

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Mayor and Council of Town of Gibbons

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Town of Gibbons (the Town), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, and the statements of operations and accumulated surplus, changes in net debt and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town as at December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Town in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Town's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Town or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance (Council) are responsible for overseeing the Town's financial reporting process.



Independent Auditors' Report to the Mayor and Council of Town of Gibbons (continued)

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
  fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
  evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting
  a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may
  involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal
  control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Town's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Town's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Town to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

METRIX GROUP LLP

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

Edmonton, Alberta October 30, 2024

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of Council of Town of Gibbons

The integrity, relevance and comparability of the data in the accompanying financial statements are the responsibility of management.

The financial statements are prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. They necessarily include some amounts that are based on the best estimates and judgements of management.

To assist in its responsibility, management maintains accounting, budget and other controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are appropriately authorized, that assets are properly accounted for and safeguarded, and that financial records are reliable for preparation of financial statements.

Metrix Group LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, have been appointed by the Town Council to express an opinion on the Town's financial statements.

Farrell O'Malley

Chief Administrative Officer

Monique Jeffrey

**Director of Corporate Services** 

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Statement of Financial Position As At December 31, 2023

	2	023		2022
FINANCIAL ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	•	459,915	\$	104,924
Receivables (Note 2)	7,	744,301		1,045,900
Loans receivable (Note 3)		40,542		16,065
Land held for resale		811,276		1,814,587
	9,	056,034		2,981,476
LIABILITIES				
Bank indebtedness (Note 4)	\$ 2,	406,291	\$	1,959,436
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 5)		874,059		491,827
Deposit liabilities		51,203		50,196
Deferred revenue (Note 6)		678,497		1,330,499
Asset retirement obligations (Note 7)		377,245		<b>.</b>
Long-term debt (Note 8)	•	101,911		4,888,470
Capital lease obligation (Note 9)		363,350		-
	13,	852,556		8,720,428
NET DEBT	(4,	796,522)		(5,738,952)
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NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS	30	272,340		36,943,455
Tangible capital assets (Note 10) Inventories for consumption		353,438		388,964
Prepaid expenses		30,124		25,147
	39,	655,902	<u>-</u>	37,357,566
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Note 11)	\$ 34,	859,380	\$	31,618,614

Contingencies (Note 12)

ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN COUNCIL:

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, \_\_\_ Councillor

Mayor

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

		2023 (Budget) (Note 16)	2023 (Actual)	 2022 (Actual)
REVENUE Sales and user charges (Schedule 4) Local improvement taxes Net municipal taxes (Schedule 2) Government transfers for operating (Schedule 3) Franchise and concession contracts (Note 13) Rentals Other	\$	3,209,127 165,299 3,196,441 727,546 422,300 341,957 106,667	\$ 4,949,399 4,514,439 3,186,444 927,560 399,968 393,744 84,804	\$ 2,500,915 173,902 2,981,512 692,152 452,093 323,513 60,628
Penalties and costs on taxes Interest Licenses and permits Fines		65,407 8,024 24,000 21,350	 65,098 24,416 19,655 10,587	 54,506 21,538 20,815 14,561
		8,288,118	 14,576,114	 7,296,135
EXPENSES  Subdivision land and development Administration Planning, zoning, & development Water and wastewater Parks and recreation Common services Culture Legislative Family and community support Roads, streets, walks and lighting Fire and disaster services Other public health & welfare Waste management Policing Bylaw enforcement Cemetery Amortization	_	41,756 1,313,397 415,093 1,330,779 1,391,313 789,627 827,598 304,291 296,368 269,631 270,636 - 174,865 130,283 122,039 25,225 - 7,702,901	1,691,855 1,548,030 1,473,118 1,302,531 1,274,245 820,598 555,280 296,568 286,023 265,495 245,512 205,700 203,409 166,165 69,040 11,554 1,523,877	164,247 1,220,381 474,030 1,408,041 1,217,891 829,347 467,202 267,548 315,092 261,830 282,980 129,504 197,727 117,648 80,409 12,234 1,541,505
ANNUAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT) BEFORE OTHER REVENUE	_	585,217	 2,637,114	 (1,691,481)
OTHER REVENUE Government transfers for capital (Schedule 3) Gain (loss) on disposal of tangible capital assets Other revenue for tangible capital assets	_	1,863,218 987,073	1,017,981 (90,071) -	 497,956 17,036 1,000
		2,850,291	 927,910	 515,992
ANNUAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		3,435,508	 3,565,024	(1,175,489)
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# TOWN OF GIBBONS Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus *(continued)*For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2023	2022
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS PREVIOUSLY STATED	31,618,614	31,618,614	32,794,103
Restatement (Note 21)	-	(324,258)	-
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR, RESTATED		31,294,356	_
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR (Note 11)	\$ 35,054,122	\$ 34,859,380	\$ 31,618,614

