

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA

Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020



FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

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ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

Board of Commissioners
Fiske Union Fire District
Oak Grove, Louisiana

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of the Fiske Union Fire District, a component unit of the West Carroll Parish Police Jury, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fiske Union Fire District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. I did not audit or review the financial statements nor was I required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on these financial statements.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Fire District's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Accordingly, the financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

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

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and, 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. This information is the representation of management. This information was subject to my compilation agreement, however, I have not performed an audit or review on the the required supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on such information.



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The accompanying schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head on page 16 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. The information was subject to my compilation engagement, but I have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on such information.

Maxwell CPA, LLC

Monroe, Louisiana
May 25, 2021

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 126,117
Receivables - Sales Tax	6,462
Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>212,472</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 345,051</u>

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable	\$ 11,167
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NET ASSETS

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	201,305
Unassigned	<u>132,579</u>
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 333,884</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Public Safety:

Operating Services	\$ 34,336
Materials and Supplies	1,949
Depreciation Expense	11,533
Total Program Expenses	<u>47,818</u>

General Revenues:

Taxes - Sales	82,760
Other Revenues	1,300
Total General Revenues	<u>84,060</u>

Change in Net Assets

36,242

Net Assets - Beginning297,642**NET ASSETS - ENDING**\$ 333,884

See accompanying notes and accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 126,117
Receivables - Sales Tax	<u>6,462</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$ 132,579</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ -
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FUND BALANCES

Unassigned	<u>132,579</u>
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>	<u>\$ 132,579</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL
FUND BALANCE TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2020

Total Governmental Fund Balances		\$ 132,579
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.

Governmental Capital Assets	349,150	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(136,678)</u>	212,472

Long-term liabilities, including bonds and notes payable, capital leases and compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.

Notes Payable		<u>(11,167)</u>
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Net Position of Governmental Activities		<u>\$ 333,884</u>
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See accompanying notes and accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

<u>Revenues</u>	
Sales Taxes	\$ 82,760
Other Revenues	1,300
Total Revenues	<u>84,060</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Operating Services	34,336
Materials and Supplies	1,949
Capital Outlay	4,000
Debt Service	11,167
Total Expenditures	<u>51,452</u>
<u>Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures</u>	32,608
<u>Fund Balance - Beginning (Restated)</u>	<u>99,971</u>
<u>FUND BALANCE - ENDING</u>	<u><u>\$ 132,579</u></u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, 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 DECEMBER 31, 2020

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 32,608
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Government funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:

Capital Outlays	4,000	
Depreciation Expense	<u>(11,533)</u>	(7,533)

Repayment of debt principal, including capital leases, is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

Principal Payments		<u>11,167</u>
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Change in Net Position in Governmental Activities		<u><u>\$ 36,242</u></u>
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FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Fiske Union Fire District was established to provide fire protection for the political subdivisions of District B and E in the parish of West Carroll, Louisiana. This entity operates independent of any other parish governing body, but functions under the guidelines set forth by the West Carroll Parish Police Jury. The District functions under the direction of a board of commissioners. All members of the board serve with no compensation.

A. Reporting Entity

As the governing authority of the parish for reporting purposes, the West Carroll Police Jury is the financial entity for West Carroll Parish. The financial entity consist of (a) the primary government (police jury), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which 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. Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the West Carroll Police Jury for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the police jury to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the police jury.
2. Organizations for which the police jury does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the police jury.
3. Organization for which the reporting entity's financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the Fiske Union Fire District is fiscally dependent on the Police Jury, the district was determined to be a component unit of the West Carroll Parish Police Jury, the financial reporting entity. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by the district and do not present information on the police jury, the general government services provided by that governmental unit, or other governmental units that comprise the financial reporting entity.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with self-balancing set of accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities (general fixed assets and long-term obligations) that are not recorded in the "funds" because they do not

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

directly affect net expendable available financial resources. They are concerned only with measurement of financial position, not with the measurements of results of operations.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types". Governmental funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus is on recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held for others. The district's current operations require the use of only a governmental fund type. The governmental fund type of the district is described as follows:

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the district and is used to account for all financial activities not required to be accounted for in other funds. Primary funding is provided by a sales tax approved by voters of the district, state fire insurance rebates, and interest earnings on investments.

C. Basis of Accounting

The financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. Operating statements for these funds present increases and decreases in net current assets.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used for reporting all governmental fund types. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. The District uses the following practices in recognizing and reporting revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

All revenues are recorded when the District is entitled to the funds.

Expenditures

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

D. Budget Practices

The proposed budget, prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, was prepared and adopted by the Board of Commissioners in December of the prior year. The budget is established and controlled by the Board of Commissioners at the object level of expenditure. Encumbrance accounting is not utilized in the district's records. Appropriations lapse at year-end and must be re-appropriated for the following year to be expended. All changes in the budget must be approved by the board of commissioners.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budget comparison statements included in the accompanying financial statements include the original adopted budgets and all subsequent amendments.

E. 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.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Under State law, the District may deposit funds within a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the union, or the laws of the United States. The District may invest in certificates and time deposits of state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having principal offices in Louisiana. At December 31, 2020, the District has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$126,117.

