115	\$	194,659
Net difference between projected and actual			
earnings on pension plan investments Changes in proportion and differences between	335,059		
employer contributions and proportionate share			
of contributions	72,629		209,351
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	186,930		
Total	\$ 888,733	\$	404,010

The District reported a total of \$186,930 as deferred outflow of resources related to pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement period of June 30, 2020, which will be recognized as a reduction in net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2021.

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

_Year	 Amount
2021	\$ 42,469
2022	127,207
2023	105,134
2024	40,500
2025	(14,504)
2026	(3,013)
Total	\$ 297,793

ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

The net pension liability was measured as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided through the pension plan to current active and inactive employees that is attributed to those employees' past periods of service, less the amount of the pension plan's fiduciary net position. The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 actuarial funding valuation, and were based on results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2019. In cases where benefit structures were changed after the study period, assumptions were based on estimates of future experience. A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 are as follows:

Valuation Date June 30, 2020

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age Normal Cost

Estimated Remaining Service Life 7 years, closed period

Investment Rate of Return 7.00% per annum (net of investment expenses, including inflation)

(decreased from 7.15% in 2019)

Inflation Rate 2.50% per annum

Salary increases Vary from 14.10% in the first two years

of service to 5.20% after 3 or more years; includes

inflation and merit increases

Cost of Living Adjustments Only those previously granted

The mortality rate assumptions were updated in fiscal year 2020 to reflect changes from the recent experience study and rates set in the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans mortality tables, as compared to the RP-2000 Combined Healthy and Disabled Lives tables that were used for the previous valuation. For the June 30, 2020 valuation, assumptions for mortality rates were based on the following:

- For active members, mortality was set equal to the Pub-2010 Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Employees.
- For annuitants and beneficiaries, mortality was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Below-Median Healthy Retirees.
- For disabled retirees, mortality was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Safety Disabled Retirees.
- In all cases the base table was multiplied by 105% for males and 115% for females, each with full generational projection using the appropriate MP2019 scale.

The estimated long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined by the System's actuary using the System's target asset allocation and the G.S. Curran & Company Consultant Average study for 2020. The consultant's average study included projected nominal rates of return, standard deviations of returns, and correlations of returns for a list of common asset classes collected from a number of investment consultants and investment management firms. Each consultant's response included nominal expected long term rates of return. In order to arrive at long term expected arithmetic real rates of return, the actuary normalized the data received from the consultant's responses in the following ways. Where nominal returns received were arithmetic, the actuary simply reduced the return assumption by the long term inflation assumption. Where the nominal returns were geometric, the actuary converted the return to arithmetic by adjusting for the long term standard deviation and the reduced the assumption by the long term inflation assumption. Using the target asset allocation for the System and the average values for expected real rates of return, standard deviation of returns, and correlation of returns, an arithmetic nominal rate of return and standard deviation for the portfolio was determined. The System's long-term assumed rate of inflation of 2.50% was used in this process for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

The long-term expected real rate of return is an important input into the actuary's determination of the reasonable range for the discount rate which is used in determining the total pension liability. Prior year's financial reports presented the long-term expected real rate of return provided by the System's investment consultant, whereas this year's report presents this information for both fiscal years 2020 and 2019 from the System's actuary. The actuary's method incorporates information from multiple consultants and investments firms regarding future expected rates of return, variance, and correlation coefficients for each asset class. The actuary's method integrates data from multiple sources to produce average values thereby reducing reliance on a single data source.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major class included in the System's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2019, are summarized in the following tables:

		Long-Term
	Target Asset	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rates of Return
Fixed income		
U.S. Core Fixed Income	26.00%	1.00%
Emerging Market Debt	5.00%	3.40%
Equity		
US Equity	26.00%	5.72%
Non-US Equity	12.00%	6.24%
Global Equity	10.00%	6.23%
Emerging Market Equity	6.00%	8.61%
Multi-Asset Strategies		
Global Tactical Asset Allocation	0.00%	4.22%
Risk Parity	0.00%	4.22%
Alternatives		
Real Estate	6.00%	4.20%
Private Equity	9.00%	10.29%
Totals	100.00%	

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers and non-employer contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the System's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

SENSITIVITY TO CHANGES IN DISCOUNT RATE

The following presents the net pension liability of the participating employers calculated using the discount rate of 7.0%, as well as what the employers' net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower 6.0% or one percentage point higher 8.0% than the current rate as of June 30, 2020.