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Statement of Changes in Net Debt For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

	2023 (Budget) <i>(Note 16</i> )	2023 (Actual)	2022 (Actual)
ANNUAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ 3,435,508	\$ 3,565,024	\$ (1,175,489)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(2,960,562)	(4,061,152)	(1,227,604)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-	1,523,877	1,541,505
Land transfered from tangible capital assets to land held for resale	-	-	696,400
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	152,420	71,429
Loss (gain) on disposal of tangible capital assets	 -	90,071	 (17,036)
	474,946	1,270,240	(110,795)
Use of inventory held for consumption	-	35,526	100,879
Use (acquisition) of prepaid expenses	-	(4,977)	(5,199)
Asset retirement obligations (Note 21)	 -	(358,359)	-
INCREASE IN NET DEBT	474,946	942,430	(15,115)
NET DEBT - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 (5,738,952)	 (5,738,952)	 (5,723,837)
NET DEBT - END OF YEAR	\$ (5,264,006)	\$ (4,796,522)	\$ (5,738,952)

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Statement of Cash Flows For The Year Ended December 31, 2023

	*****	2023		2022
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$	3,565,024	\$	(1,175,489)
Non-cash items not included in annual surplus:		1,523,877		1,541,505
Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss (gain) on disposal of tangible capital assets		90,071		(17,036)
Accretion of asset retirement obligations		18,886		-
	·····	5,197,858		348,980
Changes in non-cash working capital				
balances related to operations:				
Receivables		(6,698,401)		263,897
Loans receivable		(24,477)		17,440
Land held for resale		1,003,311 382,232		(192,207) (361,642)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue		347,998		427,329
Deposit liabilities		1,008		6,029
Inventories for consumption		35,526		100,879
Prepaid expenses		(4,977)		(5,199)
		(4,957,780)		256,526
Cash flow from operating activities		240,078		605,506
CAPITAL ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets		152,420		71,429
Purchase of tangible capital assets		(4,061,152)		(1,227,604)
Cash flow used by capital activities		(3,908,732)		(1,156,175)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Advances from bank indebtedness		446,855		983,608
Long-term debt repaid		(636,560)		(597,370)
Long-term debt issued		3,850,000		-
Capital lease obligations repaid		(24,150)		-
Capital lease obligations proceeds		387,500		-
Cash flow from financing activities		4,023,645		386,238
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS DURING YEAR		354,991		(164,431)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	104,924	-	269,355
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	<u>\$</u>	459,915	\$	104,924

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Schedule of Equity in Tangible Capital Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

(Schedule 1)

		2023		2022
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	32,143,195	\$	33,119,724
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	•	4,061,152	•	1,227,604
Amortization of tangible capital assets		(1,523,877)		(1,541,505)
Long-term debt repaid		636,560		597,370
Long-term debt issued		(3,850,000)		-
Capital lease obligations repaid		24,150		_
Capital lease obligations issued		(387,500)		_
Cost of tangible capital assets disposed of		(273,961)		(756,838)
Accumulated amortization of tangible capital assets disposed of		33,733		6,045
Utilized long-term debt		-		(509,205)
Net book value of asset retirement obligation tangible capital				
asset adoption		31,837		-
Asset retirement obligations incurred (Note 7)		(358,359)		-
Asset retirement obligations accretion (Note 7)		(18,886)		-
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$</u>	30,518,044	\$	32,143,195
Equity in tangible capital assets is comprised of the following:				
Tangible capital assets (net book value)	\$	39,272,340	\$	36,943,455
Long-term debt	-	(8,101,911)		(4,888,470)
Asset retirement obligations		(377,245)		-
Capital lease obligation		(363,350)		_
Total long-term debt issued but unexpended	_	88,210		88,210
	\$	30,518,044	\$	32,143,195

