GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Gilchrist County, Florida, as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements. The combining general fund and nonmajor fund financial statements, fiduciary fund schedule, and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance, as required by the audit requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, *Florida Single Audit Act*; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the State of Florida, Office of the Auditor General, as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining general fund and nonmajor fund financial statements, fiduciary fund schedule, and schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 26, 2020, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

Gilchrist County, Florida's (the "County") discussion and analysis is designed to (a) assist the reader in focusing on significant financial issues, (b) provide an overview of the County's financial activity, (c) identify changes in the County's financial position (its ability to address the next and subsequent year challenges), (d) identify any material deviations from the financial plan (the approved budget), and (e) identify individual fund issues or concerns.

Since the Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is designed to focus on the current year's activities, resulting changes and currently known facts, please read it in conjunction with the County's financial statements which follow this discussion.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the County exceeded its liabilities at September 30, 2019 by \$26,828,281 (net position). Of this amount unrestricted net position amounted to \$(316,029) due to the County recording its proportionate share of the Florida Retirement System's net pension liability of \$15,185,607.
- The County's long-term debt obligations decreased by \$577,941 due to regular scheduled loan payments. Additional debt issuance for \$191,000 were contracted for Emergency Medical Service Equipment.
- As of September 30, 2019, the County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$12,821,592. Fund balances saw an increase of \$1,344,037 when compared to the prior year.
- The County purchased capital assets of buildings, improvements, infrastructure, and equipment in the amount of \$2,287,930.

Using This Annual Report

The financial statement's focus is on both the County as a whole (government-wide) and on the major individual funds. Both perspectives (government-wide and major fund) allow the user to address relevant questions, broaden a basis for comparison (year to year or government to government) and enhance the County's accountability.

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the County's basic financial statements, which are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the County's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The focus is on "activities", rather than "fund types".

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the County's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. The focus of the Statement of Net Position is designed to be similar to bottom line results for the County and its governmental activities. This statement combines and consolidates governmental fund current resources (short-term spendable resources) with capital assets and long-term obligations. Over time, the increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year, focusing on both the gross and net costs of various activities that are supported by the government's general tax and other revenues. This is intended to summarize and simplify the user's analysis of the cost of various governmental services.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the County that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions. The

governmental activities of the County include general government, court system, law enforcement, county jail, emergency medical services, emergency management functions, solid waste services, road and street improvements and recreation projects.

The government-wide financial statements include only Gilchrist County, Florida, which is known as the primary government.

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

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over the resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the County can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds. Traditional users of governmental financial statements will find the fund financial statements presentation more familiar.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spending resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the County'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 County's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes for the major funds. Information is presented for the non-major funds in the Combining Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Sheet and Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.

The County adopts an annual appropriated budget for all of its governmental funds, as required by state law. The County has two major governmental funds. A listing and description of the major funds is provided in the notes to financial statements. Budgetary comparison statements have been provided for the major funds to demonstrate compliance with the budget. In addition, the financial statements provide budget to actual comparisons for the non-major funds.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the County. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the County's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for governmental funds. The County's main fiduciary activity is the accounting for agency funds. The County collects monies for property taxes, traffic fines and other monies to be remitted to other governmental agencies.

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. They can be found following this discussion.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Statement of Net Position

The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Net Position for the current year as compared to the prior year. For more detailed information see the Statement of Net Position.

	2019	2018
	Government	al Activities
Current and other assets	\$ 14,608,421	\$ 11,534,729
Capital assets, net	27,027,392	27,173,387
Total assets	41,635,813	38,708,116
Deferred outflows	5,879,091	5,440,853
Other liabilities	1,695,172	997,336
Long-term liabilities	17,794,669	15,208,763
Total liabilities	19,489,841	16,206,099
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Deferred inflows	1,196,782	1,454,002
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	25,503,253	25,262,307
Restricted	1,641,057	1,620,319
Unrestricted	(316,029)	(393,758)
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Total net position	\$ 26,828,281	\$ 26,488,868

The majority of the County's net position reflects 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. The County uses these assets to provide services to its citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the County's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Of the remaining balances, \$(316,029) is unrestricted net position and \$1,641,057 is restricted net position that is constrained by grant agreements, Florida Statutes or enabling legislation.

Significant increases in net pension liabilities shown above are the result of recording the County's proportionate share of the Florida Retirement System's net pension liability.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

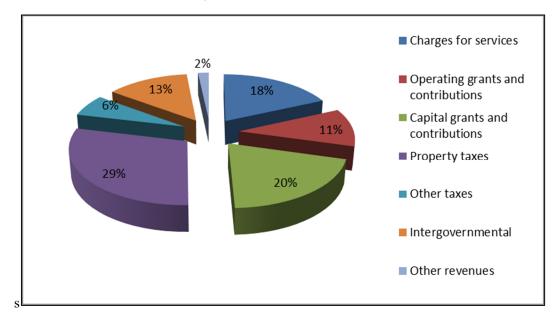
Statement of Activities

The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Activities for the current year as compared to the prior year. For more detailed information see the Statement of Activities.

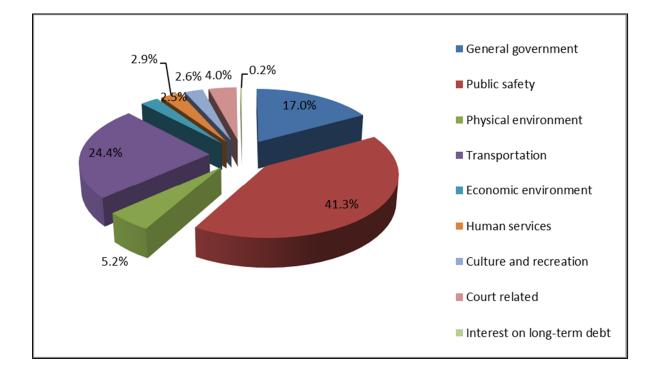
		2019		2018
	Governmental Activities			
Program revenues:				
Charges for services	\$	4,732,213	\$	4,282,454
Operating grants and contributions		2,856,244		1,484,955
Capital grants and contributions		5,218,170		262,948
General revenues:				
Property taxes		7,546,241		6,552,849
Other taxes		1,651,014		1,493,203
Intergovernmental		3,416,689		3,569,302
Other revenues		444,400		493,954
Total revenues		25,864,971		18,139,665
Expenses:				
General government		4,541,635		4,009,282
Public safety		11,015,558		9,329,733
Physical environment		1,379,427		1,286,105
Transportation		6,515,028		3,134,685
Economic environment		678,417		420,861
Human services		763,355		716,953
Culture and recreation		696,153		793,519
Court related		1,057,242		909,782
Interest on long-term debt		56,519		43,249
Total expenses		26,703,334		20,644,169
Change in net position		(838,363)		(2,504,504)
Net position - beginning of year, as restated		27,666,644		28,993,372
Net position - end of year	\$	26,828,281	\$	26,488,868

Government-Wide Financial Analysis





Expense by Function/Program – Governmental Activities



Financial Analysis of the County's Funds

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

Governmental Funds

The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements.

As of September 30, 2019, the County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$12,821,592 an increase of \$1,344,037 in comparison with the prior year. Of the ending fund balance, \$8,941,417 is considered unassigned and can be spent at the discretion of the Board and \$1,641,057 is considered restricted, which represents the ending fund balances of the County's special revenue funds and court related funds.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the County. At September 30, 2019, the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$8,941,417. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 50.1% of total General Fund expenditures. As of September 30, 2019, the fund balance of the General Fund increased by \$1,322,112 when compared to the prior fiscal year ending fund balance due to transfers.

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund is used to account for revenues and expenditures related to ambulance services for county residents. During the current fiscal year the Emergency Medical Service's fund balance decreased by \$111,243. The decrease can be attributed to an increase in public safety expenditures. The ending fund balance of the EMS Fund was \$674,106.

Financial Analysis of the County's Funds (continued)

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Significant variations between original and final budget amounts were due to revenues received that were unanticipated in the original budget and the associated expenditures.

Actual expenditures in the general fund were \$5,347,901 less than final budget amounts. The main reason for this is conservative spending.

Capital Assets

The County's balance in capital assets for its governmental type activities as of September 30, 2019 amounted to \$27,027,392 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, infrastructure and equipment.

Major capital assets added during the current fiscal year included the following:

• Hart Springs additions of nearly \$360,000.

The following is a summary of the County's Capital Assets:

Governmental Activities			
2019	2018		
\$ 1,293,695	\$ 1,293,695		
7,965,784	8,248,339		
11,035,121	12,256,416		
2,534,170	2,193,074		
2,208,005	2,682,195		
1,990,617	499,668		
\$ 27,027,392	\$ 27,173,387		
	2019 \$ 1,293,695 7,965,784 11,035,121 2,534,170 2,208,005 1,990,617		

Financial Analysis of the County's Funds (concluded)

Long-Term Debt

A summary of long-term liabilities, including debt obligations of the County and other long-term liabilities follows:

	Governme	Governmental Activities			
	2019	2018			
Notes payable	\$ 1,505,045	\$ 1,778,914			
Capital leases	19,094	132,166			
Title IV recapture	-	46,512			
Landfill post-closure care	41,500	40,607			
Compensated absences	891,442	771,100			
Net pension liability	15,185,607	12,282,984			
Total OPEB liability	151,981	156,480			
Total	\$ 17,794,669	\$ 15,208,763			

Additional information on the County's long-term debt can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements in this report.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

There are many challenges facing local governments today. The County continues to see increases in state mandated expenditures without increases in state revenue. Unfortunately, this trend is expected to continue. Conversely, mandated expenditures, such as retirement expense, have, and are expected to continue to increase.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Gilchrist County's finances for all those with an interest in the County's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Gilchrist County Clerk of Court, Finance Department. P. O. Box 37, Trenton, Florida 32693.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and equivalents	\$ 7,550,184
Investments	3,206,075
Accounts receivable, net	467,702
Due from other governments	3,338,098
Due from fiduciary funds	31,639
Inventory	14,723
Capital assets:	
Non-depreciable	3,284,312
Depreciable, net	23,743,080
Total assets	\$ 41,635,813
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	\$ 5,879,091
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,632,357
Due to other governments	62,815
Noncurrent liabilities:	0_,010
Due within one year	654,767
Due in more than one year	1,802,314
Total OPEB liability	151,981
Net pension liability	15,185,607
Total liabilities	\$ 19,489,841
	\$ 17,109,011
DEFERRED INFLOWS	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	\$ 1,191,835
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	4,947
Total deferred inflows	\$ 1,196,782
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 25,503,253
Restricted for:	+,,
Law enforcement	196,939
Fire and EMS	207,212
Solid waste	349,920
Roads and transportation	123,909
Economic environment	28,715
Court related	626,930
Capital improvements	107,432
Unrestricted	(316,029)
Total net position	\$ 26,828,281

The accompanying notes to financial statements

are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

		Program Revenues			
			Operating	Capital	
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Total
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 4,541,635	\$ 428,473	\$ 38,087	\$ 10,831	\$ (4,064,244)
Public safety	11,015,558	2,666,003	240,991	-	(8,108,564)
Physical environment	1,379,427	737,788	361,644	-	(279,995)
Transportation	6,515,028	58,532	660,519	5,207,339	(588,638)
Economic environment	678,417	29,296	557,447	-	(91,674)
Human services	763,355	-	-	-	(763,355)
Culture and recreation	696,153	550,034	561,182	-	415,063
Court related	1,057,242	262,087	436,374	-	(358,781)
Interest on long-term debt	56,519	-	-	-	(56,519)
Total	26,703,334	4,732,213	2,856,244	5,218,170	(13,896,707)
Total primary government	\$ 26,703,334	\$ 4,732,213	\$ 2,856,244	\$ 5,218,170	(13,896,707)
	General revenue	es:			
	Property taxes	5			7,546,241
	Sales taxes				991,150
	Gas taxes				532,415
	Tourist develo	pment tax			60,934
	Communicatio	ons service tax			66,515
	Intergovernme	ental			3,416,689
	Investment ind	come			347,028
	Miscellaneous	5			97,372
Total general revenues					13,058,344
	Change in net p	osition			(838,363)
		eginning of year,	as restated		27,666,644
	Net position - en	nd of year			\$ 26,828,281

