

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

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Independent Accountant's Review Report

The Honorable Marsha Richardson, Mayor
And the Members of the Board of Aldermen
Grand Cane, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activity, and the major fund of the Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management of the Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review in accordance with the Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the standards applicable to review engagements contained in of *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

We are required to be independent of the Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana, for the year ended June 30, 2024, in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters Paragraphs

Required Supplementary Information Part I and Part II

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a required part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. The information is the responsibility of management. We have not audited or reviewed the information and do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on such information.

Supplementary Information

The accompanying schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. We have reviewed the information and, based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the information in order for it to be in accordance with the reporting framework prescribed by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:515.2 and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. We have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion on such information.

Dees Gardner, Certified Public Accountants, LLC

Mansfield, Louisiana
December 31, 2024

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (PART I)

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2024

As management of the Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana, we offer the readers of the Village's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Village of Grand Cane as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Village's basic financial statements and supplementary information provided in this report in assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of our stewardship of public resources.

Financial Highlights

The Village experienced an increase in its total net position of 8.78% (\$159,977) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, compared to an increase of 11.01% (\$180,713) in the prior year. At June 30, 2024, the assets of the Village exceeded its liabilities by \$1,982,273 compared to prior year's ending net position of \$1,822,296.

Unrestricted net position of \$660,704 (33.33% of total net position) represents the amount available to be used to meet the Village's ongoing obligations to its citizens.

As of the close of the fiscal year, the Village's governmental funds reported an increase in ending fund balance of \$29,984 (4.97%) to \$632,719 from \$602,735 in the prior year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This Management Discussion and Analysis document introduces the Village of Grand Cane's basic financial statements. The Village's basic financial statements include three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The basic financial statements include two kinds of financial statements that present different views of the Village—the **Government-wide Financial Statements** and the **Fund Financial Statements**. These financial statements also include the **Notes to the Financial Statements** that explain the information in the financial statements and provide additional detail. This report also contains additional required supplementary information, a budgetary schedule, and other supplemental information, in addition to the basic financial statements. These components are described below:

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Village of Grand Cane's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The government-wide financial statements include two statements:

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

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the Village of Grand Cane'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 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.

Both of the financial statements above have separate sections for the two different types of Village activities. These activities are:

Governmental Activities--The activities in this section are mostly supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (grants). The services that fall into that category for the Village are general government, streets and rights-of-way, and cultural and recreation.

Business-type Activities--These functions are normally intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges to external users of goods and services. The business-type activity of the Village consists of the provision of sewer services.

The government-wide financial statements can be found immediately following this discussion and analysis.

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 Village of Grand Cane, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the Village government, reporting operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. The funds of the Village are divided into two categories. The two categories of funds are:

Governmental fund financial statements. These 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 governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Village of Grand Cane has two governmental funds: the General Fund and the Special Revenue Fund. Both are considered major funds for presentation purposes. That is, each major fund is presented in a separate column in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances.

The governmental funds financial statements can be found immediately following the government-wide financial statements.

Proprietary fund financial statements. These funds are used to show activities that operate more like those of commercial enterprises. Because these funds charge fees for services provided to outside customers, they are known as proprietary funds. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. Like the government-wide financial statements, proprietary fund financial statements use the accrual basis of accounting. There is no reconciliation needed between the government-wide financial statements for business-type activities and the proprietary fund financial statements.

The Village has one proprietary fund, the Sewer Fund, which is considered a major proprietary fund for presentation purposes.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found immediately following the governmental funds financial statements.

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 immediately following the funds financial statements.

Required Supplemental Information (Part II). In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain *required supplemental information*. The Village of Grand Cane adopts an annual budget for the general and special revenue funds on the cash basis. A budgetary comparison statement is provided for the general fund and the special revenue fund to demonstrate budgetary compliance.

Other Supplemental Information. The schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer is presented to fulfil the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513(A)(3).

Other Reports Required by Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide. Accompanying these financial statements is an Independent Accountant's Report on Agreed-upon Procedures and a Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire signed by management. These are required by Louisiana Revised Statutes 24:513 and 24:514 (state audit law).

Government-wide Activities Financial Analysis

Net Position

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The Village's combined net position (governmental and business-type activities) totaled \$1,982,273 and \$1,822,296 as of June 30, 2024, and 2023, respectively, an increase of \$159,977 (8.78 %).

A portion of the Village's net position \$1,321,569 (66.67%) is its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, improvements, infrastructure, and equipment); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. This is compared to \$1,198,945 (65.79%) as of June 30, 2023. The Village uses these capital assets to provide services to the citizens of the Village; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

The Village's unrestricted net position, \$660,704 (33.33%) and \$623,351 (34.21%) as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, may be used to meet the Village's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors at the discretion of the mayor and aldermen. \$649,251 (98.27%) of the unrestricted net position of the Village consists of cash, demand deposits, and certificates of deposit compared to \$607,996 (97.54%) for the prior year.