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Schedule of Net Municipal Taxes For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

(Schedule 2)

	2023 (Budget) (Note 16)	2023 (Actual)	2022 (Actual)
TAXATION	\$ 4,223,934	\$ 4,213,615	\$ 4,037,551
REQUISITIONS  Alberta School Foundation Homeland Housing Designated Industrial Property	993,167 34,004 322	993,167 34,004 -	1,023,454 32,585 -
	1,027,493	1,027,171	1,056,039
NET MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 3,196,441	\$ 3,186,444	\$ 2,981,512

# TOWN OF GIBBONS Schedule of Government Transfers For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

(Schedule 3)

		Will be sure and the same		
	2023 (Budget) (Note 16)		2023 (Actual)	2022 (Actual)
TRANSFERS FOR OPERATING Local governments Provincial government Federal government	\$ 404,315 214,231 109,000	\$	387,117 383,893 156,550	\$ 349,892 270,302 71,958
	727,546		927,560	692,152
TRANSFERS FOR CAPITAL Provincial government Local governments	 1,863,218		967,981 50,000	447,956 50,000
	 1,863,218		1,017,981	497,956
TOTAL GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS	\$ 2,590,764	\$	1,945,541	\$ 1,190,108

TOWN OF GIBBONS Schedule of Segmented Information For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

						Pub	Public Works					
	General Administrat	General ministration	Rec	Recreation & Culture	Protective Services	Tran	rtation ces	Environmental Services	ıtal	All Other		Total
REVENUE												
Sales and user charges	↔	26,227	↔	113,439	\$ 117,217	↔	22,052	\$ 1,938,935	35 \$	2,731,529 4,364,048	↔	4,949,399 4,514,439
Taxation	Ť	346,105		537,076	292,966		1,010,297	1		. 1	.,	3,186,444
All other		25,306		544,381 634 629	44,823	<b></b>	51,643 2.100	4,761	7.	327,358 265.119		998,272 927,560
		1,548,029		1,829,525	480,718		1,086,092	1,943,696	96	7,688,054	7	14,576,114
EXPENSES												
Salaries, wages and benefits		793,156		931,407	99,723	~	585,570	145,7;	₩	629,752	•	3,185,339
Materials, goods, and supplies		166,962		357,361	245,088	~	133,423	106,160	90	3,214,320	`	4,223,314
Contracted and general services		223,043		4,792	100,167		114,101	981,341	17	55,579		1,479,023
Utilities		21,547		252,299	21,985	10	187,450	84,077	77	4,740		572,098
Repairs & maintenance		136,035		202,853	9,229	•	49,764	97,924	24	16,254		512,059
Interest on long-term debt		. 1		41,529	1		6,313	78,7	82	40,337		166,907
Insurance		46,231		39,284	4,526	<b>'</b>	9,471	11,979	6	3,837		115,328
Interest and bank charges		161,055		ı	-		I	r		-		161,055
	\$	1,548,029	\$	1,829,525	\$ 480,718	ક	1,086,092	\$ 1,505,940	to \$	3,964,819	\$	10,415,123
NET REVENUE BEFORE AMORTIZATION								727 756	<u>u</u>	3 703 035	·	7 180 991
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Amortization		78,184		427,949	44,709		581,373	365,412	12	26,250		1,523,877
NET REVENUE (DEFICIT)	↔	(78,184)	↔	(427,949)	\$ (44,709)	\$ (6	(581,373)	\$ 72,344	44 \$	3,696,985	€	2,637,114