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund	EMS	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
ASSETS	¢ 4706005	¢ 242.020	¢ 2.420.020	Ф 7.550 104
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,786,325	\$ 343,839	\$ 2,420,020	\$ 7,550,184
Investments	2,671,680	77,268	457,127	3,206,075
Accounts receivable	7,042	384,084	2,019	393,145
Due from other governments	3,113,985	500	223,613	3,338,098
Inventory	14,723	-	-	14,723
Due from other funds	35,305	2,398	6,354	44,057
Total assets	\$ 10,629,060	\$ 808,089	\$ 3,109,133	\$ 14,546,282
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, A	ND FUND BALA	NCES		
Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 1,340,967	\$ 41,330	\$ 175,503	\$ 1,557,800
Due to other governments	1,781	-	61,034	62,815
Due to other funds	3,105	996	8,317	12,418
Total liabilities	1,345,853	42,326	244,854	1,633,033
Deferred inflows				
Unavailable revenues	_	91,657	-	91,657
Total deferred inflows		91,657		91,657
Total deferred liniows				71,037
Fund balances Nonspendable:				
Inventory	14,723	-	-	14,723
Restricted for:				
Law enforcement	-	-	196,939	196,939
Fire and EMS	-	-	207,212	207,212
Physical environment	-	-	349,920	349,920
Roads and transportation	-	-	123,909	123,909
Economic environment	-	-	28,715	28,715
Court related	74,305	-	552,625	626,930
Capital improvements	-	-	107,432	107,432
Assigned to:				
Fire and EMS	-	674,106	-	674,106
Roads and transportation	-	-	902,333	902,333
Capital improvements	-	-	395,194	395,194
Subsequent year's budget	252,762	-	-	252,762
Unassigned	8,941,417	-	-	8,941,417
Total fund balances	9,283,207	674,106	2,864,279	12,821,592
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows,				
and Fund Balances	\$ 10,629,060	\$ 808,089	\$ 3,109,133	\$ 14,546,282

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

Total fund balances - Governmental Funds		\$ 12,821,592
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds		
Total governmental capital assets - nondepreciable Less: accumulated depreciation	55,248,693 (28,221,301)	27,027,392
On the governmental fund statements, a net pension liability is not recorded until an amount is due and payable and the pension plan's fiduciary net position is not sufficie for payment of those benefits (no such liability exists at the end of the current fiscal year). On the statement of net position, the net pension liability of the defined benefit pension plans is reported as a noncurrent liability. Additionally, deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to pensions are also reported.	nt	
Net pension liability	(15,185,607)	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	5,879,091	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(1,191,835)	(10,498,351)
On the governmental fund statements, total OPEB liability is not recorded unless an amount is due and payable (no such liability exists at the end of the current fiscal year). On the Statement of Net Position, the County's total OPEB liability is reported as a noncurrent liability. Additionally, deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to OPEB are also reported. Total OPEB liability Deferred inflows related to OPEB	(151,981) (4,947)	(156,928)
Because some property taxes and other revenues will not be collected for several months after the close of the County's fiscal year end, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the governmental funds, and therefore, reported as deferred inflows of unavailable revenues. In the statement of net position, which is presented on an accrual basis, no deferral is reported since the revenue is fully recognized in the statement of activities.		91,657
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable and notes payable, are not due and payab in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. These liabilities, deferred outflows, and other debt-related deferred charges consist of the following: Notes payable Capital leases Landfill clossure liability	(1,505,045) (19,094) (41,500)	
Compensated absences	(891,442)	(2,457,081)
Net position of governmental activities		\$ 26,828,281

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

D	General Fund	EMS	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Revenues	¢ 7007707	¢ 7(7,052	¢ 522.415	¢ 0.107.255
Taxes	\$ 7,897,787	\$ 767,053	\$ 532,415	\$ 9,197,255
Permit, fees, and special assessments	250,376	475	1,266,431	1,517,282
Intergovernmental	9,545,963	80,066	1,808,728	11,434,757
Charges for services	1,274,229	1,169,776	538,007	2,982,012
Fines and forfeitures	198	-	87,288	87,486
Miscellaneous revenues	658,514	9,333	108,990	776,837
Total revenues	19,627,067	2,026,703	4,341,859	25,995,629
Expenditures Current:				
General government	3,617,245	_	68,554	3,685,799
Public safety	6,234,483	1,826,282	924,730	8,985,495
Physical environment	420,330	-	802,978	1,223,308
Transportation	3,750,050	_	1,526,331	5,276,381
Economic environment	79,277	_	552,954	632,231
Human services	734,011	_	-	734,011
Culture and recreation	564,306	_	_	564,306
Court related	354,352	_	533,387	887,739
Capital outlay	1,922,829	368,475	758	2,292,062
Debt service:	1,722,027	500,475	750	2,272,002
Principal	168,398	129,571	279,972	577,941
Interest	16,353	4,618	35,548	56,519
Total expenditures	17,861,634	2,328,946	4,725,212	24,915,792
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over				
expenditures	1,765,433	(302,243)	(383,353)	1,079,837
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	75,000	-	518,321	593,321
Transfers out	(518,321)	-	(75,000)	(593,321)
Other external reversion	-	-	(21,995)	(21,995)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	95,195	95,195
Issuance of debt	-	191,000	-	191,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	(443,321)	191,000	516,521	264,200
Net change in fund balance	1,322,112	(111,243)	133,168	1,344,037
Fund balance, beginning of year, as restated	7,961,095	785,349	2,731,111	11,477,555
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 9,283,207	\$ 674,106	\$ 2,864,279	\$ 12,821,592

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

Net change in fund balances-total governmental funds	\$	1,344,037
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
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 outlay exceeded depreciation expense in the current period.		
Capital outlay		2,287,930
Depreciation expense	((2,405,097)
Net book value of capital assets disposed		(28,828)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds.		
Repayment of principal of long-term debt		577,941
Issuance of long-term debt		(191,000)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in governmental funds.		
Net change in deferred inflows for unavailable revenues		(145,957)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Changes in:		
Compensated absences		(120,342)
Total OPEB liability and related items		(448)
Net pension liability and related items	((2,202,218)
Title IV recapture		46,512
Landfill long-term care costs		(893)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	(838,363)

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Age	Agency Funds	
ASSETS			
Cash and equivalents	\$	693,182	
Receivables		18,700	
Due from other funds		600	
Total assets	\$	712,482	
LIABILITIES Assets held for others Due to other funds Due to other governments Total liabilities	\$ \$	661,706 32,239 18,537 712,482	
NET POSITION	\$	_	

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

The financial statements of the Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted body for promulgating governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the County's significant accounting policies:

(a) **Reporting entity**—The Board of County Commissioners (the Board) is the legislative and governing body of the County. It operates under a non-charter form of government pursuant to the authority provided in the Constitution of the State of Florida and consists of five elected officials. The County was established by the Laws of Florida in 1845. The Clerk of the Circuit Court serves as Clerk to the Board pursuant to Section 125.17, Florida Statutes.

The Board of County Commissioners and the offices of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sheriff, Tax Collector, Property Appraiser, and Supervisor of Elections are operated as separate County agencies in accordance with applicable provisions of Florida Statutes. The offices of the Sheriff, Property Appraiser, and Supervisor of Elections operate on a budget system, whereby County-appropriated funds are received from the Board of County Commissioners, and any unexpended appropriations are required to be returned to the Board of County Commissioners at the end of the fiscal year. The Clerk's duties as Clerk to the Board, Clerk of the County Court, and Chief Financial Officer for the County are budgeted functions, funded by the Board. The Clerk's duties as Clerk of the Circuit Court are funded by fees collected by that office. The Tax Collector's salary and benefits are funded by the Board; all other expenditures are funded by fees collected by that office. Excess fees of the Tax Collector are returned to the Board at the end of the fiscal year.

(b) **Jointly-governed organizations**—The governments of Lafayette, Dixie, Taylor and Gilchrist Counties established the Three Rivers Regional Library System (the Library) through an interlocal agreement. The Library is an organization established for the purpose of providing a regional approach to library services without regard to political or governmental boundaries. The Library is governed by a governing board made up of a commissioner from each participating County.

The County does not have an ongoing financial interest in the Library. However, the County does have an ongoing financial responsibility to the Library in that the Library's continued existence depends on the County's continuing participation. A copy of the Library's separate financial statements may be obtained from its offices in Mayo, Florida.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

(c) **Government-wide and fund financial statements**—The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) concentrate on the County as a whole. In addition, they report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the County. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses, of a given function or segment, are 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 instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The nonmajor funds are combined in one column in the fund financial statements.

(d) **Measurement focus and basis of accounting**—The accounts of the County are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and the basis of accounting. The basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. The basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources (current assets less current liabilities) or economic resources (all assets and liabilities).

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. 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.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and 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 property tax and EMS revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period except for grant revenues which are considered earned when expenditures are incurred.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

Property taxes, special assessments, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, licenses 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. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, certain expenditures relating to future periods, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – The General fund is the general operating fund of the County. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Additionally, the general fund also accounts for activities related to the general fund of each constitutional officer.

Emergency Medical Services – The Emergency Medical Services fund (a special revenue fund) is used to account for ambulance and emergency medical assistance to County residents.

The County reports the following other fund type:

Special Revenue Funds – Special revenue funds are used to account for the receipt and expenditure of activities with inflows that are either restricted or committed.

Capital Project Funds – Capital project funds are used to account for the underlying activities of major capital projects.

Agency Funds – Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the County in a custodial or trustee capacity (assets equal liabilities). Agency funds do not involve the measurement of results of operations.

(e) **Cash and investments**—The institutions in which the County's monies are deposited are certified as a "Qualified Public Depository," as required under the Florida Public Deposits Act. This law requires every qualified public depository to deposit with the State Treasurer eligible collateral equal to or in excess of an amount to be determined by the State Treasurer and requires the State Treasurer to ensure that funds are entirely collateralized throughout the fiscal year. Therefore, the County's total deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation and the Bureau of Collateral Securities, Division of Treasury, State Department of Insurance.

(f) **Receivables**—Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds" and are eliminated in the government-wide financial statements. All trade and property tax receivables are reported net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts, which is based upon management's analysis of historical trends.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

(g) **Capital assets**—Capital assets include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets. The terms general capital assets and general infrastructure assets relate only to the assets associated with governmental activities, whereas the terms capital assets and infrastructure assets relate to all such assets belonging to the County. Capital assets are defined by the County as assets with an initial individual cost of \$1,000 or more and an estimated useful life of more than one-year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost, if purchased or constructed. Donated assets are recorded at acquisition value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are only capitalized if they meet the dollar threshold above for capitalization. Maintenance and repairs of capital assets are charged to operating expenses.

Depreciation is reported for the primary government using the straight-line method calculated on a service-life basis to amortize the cost of the asset over their estimated economic useful lives, which are as follows:

Assets	Years
Buildings Improvements Infrastructure	30 – 50 years 20 – 25 years 25 – 50 years
Equipment	4-20 years

(h) **Compensated absences**—The various County agencies maintain policies that permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits that will be paid to employees upon separation of service if certain criteria are met. These benefits, plus their related tax and retirement costs, are classified as compensated absences. The policies of the various County agencies vary as to the amount and the vesting of employee vacation leave time and in some instances sick time. The amount of vacation time is determined by the period of employment. The compensated absences liability is primarily liquidated by the general fund.

(i) **Long-term obligations**—In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt obligations are reported as liabilities on the statement of net position. The compensated absences and net pension liabilities have been liquidated in the past by the reporting units of the underlying employees, including primarily the general fund, with some smaller amounts paid by other governmental funds.