The following table provides a summary of the Village's net position as of:

ASSETS	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	% Change
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 639,151	\$ 598,196	6.85%
Receivables	28,359	39,882	-28.89%
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	10,100	9,800	3.06%
Lease receivable	-	1,680	-100.00%
Capital assets	1,321,569	1,198,945	10.23%
TOTAL ASSETS	1,999,179	1,848,503	8.15%
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	6,805	4,994	36.26%
Payable from restricted assets	10,100	9,800	3.06%
TOTAL LIABILITIES	16,905	14,794	14.27%
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES			
Deferred lease income	-	1,613	-100.00%
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES	-	1,613	-100.00%
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	1,321,569	1,198,945	10.23%
Unrestricted	660,704	623,351	5.99%
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 1,982,273	\$ 1,822,296	8.78%

Changes in net position

The Village's net position increased by \$159,977 (8.78%) during the year ended June 30, 2024, compared to an increase of \$180,713 (11.01%) in 2023. Total program revenues decreased a total of \$20,652 (9.09%). General revenues decreased by \$30,062 due to a decrease in licensing revenues and sale taxes.

\$103,539 (23.07%) of the Village's total revenues were derived through charges for services during the year ended June 30, 2024 compared to \$75,635 (15.14%) for the prior year. \$103,000 (22.95%) of the Village's total revenues were derived through operating and capital grants and contributions during the year ended June 30, 2024, compared to \$151,566 (30.34%) for the prior year.

\$242,220 (53.98%) of total revenue was derived from general revenues including ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, franchise taxes, occupational license, rent, and interest compared to \$272,282 (54.51%) during 2023.

The net effect is a decrease in revenue of \$50,714 or 10.15%.

Total expenses decreased \$29,978 or 9.40%. The expenses were: streets and rights-of-way, \$78,542 (27.20%); general government \$74,282 (25.72%); culture and recreation, \$71,792 (24.86%); and sewer operations, \$64,166 (22.22%).

The following table provides a summary of the Village's changes in net position:

	<u>June 30, 2024</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Revenue			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 103,539	\$ 75,635	36.89%
Operating grants and contributions	-	42,626	-100.00%
Capital grants and contributions	103,000	108,930	-5.44%
General revenues:			
Taxes	201,701	233,782	-13.72%
Licenses	33,728	42,056	-19.80%
Other general revenues	6,058	3,220	88.14%
Interest	733	1,188	-38.30%
Loss on disposal of assets	-	(7,964)	-100.00%
Total revenues	<u>448,759</u>	<u>499,473</u>	<u>-10.15%</u>
Expenses			
General government	74,282	66,768	11.25%
Street and right of ways	78,542	79,361	-1.03%
Culture and recreation	71,792	104,412	-31.24%
Sewer	<u>64,166</u>	<u>68,219</u>	<u>-5.94%</u>
Total expenses	<u>288,782</u>	<u>318,760</u>	<u>-9.40%</u>
Increase (decrease) in net position	159,977	180,713	-11.47%
Net position June 30, 2022	<u>1,822,296</u>	<u>1,641,583</u>	<u>11.01%</u>
Net position June 30, 2023	<u>\$ 1,982,273</u>	<u>\$ 1,822,296</u>	<u>8.78%</u>

Governmental Funds Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, the Village of Grand Cane uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The focus of the governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of June 30, 2024, the General Fund's unassigned fund balance (\$175,483) increased \$33,564 (23.65%) in comparison with June 30, 2023. Sales tax (1%) is collected in the General Fund is utilized fifty percent for upkeep and maintenance of streets and fifty percent for general Village needs. In November 2023, voters approved a 0.25% sales tax for use in the Sewer Fund. Sales tax revenue decreased \$31,545 from 2023; and, the amount committed to streets decreased from \$450,843 for the year ended June 30, 2023, to \$431,132 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the fiscal year. The budget policy of the Village complies with state law, as amended, and as set forth in Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 39, Chapter 9, Louisiana Local Government Budget Act (LSA – R.S. 39:1301 et seq.). The Village amended the original budget during the year. The Village was in compliance with the Budget Act. For the General Fund, expenses were less than what was budgeted, and revenues were more than budgeted amounts by \$89,157 (35.72%). For the Special Revenue Fund, no expenses were budgeted and an immaterial amount of \$38 incurred. Transfers out were budgeted, but no transfers were made. Actual revenues were more than budgeted amounts.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets The Village of Grand Cane’s investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2024, totaled \$1,231,925 (net of accumulated depreciation of \$658,304). This investment includes land, buildings, furniture, equipment and infrastructure. The purchase of capital assets for the year was \$160,448. This was for new park equipment, a roof for the Cook Douglas building, an air conditioning unit for the Cowdin Building and construction in progress for a splash pad at the park. There were no investments in capital assets for the business-type activities for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Long-term debt The Village of Grand Cane has no outstanding debt at June 30, 2024.