TOWN OF GIBBONS Schedule of Segmented Information For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Ad	General Administration	A	Recreation & Culture	п. "	Protective Services	Public Works & Transportatior Services	ks ion	Public Works & Transportation Environmental Services Services	tal	All Other		Total
REVENUE  Taxation Sales and user charges All other Government transfers Local improvement	<del>∨</del>	1,035,279 23,190 42,351 -	↔	603,980 125,986 478,563 476,564	↔	289,518 133,624 50,144 7,749	\$ 1,052,735 22,690 15,753		\$ 1,946,778 3,539	\$ 39	248,647 357,304 207,839 54,340	\$	2,981,512 2,500,915 947,654 692,152 173,902
		1,220,382		1,685,093		481,035	1,091,178	78	1,950,317	17	868,130		7,296,135
EXPENSES													
Salaries, wages and benefits	ક્ક	670,185	↔	894,607	↔	104,696	\$ 559,839		\$ 130,313	13 \$	w .	₩	3,012,725
Contracted and general services		214,251		1,790		83,054	149,435	ဗ္ဗ	1,011,605	ರ 4	37,634	I C	1,497,770
Utilities		19,967		230,684		18,421	167,212	128	64,613	5 &	4,583	. ~	505,480
Repairs & maintenance		80,209		160,564		50,505	44,530	30	126,244	44	14,634		476,986
Interest on long-term debt		•		38,998		1	,	1	77,093	93	42,461		158,552
Insurance Interest and bank charges		36,832 51,430		29,182		5,563	8,596	96	11,085	85	4,211		95,469 51,430
		1,220,382		1,685,093		481,035	1,091,178	78	1,605,769	69	1,362,654		7,446,111
NET REVENUE BEFORE AMORTIZATION		ı		1		ı	i		344,548	48	(494,524)	<b>≘</b>	(149,976)
Amortization		69,955		458,603		38,126	589,550	50	333,712	12	51,559		1,541,505
NET REVENUE (DEFICIT)	க	(69,955)	s	(458,603)	↔	(38,126)	\$ (589,550)	- 1	\$ 10,836	36 \$	(546,083)	3	(1,691,481)

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Town of Gibbons (the Town) are the representations of management, prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. Significant aspects of the accounting policies adopted by the Town are as follows:

# (a) Reporting Entity

The financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and cash flows of the reporting entity. The entity is comprised of all the organizations that are owned or controlled by the Town and are, therefore, accountable to Town Council for the administration of their financial affairs and resources.

The schedule of property taxes also includes requisitions for education that are not part of the reporting entity.

The statements exclude trust assets that are administered for the benefit of external parties.

# (b) Basis of Accounting

Revenues are accounted for in the period in which the transactions or events occurred that gave rise to the revenues.

Funds from external parties and earnings thereon restricted by agreement or legislation are accounted for as deferred revenue until used for the purpose specified.

Government transfers are recognized in the financial statements as revenues in the period that the events giving rise to the transfer occurred, providing the transfers are authorized, the Town has met any eligibility criteria, and reasonable estimates of the amounts can be made.

Expenses are recognized in the period the goods and services are acquired and a liability is incurred or transfers are due.

#### (c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Town has used estimates to determine accrued liabilities, tangible capital asset useful lives as well as provisions made for allowances for amounts receivable or any provision for impairment, and asset retirement obligations.

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (d) Valuation of Financial Assets and Liabilities

The Town's financial assets and liabilities are measured as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents Cost and amortized cost

Receivables Lower of cost or net recoverable value Lower of cost or net recoverable value

Bank indebtedness Cost and amortized cost

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Cost Deposit liabilities Cost

Asset retirement obligations

Long-term debt

Capital lease obligations

Cost or present value

Amortized Cost

Amortized Cost

For financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost, the effective interest rate method is used to determine interest revenue or expense. Transaction costs are a component of cost for financial assets and liabilities that are measured at cost or amortized cost and expensed when measured at fair value.

# (e) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes items that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value, and have a maturity of 90 days or less at acquisition.

#### (f) Land Held for Resale

Land held for resale is recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost includes costs for land acquisition and improvements required to prepare the land for servicing such as clearing, stripping and leveling charges. Related development costs incurred to provide infrastructure such as water and wastewater services, roads, sidewalks and street lighting are recorded as physical assets under the respective function.

#### (g) Asset Retirement Obligations

Asset retirement obligations are legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible capital assets. Asset retirement activities include all activities relating to an asset retirement obligation including, but not limited to, decommissioning or dismantling, remediation of contamination, post-retirement activities such as monitoring, and constructing other tangible capital assets to perform post-retirement activities.

A liability for asset retirement obligation is recognized when there is a legal obligation to incur retirement costs, the past transaction or event giving rise to the liability as occurred, it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

When a liability for asset retirement obligation is recognized, asset retirement costs related to recognized tangible capital assets in productive use are capitalized by increasing the carrying value of the related asset and are amortized over the estimated useful life of the underlying tangible capital asset. Asset retirement costs related to unrecognized tangible capital assets and those not in productive use are expensed.