(j) **Deferred outflows/inflows of resources**—In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will, if required, report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Currently, the only items in this category consist of a deferred loss on bond refunding, and deferred amounts related to pensions and OPEB, as discussed further in Notes (8) and (9), respectively.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of financial position or fund balance that applies to future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Currently, the only items in this category consist of deferred amounts related to pensions and OPEB, as discussed further in Notes (8) and (9), respectively.

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies: (Continued)

(k) **Fund equity**—Fund balance for governmental funds report classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of applicable spending constraints:

Nonspendable – amounts not available to be spent or not in spendable form, such as inventory and prepaid items.

Restricted – amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions or by enabling legislation.

Committed – amounts the County intends to use for a specific purpose as expressed at the highest level of decision-making authority by the Board of County Commissioners.

Assigned – amounts the County intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by Board of County Commissioners or by an official or body which the Board delegates authority.

Unassigned – amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the General Fund.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available; the County considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the County considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds and finally, unassigned funds, as needed.

(1) **Property taxes**— Property tax revenues are recognized when levied, to the extent that they result in current receivables. Details of the property tax calendar are presented below:

Lien date	January 1
Levy date	October 1
Discount periods	November – February
No discount period	March
Delinquent date	April 1

(m) **Budgets and budgetary accounting**—Annual budgets are legally adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, on a basis consistent with generally accepted principles for the General Fund and special revenue funds. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all governmental funds.

The annual budget is prepared at the fund, department, and division level. The department directors submit requests for appropriations to the Clerk of Courts. The Clerk submits a recommended budget to the Board of County Commissioners. Public hearings on the proposed budget are held in September. On or before October 1, the budget is adopted by the Board of County Commissioners. Transfers between funds and additional appropriations require Board approval. Appropriations in all funds lapse at the close of the fiscal year to the extent that it has not been re-budgeted in the following fiscal year. The fund is the legal level of budgetary control.

(n) Use of estimates—Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenue and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates assumed in preparing the financial statements.

(2) <u>Reconciliation of Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements:</u>

(a) **Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net position**—Following the governmental fund balance sheet is a reconciliation between fund balance – total governmental funds and net position – governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A detailed explanation of these differences is provided in this reconciliation.

(b) **Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities**— Following the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances, there is a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds and changes in net position of governmental activities as reported in the government-wide statement of activities. A detailed explanation of these differences is provided in this reconciliation.

(3) **Deposits and Investments:**

Florida Statutes authorize the County to invest in bonds, notes or other obligations of the U.S. Government, certificates of deposits, repurchase agreements, certain bonds of any State or local government unit and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool. As of September 30, 2019, all County deposits were covered by private bank acquired insurance, Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) insurance, private broker/dealer acquired insurance, Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, and/or the State of Florida collateral pool established under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act (the Act). The Act established guidelines for qualification and participation by banks and savings associations, procedures for administration of the collateral requirements and characteristics of eligible collateral. Under the Act, the qualified deposits in excess of any applicable deposit insurance. Additional collateral, up to 125% may be required if deemed necessary.

The Florida Local Government Investment Trust (FLGIT) is a local government investment pool created by the Florida Association of Court Clerks and the Florida Association of Counties for the purpose of providing public entities with an investment program that focuses on longer term securities with the highest credit ratings. The effective maturity of the underlying investment is five years or less. At year end, the FLGIT was invested in money markets, treasury notes, asset-backed securities and Federal agency obligations. The investment type is subject to some market risk due to fluctuating prices and liquidity risk due to advance redemption notification requirements. However, it has a professional investment advisor and an investment advisory board. The FLGIT maintains a credit rating of AAAf by Standard & Poor's and the weighted average maturity of the funds was 30 days. A copy of FLGIT's most recent financial statements can be found at http://floridatrustonline.com. At September 30, 2019, the County had \$3,009,413 invested with FLGIT.

The State Board of Administration PRIME pool (Florida PRIME) is an external investment pool that meets all of the necessary criteria to elect to measure all of the investments in Florida PRIME at amortized cost. Therefore, the County's investment in Florida PRIME is reported at amortized cost. The fair value of the position in the pool is equal to the value of the pool shares. As of September 30, 2019, there were no redemption fees or maximum transaction amounts, or any other requirements that serve to limit a participant's daily access to 100% of their account value. The weighted average maturity of the fund was 37 days. At September 30, 2019, the County had \$196,662 invested with Florida PRIME.

(3) **Deposits and Investments:** (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk. The County does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The County places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer.

(4) Interfund Balances and Transfers:

The County makes routine transfers between it funds in the course of the fiscal year. The principle purposes of these transfers are to allocate resources for debt service, construction or other capital projects, and to provide operating subsidies. These transfers are consistent with the activities of the funds involved. Transfers of resources from a fund receiving revenue to the fund through which the resources are to be expended are recorded as transfers and are reported as other financing sources (uses) in the Governmental Funds.

As of September 30, 2019, interfund balances consisted of:

			Due from (Other Fu	nds		
Due to Other Funds	Genera	ll Fund	 EMS		nmajor rnmental	uciary unds	 Total
Governmental Funds							
General Fund	\$	-	\$ 2,398	\$	107	\$ 600	\$ 3,105
EMS		996	-		-	-	996
Nonmajor Governmental		2,070	-		6,247	-	8,317
Fiduciary Funds	3	2,239	-		-	-	32,239
Total	\$ 3	5,305	\$ 2,398	\$	6,354	\$ 600	\$ 44,657

Transfers from/to other funds for the year ended September 30, 2019, were as follows:

	Tran	sfers In	
Transfers Out	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental	Total
Governmental Funds			
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 518,321	\$ 518,321
Nonmajor Governmental	75,000		75,000
Total	\$ 75,000	\$ 518,321	\$ 593,321

The transfers from the General Fund to other funds were primarily to support operations of other funds and/or to allocate funds for future capital projects.

(5) Capital Assets:

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, was as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Balance 9/30/18			Balance 9/30/19
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,293,695	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,293,695
Construction in Progress	499,668	1,850,049	(359,100)	1,990,617
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	1,793,363	1,850,049	(359,100)	3,284,312
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Buildings and Improvements	12,510,922	-	-	12,510,922
Infrastructure - Roads	22,435,072	-	-	22,435,072
Machinery and Equipment	13,532,572	437,881	(430,189)	13,540,264
Improvements	3,119,023	359,100		3,478,123
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	51,597,589	796,981	(430,189)	51,964,381
Less Accumulated Depreciation For:				
Buildings and Improvements	(4,262,583)	(282,555)	-	(4,545,138)
Infrastructure - Roads	(10,178,656)	(1,221,295)	-	(11,399,951)
Machinery and Equipment	(10,850,377)	(883,243)	401,361	(11,332,259)
Improvements	(925,949)	(18,004)	-	(943,953)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(26,217,565)	(2,405,097)	401,361	(28,221,301)
Total Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	25,380,024	(1,608,116)	(28,828)	23,743,080
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 27,173,387	\$ 241,933	\$ (387,928)	\$ 27,027,392

Depreciation expense was charged to programs for the County as follows:

Governmental activities	
General Government	\$ 245,381
Public Safety	668,927
Physical Environment	71,692
Transportation	1,256,418
Economic Environment	41,639
Human Services	18,852
Culture and Recreation	102,188
Total depreciation expense- governmental activities	\$ 2,405,097

(6) Long-Term Liabilities:

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt activity of the County for the year ended September 30, 2019:

	1	Beginning Balance	 Additions	R	eductions	 Ending Balance	 ie Within Dne Year
Governmental activities:							
Notes payable	\$	1,778,914	\$ 191,000	\$	464,869	\$ 1,505,045	\$ 341,829
Capital leases		132,166	-		113,072	19,094	19,094
Title IVD recapture		46,512	-		46,512	-	-
Landfill post-closure care		40,607	893		-	41,500	-
Compensated absences		771,100	 741,212		620,870	 891,442	 293,844
Governmental activities - Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$	2,769,299	\$ 933,105	\$	1,245,323	\$ 2,457,081	\$ 654,767

Notes Payable

The County is obligated under various long-term note agreements at interest rates ranging from approximately 2.0% to 5.0%.

The notes are expected to be repaid from various sources, including Transportation Trust Fund resources, EMS Fund fees, Solid Waste Fund fees, Fire Districts Fund resources, and General Fund shared revenues and racing tax commissions. The approximate total amount of the pledges is equal to the remaining principal and interest outstanding.

The following schedule provides future debt service requirements of the notes payable:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal		 Interest	 Total
2020	\$	341,829	\$ 47,418	\$ 389,247
2021		240,971	38,371	279,342
2022		213,888	32,135	246,023
2023		194,952	25,189	220,141
2024		142,908	20,227	163,135
2025 - 2029		267,504	47,341	314,845
2030 - 2034		98,721	12,581	111,302
2035		4,272	472	4,744
Total	\$	1,505,045	\$ 223,734	\$ 1,728,779

Landfill Post-closure care

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires landfill owners to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the landfill sites for twenty years after closure. The County was previously released by the DEP from these requirements on its Central Landfill which closed in 1993. The County has accrued \$41,500 for closure costs for its Materials Recovery facility.

DEP also requires the County to deposit in an escrow account, by the end of each fiscal year, funds sufficient to cover closure costs. The County has set aside approximately \$85,380 for that requirement.

(6) Long-Term Liabilities: (Continued)

Title IV D Recapture

During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, the County received notice from the Florida Department of Revenue (the Department) that as result of an audit performed by the Department, it was determined that federal funds claimed using the provisional indirect rate for contract COC21 for fiscal years ended September 30, 2016, 2017 and 2018 exceeded the allowable reimbursement amount by \$46,512. The County has repaid this amount as of September 30, 2019.

Capital Leases

The County had outstanding capital lease for equipment with an interest rate of 5.26%. The future minimum lease payments required and the present value of the net minimum lease payments at September 30, 2019, are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Р	ayment
2020	\$	20,097
Total Minimum Lease Payments		20,097
Less: Amount Representing Interest		1,003
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments	\$	19,094

(7) Commitments and Contingencies:

Various suits and claims arising in the ordinary course of the County's operations, some of which involve substantial amounts, are pending against the County.

The ultimate effect of such litigation cannot be ascertained at this time. However, in the opinion of counsel for the County, the liabilities which may arise from such action would not result in losses which would materially affect the financial position of the County or the results of its operations, nor is it anticipated that any material amount will be paid for claims and judgments in the next fiscal year.

(8) **Employees' Retirement Plans:**

Florida Retirement System

Plan Description and Administration

The County participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer, cost sharing defined public employee retirement system which covers all of the County's full-time employees. The System is a noncontributory retirement plan, administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement to provide retirement and survivor benefits to participating public employees. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans and other nonintegrated programs.

(8) Employees' Retirement Plans: (Continued)

These include a defined-benefit pension plan (Plan), with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP), and a defined-contribution plan, referred to as the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan).

In addition, all regular employees of the entity are eligible to enroll as members of the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program. The HIS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. Eligible retirees and beneficiaries receive a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

Benefits Provided and Employees Covered

Employees enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011, vest at six years of creditable service and employees enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, vest at eight years of creditable service. All vested members, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 62 or at any age after 30 years of service. All members enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, once vested, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 65 or any time after 33 years of creditable service. Members of both Plans may include up to four years of credit for military service toward creditable service. The Plan also includes an early retirement provision; however, there is a benefit reduction for each year a member retires before his or her normal retirement date. The Plan provides retirement, disability, death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments. Benefits under the Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the five highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the eight highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on the retirement plan and/or class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned.

DROP, subject to provisions of Section 121.091, Florida Statutes, permits employees eligible for normal retirement under the Plan to defer receipt of monthly benefit payments while continuing employment with an FRS employer. An employee may participate in DROP for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate, except that certain instructional personnel may participate for up to 96 months. During the period of DROP participation, deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest.

Employees may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined-benefit plan. Employer and employee contributions are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. The Investment Plan is funded by employer and employee contributions that are based on salary and membership class (Regular, DROP, etc.). Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Employees in the Investment Plan vest at one year of service.