	Changes in Discount Rate				
		Current			
	1%	Discount	1%		
	Decrease	Rate	Increase		
	6.0%	7.0%	8.0%		
Net Pension Liability	\$ 4,394,871	\$3,042,507	\$ 1,913,682		

CHANGE IN NET PENSION LIABILITY

The changes in the net pension liability for the year ended June 30, 2020 were recognized in the current reporting period as pension expense except as follows:

Differences between Expected and Actual Experience:

The differences between expected and actual experience with regard to economic or demographic factors in the measurement of the total pension liability were recognized as pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan.

Differences between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings:

The differences between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments were recognized in pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed five-year period.

Changes of Assumptions:

The changes of assumptions about future economic or demographic factors were recognized in pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through the pension plan.

Change in Proportion:

Changes in the employer's proportionate shares of the collective net pension liability and collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources since the prior measurement date were recognized in employer's pension expense (benefit) using the straight-line amortization method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided pensions through the pension plan

CONTRIBUTIONS - PROPORTIONATE SHARE

Differences between contributions remitted to the System and the employer's proportionate share are recognized in pension expense using the straight-line amortization method over a closed period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with a pension through the pension plan. The resulting deferred inflow/outflow and amortization is not reflected in the schedule of employer amounts due to differences that could arise between contributions reported by the System and contributions reported by the participating employer.

PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Plan fiduciary net position is a significant component of the System's collective net pension liability. The System's plan fiduciary net position was determined using the accrual basis of accounting. The System's assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses were recorded with the use of estimates and assumptions in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such estimates primarily related to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements and estimates over the determination of the fair market value of the System's investments. Accordingly, actual results may differ from estimated amounts. The Plan's fiduciary net position has been determined on the same basis as that used by the plan. Detailed information about the fiduciary net position is available in a stand-alone audit report on their financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2020. Access to these reports can be found on the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's website, www.lla.la.gov.

RETIREMENT SYSTEM AUDIT REPORT

Firefighters' Retirement System issued a stand-alone audit report on its financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2020. Access to the audit report can be found on the System's website: www.lafirefightersret.com or on the Office of Louisiana Legislative Auditor's official website: www.lla.la.gov.

(7) Long-Term Liabilities

Long -term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2020, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities Other long-term liabilities:					
Net pension liability	\$ 2,829,651	\$ 212,856	\$	\$3,042,507	\$
Compensated Absences	97,533	32,084		129,617	129,617
Total other long-term liabilities	\$ 2,927,184	\$ 244,940		3,172,124	129,617
Less amounts due within peri in accounts payable	od of availability	-recorded		(15,858)	(15,858)
Total long-term liabilities, gov	ernment-wide st	atements		\$3,156,266	\$ 113,759

(8) Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

Accounts payable and accrued expenses at December 31, 2020 consisted of the following:

Accounts payable	\$ 18,205
Payroll liabilities	59,938
Compensated absences	15,858
Total	\$ 94,001

(9) Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources recorded at December 31, 2020 consist of the following:

Unavailable revenue:	
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 1,858,506
Assessment – service charges	464,373
Total fund statements	\$ 2,322,879
Pension related	 404,010
Total government-wide statements	\$ 2,726,889

(10) Operating Lease

The District leases certain equipment under an operating lease. Payments during 2020 on this lease totaled \$1,789. Future minimum lease payments for this lease are as follows:

Year Ending		
December 31,	Amount	
2021	\$ 1,65	51
2022	1,65	51
2023	1,65	51
2024	82	25
	\$ 5,77	8

(11) Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through May 18, 2021, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Subsequent to December 31, 2020, the District purchased equipment totaling approximately \$264,301. The District has also ordered a new fire truck to be delivered in 2021 with an approximate cost of \$549,405.