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (h) Contaminated Sites

Contaminated sites are defined as a result of contamination being introduced in air, soil, water or sediment of a chemical, organic, or radioactive material or live organism that exceeds an environmental standard. A liability for remediation on contaminated sites is recognized, net of any recoveries, when an environmental standard exists, contamination exceeds the environmental standard, the Town is directly responsible for or accepts responsibility for the liability, future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the liability can be made.

# (i) Inventories for Consumption

Inventories of materials and supplies for consumption are recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value with cost determined using the average cost method.

## (i) Tangible Capital Assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets is amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life as follows:

Engineered structures:	
Water system	45 - 75 years
Wastewater system	45 - 75 years
Other	10 - 40 years
Buildings	25 - 50 years
Vehicles	10 - 25 years
Land improvements	15 - 25 years
Machinery and equipment	5 - 40 years

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue.

Works of art for display are not recorded as tangible capital assets but are disclosed.

#### (k) Tax Revenue

Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year they are levied.

Construction and borrowing costs associated with local improvement projects are recovered through annual special assessments during the period of the related borrowings. These levies are collectable from property owners for work performed by the municipality and are recognized as revenue in the year in which the local improvement project is completed.

#### TOWN OF GIBBONS

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## (I) Over-levy and Under-levy

Over-levies and under-levies arise from the difference between the actual property tax levy made to cover each requisition and the actual amount requisitioned.

If the actual levy exceeds the requisition, the over-levy is accrued as a liability and property tax revenue is reduced. Where the actual levy is less than the requisition amount, the underlevy is accrued as a receivable and as property tax revenue.

Requisition tax rates in the subsequent year are adjusted for any over-levies or under-levies of the prior year.

### (m) Non-Financial Assets

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the normal course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenues over expenses, provides the Change in Net Financial Assets (Debt) for the year.

### (n) Pension Expenses

The Town accounts for the Local Authorities Pension Plan as a defined contribution plan, specifically, employer contributions for current and past service pension benefits are recorded as expenses in the year in which they become due. The Town does not recognize its share of the pension benefit obligation.

# (o) New Accounting Standards not yet Adopted

Effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2023, *PS 3400 Revenue* provides guidance on how to account for and report revenue, and specifically, it addresses revenue arising from exchange transactions and non-exchange transactions.

#### 2. RECEIVABLES

		2023	2022
Local improvement taxes *	\$	4,459,247	\$ 400.050
Trade and other Taxes and grants in place of taxes		2,548,709 339,800	433,853 310,853
Goods and Services Tax rebate Utilities	_	247,322 154,223	115,019 191,175
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts		7,749,301 (5,000)	1,050,900 (5,000)
	\$	7,744,301	\$ 1,045,900

<sup>\*</sup> The Town passed Bylaw ALT 5/23 authorizing Council to impose a local improvement tax in respect of all lands that directly benefit from the Heartland Common - Heartland Station project costs. The total amount of the local improvement tax is \$4,459,247, is repayable in 30 semi-annual installments of \$216,762 including interest at a fixed rate of 5.26% per annum maturing December 2038.

#### 3. LOANS RECEIVABLE

In 2018, as part of the its Williams Park Sanitary Service Upgrades project and upon residents entering into a Letter of Agreement for Repayment, the Town undertook remediation work necessary to upgrade or replace the sanitary lines originating from resident homes to the Town's primary service line, which was approved under Council motion 18.158.

The loans were issued to residents of 18 tax rolls. Loans are repayable in equal annual installments ranging between 1 and 10 years and are non-interest bearing as long as the resident does not default on a regularly scheduled payment without prior authorization of the Town.

In 2023, as part of its Back Alley Parving project and upon residents entering into a Letter of Agreement for Repayment, the Town undertook remediation work necessary to pave or replace roads and attached driveways originating from resi dents homes, which was approved under Council motion 22.224.

The loans were issued to residents of 13 tax rolls. Loans are repayable in equal annual installments ranging between 1 and 10 years and are non-interest bearing as long as the resident does not default on a regularly scheduled payment without prior authorization of the Town.

For both projects in the event of a defaulted payment without prior authorization of the Town, the Town has secured the loans by way of requiring the loan balance to be due in full and applied against the applicable tax roll, bearing interest at a rate of 3% per annum beginning from the first day after the date of the defaulted regularly scheduled payment.