(8) Employees' Retirement Plans: (Continued)

Financial Statements

Financial statements and other supplementary information of the FRS are included in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which is available from the Florida Department of Financial Services, Bureau of Financial Reporting Statewide Financial Reporting Section by mail at 200 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0364; by telephone at (850) 413-5511; or at the Department's Web site (www.myfloridacfo.com). An annual report on the FRS, which includes its financial statements, required supplementary information, actuarial report, and other relevant information, is available from:

Florida Department of Management Services Division of Retirement, Research and Education Services P.O. Box 9000 Tallahassee, FL 32315-9000 850-488-5706 or toll free at 877-377-1737

Contributions

The County participates in certain classes of FRS membership. Each class has descriptions and contribution rates in effect at September 30, 2019, as follows (contribution rates are in agreement with the actuarially determined rates):

FRS Membership Plan & Class	Through June 30, 2019	After June 30, 2019
Regular Class	8.26%	8.47%
Senior Management	24.06%	25.41%
Special Risk	24.50%	25.48%
Elected Official	48.70%	48.82%
DROP	14.03%	14.60%

Current-year employer HIS contributions were made at a rate of 1.66% of covered payroll.

For the plan year ended June 30, 2019, actual contributions made for employees participating in FRS and HIS were as follows:

Entity Contributions – FRS	\$ 1,136,810
Entity Contributions – HIS	127,022
Employee Contributions – FRS	229,558

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At September 30, 2019, the entity reported a liability related to FRS and HIS as follows:

	I	Net Pension
Plan		Liability
FRS	\$	12,626,139
HIS		2,559,468
Total	\$	15,185,607

(8) Employees' Retirement Plans: (Continued)

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating governmental entities, as actuarially determined. At June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018, the County's proportionate share of the FRS and HIS net pension liabilities were as follows:

Plan	2019	2018
FRS	0.036662746%	0.033407453%
HIS	0.022874858%	0.020947643%

For the year ended June 30, 2019, pension expense was recognized related to the FRS and HIS plans as follows:

FRS	\$ 3,273,111
HIS	224,745
Total	\$ 3,497,856

Deferred outflows/inflows related to pensions:

At September 30, 2019, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	FRS			HIS				
	DeferredDeferrOutflows ofInflows		Deferred nflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	748,892	\$	(7,836)	\$	31,088	\$	(3,134)
Changes of assumptions		3,242,936		-		296,362		(209,190)
Net different between projected and actual investment earnings		-		(698,544)		1,652		-
Change in proportionate share		955,781		(198,311)		267,344		(74,820)
Contributions subsequent to measurement date		303,067		-		31,969		-
-	\$	5,250,676	\$	(904,691)	\$	628,415	\$	(287,144)

The above amounts for deferred outflows of resources for contributions related to pensions resulting from County contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended September 30, 2020.

(8) **Employees' Retirement Plans:** (Continued)

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions being amortized for a period of greater than one year will be recognized in pension expense in succeeding years as follows:

1,163,943
1,111,979
1,047,888
609,252
288,275
130,883
4,352,220

Actuarial assumptions:

The actuarial assumptions for both defined benefit plans are reviewed annually by the Florida Retirement System Actuarial Assumptions Conference. The FRS has a valuation performed annually. The HIS Program has a valuation performed biennially that is updated for GASB reporting in the year a valuation is not performed. The most recent experience study for the FRS was completed in 2019 for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2018. Because HIS is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis, no experience study has been completed.

The total pension liability for each of the defined benefit plans was determined by an actuarial valuation, using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Inflation increases for both plans is assumed at 2.60%. Payroll growth, including inflation, for both plans is assumed at 3.25%. Both the discount rate and the long-term expected rate of return used for FRS investments is 6.90%. This rate decreased from the prior year rate, which was 7.00%. The plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the discount rate for calculating the total pension liability is equal to the long-term expected rate of return.

Because HIS Program uses a pay-as-you-go funding structure, a municipal bond rate of 3.50% was used to determine the total pension for the program. This rate decreased from the prior year rate, which was 3.87%. Mortality assumptions for both plans were based on the PUB2010 base table varies by member category and sex, projected generationally with Scale MP-2018 details.

Long-term expected rate of return:

To develop an analytical basis for the selection of the long-term expected rate of return assumption, in October 2019, the FRS Actuarial Assumptions conference reviewed long-term assumptions developed by both Milliman's capital market assumptions team and by a capital market assumptions team from Aon Hewitt Investment Consulting, which consults to the Florida State Board of Administration. The table below shows Milliman's assumptions for each of the asset classes in which the plan was invested at that time based on the long-term target asset allocation. The allocation policy's description of each asset class was used to map the target allocation to the asset classes shown below. Each asset class assumption is based on a consistent set of underlying assumptions, and includes an adjustment for the inflation assumption. These assumptions are not based on historical returns, but instead are based on a forward-looking capital market economic model.

(8) **Employees' Retirement Plans:** (Continued)

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Annual Arithmetic Expected Rate of Return
Cash	1.0%	3.3%
Fixed income	18.0%	4.1%
Global equities	54.0%	8.0%
Real estate	10.0%	6.7%
Private equity	11.0%	11.2%
Strategic investments	6.0%	5.9%
Total	100.0%	

Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate:

The following presents the proportionate shares of the FRS and HIS net pension liability of the entity calculated using the current discount rates, as well as what the entity's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rate:

Plan	Current Discount Rate	NPL with 1% Decrease	NPL at Current Discount Rate	NPL with 1% Increase		
FRS	6.90%	\$ 21,826,390	\$ 12,626,139	\$ 4,942,373		
HIS	3.50%	2,921,764	2,559,468	2,257,716		

(9) Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB):

Plan Description and Benefits Provided—The Board of County Commissioners' Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plan is a single-employer benefit plan administered by the County. Retirees are charged whatever the insurance company charges for the type of coverage elected, however, the premiums charged by the insurance company are based on a blending of the experience among younger active employees and older retired employees. The older retirees actually have a higher cost which means the County is actually subsidizing the cost of the retiree coverage because it pays all or a significant portion of the premium on behalf of the active employee. GASB No. 75 calls this the "implicit rate subsidy." This conforms to the minimum required of Florida governmental employers per Chapter 112.08, Florida Statutes. The Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan does not issue a stand-alone report.

Plan Membership—At October 1, 2018, the date of the latest actuarial valuation, plan participation consisted of the following:

Active Employees	164
Inactive Employees	5
	169

(9) Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB): (Continued)

Total OPEB Liability—The County's total OPEB liability of \$151,981 was measured as of September 30, 2019, and was determined by an actuarial valuation at September 30, 2018.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs—The total OPEB liability at the September 30, 2019 measurement date was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	2.00%
Salary increases	3.50%
Discount rate	3.74%
Healthcare cost trend rate	6.5% reduced 0.5% each year until
Healthcare cost trend rate	6.5% reduced 0.5% each year until

reaching ultimate trend rate of 5.0%

The County does not a have a dedicated Trust to pay retiree healthcare benefits. The discount rate was based on the 20-year municipal bond index (SAPIGH) as of September 30, 2019.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table with 10 year Scale AA projection.

Changes in the OPEB liability for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, were as follows:

	Total OPEB Liability			
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$	151,533		
Changes for a year:				
Service cost		7,512		
Interest		5,572		
Benefit payments – implicit rate subsidy		(12,636)		
Net changes		448		
Balance at September 30, 2019	\$	151,981		

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate:

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County calculated using the discount rate of 3.74%, as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower (2.74%) or 1% higher (4.74%) than the current rate:

	1% Decreas		-	Current count Rate	1% Increase	
Total OPEB Liability	\$	164,435	\$	151,981	\$	139,666

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rate:

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the County as well as what the County's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1% lower (5.0%) or 1% higher (7.0%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates (6.0%):

	1% Decrease		Current end Rates	1% Increase	
Total OPEB Liability	\$	140,247	\$ 151,981	\$	162,917

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(9) Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB): (Continued)

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

For the year ended September 30, 2019, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$12,185. At September 30, 2019, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	De	eferred Inflows of Resources
Changes of assumptions	\$	- \$	4,947
Total	\$	- \$	4,947

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

2020 2021 2022 2023 2024	\$ (899) (899) (899) (899) (452)

(10) <u>Recent Accounting Pronouncements:</u>

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued several pronouncements that have effective dates that may impact future financial statements. Listed below are pronouncements with required implementation dates, as adjusted based on the impacts of GASB Statement No. 95, effective for subsequent fiscal years that have not yet been implemented. Management has not currently determined what, if any, impact implementation of the following will have on the County's financial statements:

- (a) GASB issued Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*, in January 2017. GASB 84 improves guidance regarding the identification and reporting of fiduciary activities. The provisions in GASB 84 are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2019.
- (b) GASB issued Statement No. 87, Leases, in June 2017. GASB 87 increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. The provisions in GASB 87 are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2021.
- (c) GASB issued Statement No. 90, *Majority Equity Interests-an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61*, in August 2018. GASB 90 improves the consistency and comparability of reporting a government's majority equity interest in a legally separate organization and improves the relevance of financial statement information for certain component units. The provisions in GASB 90 are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2019.

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(10) **<u>Recent Accounting Pronouncements:</u>**

(d) GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*, in May 2019. GASB 91 provides a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. The provisions in GASB 91 are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2021.

(11) <u>Restatement of Beginning Equity:</u>

Effective in the current fiscal year, the County changed its availability period for governmental fund revenues other than property taxes to be measurable and available only when the government receives cash. As part of this change, certain revenues are now being recorded based on a two-month accrual rather than one month. As a result, the fund balances of certain funds were restated as of September 30, 2018, related to this change in accounting policy. A similar adjustment has been made to the County's governmental activities as the related receivables and deferred inflows were not recorded at the fund level in the prior year.

The impact of the above restatements on the respective fund balance/net position amounts as of September 30, 2018, are as follows:

	_	Fund 1	Balan	ce	Net Position			
	G	eneral Fund	Tra	nsportation	Governmental Activities			
Net position / fund balance –								
9/30/18, originally reported Change in accounting	\$	6,840,630	\$	665,556	\$ 26,488,868			
policy – revenue cutoff		1,120,465		57,311	1,177,776			
Net position / fund balance – 9/30/18, as restated	\$	7,961,095	\$	722,867	\$ 27,666,644			

(12) Subsequent Events:

Subsequent to September 30, 2019, local, U.S., and world governments have encouraged self-isolation to curtail the spread of the global pandemic, coronavirus disease (COVID-19), by mandating temporary work stoppage in many sectors and imposing limitations on travel and size and duration of group meetings. Most industries are experiencing disruption to business operations and the impact of reduced consumer spending and investment markets have been substantially impacted. There is unprecedented uncertainty surrounding the duration of the pandemic, its potential economic ramifications, and any government actions to mitigate them. Accordingly, while management cannot quantify the financial and other impact to the County as of June 26, 2020, management believes that a material impact on County's financial position and results of future operations is reasonably possible.