(12) Uncertainty

As a result of the COVID-19 Coronavirus, economic uncertainties have arisen which are likely to negatively impact financial resources. While the duration on the economic impact is expected to be temporary, there is considerable uncertainty around the duration. The related financial impact and duration cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

(13) On-behalf Payments

Public safety employees of the District received a total of \$101,484 in supplemental pay from the State of Louisiana. The District recognizes this supplemental pay received by the employees as revenues and expenditures of the District.

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Required Supplementary Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Budgeted	d Ame	ounts				/ariance with Final Budget Positive
	 Original		Final	- Actual			(Negative)
Revenues		()	and discussions	_			, , ,
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 1,659,852	\$	1,654,835	\$	1,654,436	\$	(399)
Service charge - assessment	452,088		458,530		459,451		921
Charges for services - transport fees	221,400		357,315		358,032		717
Sales tax	480,000		980,000		1,015,741		35,741
State revenue sharing	28,230		28,065		27,750		(315)
Fire insurance rebate	28,390		27,095		27,907		812
Interest income	6,000		18,800		27,799		8,999
Miscellaneous	 22,520		27,355		24,924		(2,431)
Total revenues	2,898,480		3,551,995	. Al	3,596,040		44,045
Expenditures							
Current - fire protection	2,392,568		2,349,920		2,391,548		(41,628)
Capital outlay	 637,000		738,205		718,378))/	19,827
Total expenditures	 3,029,568		3,088,125		3,109,926		(21,801)
Net change in fund balance	(131,088)		463,870		486,114		22,244
Fund balance at beginning of year	 1,370,196		1,370,196		1,370,196		
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 1,239,108	\$	1,834,066	\$	1,856,310	_\$_	22,244

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Notes to Required Supplementary Information December 31, 2020

The District's budget is adopted on a cash basis for all funds. There was one amendment to the 2020 budget. The budget comparison schedule included in the accompanying financial statements includes the original and amended budget. The schedule below reconciles excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses on the budget basis with GAAP basis:

	General Fund
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses (budget basis)	\$ 486,114
Adjustments:	
Revenue accruals – net Expenditure accruals – net	205,850 1,180
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses (GAAP basis)	<u>\$ 693,144</u>

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

State of Louisiana Firefighters' Retirement System

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Proportion of the net pension liability	0.438936%	0.451883%	.478845%	.491326%	.47140%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 3,042,507	\$ 2,829,651	\$ 2,754,354	\$ 2,816,206	\$ 3,083,382
Covered-employee payroll	1,096,711	1,092,143	1,140,048	1,140,188	1,062,903
Proportionate share of the net pension liability					
as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	277.42%	259.09%	241.60%	246.99%	290.69%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the					
total pension liability	72.61%	73.96%	74.76%	73.55%	68.16%

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Schedule of Contributions For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

State of Louisiana Firefighters' Retirement System

	-	2020	 2019	 2018		2017	_	2016
Contractually required contribution	\$	344,283	\$ 295,172	\$ 296,386	\$	294,693	\$	295,591
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$	344,283	\$ 295,172	\$ 296,386	\$	294,693	\$	295,591
Contribution deficiency (excess)		.	-	-				-
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 1	1,131,909	\$ 1,088,175	\$ 1,118,429	\$ 1	1,138,882	\$1	1,126,669
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		30.42%	27.13%	26.50%		25.88%		26.24%

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana

A Component Unit of the Caddo Parish Commission Other Supplementary Information

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Agency Head: Ernest Mitchell, Fire Chief

PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Salary	\$ 96,918
Benefits - insurance	18,549
Benefits - retirement	30,944
State supplemental pay	6,000
Travel	432
Dues	125

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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed In Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Commissioners Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 18, 2021.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three'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 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 the 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 Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

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Certified Public Accountants

May 18, 2021

Caddo Parish Fire District Number Three Greenwood, Louisiana Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings December 31, 2020

Summary of Prior Audit Findings

There were no findings or management letter comments for the prior year audit for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Current Year Audit Findings and Corrective Action Plan Schedule For Louisiana Legislative Auditor December 31, 2020

Current Year Findings and Corrective Action Plan

There are no findings or management letter comments for the current year audit for the year ended December 31, 2020.