#### 4. BANK INDEBTEDNESS

The Town has available lines of credits with a combined maximum limit of \$3,800,000. The line of credit bears interest at prime less 0.25% for \$2,800,000, and the other line of credit bears interest at prime lending rate for \$1,000,000. The lines of credit are secured by a general security agreement over the assets of the Town.

#### 5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

,	 2023	2022
Trade and other Accrued employee vacation pay Accrued debenture interest	\$ 750,282 100,540 23,237	\$ 388,379 87,381 16,067
	\$ 874,059	\$ 491,827

# 6. DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue represents unspent externally restricted funds that are related to expenses that will be incurred in a future period.

	2022	Fur	nds Received	E	Funds Expended	2023
Alberta Community Facility Enhancement Program	\$ -	\$	710,020	\$	- \$	710,020
Other Alberta Municipal Water /	348,338		237,866		(253,417)	332,787
Wastewater Program	298,703		15,104		-	313,807
Canada Community-Building Fund Municipal Sunstainability Initiative	523,309		197,759		(529,991)	191,077
Capital Program	118,013		344,103		(331,310)	130,806
Municipal Stimulus Program	 42,136		-		(42,136)	=
	\$ 1,330,499	\$	1,504,852	\$	(1,156,854) \$	1,678,497

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#### 7. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The Town has asset retirement obligations to remove various hazardous materials including, asbestos, lead, mercury, and mold from buildings under its control. Regulations require the Town to handle and dispose of these materials in a prescribed manner when it is disturbed, such as when when the building undergoes renovations or is demolished. Although the timing of the removal is conditional on the building undergoing renovations or being demolished, regulations create an existing obligation for the Town.

The estimated liability is based on the sum of discounted future cash flows using a discount rate of 5.3% and inflation rate of 3.7%. The Town has not designated assets for settling asbestos abatement.

	 2023	2022
Asset retirement obligation (Note 21) Accretion expense	\$  358,359 18,886	\$ -
	\$ 377,245	\$ -

Additionally, the Town is a member of the Roseridge Solid Waste Management Services Commission (the Commission) and, pursuant to the *Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act*, the Town may be required to fund its share of the closure and post-closures costs of the landfill site and provide for its share of the post-closure costs of the facility. By statute, the Commission must provide for these costs and it is the opinion of the Town's management that the Commission has sufficient reserves to cover the future closure and post-closure costs.

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8.	LONG-TERM DEBT			
			 2023	 2022
	Government of Alberta debenture reamounts of \$173,724 including intelligence December 2038.		\$ 3,600,000	\$ -
ı	Government of Alberta debenture reliamounts of \$82,615 including interesting September 2034.		1,597,944	1,724,271
	Government of Alberta debenture reiamounts of \$144,782 including interpretable December 2027.	1,094,958	1,351,906	
	Government of Alberta debenture reiamounts of \$75,879 including inter- June 2033.	1,147,918	1,241,429	
	Government of Alberta debenture reamounts of \$75,397 including interest December 2026.	epayable in semi-annual est at 2.480% maturing	433,380	570,864
	Government of Alberta debenture reamounts of \$28,602 including interjune 2028.		 227,711	_
			\$ 8,101,911	\$ 4,888,470
	Principal and interest payments are d	lue as follows:		
		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
	2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 To maturity	\$ 842,108 870,997 901,011 780,470 489,098 4,218,227	\$ 319,889 291,000 260,986 230,733 203,940 930,547	\$ 1,161,997 1,161,997 1,161,997 1,011,203 693,038 5,148,774
		<u>\$ 8,101,911</u>	\$ 2,237,095	\$ 10,339,006

# 9. CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATION

Capital lease obligation bearing interest at 15% per annum, payable in blended monthly instalments of \$12,075, with automotive equipment pledged as security with net book value of \$363,350. Bargain purchase option exists for the Town to purchase the capital asset under lease after 6 months from inception of lease.