In October 2019, the County executed a promissory note with a bank for a \$225,000 loan at 2.625% interest and payable over 10 equal annual installments of \$25,936, collateralized by local discretionary sales tax revenues. The purpose of the note was to fund capital improvements on the courthouse roof and windows.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (UNAUDITED)

				Variance with Final Budget -
	Budgeted			Positive
-	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	
Taxes	\$ 8,070,383	\$ 8,070,383	\$ 7,897,787	\$ (172,596)
Permit, fees, and special assessments	190,400	190,400	250,376	59,976
Intergovernmental	12,638,029	12,638,029	9,545,963	(3,092,066)
Charges for services	995,649	995,649	1,274,229	278,580
Fines and forfeitures	500	500	198	(302)
Miscellaneous revenues	306,621	306,621	658,514	351,893
Total revenues	22,201,582	22,201,582	19,627,067	(2,574,515)
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government	5,736,316	5,737,601	3,617,245	2,120,356
Public safety	6,240,510	6,240,510	6,234,483	6,027
Physical environment	465,657	465,657	420,330	45,327
Transportation	6,699,291	6,699,291	3,750,050	2,949,241
Economic environment	190,498	190,498	79,277	111,221
Human services	712,828	712,828	734,011	(21,183)
Culture and recreation	512,930	512,930	564,306	(51,376)
Court related	508,525	508,525	354,352	154,173
Capital outlay	1,960,417	1,960,417	1,922,829	37,588
Debt service:				
Principal	165,706	165,706	168,398	(2,692)
Interest	15,572	15,572	16,353	(781)
Total expenditures	23,208,250	23,209,535	17,861,634	5,347,901
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	(1,006,668)	(1,007,953)	1,765,433	2,773,386
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	150,000	150,000	75,000	(75,000)
Transfers out	(518,321)	(518,321)	(518,321)	-
Loan proceeds	150,000	150,000	-	(150,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(218,321)	(218,321)	(443,321)	(225,000)
Net change in fund balance	(1,224,989)	(1,226,274)	1,322,112	2,548,386
Fund balance, beginning of year, as restated	7,961,095	7,961,095	7,961,095	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 6,736,106	\$ 6,734,821	\$ 9,283,207	\$ 2,548,386

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (UNAUDITED)

	Budgeted	Amo	unts		Fina	iance with Il Budget - Positive
	Original		Final	Actual	(N	legative)
Revenues				 		
Taxes	\$ 794,316	\$	794,316	\$ 767,053	\$	(27,263)
Licenses and permits	80,000		80,000	475		(79,525)
Permit, fees, and special assessments	76,198		76,198	80,066		3,868
Charges for services	1,042,300		1,042,300	1,169,776		127,476
Miscellaneous revenues	 490		490	 9,333		8,843
Total revenues	1,993,304		1,993,304	2,026,703		33,399
Expenditures Current:						
Public safety	1,788,643		1,788,643	1,826,282		(37,639)
Capital outlay Debt service:	227,000		227,000	368,475		(141,475)
Principal	129,615		129,615	129,571		44
Interest	 4,625		4,625	 4,618		7
Total expenditures	2,389,804		2,389,804	2,328,946		60,858
Net change in fund balance	 (396,500)		(396,500)	 (111,243)		285,257
Fund balance, beginning of year	785,349		785,349	785,349		-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 388,849	\$	388,849	\$ 674,106	\$	285,257

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA NOTE TO SCHEDULES OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (UNAUDITED)

Note to Budgetary Comparison Schedules:

The preparation, adoption and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes. The fund is the legal level of control. Budgets are prepared on a basis that does not differ materially from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Appropriations lapse at year-end. Budgeted excess expenditures over revenues are funded through transfers in and use of fund balance reserves.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS (UNAUDITED)

	 2019	 2018
Total OPEB Liability		
Service cost	\$ 7,512	\$ 8,003
Interest	5,572	5,204
Difference between expected and actual experience	-	-
Changes of assumptions	-	(4,947)
Benefit payments - implicit rate subsidy	(12,636)	(15,155)
Other changes	-	-
Net change in total OPEB liability	448	(6,895)
Total OPEB liability - beginning of year	151,533	158,428
Total OPEB liability - end of year	\$ 151,981	\$ 151,533
Covered payroll Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered payroll	\$ 7,874,524 1.93%	\$ 7,130,016 2.13%

Notes to Schedule:

Changes of assumptions. Changes of assumptions and other changes reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate

Discount rate	3.74%	3.36%
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*10 years of data will be presented as it becomes available.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS (UNAUDITED)

	As of the Plan Year Ended June 30,												
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015								
Florida Retirement System (FRS)													
Proportion of the net pension liability	0.036662746%	0.033407453%	0.033119964%	0.031670351%	0.031370689%								
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 12,626,139	\$ 10,062,498	\$ 9,796,663	\$ 7,996,789	\$ 4,051,945								
Covered payroll	7,651,920	6,683,209	6,729,932	6,178,688	6,277,264								
Proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of covered	165.01%	150.56%	145.57%	129.43%	64.55%								
payroll													
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	82.61%	84.26%	83.89%	84.88%	92.00%								
Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS)													
Proportion of the net pension liability	0.022874858%	0.020947643%	0.020442731%	0.020106105%	0.020906499%								
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 2,559,468	\$ 2,217,123	\$ 2,185,831	\$ 2,343,283	\$ 2,132,135								
Covered payroll	7,651,920	6,683,209	6,729,932	6,178,688	6,277,264								
Proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of covered	33.45%	33.17%	32.48%	37.93%	33.97%								
payroll													
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	2.63%	2.15%	1.64%	0.97%	0.50%								
Covered payroll Proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	7,651,920 33.45%	6,683,209 33.17%	6,729,932 32.48%	6,178,688 37.93%	6,277,264 33.97%								

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County will present information for only those years for which information is available.

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS LAST 10 FISCAL YEARS (UNAUDITED)

		As of the	e Plan Year Ended Jui	ne 30,	
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Florida Retirement System (FRS) Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 1,136,810 (1,136,810) \$ -	\$ 952,086 (952,086) \$ -	\$ 862,194 \$ (862,194) \$ - \$	810,666 (810,666)	\$ 1,942,425 (1,942,425) \$ -
Covered payroll Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	\$ 7,651,920 14.86%	\$ 6,683,209 14.25%	\$ 6,729,932 \$ 12.81%	6,178,688 13.12%	\$ 6,277,264 30.94%
Health Insurance Subsidy Program (HIS) Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 127,022 (127,022) \$ -	\$ 110,941 (110,941) \$ -	\$ 111,717 \$ (111,717) <u>\$ -</u> \$	102,566 (102,566)	\$ 79,094 (79,094) <u>\$ -</u>
Covered payroll Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	\$ 7,651,920 1.66%	\$ 6,683,209 1.66%	\$ 6,729,932 \$ 1.66%	6,178,688 1.66%	\$ 6,277,264 1.26%

Note 1: GASB 68 requires information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the County will present information for only those years

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING BALANCE SHEET BOARD AND OFFICER GENERAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Board of County Commissioners	Q	Clerk of Circuit Court	Sheriff	C	Tax ollector	roperty ppraiser	pervisor Elections	Subtotals	Interfund Eliminations	Totals
ASSETS				 			 <u> </u>	 			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,428,437	\$	121,827	\$ 146,977	\$	1,898	\$ 41,958	\$ 45,228	\$ 4,786,325	\$ -	\$ 4,786,325
Investments	2,671,680		-	-		-	-	-	2,671,680	-	2,671,680
Accounts receivable	7,042		-	-		-	-	-	7,042	-	7,042
Due from other governments	3,113,985		-	-		-	-	-	3,113,985	-	3,113,985
Inventory	14,723		-	-		-	-	-	14,723	-	14,723
Due from consitutional officers	215,620		-	-		-	-	-	215,620	(215,620)	-
Due from other funds	5,618		480	 -		-	 -	 -	6,098	29,207	35,305
Total assets	\$ 10,457,105	\$	122,307	\$ 146,977	\$	1,898	\$ 41,958	\$ 45,228	\$ 10,815,473	\$ (186,413)	\$ 10,629,060
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	5										
Liabilities											
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 1,172,870	\$	13,204	\$ 139,660	\$	-	\$ 7,575	\$ 7,658	\$ 1,340,967	\$ -	\$ 1,340,967
Due to other governments	1,028		-	-		-	753	-	1,781	-	1,781
Due to Board of County Commissioners	-		105,998	7,317		1,898	33,630	37,570	186,413	(186,413)	-
Due to other funds	-		3,105	-		-	-	-	3,105	-	3,105
Total liabilities	1,173,898		122,307	 146,977		1,898	 41,958	 45,228	1,532,266	(186,413)	1,345,853
Fund Balances											
Nonspendable:											
Inventory	14,723		-	-		-	-	-	14,723	-	14,723
Restricted for:											
Court related	74,305		-	-		-	-	-	74,305	-	74,305
Assigned to:											
Subsequent year's budget	252,762		-	-		-	-	-	252,762	-	252,762
Unassigned	8,941,417		-	-		-	-	-	8,941,417	-	8,941,417
Total fund balances	9,283,207		-	 -		-	 -	 -	9,283,207		9,283,207
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 10,457,105	\$	122,307	\$ 146,977	\$	1,898	\$ 41,958	\$ 45,228	\$ 10,815,473	\$ (186,413)	\$ 10,629,060

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BOARD AND OFFICER GENERAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Board of County Commissioners	Clerk of Circuit Court	Sheriff	Tax Collector	Property Appraiser	Supervisor of Elections	Subtotals	Interfund Eliminations	Totals
Revenues									
Taxes	\$ 7,897,787	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,897,787	\$ -	\$ 7,897,787
Permit, fees, and special assessments	250,376	-	-	-	-	-	250,376	-	250,376
Intergovernmental	9,512,648	-	8,901	-	13,583	10,831	9,545,963	-	9,545,963
Charges for services	1,117,957	149,757	-	-	6,259	256	1,274,229	-	1,274,229
Fines and forfeitures	198	-	-	-	-	-	198	-	198
Miscellaneous revenues	572,543	84,559	-	1,309	57	46	658,514	-	658,514
Total revenues	19,351,509	234,316	8,901	1,309	19,899	11,133	19,627,067		19,627,067
Expenditures Current:									
General government	1,672,607	463,074		553,557	591,882	336,125	3,617,245	_	3,617,245
Public safety	1,254,234	-05,074	4,980,249	-	571,002	-	6,234,483		6,234,483
Physical environment	420,330	_	-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	_		_	420,330	_	420,330
Transportation	3,750,050						3,750,050		3,750,050
Economic environment	79,277						79,277		79,277
Human services	734,011	_	_		_		734,011	_	734,011
Culture and recreation	564,306	_	_	_	_	_	564,306	_	564,306
Court related	79,615		274,737				354,352		354,352
Capital outlay	1,918,697	_	214,151	1,929		2,203	1,922,829		1,922,829
Debt service:	1,910,097			1,727		2,205	1,922,029		1,922,029
Principal	87,242	_	81,156	_	_	_	168,398	_	168,398
Interest	5,766		10,587				16,353		16,353
Total expenditures	10,566,135	463,074	5,346,729	555,486	591,882	338,328	17,861,634		17,861,634
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over									
expenditures	8,785,374	(228,758)	(5,337,828)	(554,177)	(571,983)	(327,195)	1,765,433		1,765,433
enpenditur es		(220,700)	(0,007,020)	(00 .,1 / /)	(071,500)	(527,175)	1,700,100		1,700,100
Other financing sources (uses)									
Transfers in	75,000	-	-	-	-	-	75,000	-	75,000
Transfers out	(518,321)	-	-	-	-	-	(518,321)	-	(518,321)
Appropriations to constitutional officers	(7,213,622)	342,024	5,345,145	556,075	605,613	364,765	-	-	-
Reversions from constitutional officers	193,681	(113,266)	(7,317)	(1,898)	(33,630)	(37,570)	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(7,463,262)	228,758	5,337,828	554,177	571,983	327,195	(443,321)	-	(443,321)
Net change in fund balances	1,322,112						1,322,112		1,322,112
Fund balances, beginning of year, as restated	7,961,095	-	-	-	-	-	7,961,095	-	7,961,095
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 9,283,207	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,283,207	\$ -	\$ 9,283,207

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (CONTINUED)