Economic Factors and Next Year’s Budget

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following factors were considered when the budget was prepared:

- General and program revenue will remain consistent with the prior year.
- Expenditures are expected to remain steady with the prior year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Village of Grand Cane’s finances for all those with an interest in the government’s finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Village of Grand Cane, P. O. Box 82, Grand Cane, LA 71032.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

June 30, 2024

ASSETS	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 610,161	\$ 28,990	\$ 639,151
Receivables	18,638	9,720	28,358
Internal balances	10,725	(10,725)	-
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	-	10,100	10,100
Lease receivables	-	-	-
Capital assets (net)	1,231,925	89,643	1,321,568
TOTAL ASSETS	1,871,449	127,728	1,999,177
LIABILITIES			
Accounts, payroll, and other payables	6,805	-	6,805
Payable from restricted assets	-	10,100	10,100
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,805	10,100	16,905
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	1,231,926	89,643	1,321,569
Unrestricted	632,718	27,985	660,703
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 1,864,644	\$ 117,628	\$ 1,982,272

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expenses) Revenues	Net (Expenses), Revenues, and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions		Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities								
General government	\$ 74,282	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (74,282)	\$ (74,282)	\$ -	\$ (74,282)
Public works:								
Streets and right of ways	78,542	-	-	-	(78,542)	(78,542)	-	(78,542)
Culture and recreation	71,792	35,692	-	103,000	66,900	66,900	-	66,900
Total Governmental Activities	<u>224,616</u>	<u>35,692</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,000</u>	<u>(85,924)</u>	<u>(85,924)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(85,924)</u>
Business-Type Activities								
Sewer	64,166	67,847	-	-	3,681	-	3,681	3,681
Total Business-type Activities	<u>64,166</u>	<u>67,847</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,681</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,681</u>	<u>3,681</u>
Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 288,782</u>	<u>\$ 103,539</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 103,000</u>	<u>\$ (82,243)</u>	<u>(85,924)</u>	<u>3,681</u>	<u>(82,243)</u>
General Revenues:								
Ad valorem taxes						25,348	7,903	33,251
Sales tax						138,144	15,880	154,024
Franchise taxes						14,426	-	14,426
Occupational licenses						33,728	-	33,728
Oil and gas royalties						1,029	-	1,029
Investment earnings						733	-	733
Other general revenues						2,825	2,203	5,028
Total general revenues						<u>216,233</u>	<u>25,986</u>	<u>242,219</u>
Change in Net Position						130,309	29,667	159,976
Net position - beginning						1,734,335	87,961	1,822,296
Net position - ending						<u>\$ 1,864,644</u>	<u>\$ 117,628</u>	<u>\$ 1,982,272</u>

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2024

ASSETS	Major Funds		Total
	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 596,135	\$ 14,026	\$ 610,161
Receivables	12,482	6,156	18,638
Due from other funds	10,725	5,922	16,647
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 619,342	\$ 26,104	\$ 645,446
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities:			
Accounts, payroll, and other payables	\$ 6,805	\$ -	\$ 6,805
Due to other funds	5,922	-	5,922
Total Liabilities	12,727	-	12,727
Fund Balances:			
Committed			
Streets	431,132	-	431,132
Assigned			
Sewer or streets	-	26,104	26,104
Unassigned, reported in:			
General fund	175,483	-	175,483
Total Fund Balance	606,615	26,104	632,719
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 619,342	\$ 26,104	\$ 645,446

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2024

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Fund Balance, Total Governmental Funds, Statement C	\$ 632,719
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the government funds	<u>1,231,925</u>
Net Position of Governmental Activities, Statement A	\$ <u><u>1,864,644</u></u>

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

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

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Major Funds		Total
	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	
Revenues:			
Taxes			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 9,210	\$ 16,138	\$ 25,348
Sales taxes	138,144	-	138,144
Franchise taxes	14,426	-	14,426
Grants and contributions			
State Grant	100,000		100,000
Licenses and permits	33,728	-	33,728
Charges for services	35,692	-	35,692
Oil and gas royalties	1,029	-	1,029
Interest	702	31	733
Other	5,826	-	5,826
Total Revenues	338,757	16,169	354,926
Expenditures:			
Current			
General government	70,688	38	70,726
Public works			
Streets and right of ways	72,461	-	72,461
Culture and recreation	21,307	-	21,307
Capital outlays	160,448	-	160,448
Total Expenditures	324,904	38	324,942
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	13,853	16,131	29,984
Net change in Fund Balances	13,853	16,131	29,984
Fund balances, beginning of year	592,762	9,973	602,735
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 606,615	\$ 26,104	\$ 632,719

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

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

Net Change in Fund Balances, Total Governmental Funds, Statement E	\$ 29,984
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays (\$160,448) exceeds the depreciation (\$60,055) in the current period.	100,393
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds	<u>(67)</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities, Statement B	<u>\$ 130,310</u>

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

PROPRIETARY FUND

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND

June 30, 2024

	Business-Type Activity - Sewer
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 28,990
Receivables	9,720
Total current assets	<u>38,710</u>
Non-current assets:	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	89,643
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	<u>10,100</u>
Total non-current assets	<u>89,643</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>138,453</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Due to other funds	<u>10,725</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>10,725</u>
Payable from restricted assets:	
Meter deposits	<u>10,100</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>20,825</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	89,643
Unrestricted	<u>27,985</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 117,628</u>