Future minimum capital lease payments are approximately:

Total minimum payments

\$ 363,350

10.	TANC	SIBLE	CAPIT	AL.	ASSE	TS

					Net	2023 t Book /alue	2022 Net Book Value
Engineered structures Buildings Land Work in progress Land improvements Machinery and equipment Vehicles Vehicle under capital lease				\$		8,846,467 \$ 6,834,218 5,982,176 2,254,798 2,230,065 1,712,181 1,049,085 363,350	18,994,611 6,912,582 5,982,176 218,255 2,220,018 1,597,126 1,018,687
				<u>\$</u>	3	9,272,340 \$	36,943,455
	E	Cost Beginning of Year	Additions	Disposals		Transfers	Cost End of Year
Engineered structures Land Buildings	\$	36,014,934 \$ 5,982,176 10,203,543	503,511 \$ - 112,400	-	\$	93,942 5 - 92,435	\$ 36,612,387 5,982,176 10,408,378
Vehicles Land improvements Machinery and equipment		2,378,211 3,506,856 2,281,973	503,900 89,062 248,649	(273,96 - -	61)	- 85,645 - (470,587)	2,608,150 3,681,563 2,530,622
Work in progress Vehicle under capital lease		218,255	2,216,130 387,500	<u>-</u>		(179,587)	2,254,798 387,500
,	A	ccumulated mortization Beginning of Year	4,061,152 \$  Current Amortization	(273,96 Disposals	31)\$	92,435 S	\$ 64,465,574  Accumulated Amortization  End of Year
Engineered structures Buildings Vehicles Land improvements Machinery and equipment Vehicle under capital lease	\$	17,020,323 \$ 3,290,961 1,359,524 1,286,838 684,847	745,597 \$ 222,602 233,274 164,660 133,594 24,150	- (33,7; - - -	\$ 33)	- 60,597 - - - -	\$ 17,765,920 3,574,160 1,559,065 1,451,498 818,441 24,150
	\$	23,642,493 \$	1,523,877 \$	(33,7	331\$	60,597	\$ 25,193,234

#### 11. ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

	2023	2022
Unrestricted surplus (deficit) Equity in tangible capital assets (Schedule 1) Capital reserves	\$ 4,241,336 30,518,044 100,000	, ,
	\$ 34,859,380	\$ 31,618,614

#### 12. CONTINGENCIES

The Town is a member of the Alberta Municipal Insurance Exchange (MUNIX). Under the terms of membership, the Town could become liable for its proportionate shares of any claim losses in excess of the funds held by the exchange. Any liability incurred would be accounted for as a current transaction in the year the losses are determined.

Where the outcome of a claim against the Town is considered likely to result in a loss and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated, accrued liabilities are recorded. Where the resulting potential losses, if any, cannot be determined or the occurrence of future events is unknown, accrued liabilities are not established

## 13. FRANCHISE FEES AND CONCESSION CONTRACTS

Disclosure of franchise fees under each utility franchise agreement entered into by the Town as required by Alberta Regulation 313/2000 is as follows:

	 2023 (Budget) (Note 16)	2023 (Actual)	2022 (Actual)
ATCO Gas Fortis Alberta	\$ 252,704 169,596	\$ 232,773 167,195	\$ 273,180 178,913
	\$ 422,300	\$ 399,968	\$ 452,093

#### 14. SALARIES AND BENEFITS DISCLOSURE

Disclosure of salaries and benefits for Town officials, the Town Chief Administrator Officer and designated officers are required by *Alberta Regulation 313/2000* is as follows:

	 Salary (1)	Be	enefits (2, 3)	2023	2022
Mayor Deck	\$ 35,755	\$	2,165 \$	37,920	\$ 37,046
Councillors Millante	22,829		1,409	24,238	23,641
Kozak	22,829		1,396	24,225	23,641
Yushchyshyn	22,829		1,396	24,225	966
Berry	22,829		123	22,952	24,364
Sandahl	22,829		123	22,952	22,449
Harris	19,094		1,226	20,320	23,666
McCann	-		m	_	6,933
				-	•
Chief Administrative Officer					
O'Malley	195,373		39,719	235,092	236,137
Designated Officers (3)	 391,141		79,054	470,195	 626,278
	\$ 755,508	\$	126,611 \$	882,119	\$ 1,025,121

- (1) Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime lump sum payments, gross honoraria and any other direct cash remuneration.
- (2) Employer's share of all employee benefits and contributions or payments made on behalf of employees including pension, health care, dental coverage, vision coverage, group life insurance, accidental disability and dismemberment insurance, long and short term disability plans, professional memberships, and tuition.
- (3) Benefits and allowances figures also include the employer's share of the costs of additional taxable benefits including special leave with pay, financial planning services, retirement planning services, concessionary loans, travel allowances, car allowances and club memberships.