Custodial Credit Risk: Custodial credit risk for deposits is that 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, the 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 36:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the district 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 District's name.

Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances) of \$126,167 at December 31, 2020, are fully secured by federal deposit insurance.

G. Equity Classifications

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. The Fiske Union Fire District adopted GASB statement 54 for the year ended December 31, 2020. As such, fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

Nonspendable - represents amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Restricted - represents balances where constraints have been established by parties outside the District's office or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - represents balances that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District's highest level of decision-making authority.

Assigned - represents balances that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purposes but are not restricted nor committed.

Unassigned - represents balances that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

The General Fund has an unassigned fund balance of \$132,579. If applicable, the District would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources and assigned resources as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first and to defer the use of these other classified funds.

H. Sales Taxes

In 1997 the West Carroll Parish Police Jury passed a one-half of one percent sales tax to be dedicated and used to provide fire protection in the eight fire protection districts in the parish through the acquisition, construction, improvement, operation and maintenance of equipment, property and facilities to be used in providing such fire protection, including payment of the costs of training and obtaining water for fire protection purposes and the payment of debt service on debt obligations issued for such purposes. The tax was renewed for the period of ten years and will expire on January 1, 2027.

I. Risk Management

The Fire District is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; and injuries to employees. To handle such risk of loss, the district maintains a commercial insurance policy covering property, employee liability, and public officials' liability. No claims were paid on any of the policies during the past three years that exceeded the policies' coverage amounts. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the year ended December 31, 2020.

Note 2 - Changes in Capital Assets

The following presents the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2020:

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Note 2 - Changes in Capital Assets (continued)

Balance, January 1, 2020	\$	345,150
Additions		4,000
Deletions		-
Balance, December 31, 2020		349,150
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(136,678)
Net Capital Assets	\$	212,472

Note 3 - Debt

In 2018, the District borrowed \$33,500 to purchase a fire truck. The loan has no interest and is payable in three annual installments of \$11,167.

Principal and interest payments to maturity are as follows:

Year	Interest	Principal	Total
2021	-	11,167	11,167

Note 4 - Litigation and Claims

The District is not involved in any litigation at December 31, 2020, nor is it aware of any unasserted claims.

Note 5 - Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through May 25, 2021, the date that the financial statements were available to be issued. All subsequent events determined to be relevant and material to the financial statements have been appropriately recorded or disclosed.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (GAAP BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance With</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		<u>Final Budget</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive</u>
				<u>(Negative)</u>
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE				
BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 99,971	\$ 99,971	\$ 99,971	\$ -
Resources				
Sales Taxes	80,000	80,000	82,760	2,760
Other Revenues	1,000	1,000	1,300	300
Total Resources	<u>81,000</u>	<u>81,000</u>	<u>84,060</u>	<u>3,060</u>
Amounts available for appropriations	<u>180,971</u>	<u>180,971</u>	<u>184,031</u>	<u>3,060</u>
Charges to appropriations				
Current				
Public Safety:				-
Operating Services	37,000	37,000	34,336	2,664
Materials and Supplies	2,000	2,000	1,949	51
Debt Service	11,167	11,167	11,167	-
Capital Outlay	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Total Charges to appropriations	<u>54,167</u>	<u>54,167</u>	<u>51,452</u>	<u>2,715</u>
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE				
END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 126,804</u>	<u>\$ 126,804</u>	<u>\$ 132,579</u>	<u>\$ 5,775</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

The proposed budget for the General Fund is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting and is made available for public inspection at least fifteen days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The budget is then legally adopted by the District and amended during the year, as necessary. The budget is established and controlled by the board of commissioners at the object level of expenditure. Appropriations lapse at year-end and must be reappropriated for the following year to be expended. All changes in the budget must be approved by the board of commissioners.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budgeted amounts included in the accompanying financial statements include the original adopted budget amounts for the year ended December 31, 2020. There were no budget amendments for the year.

See accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, REIMBURSEMENTS, BENEFITS
AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

Schedule 2

Agency Head		
Haywood Moss, Fire Chief		
Salary		\$ -
Benefits		
Benefits - Retirement	-	
Benefits - Insurance	-	
Car Allowance	-	
Travel	-	
Meals	-	
Total Benefits	-	-
Total		\$ -

See accountant's compilation report.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

2020-01 Segregation of Duties

Criteria

Good internal control procedures require that an entity separate certain duties by personnel.

Condition

Due to the small number of administrative personnel, the Fire District did not have adequate segregation of duties.

Cause

The Fire District cannot afford to hire enough people to separate duties.

Effect

The Fire District could be susceptible to misuse of its assets or fraud.

Recommendation

The Board should review bank reconciliations and bank statements each month.

Corrective Action Planned/Management's Response

The Fire District feels that the cost of hiring more staff far exceeds its benefits.

FISKE UNION FIRE DISTRICT
OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

2019-01 Segregation of Duties

Condition

Inadequate segregation of duties.

Recommendation

Hire more employees and redistribute duties.

Current Status

Finding is repeated as 2020-01.