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	<u>Sewer Fund</u>
Operating Revenues	
Charges for services	
Sewer service fees	\$ 67,847
	<u>67,847</u>
Total Operating Revenues	<u>67,847</u>
Operating Expenses	
Cost of sales and services	53,041
Administration	4,127
Depreciation	<u>6,998</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>64,166</u>
Operating Loss	3,681
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	
Ad valorem taxes	7,903
Sales tax	15,880
Transfer from General Fund	2,203
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	<u>25,986</u>
Income (Loss) Before Transfers	29,667
Change in Net Position	29,667
Total Net Position, beginning of year	87,961
Total Net Position, end of year	\$ <u><u>117,628</u></u>

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

PROPRIETARY FUND - Sewer

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Cash received from customers	\$ 67,891
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(31,335)
Cash payments to employees for services	(25,836)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>10,720</u>

CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Ad valorem taxes collected	7,802
State operating grant revenue	-
Sales tax collected	13,196
Transfer in from general fund and special revenue fund	2,203
Payment on general fund advance	(993)
Net cash provided by non capital financing activities	<u>22,208</u>

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Purchase of property and equipment	(29,229)
Interest received	-
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>(29,229)</u>

NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

3,699

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR

35,391

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR

\$ 39,090

Reconciliation of total cash and cash equivalents:

Current Assets - Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 28,990
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	10,100
	<u>\$ 39,090</u>

Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:

Operating income	\$ 3,681
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization	6,998
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(259)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	-
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	300
Total adjustments	<u>7,039</u>
Net cash (used)/provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 10,720</u>

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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INTRODUCTION

The Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana, was incorporated under the provisions of the Lawrason Act in 1939. The Village is governed by the mayor – board of aldermen form of government. The mayor and three aldermen are elected and serve four-year terms that expire on December 31, 2026. The Village has one sewer employee, one street employee, and a part time clerk. The Village has a population of 220 (2020 Census) and is located in northwest Louisiana in DeSoto Parish.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The Village is considered a primary government, since it is a special purpose government that has a separately elected governing body, is legally separate, and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. This report includes all funds that are controlled by or dependent on the Village's executive and legislative branches (The mayor and board of aldermen). The primary government (Village of Grand Cane) 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. There were no entities that were determined to be component units of the Village of Grand Cane.

B. Basis of Presentation

The Village of Grand Cane's financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. GAAP as applicable to governments also conforms to the requirements of Louisiana R.S. 24:517 and the guides set forth in the *Louisiana Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* and to the industry guide, *Audits of State and Local Government Units*, published by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

C. Fund Accounting

The Village uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain Village functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Government funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus of attention is on recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column. A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Village, or its total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures of the individual governmental fund is at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental funds, or management believes that the fund is particularly important to the financial statement users. The municipality reports the following governmental funds:

- The *General Fund* is the municipality's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is always reported as a major governmental fund in governmental fund statements.
- The *Special Revenue Fund* accounts for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

C. Fund Accounting (continued)

Proprietary funds are used to account for ongoing activities that are similar to those often found in the private sector. The measurement focus is based upon determination of net income, financial position, and cash flows. Proprietary funds account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business—where the intent of the governing body is that costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis is to be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that the periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

- The *Sewer Fund* is the Village's business-type fund, which accounts for all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses related to the operations of the sewer system.

D. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the Village. Individual funds are not displayed. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as is the proprietary fund. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to the government-wide view of the Village's operations.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued)

The amounts reflected in the governmental fund financial statements use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under modified accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, sales taxes, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessment receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Salaries and related benefits are recorded when employee services are provided to the Village.

Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

The financial statements of the proprietary fund are reported using the "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), financial position, and cash flows. The amounts reflected in the proprietary fund financial statements use the accrual basis of accounting. All assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) associated with their activities are reported.

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 revenue of the proprietary fund is sewer operating fees. Operating expenses for the proprietary fund 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.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exception to this general rule is charges affecting the government's proprietary operations. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, amounts in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits and certificates of deposit. Under state law the Village may deposit funds with a fiscal agent organized under the laws of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the union, or the laws of the United States. The Village may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes and bills, government-backed agency securities, or certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. These are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed 90 days. All investments are recorded at fair value based on quoted market prices.

F. Receivables

In the government-wide financial statements, receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received. The receivables for the governmental activities include ad valorem taxes and sales tax. Business-type activities report customer's sewer service charges as its major receivable. Allowances are reported when accounts are proven to be uncollectible. At June 30, 2024 all accounts were deemed collectible.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

G. Prepaid Expenses

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2024 are recorded as prepaid expenses. The Village had no prepaids at year end.

H. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost. There are no assets valued at estimated cost. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The municipality maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Roads, bridges, and infrastructure	15-20 years
Buildings and building improvements	40 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Equipment	7 years

I. Fund Equity

NET POSITION

In the government-wide financial statements, fund equity (the difference between assets and liabilities) is classified as net position and reported in three components:

- *Net investment in capital assets*—consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- *Restricted net position*—consists of net position with constraints placed on the use by a) external groups, such as creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other government; or b) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- *Unrestricted net position*—consists of all other assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets”.

The Village of Grand Cane’s policy is to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

FUND BALANCES

As required by GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, this statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government’s fund balances more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

I. Fund Equity (continued)

- *Nonspendable* – Amounts that are not in spendable form (such as prepaid expenses) because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- *Restricted* – Amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors of higher levels of government).
- *Committed* – Amounts which are subject to limitations or constraints to specific purposes the Village imposes upon itself as its highest level of decision making, the board of aldermen. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Village takes the same highest level of action to remove or change the constraint.
- *Assigned* – Amounts for which the Village has stated intended use as established by the Village council or the mayor.
- *Unassigned* – All amounts not included in one of the other categories.

The Village would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources, and then assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first to defer the use of these other classified funds.

J. Interfund Transactions and Balances

Quasi-external transactions, if any, are accounted for as revenues or expenditures. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions are reported as transfers.

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds. Those related to goods and service type transactions are classified as “due to and due from other funds.” These receivables and payables are classified as internal balances on the statement of net position and as due from/to other funds in the fund financial statements.

K. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

L. Risk Management

The Village is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to employees. To handle such risk of loss the Village maintains commercial insurance policies and surety bond coverage. There have been no claims filed in the last three years.

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2. LEVIED TAXES

Ad valorem Taxes

Property taxes are levied on a calendar year basis and become due on January 1 of each year. The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes:

Taxes due for:	Authorized Millage	Levied Millage	Expiration Date
General	6.00	5.57	Indefinite
Sewer system	5.00	4.78	2026
Sewer/ Streets	5.00	4.61	2027
Sewer/ Streets	5.40	5.15	2027

The difference between authorized and levied millages is the result of reassessments of taxable property within the parish as required by Louisiana Constitution Article VII, Section 18(F). This revaluation of all property is required to be completed no less than every four years. The last revaluation was completed for the roll of January 1, 2024. Total assessed value was \$1,653,461 for fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

The Village bills and collects its own property taxes, using the assessed values determined by the tax assessor of DeSoto Parish. Revenues from ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year billed.

Total ad valorem taxes levied were \$33,251 and ad valorem taxes receivable at June 30, 2024, are \$10,491. The following are the principal taxpayers for the Village and their 2024 assessed valuation:

TAXPAYER	ASSESSED VALUATION	% OF TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION	AD VALOREM TAX REVENUE FOR VILLAGE
Cleco Power LLC	\$ 245,684	15.71%	\$ 4,942
Progressive National Bank	124,507	7.96%	2,504
Stice-Hill Holding, LC	76,150	4.87%	1,532
Dollar General	54,987	3.52%	1,107
Jones, John David	37,105	2.37%	746
McKinney, Randall David	36,045	2.30%	724
Miciotto, Linda Christime	35,046	2.24%	705
Headrick, Rodney	28,046	1.79%	563
Cook, WM. H	27,731	1.77%	557
Atmos Energy Louisiana	27,478	1.76%	554
Total	\$ 692,779	44.29%	\$ 13,934

Sales Taxes:

A one percent sales and use tax was levied in the Village for the General Fund beginning in January 1997, with no expiration date. Initially, the proceeds from this tax were restricted to constructing, improving, and maintaining public roads, streets, and bridges in the Village. However, on October 12, 2019, voters approved a continuation of this tax, which also amended its use. Following the vote, fifty percent of the proceeds can now be used for any lawful purpose. Additionally, an extra 0.25% sales and use tax was introduced starting in January 2024, also with no expiration date. This new tax is designated specifically for constructing, improving, maintaining, and operating the Village's sewerage system, including the acquisition of equipment and improvements for this purpose.

Sales tax collections for the year ended June 30, 2024 were \$154,024.

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3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 2024, the Village has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) in deposits totaling \$649,251, with \$184,523 in demand deposits, \$464,628 in interest-bearing demand deposits, and \$100 in cash. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates fair value.

The cash and cash equivalents of the Village of Grand Cane are subject to the following risk:

Custodial Credit Risk: Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the government will not be able to recover its deposits. 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 or exceed the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities with 10 days of being notified by the Village that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Further Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the Village's name.

At June 30, 2024, the Village has collected bank balances of deposits totaling \$662,716. These deposits are fully secured from risk by \$250,000 of federal deposit insurance and by pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the Village (GASB Category 2) with a market value of \$512,883.

Credit Risk: Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of a debt type investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of an investment. The Village's investments comply with Louisiana Statutes (LSA R.S. 33:2955).