# 15. FUNDS HELD IN TRUST

The Town administers the following trust funds on behalf of third parties. As related trust assets are not owned by the Town, the trust funds have been excluded from the financial statements. Transactions during the year are as follows:

	 2023	2022
Balance, Beginning of Year Interest income Perpetual care fees	\$ 12,308 622 -	\$ 11,452 256 600
Balance, End of Year	\$ 12,930	\$ 12,308

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#### 16. BUDGET FIGURES

	 2023 (Budget)	********	2023 (Actual)
Annual surplus (deficit) Amortization Acquisition of tangible capital assets Long-term debt repayments Net transfers (to) from reserves	\$ 3,435,508 5 - (2,960,562) (600,747) 115,928	\$	3,565,024 1,523,877 (4,061,152) (597,370)
· <i>,</i>	\$ (9,873)	\$	430,379

The budget data presented in these financial statements is based on the operating and capital budgets approved by Town Council on March 8, 2023 and April 12, 2023, respectively. The table above reconciles the approved financial plan to the figures reported in these financial statements.

#### 17. DEBT LIMITS

Section 276(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* requires that debt and debt limits as defined by Alberta Regulation 255/00 for the Town of Gibbons be disclosed as follows:

	2023	2022
Total debt limit Total debt	\$ 21,864,171 (10,871,552)	\$ 10,944,203 (6,847,906)
Total debt limit remaining	\$ 10,992,619	\$ 4,096,297
Service on debt limit Service on debt	\$ 3,644,029 (1,161,997)	\$ 1,824,034 (757,346)
Total service on debt limit remaining	\$ 2,482,032	\$ 1,066,688

The debt limit is calculated at 1.5 times revenue of the Town (as defined in Alberta Regulation 255/00) and the debt service limit is calculated at 0.25 times such revenue. Incurring debt beyond these limits requires approval by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. These thresholds are guidelines used by Alberta Municipal Affairs to identify municipalities which could be a financial risk if further debt is acquired. The calculation taken alone does not represent the stability of the Town. Rather, the financial statements must be interpreted as a whole.

#### 18. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Town provides a range of services to its citizens. For each reported segment, revenues and expenses represent both amounts that are directly attributable to the segment and amounts that are allocated on a reasonable basis. The accounting policies used in these segments are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the financial statements as disclosed in Note 1. For additional information see the Schedules of Segmented Disclosure (Schedule 4 & Schedule 5).

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#### 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS RISKS

The Town is exposed to the following risks with respect to its financial instruments at December 31, 2023.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counter party will fail to perform its obligations. The Town is exposed to credit risk from customers. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific accounts, historical trends and other information. The Town has a significant number of customers which minimizes concentration of credit risk.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Town will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Town is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its receipt of funds from its customers and other related sources, long term debt, contributions to the pension plan, and accounts payable.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument might be adversely affected by a change in the interest rates. In seeking to minimize the risks from interest rate fluctuations, the Town manages exposure through its normal operating and financing activities. The Town is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its floating interest rate bank indebtedness and credit facilities.

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the company is not exposed to significant other price risks arising from these financial instruments.

## 20. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN (LAPP)

The Town is required to make current service contributions to the LAPP of 8.45% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan and 12.23% on pensionable earnings above this amount. Employees of the Town are required to make current service contributions of 7.45% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings and 11.23% on pensionable earnings above this amount.

Total current service contributions by the Town to the LAPP in 2023 were \$142,169 (2022 - \$134,402). Total current service contributions by the employees of the Town to the LAPP in 2023 were \$118,858 (2022 - \$124,004).

At December 31, 2023, the Plan disclosed an actuarial surplus of \$15.06 billion (2022 - \$12.67 billion).

#### 21. RESTATEMENT

Effective January 1, 2023, the Town adopted *PS 3280 Asset Retirement Obligations* propsectively. The effect of these changes on 2023 beginning figures are as follows:

- Increase in asset retirement obligations \$358,359
- Increase in tangible capital assets of \$34,101
- Decrease in accumulated surplus of \$324,258

Effective January 1, 2023, the Town also adopted *PS 3450 Financial Instruments*. There was no impact on the Town's financial reporting regarding this.

# 22. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by Council and management.