	Special Revenue																			
	En	Law forcement Trust		Fire District		Court acility	Tra	nsportation		nsportation Impact		te Attorney lic Defender	(CDBG	SHIP	E911	Capital rcharge	So	lid Waste	nforcement ucation
ASSETS																				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	37,008	\$	139,478	\$	106,679	\$	804,700	\$	123,850	\$	172,146	\$	-	\$ 94,098	\$ 51,293	\$ 5,251	\$	100,455	\$ 9,714
Investments		-		84,844		36,401		13,452		-		-		-	-	24,187	2,342		259,027	-
Accounts receivable		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	-	-		1,639	-
Due from other governments		-		2,370		-		124,160		-		-		5,618	-	67,448	-		7,999	-
Due from other funds		-		219		1,230		1		-		1,301		-	 -	 -	 663		307	 128
Total assets	\$	37,008	\$	226,911	\$	144,310	\$	942,313	\$	123,850	\$	173,447	\$	5,618	\$ 94,098	\$ 142,928	\$ 8,256	\$	369,427	\$ 9,842
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES																				
Liabilities																				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	19,075	\$	19,325	\$	-	\$	38,475	\$	(59)	\$	984	\$	-	\$ 65,383	\$ 40	\$ -	\$	19,480	\$ -
Due to other governments		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	-	-		-	-
Due to other funds		-		374		212		1,505		-		350		5,618	-	199	13		27	19
Total liabilities		19,075		19,699		212		39,980		(59)		1,334		5,618	 65,383	 239	 13		19,507	 19
Fund balances																				
Restricted for:																				
Law enforcement		17,933		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	142,689	8,243		-	9,823
Fire and EMS		-		207,212		-		-		-		-		-	-	-	-		-	-
Solid waste		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	-	-		349,920	-
Roads and transportation		-		-		-		-		123,909		-		-	-	-	-		-	-
Economic environment		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	28,715	-	-		-	-
Court related		-		-		144,098		-		-		172,113		-	-	-	-		-	-
Capital improvements		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	-	-		-	-
Assigned to:																				
Roads and transportation		-		-		-		902,333		-		-		-	-	-	-		-	-
Capital improvements		-		-		-		-		-		-		-	-	-	-		-	-
Total fund balances		17,933		207,212		144,098		902,333		123,909		172,113		-	 28,715	 142,689	 8,243		349,920	 9,823
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	37,008	\$	226,911	\$	144,310	\$	942,313	\$	123,850	\$	173,447	\$	5,618	\$ 94,098	\$ 142,928	\$ 8,256	\$	369,427	\$ 9,842

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (CONTINUED)

												Capital Projects					
	I	Clerk Records Iernization		Clerk Title IV-D		Clerk ïnes and orfeitures	1	Sheriff Federal orfeiture	Sheriff Inmate Welfare	Vo	Sheriff olunteers Fund		Capital Projects		Capital Impact		Total
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable Due from other governments Due from other funds	\$	78,628 - - 2,485	\$	86,734 - 16,018 2	\$	125,983 - - - - 18	\$	10,599 - - - -	\$ 4,363	\$	3,289	\$	358,320 36,874 - -	\$	107,432		2,420,020 457,127 2,019 223,613 6,354
Total assets	\$	81,113	\$	102,754	\$	126,381	\$	10,599	\$ 4,363	\$	3,289	\$	395,194	\$	107,432	\$	3,109,133
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES																	
Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued expenses Due to other governments Due to other funds Total liabilities	\$	50 - - 50	\$	1,684 - - 1,684	\$	11,066 61,034 - 72,100	\$	- - -	\$ - - -	\$	- - -	\$		\$	- - -	\$	175,503 61,034 8,317 244,854
		50		1,004		72,100			 				-				244,034
Fund balances Restricted for: Law enforcement Fire and EMS Solid waste		-		- -		-		10,599 -	4,363		3,289		-		-		196,939 207,212 349,920
Roads and transportation		-		-		-		-	-		-		-		-		123,909
Economic environment Court related Capital improvements		81,063		101,070		54,281		-	-		-		-		- - 107,432		28,715 552,625 107,432
Assigned to: Roads and transportation Capital improvements		-		-		-		-	-		-		- 395,194				902,333 395,194
Total fund balances		81,063		101,070		54,281		10,599	 4,363		3,289		395,194		107,432		2,864,279
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	81,113	\$	102,754	\$	126,381	\$	10,599	\$ 4,363	\$	3,289	\$	395,194	\$	107,432	\$	3,109,133

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (CONTINUED)

		Special Revenue												
	Law Enforcement Trust	Fire District	Court Facility	Transportation	Transportation Impact	State Attorney Public Defender	CDBG	SHIP	E911	Capital Surcharge	Solid Waste	Law Enforcement Education		
Revenues				<u>`</u>										
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 532,415	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Permit, fees, and special assessments	-	600,500	-	58,532	-	-	-	-	-	-	607,399	-		
Intergovernmental	-	16,027	-	668,751	-	-	10,618	350,000	266,294	-	114,276	-		
Charges for services	-	-	18,801	6,126	-	17,973	-	-	131,602	10,280	130,389	-		
Fines and forfeitures	33,767	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,989		
Miscellaneous revenues	631	6,848	2,591	16,587	3,114	2,159	-	37,908	1,848	200	13,234	112		
Total revenues	34,398	623,375	21,392	1,282,411	3,114	20,132	10,618	387,908	399,744	10,480	865,298	2,101		
Expenditures														
Ĉurrent:														
General government	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Public safety	28,912	591,278	-	892	-	-	-	-	273,315	-	-	-		
Physical environment		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	802,978	-		
Transportation	-	-	-	1,526,331	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Economic environment	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,452	542,502	-	-	-	-		
Court related	-	-	5,666	-	-	4,981	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Capital outlay	-	-	592	-	-	-	166	-	-	-	-	-		
Debt service:														
Principal	-	66,389	-	167,447	-	-	-	-	-	11,747	34,389	-		
Interest	-	11,688	-	21,791	-	-	-	-	-	546	1,523	-		
Total expenditures	28,912	669,355	6,258	1,716,461	-	4,981	10,618	542,502	273,315	12,293	838,890	-		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over														
expenditures	5,486	(45,980)	15,134	(434,050)	3,114	15,151	-	(154,594)	126,429	(1,813)	26,408	2,101		
Other financing sources (uses)														
Transfers in	-	-	-	518,321	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(75,000)	-	-	-		
Other external reversion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	95,195	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-	613,516	-	-	-	-	(75,000)	-	-	-		
Net change in fund balance	5,486	(45,980)	15,134	179,466	3,114	15,151		(154,594)	51,429	(1,813)	26,408	2,101		
Fund balance, beginning of year, as restated	12,447	253,192	128,964	722,867	120,795	156,962	-	183,309	91,260	10,056	323,512	7,722		
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 17,933	\$ 207,212	\$ 144,098	\$ 902,333	\$ 123,909	\$ 172,113	\$-	\$ 28,715	\$ 142,689	\$ 8,243	\$ 349,920	\$ 9,823		

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (CONTINUED)

	Capital						Projects	ects	
	Clerk Records Modernization	Clerk Title IV-D	Clerk Fines and Forfeitures	Sheriff Federal Forfeiture	Sheriff Inmate Welfare	Sheriff Volunteers Fund	Capital Projects	Capital Impact	Total
Revenues									
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 532,415
Permit, fees, and special assessments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,266,431
Intergovernmental	-	80,306	302,456	-	-	-	-	-	1,808,728
Charges for services	34,289	-	170,819	-	17,728	-	-	-	538,007
Fines and forfeitures	-	-	51,532	-	-	-	-	-	87,288
Miscellaneous revenues	1,866	-	6,373	-	495	2,381	9,948	2,695	108,990
Total revenues	36,155	80,306	531,180	-	18,223	2,381	9,948	2,695	4,341,859
Expenditures									
Current:									
General government	6,000	62,554	-	-	-	-	-	-	68,554
Public safety	-	-	-	-	26,085	4,248	-	-	924,730
Physical environment	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	802,978
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,526,331
Economic environment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	552,954
Court related	30,144	-	492,596	-	-	-	-	-	533,387
Capital outlay		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	758
Debt service:									
Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	279,972
Interest	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	35,548
Total expenditures	36,144	62,554	492,596	-	26,085	4,248	-	-	4,725,212
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over									
expenditures	11	17,752	38,584	-	(7,862)	(1,867)	9,948	2,695	(383,353)
Other financing sources (uses)									
Transfers in	-								518,321
Transfers out	-						_	-	(75,000)
Other external reversion	-		(21,995)				_	-	(21,995)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	_	_	(21,755)	_			_	_	95,195
Total other financing sources (uses)			(21,995)	-	-	-	-	-	516,521
Net change in fund balance	11	17,752	16,589		(7,862)	(1,867)	9,948	2,695	133,168
Fund balance, beginning of year, as restated	81,052	83,318	37,692	10,599	12,225	5,156	385,246	104,737	2,731,111
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 81,063	\$ 101,070	\$ 54,281	\$ 10,599	\$ 4,363	\$ 3,289	\$ 395,194	\$ 107,432	\$ 2,864,279

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Clerk of Circuit Court	:	Sheriff	(Tax Collector	Total Agency Funds
ASSETS	 					
Cash and equivalents	\$ 312,129	\$	31,464	\$	349,589	\$ 693,182
Receivables	84		-		18,616	18,700
Due from other funds	600		-		-	600
Total assets	\$ 312,813	\$	31,464	\$	368,205	\$ 712,482
LIABILITIES						
Assets held for others	\$ 312,333	\$	31,464	\$	317,909	\$ 661,706
Due to other funds	480		-		31,759	32,239
Due to other governments	-		-		18,537	18,537
Total liabilities	\$ 312,813	\$	31,464	\$	368,205	\$ 712,482
NET POSITION	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

State Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title	CSFA Number	Contract Number	Expenditures
STATE AGENCY			
Executive Office of the Governor Direct:			
Emergency Management Programs	31.063	19-BG-21-03-31-01-157	\$ 98,673
Total Executive Office of the Governor			98,673
Florida Department of Environmental Protection Direct:			
Small County Consolidated Grants	37.012	SC910	90,909
Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program	37.017	A17018	49,839
Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program	37.017	A17027	39,673
Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program	37.017	A17027	48,875
Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program	37.017	U17044	177,970
Total Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program	57.017	01/044	316,357
Total Florida Department of Environmental Protection			407,266
Department of State, Secretary of State			
Direct:	15.020	10.07.05	44.501
State Aid to Libraries	45.030	19-ST-95	44,581
Total Department of State			44,581
Florida Department of Transportation Direct:			
Small County Outlay Program	55.009	ARU38	18,613
Small County Outlay Program	55.009	G0S35	21,879
Small County Outlay Program	55.009	G0K22	982,112
Small County Outlay Program	55.009	G0J00	663,992
Total Small County Outlay Program			1,686,596
Small County Road Assistance Program	55.016	G0L74	1,473,626
Small County Road Assistance Program	55.016	G0R39	555,487
Small County Road Assistance Program	55.016	G0R40	928,303
Small County Road Assistance Program	55.016	G1380	106,792
Total Small County Road Assistance Program	55.010	61500	3,064,208
Total Florida Department of Transportation			4,750,804
Florida Department of Health			
Direct: Emergency Medical Services Matching Grant	64.003	M6088	112 620
Total Florida Department of Health	64.003	10088	142,638 142,638
Florida Housing Finance Corporation Direct:			
State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program	40.901	2017-2018	181,841
State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program	40.901	2017-2018	360,661
Total Florida Housing Finance Corporation	40.901	2018-2019	* 542,502
Florida Department of Management Services Direct:			
Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone System	72.001	NA	44,857
Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone System	72.001	S11-18-05-11	23,745
Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone System	72.001	18-04-09	120,947
Total Department of Management Services	, 2.001		189,549
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			\$ 6,176,013

*Passed through to subrecipient

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

(1) **Basis of Presentation:**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes the state grant activity of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Section 215.97, Florida Statutes, *Florida Single Audit Act*. Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the County.

(2) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following, as applicable, either the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and Section 215, Florida Statutes, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

(3) <u>Contingency:</u>

Project expenditures are subject to audit and adjustment. If any expenditures were to be disallowed by the grantor agency as a result of such an audit, any claim for reimbursement to the grantor agency would become a liability of the County. In the opinion of management, all project expenditures included on the accompanying schedule are in compliance with the terms of the project agreements and applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

OTHER REPORTS AND SCHEDULE

GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

A. Summary of Auditors' Results:

Financial Statements:

Type of audit report issued on the financial statements:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes <u>X</u> no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes <u>X</u> none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes <u>X</u> no
State Financial Assistance:	
Internal control over major State projects:	
Material weakness(es) identified?	yes <u>X</u> no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes <u>X</u> none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major State projects:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported for state financial assistance projects in accordance with Chapter 10.550?	yes <u>X</u> none reported
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B projects:	<u>\$750,000</u>
Identification of major State projects:	

CSFA Number	Project Name
55.009	Small County Outreach Program (SCOP)
55.016	Small County Road Assistance Program (SCRAP)

B. Financial Statement Findings: None.

- C. State Project Findings and Questioned Costs: None.
- D. Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings: See 10.550 management letter.
- E. Corrective Action Plan: Not applicable as there are no current year findings.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE PROJECT AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Project

We have audited Gilchrist County, Florida (the County)'s compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *Florida Department of Financial Services State Projects Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major state projects for the year ended September 30, 2019. The County's major state projects are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal and state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its state projects applicable to its state projects.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the County's major state projects based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state project occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state project. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major State Project

In our opinion, Gilchrist County, Florida complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state projects for the year ended September 30, 2019.