4. RECEIVABLES

The following is a summary of receivables at June 30, 2024:

	General	Special Revenue	Sewer	Total
Sales and use tax	\$ 10,918	\$ -	\$ 2,684	\$ 13,602
Ad valorem tax	1,564	6,156	2,771	10,491
Sewer fees	-	-	4,265	4,265
	<u>\$ 12,482</u>	<u>\$ 6,156</u>	<u>\$ 9,720</u>	<u>\$ 28,358</u>

Substantially all receivables are considered to be fully collectible, and no allowance for uncollectibles is used.

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5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, for the primary government is as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Balance June 30, 2023	Increases	Reclassifications/ Decreases	Balance June 30, 2024
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Buildings & improvements	\$ 1,453,061	\$ 53,650	\$ -	\$ 1,506,711
Equipment				
General	12,344	-	-	12,344
Public Works	61,915	-	(16,564)	45,351
Historical district & recreation	24,940	106,798	-	131,738
Streets	194,085	-	-	194,085
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>\$ 1,746,345</u>	<u>\$ 160,448</u>	<u>\$ (16,564)</u>	<u>\$ 1,890,229</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Buildings & improvements	\$ 367,672	\$ 50,199	\$ -	\$ 417,871
Equipment				
General	9,349	1,190	-	10,539
Public Works	41,571	4,914	(16,564)	29,921
Historical district & recreation	23,576	3,752	-	27,328
Streets	172,645	-	-	172,645
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>614,813</u>	<u>60,055</u>	<u>(16,564)</u>	<u>658,304</u>
Total Capital assets being depreciated net	<u>\$ 1,131,532</u>	<u>\$ 100,393</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,231,925</u>

Business type Activity:	Balance June 30, 2023	Increases	Reclassifications/ Decreases	Balance June 30, 2024
Capital assets being depreciated				
Sewer System	\$ 502,064	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 502,064
Equipment	11,149	4,229	(4,149)	11,229
Sewer betterments	154,799	25,000	-	179,799
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>\$ 668,012</u>	<u>\$ 29,229</u>	<u>\$ (4,149)</u>	<u>\$ 693,092</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Sewer System	502,064	-	-	502,064
Equipment	10,149	1,141	(4,149)	7,141
Sewer betterments	88,387	5,857	-	94,244
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>600,600</u>	<u>6,998</u>	<u>(4,149)</u>	<u>603,449</u>
Total Capital assets being depreciated net	<u>\$ 67,412</u>	<u>\$ 22,231</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 89,643</u>

Depreciation expense of \$60,055 reported in governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2024, was charged to the following governmental functions:

General government	\$ 3,490
Public works: Streets and right of ways	6,081
Cultural and recreation	50,484
	<u>\$ 60,055</u>

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6. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES, AND TRANSFERS

The composite of interfund receivable/payable as of June 30, 2024 was:

	General	Special Revenue	Sewer	Total
Due to	\$ 10,725	\$ 5,922	\$ -	\$ 16,647
Due from	(5,922)	-	(10,725)	(16,647)
	<u>\$ 4,803</u>	<u>\$ 5,922</u>	<u>\$ (10,725)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

7. ACCOUNTS, SALARIES, AND OTHER PAYABLES

The following is a summary of payables at June 30, 2024:

	General	Special Revenue	Sewer	Total
Trade payables	\$ 5,113	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,113
Accrued payroll taxes	1,692	-	-	1,692
Sewer deposits	-	-	10,100	10,100
Total	<u>\$ 6,805</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,100</u>	<u>16,905</u>

8. COMMITTED FUND BALANCE

As of June 30, 2024, the net fund balance committed for streets was as follows:

Beginning reserve June 30, 2022	\$ 440,650
Sales tax revenue	69,024
Less street expenses	(78,542)
Net reserve for streets, June 30, 2023	<u>\$ 431,132</u>

9. PENSION PLAN

All employees of the Village are members of the Social Security System. In addition to the employee contributions withheld at 7.65 percent of gross salary, the Village contributes an equal amount to the Social Security System. The Village does not guarantee the benefits granted by the Social Security System.

10. LEASE AGREEMENTS

The Village rents downtown historical buildings for an average of approximately \$2,970 revenue a month during the year ended June 30, 2024.

Under GASB 87, the Village recognizes all leases over one year in term as a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. The lease receivable is measured at the present value of lease payments expected to be received during the lease term. The deferred inflow of resources is measured at the value of the lease receivable plus any payments received at or before the commencement of the lease term that relate to future periods. Lease revenue is recognized from the deferred inflow of resources in a systematic and rational manner over the term of the lease. As of November 1, 2023, the Village does not have any leases over one year.