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Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major state project to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major state project and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state project on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state project will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or as combination of deficiencies, in internal control other compliance with the type of compliance requirement of a state project that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance with the type of compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses, or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the County's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards;* Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major State Project and Report on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with Chapter 10.550 Rules of the Florida Auditor General; Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports and schedule, which are dated June 26, 2020, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report, as follows:

2018-001 SHIP Subrecipient Monitoring: Corrective action taken.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. See Note 1 to the financial statements for the relevant disclosure.

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Financial Condition and Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the County has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the County did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the County's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and State grant agencies, the Board of County Commissioners, management, and others within the County and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Meore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Gilchrist County, Florida

We have examined the compliance of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County) with Section 365.172, Florida Statutes, *Emergency Communications Number "E911"*, Section 365.173, Florida Statutes, *Communications Number E911 System Fund*, and Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019. Management is responsible for the County's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the County's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the County complied with the aforementioned statutes, for the year ended September 30, 2019, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the County's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the County complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Todd Newton, who being duly sworn, deposes and says on oath that:

- 1. I am the Clerk of Court and Comptroller of Gilchrist County which is a local governmental entity of the State of Florida;
- 2. Gilchrist County adopted Ordinance 99-10, as amended by Ordinance 05-14 for Capital Facilities and Ordinance 99-09, as amended by Ordinance 05-16 for Roads implementing impact fees. Gilchrist County adopted Ordinance 2012-02 suspending the collection of all impact fees; and
- 3. Gilchrist County has complied and, as of the date of this Affidavit, remains in compliance with Section 163.31801, Florida Statutes.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Jade Munta

Todd Newton

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF GILCHRIST

> SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 2312 day of June , 2020.

RICHARD ALVIN ROMANS MY COMMISSION # GG 176380 EXPIRES: March 29, 2022 Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwrite

Ruhalim Noman NOTARY PUBLIC Print Name <u>Richard Alvin Romans</u>

Personally known _ V or produced identification _____

Type of identification produced: ______

My Commission Expires:

March 29, 2022

Our Vision for Gilchrist County in 2030 is rural communities working in harmony to provide opportunities for all its citizens through balanced growth and enhanced education, while preserving our proud heritage, natural resources and agriculture.



GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Todd Newton, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court (the Office), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information for the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund, only for that portion of the major funds, of Gilchrist County, Florida, that is attributable to the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Gilchrist County, Florida as of September 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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, although not a required part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements. The supplemental information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental information is the responsibility of management and is derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund		-	Fine and orfeiture Fund	eiture Modernization		Title	· IV-D Fund	Gov	Total vernmental Funds
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Due from other governments Due from other funds Total Assets	\$ \$	121,827 - - 480 122,307	\$ \$	125,983 380 - 18 126,381	\$ \$	78,628 	\$ \$	86,734 16,018 2 102,754	\$ \$	413,172 380 16,018 2,985 432,555
Liabilities and Fund Balances										
Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued expenses Due to other governments Due to other funds Due to Board of County Commissioners Total liabilities	\$	13,204 3,105 105,998 122,307	\$	11,066 61,034 - - 72,100	\$	50 - - - 50	\$	1,684 - - - 1,684	\$	26,004 61,034 3,105 105,998 196,141
Fund Balances Restricted for court costs		-		54,281		81,063		101,070		236,414
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	122,307	\$	126,381	\$	81,113	\$	102,754	\$	432,555

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	-	General Fund	-	Fine and Records Forfeiture Modernization Fund Trust Fund Title IV-D Func		IV-D Fund	Go	Total vernmental Funds		
Revenues	<i>•</i>		<i>•</i>	202 156	<i>•</i>		<i>•</i>	00.000	¢	
Intergovernmental	\$	-	\$	302,456	\$	-	\$	80,306	\$	382,762
Charges for services		149,757		170,819		34,289		-		354,865
Fines and forfeitures		-		51,532		-		-		51,532
Miscellaneous		84,559		6,373		1,866		-		92,798
Total revenues		234,316		531,180		36,155		80,306		881,957
Expenditures Current:										
General government		463,074		-		6.000		62,554		531,628
Court related		-		492,596		30,144		-		522,740
Total expenditures		463,074		492,596		36,144		62,554		1,054,368
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(228,758)		38,584		11		17,752		(172,411)
Other financing sources (uses)										
Appropriations from Board of County Commissioners		342,024		-		-		-		342,024
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners		(113,266)		-		-		-		(113,266)
Article V Reversion		-		(21,995)		-		-		(21,995)
Total other financing sources (uses)		228,758		(21,995)		-		-		206,763
Net change in fund balance		-		16,589		11		17,752		34,352
Fund balance, beginning of year		-		37,692		81,052		83,318		202,062
Fund balance, end of year	\$	-	\$	54,281	\$	81,063	\$	101,070	\$	236,414

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AGENCY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

Assets Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Due from other funds Total Assets	\$	312,129 84 600 312,813
Liabilities Assets held for others Due to other funds Total Liabilities	\$ \$	312,333 480 312,813

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

The accounting policies of the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court (the "Office") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

(a) **Reporting entity**— The Clerk is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), the reporting entity for financial reporting purposes. The Office's General Fund is combined with the Board of County Commissioners in the County's financial statements to properly reflect the county-wide General Fund.

(b) **Basis of presentation**—The Office's financial statements are special-purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the Rules). In conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented the government-wide financial statements, the reconciliations to the government-wide statements or management's discussion and analysis.

(c) **Fund accounting**—Accounts are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, as appropriate for each fund type. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The focus of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The Office reports the following major governmental fund; there are no non-major governmental funds:

General Fund – The principal operating fund of the office. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Office reports the following Special Revenue funds:

Fine and Forfeiture Fund – This fund is used to account for court-related activities funded by general appropriations from the State and court-related fees.

Records Modernization Trust Fund – Used to account for additional recording fees, which are collected by the Clerk's office and are earmarked for the modernization of recording service operations.

Title IV D Fund – This fund is used to account for the expenditures associated with administering Title IV D cases and associated federal reimbursement.

Additionally, the Office reports the following fiduciary fund type:

Agency Funds - Used to account for assets held by the Office as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

(d) **Measurement focus/basis of accounting**—All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Their operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and, accordingly, are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. The Office considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized when due.

(e) **Cash**—The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

(f) **Capital assets and long-term liabilities**—Capital assets used by the Office are capitalized (recorded and accounted for) by the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

(g) **Accounts payable**—Accounts payable balances in the general fund are primarily payable to third-party vendors for goods provided and services rendered.

(h) **Compensated absences**—The Office follows generally accepted accounting principles in accounting for accrued compensated absences. The Office allows limited vesting of unused employee leave time. Since the annual and sick leave liability is considered long-term, it is recorded in the government-wide financial statements of the County. Compensated absences are expected to be paid out of the General Fund of the Office and this practice is expected to continue in the future. The Office kept compensated absence records for the hours earned, used and available.

(i) **Fund balance**—Fund balance for governmental funds report classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. In as much as the Office is a county constitutional officer, any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year are returned to the Board of County Commissioners. Unassigned fund balance represents funds available for spending at the government's discretion.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

The Office does not have a formal written policy regarding whether restricted or unrestricted amounts are considered to be spent when an expenditure for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available. However, it has been the Office's general practice when expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available; the Office considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the Office considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and lastly unassigned funds, as needed.

(j) Use of estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

Governmental fund revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with the Florida Statutes. An annual budget was adopted for the General Fund and other special revenue funds. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been adjusted for legally authorized amendments of the annual budget for the year. The annual budget is monitored at varying levels of classification detail. However, for purposes of budgetary control, expenditures cannot legally exceed the total budget appropriations at the individual fund level. All appropriations lapse at year-end

(3) <u>Investments:</u>

Florida Statutes authorize the Office to invest in bonds, notes or other obligations of the U.S. Government, certificates of deposits, repurchase agreements, certain bonds of any State or local government unit and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool.

Interest Rate Risk. The Office does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The Office places no limit on the amount the Office may invest in any one issuer. The Office maintained 100-percent of excess deposits in a checking account with a local financial institution subject to Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, and/or the State of Florida collateral pool established under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act (the Act).

(4) **<u>Risk Management:</u>**

The County purchased commercial insurance to limit the exposure of the following risks of loss: theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; natural disasters and injuries to employees. Commercial insurance has been purchased by the Office to cover the risks of loss due to employee errors or omissions and health insurance. Settled claims resulting from all risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

(5) Long-term Liabilities:

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities of the Office for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, follows:

	ginning alance	A	Additions R		Ending Reductions Balance			Due Within One Year	
Compensated absences	\$ 47,679	\$	79,413	\$	(58,385)	\$	68,707	\$	35,047

(6) <u>Pension Plan:</u>

The Office participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer, cost sharing defined public employee retirement system which covers all of the Office's full-time employees. The System is administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement to provide retirement and survivor benefits to participating public employees. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans and other nonintegrated programs. These include a defined-benefit pension plan (Plan), with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP), and a defined-contribution plan, referred to as the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan).

In addition, all regular employees of the entity are eligible to enroll as members of the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program. The HIS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

For financial reporting purposes, the Office is deemed to be part of the primary government of the County. A liability related to the Office's proportionate share of FRS retirement benefits, along with a detailed plan description, is reported in the financial statements of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GENERAL FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Budgeted Amounts						Fina	iance with 1 Budget - Positive
		Original		Final		Actual		Negative)
Revenues								
Charges for services	\$	135,954	\$	135,954	\$	149,757	\$	13,803
Miscellaneous		55,222		55,222		84,559		29,337
Total revenues		191,176		191,176		234,316		43,140
Expenditures								
Current:								
General government		548,200		548,200		463,074		85,126
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(357,024)		(357,024)		(228,758)		128,266
Other financing sources (uses)								
Transfers in		15,000		15,000		-		(15,000)
Appropriations from Board of County Commissioner	5	342,024		342,024		342,024		-
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners		-		-		(113,266)		(113,266)
Total other financing sources (uses)		357,024		357,024		228,758		(128,266)
Net change in fund balance		-		-		-		-
Fund balance, beginning of year		-		-		-		-
Fund balance, end of year	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FINE AND FORFEITURE FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget -
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$ 309,169	\$ 309,169	\$ 302,456	\$ (6,713)
Charges for services	137,056	137,056	170,819	33,763
Fines and forfeitures	51,220	51,220	51,532	312
Miscellaneous	2,625	2,625	6,373	3,748
Total revenues	500,070	500,070	531,180	31,110
Expenditures Current:				
Court related	509,720	509,720	492,596	17,124
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(9,650)	(9,650)	38,584	48,234
Other financing sources (uses) Article V Reversion	-	-	(21,995)	(21,995)
Net change in fund balance	(9,650)	(9,650)	16,589	26,239
Fund balance, beginning of year	37,692	37,692	37,692	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 28,042	\$ 28,042	\$ 54,281	\$ 26,239