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10. LEASE AGREEMENTS (continued)

The changes in lease receivable and deferred inflows for June 30, 2024, are as follows:

	Lease Receivable	Deferred Inflows
Beginning balances	\$ 1,680	\$ 1,613
Principal received	-	
Income recognized	(1,680)	(1,613)
Ending balances	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Procedures, observations, and inquiries did not disclose any material related party transactions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

12. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Management has performed an evaluation of the Village of Grand Cane's activities through December 31, 2024, and has concluded that there are no significant events requiring recognition or disclosure through that date and time these financial statements were available to be issued.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (PART II)

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive(Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,210	\$ 210
Sales taxes	70,000	70,000	138,144	68,144
Franchise taxes	13,500	13,500	14,426	926
State Grant	-	100,000	100,000	-
Licenses and permits	20,500	20,500	33,728	13,228
Charges for services	34,550	34,550	35,692	1,142
Oil and gas royalties	900	1,050	1,029	(21)
Interest	400	400	702	302
Other	-	600	5,826	5,226
Total Revenues	<u>148,850</u>	<u>249,600</u>	<u>338,757</u>	<u>89,157</u>
Expenditures:				
Current				
General government	63,065	63,740	70,688	(6,948)
Public works				
Streets and right of ways	50,460	49,460	72,461	(23,001)
Culture and recreation	28,000	34,000	21,307	12,693
Capital outlays	-	200,000	160,448	39,552
Total Expenditures	<u>141,525</u>	<u>347,200</u>	<u>324,904</u>	<u>22,296</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures/ Net change in Fund Balances	<u>7,325</u>	<u>(97,600)</u>	<u>13,853</u>	\$ <u>111,453</u>
Fund balance, beginning of year	<u>592,762</u>	<u>592,762</u>	<u>592,762</u>	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ <u><u>600,087</u></u>	\$ <u><u>495,162</u></u>	\$ <u><u>606,615</u></u>	

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive(Negative)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,138	\$ 138
Interest income	-	-	31	31
Total Revenues	16,000	16,000	16,169	169
Expenditures:	-	-	38	38
Total Expenditures	-	-	38	38
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	16,000	16,000	16,131	131
Other Financing Uses:				
Operating transfers out	(16,000)	(16,000)	-	16,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	16,131	\$ 16,131
Fund balance, beginning of year	9,973	9,973	9,973	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 9,973	\$ 9,973	\$ 26,104	

See the accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA

NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Budgetary Information

The Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana's budget is prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America on a cash basis.

The Mayor and Village Clerk prepare a proposed budget and submit the same to the Board of Aldermen no later than fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The proposed budget is reviewed by the board of aldermen and made available to the public. At least ten days after publication of the call for a public hearing, the Village holds a public hearing on the proposed budget in order to receive comments from citizens. Changes are made to the proposed budget based on the public hearing and the desires of the Board of Aldermen as whole. The budget is then adopted through the passage of an ordinance during the June meeting.

During the year, the Board of Aldermen receives monthly budget comparison statements, which are used as tools to control the operations of the Village. The Village Clerk presents necessary budget amendments to the board when she determines that actual operations are differing materially from those anticipated in the original budget. The board in regular session reviews the proposed amendments, makes necessary changes, and formally adopts the amendments. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen must approve all changes in the budget. The Village does not use encumbrance accounting in its accounting system.

The budget comparison schedule included in the accompanying financial statements present the original adopted budget and the final amended budget

The Louisiana Local Government Budget Act provides that the governing authority must adopt a budget amendment if there is a 5% or greater shortage in revenue or a 5% or greater overage in expenditures.

In the General Fund, actual revenues were more than budgeted revenues. Actual expenditures were less than budgeted expenditures. The budget was amended during the year ended June 30, 2024. The Village is in compliance with the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF GRAND CANE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS
TO AGENCY HEADS OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Marsha Richardson, Mayor
Purpose:	
Salary	-
Benefits-insurance (Medicare)	-
Benefits- retirement (Social Security)	-
Benefits - retirement	-
Car allowance	-
Dues and memberships	-
Per diem	-
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Court pay	-
Cell phone	-
Special meals	-
Total	-

See accompanying independent accountant's review report.

OTHER REPORTS REQUIRED BY LOUISIANA STATE
AUDIT LAW



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Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

The Honorable Marsha Richardson, Mayor
And the Members of the Board of Aldermen
Grand Cane, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the Village of Grand Cane's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. The Village of Grand Cane's management is responsible for its financial records and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Village of Grand Cane has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the Village's compliance with the laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. Additionally, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

Public Bid Law

1. Obtain documentation for all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$60,000, and public works exceeding \$250,000. Compare the documentation for these expenditures to Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 39:1551-39:1755 (the state procurement code) or R.S. 38:2211-2296 (the public bid law), whichever is applicable; and report whether the expenditures were made in accordance with these laws.

No expenditures were made during the year for materials and supplies exceeding \$60,000 or public works exceeding \$250,000.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics).

Management provided us with the required list including the noted information.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the fiscal year.

Management provided us with the required list.

4. Report whether any employees' names appear on both lists obtained Procedures 2 and 3.

None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management (agreed-upon procedure No. 3) appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure No. 2.

5. Obtain a list of all disbursements made during the year, and a list of outside business interests of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families. Report whether any vendors appear on both lists.

A list of disbursements was obtained. None of the business interests were also found as a vendor.

Budgeting

6. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided us with a copy of the original budget and all amendments to the original budget.

7. Trace documentation for the adoption of the budget and approval of any amendments to the minute book, and report whether there are any exceptions.

The Board adopted the original budget on June 6, 2023. It was amended on June 4, 2024.

8. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Report whether actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, and whether actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

In the General Fund, we compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenue and expenditures. Budgeted revenues for the year exceeded actual amounts. Total actual expenditures were less than budgeted amounts.

In the Special Revenue Fund, we compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenue and expenditures. Budgeted revenues for the year were more than actual amounts. The Fund did not budget expenditures. Total expenditures were \$38 in bank statement fees. The Village budgeted an operating transfer to the sewer fund of \$16,000, and the actual transfers were less.

Accounting and Reporting

9. Obtain the list of all disbursements made during the fiscal year. Randomly select six disbursements and obtain documentation from management for these disbursements. Compare the selected disbursements to the supporting documentation, and

- (a) Report whether the six disbursements agree to the amount and payee in the supporting documentation.

We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

- (b) Report whether the six disbursements are coded to the correct fund and general ledger account

All payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

- (c) Report whether the six disbursements were approved in accordance with policies and procedures

Documentation supporting each of the six selected disbursements did not include approval on the invoices, however all bills are reviewed and approved at the monthly council meeting. They were properly coded to the general ledger.

Meetings

10. Obtain evidence from management to support that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by RS 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meeting law) and report whether there are any exceptions.

The Village of Grand Cane, Louisiana, is only required to post a notice of each meeting and the accompanying agenda on the door of Village Hall. There is a vote to accept the agenda as posted at the beginning of each meeting.

Debt

11. Obtain bank deposit slips for the fiscal year and scan the deposit slips in order to identify and report whether there are any deposits that appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness. If any such proceeds are identified, obtain from management evidence of approval by the State Bond Commission, and report any exceptions.

We inspected deposits for the period under examination and found no indication of new bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness in 2024.

Advances and Bonuses

12. Obtain the list of payroll disbursements and meeting minutes of the governing board, if applicable. Scan these documents to identify and report whether there are any payments or approval of payments to employees that may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

We inspected payroll records for the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to employees which would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

State Audit Law

13. Report whether the agency provided for a timely report in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

The report was filed timely.

14. Inquire of management and report whether the agency entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A(2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Management did enter into any contracts that utilized state funds but those contracts were not subject to the public bid law.

Other Matters, Concerns, Suggestions, Recommendations, and/ or Comments

15. Discuss any other matters, concerns, suggestions, recommendations and/ or comments determined during the performance of attestation procedures.

The Village should review and update their sewer deposit register more regularly to ensure the accuracy of the meter deposit liability is materially correct. It was noted that several individuals had left the system, but still had a deposit recorded. This is a continued concern and recommendation from the prior year.

Prior-Year Comments and Recommendations

16. Review any prior-year suggestions, recommendations, and or comments to determine the extent to which such matters have been resolved.

There were findings reported for the year ending June 30, 2023.

- a) The Village has a continued finding for an inadequate segregation of duties that management does not see as cost beneficial to correct. The segregation of duties continues to be unresolved.
- b) The Village was not in compliance with the Local Government Budget Act due to revenues having failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more and an operating transfer from the Special Revenue fund was not budgeted. Resolved.

We were engaged by the Village to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the United States Comptroller General. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Village's compliance with the foregoing matters. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Village and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on the Village's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Dees Gardner, Certified Public Accountants, LLC

Dees Gardner, Certified Public Accountants, LLC
Mansfield, Louisiana
December 31, 2024

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE
(For Attestation Engagements of Governmental Agencies)

November 20, 2024 (Date Transmitted)

Dees Gardner, CPAs, LLC

122 Jefferson Street

Mansfield, LA 71052

In connection with your engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures to the control and compliance matters identified below, as of June 30, 2024 (date) and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you.

Public Bid Law

It is true that we have complied with the state procurement code (R.S. 39:1551 – 39:1755); the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211-2296), and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration and the State Purchasing Office.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1101-1124.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1119.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Budgeting

We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (R.S. 39:1301-15), R.S. 39:33, or the budget requirements of R.S. 39:1331-1342, as applicable.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Accounting and Reporting

All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by R.S. 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with R.S. 24:514, and 33:463 where applicable.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding reporting of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in R.S. 42:11 through 42:28.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Debt

It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and R.S. 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Advances and Bonuses

It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, R.S. 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

Prior-Year Comments

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

General

We acknowledge that we are responsible for the Agency's compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We acknowledge that we are responsible for determining that the procedures performed are appropriate for the purposes of this engagement.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes [☒] No [] N/A []

We have provided you with all relevant information and access under the terms of our agreement.

Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A ☐

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations.

Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A ☐

We are not aware of any material misstatements in the information we have provided to you.

Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A ☐

We have disclosed to you with any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of your report.

Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A ☐

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies any known noncompliance and other events subsequent to the date of this representation and the date of your report that could have a material effect on our compliance with laws and regulations and the internal controls with such laws and regulations, or would require adjustment or modification to the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A ☐

The previous responses have been made to the best of our belief and knowledge.

Marsha Richardson Mayor 11-26-24 Date

[Signature] Town Clerk 11-26-24 Date