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES RECORDS MODERNIZATION TRUST FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Budgeted Amounts						Variance with Final Budget - Positive		
	Original			Final		Actual		egative)	
Revenues									
Charges for services	\$	27,500	\$	27,500	\$	34,289	\$	6,789	
Miscellaneous		1,100		1,100		1,866		766	
Total revenues		28,600		28,600		36,155		7,555	
Expenditures									
Current:									
General government		32,300		32,300		6,000		26,300	
Court related		83,600		83,600		30,144		53,456	
Total expenditures		115,900		115,900		36,144		79,756	
Net change in fund balance		(87,300)		(87,300)		11		87,311	
Fund balance, beginning of year		81,052		81,052		81,052		-	
Fund balance, end of year	\$	(6,248)	\$	(6,248)	\$	81,063	\$	87,311	

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TITLE IV-D FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	 Budgeted Driginal	Amoı	ints Final	Actual		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	
Revenues	 8						8 /
Intergovernmental	\$ 60,000	\$	60,000	\$	80,306	\$	20,306
Expenditures Current:							
General government	147,600		147,600		62,554		85,046
Net change in fund balance	 (87,600)		(87,600)		17,752		105,352
Fund balance, beginning of year	83,318		83,318		83,318		-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ (4,282)	\$	(4,282)	\$	101,070	\$	105,352

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT NOTE TO SCHEDULES OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

(1) **<u>Budgetary Information:</u>**

An annual budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the general fund and the records modernization trust fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The Office follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a) The preparation, adoption and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- b) Budget excess expenditures over revenues are funded through appropriations from the Board of County Commissioners.
- c) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. The legal level of budgetary control is the fund level.
- d) The budgets for the funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AGENCY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Relations of C			Relations		Registry f Court Fund	General Trust Fund	Total Agency Funds	
Assets									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	634	\$	17,781	\$ 293,714	\$	312,129		
Receivables		-		-	84		84		
Due from other funds		-		-	600		600		
Total Assets	\$	634	\$	17,781	\$ 294,398	\$	312,813		
Liabilities									
Assets held for others	\$	154	\$	17,781	\$ 294,398	\$	312,333		
Due to other funds		480		-	-		480		
Total Liabilities	\$	634	\$	17,781	\$ 294,398	\$	312,813		
Net Position	\$	-	\$	_	\$ -	\$	-		

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Todd Newton, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the general fund of the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court (the Office) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020, which was modified to refer to a basis of accounting required for compliance with state filing requirements, and for other reasons.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the special-purpose financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court's special-purpose financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

James Moore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable Todd Newton, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited the financial statements of the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court (the Office), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 26, 2020, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address all findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. Gilchrist County, including the Office of the Clerk, was established by Chapter 8516, Laws of Florida in 1921. There are no component units of the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court to be disclosed as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

The Honorable Todd Newton, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have examined the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court's (the Office) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, Section 28.35, Florida Statutes, *Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation*, Section 28.36, Florida Statutes, *Budget Procedure*, and Section 61.181, Florida Statutes, *Depository for Alimony Transactions, Support, Maintenance, and Support Payments; Fees* (collectively, "the Statutes"), for the year ended September 30, 2019. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with the Statutes for the year ended September 30, 2019, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Office's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Gilchrist County Clerk of the Circuit Court complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

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SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the general fund of the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser (the Office), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the general fund for the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the S tate of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund, only for that portion of the major funds, of Gilchrist County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Gilchrist County, Florida as of September 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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, although not a required part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* much forvernment Auditing Standards in considering the Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

GILCHRIST COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund					
ASSETS Cash and equivalents	\$	41,958				
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE						
Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenditures Due to other governments Due to Board of County Commissioners Total Liabilities	\$	7,575 753 <u>33,630</u> 41,958				
Fund Balance: Unassigned		-				
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	41,958				

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund
Revenues	
Charges for services	\$ 6,259
Intergovernmental revenue	13,583
Miscellaneous revenue	 57
Total revenues	 19,899
Expenditures	
Current:	
General government	591,882
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	 (571,983)
Other financing sources (uses)	
Appropriations from board of county commissioners	605,613
Reversion to board of county commissioners	(33,630)
Total other financing sources (uses)	 571,983
Net change in fund balance	-
Fund balance, beginning of year	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

The accounting policies of the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser (the "Office") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

(a) **Reporting entity**—The Property Appraiser is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), the reporting entity for financial reporting purposes. The Office's General Fund is combined with the Board of County Commissioners in the County's financial statements to properly reflect the county-wide General Fund.

(b) **Basis of presentation**—The Office's financial statements are special-purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the Rules). In conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented the government-wide financial statements, the reconciliations to the government-wide statements or management's discussion and analysis.

(c) **Fund accounting**—Accounts are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, as appropriate for each fund type. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The focus of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The Office reports the following major governmental fund; there are no non-major governmental funds:

General Fund – The principal operating fund of the Office. It is used to account for all financial resources.

(d) **Measurement focus/basis of accounting**—All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Their operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and, accordingly, are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Except for grants, which are recorded on a matching basis, the Office considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized when due.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

(e) **Cash**—The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

(f) **Capital assets and long-term liabilities**—Capital assets used by the Office are capitalized (recorded and accounted for) by the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

(g) **Accounts payable**—Accounts payable balances in the general fund are primarily payable to third-party vendors for goods provided and services rendered.

(h) **Compensated absences**—The Office follows generally accepted accounting principles in accounting for accrued compensated absences. The Office allows limited vesting of unused employee leave time. Since the annual and sick leave liability is considered long-term, it is recorded in the government-wide financial statements of the County. Compensated absences are expected to be paid out of the General Fund of the Office and this practice is expected to continue in the future. The Office kept compensated absence records for the hours earned, used and available.

(i) **Fund balance**—Fund balance for governmental funds report classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. In as much as the Property Appraiser is a county constitutional officer, any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year are returned to the Board of County Commissioners. Unassigned fund balance represents funds available for spending at the government's discretion.

The Office does not have a formal written policy regarding whether restricted or unrestricted amounts are considered to be spent when an expenditure for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available. However, it has been the Office's general practice when expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available; the Office considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the Office considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and lastly unassigned funds, as needed.

(j) Use of estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

Governmental fund revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with the Florida Statutes. An annual budget was adopted for the General Fund. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been adjusted for legally authorized amendments of the annual budget for the year. The annual budget is monitored at varying levels of classification detail. However, for purposes of budgetary control, expenditures cannot legally exceed the total budget appropriations at the individual fund level. All appropriations lapse at year-end

(3) <u>Investments:</u>

Florida Statutes authorize the Office to invest in bonds, notes or other obligations of the U.S. Government, certificates of deposits, repurchase agreements, certain bonds of any State or local government unit and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool.

Interest Rate Risk. The Office does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The Office places no limit on the amount the Office may invest in any one issuer. The Office maintained 100-percent of excess deposits in a checking account with a local financial institution subject to Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, and/or the State of Florida collateral pool established under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act (the Act).

(4) **<u>Risk Management:</u>**

The County purchased commercial insurance to limit the exposure of the following risks of loss: theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; natural disasters and injuries to employees. Commercial insurance has been purchased by the Office to cover the risks of loss due to employee errors or omissions and health insurance. Settled claims resulting from all risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

(5) Long-term Liabilities:

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, follows:

	nning ance	Ad	Additions Reductions		Ending Salance	Due Within One Year		
Compensated absences	\$ 9,342	\$	18,235	\$	(12,442)	\$ 14,282	\$	4,899

(6) <u>Pension Plan:</u>

The Office participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer, cost sharing defined public employee retirement system which covers all of the Office's full-time employees. The System is administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement to provide retirement and survivor benefits to participating public employees. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans and other nonintegrated programs. These include a defined-benefit pension plan (Plan), with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP), and a defined-contribution plan, referred to as the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan).

In addition, all regular employees of the entity are eligible to enroll as members of the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program. The HIS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

For financial reporting purposes, the Office is deemed to be part of the primary government of the County. A liability related to the Office's proportionate share of FRS retirement benefits, along with a detailed plan description, is reported in the financial statements of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

		Budgeted	Amo	ounts			Variance with Final Budget -	
	Original Final			Actual		Positive (Negative)		
Revenues	¢		¢		¢	(250	¢	6.250
Charges for services Miscellaneous revenue	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,259 57	\$	6,259 57
Total revenues		-				19,899		19,899
						19,099		19,099
Expenditures								
Current:								
General government		617,911		619,196		591,882		27,314
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(617,911)		(619,196)		(571,983)		47,213
Other financing sources (uses)								
Appropriations from board of county commissioners		617,911		619,196		605,613		(13,583)
Reversion to board of county commissioners		-		-		(33,630)		(33,630)
Total other financing sources (uses)		617,911		619,196		571,983		(47,213)
Net change in fund balance		-		-		-		-
Fund balance, beginning of year		-		-		-		-
Fund balance, end of year	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

The accompanying note to schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - budget to actual - governmental funds is an integral part of this schedule.

GILCHRIST COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

(1) **<u>Budgetary Information:</u>**

An annual budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The Office follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a) The preparation, adoption and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- b) Budget excess expenditures over revenues are funded through appropriations from the Board of County Commissioners.
- c) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. The legal level of budgetary control is the fund level.
- d) The budgets for the funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the general fund of the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser (the Office) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser's special-purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020, which was modified to refer to a basis of accounting required for compliance with state filing requirements, and for other reasons.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the special-purpose financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser's special-purpose financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

James Moore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser (the Office), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 26, 2020, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address all findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report, if applicable.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Gilchrist County Property Appraiser is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. There are no component units of the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser to be disclosed as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

The Honorable Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have examined the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser's (the Office) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies, for the year ended September 30, 2019. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, Local Government Investment Policies, for the year ended September 30, 2019, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Office's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Gilchrist County Property Appraiser complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

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GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF

SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Robert D. Schultz, Sheriff, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gilchrist County Sheriff (the Office), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Sheriff's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information for the Gilchrist County Sheriff as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund, only for that portion of the major funds, of Gilchrist County, Florida, that is attributable to the Gilchrist County Sheriff. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Gilchrist County, Florida as of September 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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, although not a required part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Office's basic financial statements. The supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and are derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report on our consideration of the Gilchrist County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Gilchrist County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

		Special Revenue						Total	
	 General Fund		FLETF Fund		nmate are Fund		lunteers Fund	Go	vernmental Funds
ASSETS									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 146,977	\$	10,599	\$	4,363	\$	3,289	\$	165,228
Total assets	\$ 146,977	\$	10,599	\$	4,363	\$	3,289	\$	165,228
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities									
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures	\$ 139,660	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	139,660
Due to Board of County Commissioners	 7,317		-		-		-		7,317
Total Liabilities	 146,977		-		-		-		146,977
Fund Balances Restricted for:									
Charitable purposes	-		-		_		3,289		3,289
Law enforcement	-		10,599		-		-		10,599
Assigned			,						,
Inmate benefits	-		-		4,363		-		4,363
Total Fund Balances	 -		10,599		4,363		3,289		18,251
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 146,977	\$	10,599	\$	4,363	\$	3,289	\$	165,228

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

			Special Revenue						Total Governmental	
	General		FLETF Inmate			Volunteers				
]	Fund		Fund	Wel	fare Fund		Fund		Funds
Revenues										
Intergovernmental	\$	8,901	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,901
Charges for services		-		-		17,728		-		17,728
Miscellaneous revenue		-		-		495		2,381		2,876
Total revenues		8,901		-		18,223		2,381		29,505
Expenditures										
Current:										
Public safety	4	,980,249		-		26,085		4,248		5,010,582
Court-related		274,737		-				-		274,737
Debt service		<i>,</i>								,
Principal		81,156		-		-		-		81,156
Interest		10,587		-		-		-		10,587
Total expenditures	5	,346,729		-		26,085		4,248		5,377,062
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(5	,337,828)	. <u> </u>	-		(7,862)		(1,867)	(:	5,347,557)
Other financing sources (uses)										
Appropriations from board of county commissioners	5	,345,145		-		-		-		5,345,145
Reversion to board of county commissioners		(7,317)		-		-		-		(7,317)
Total other financing sources (uses)	5	,337,828		-		-		-		5,337,828
Net change in fund balance		-		-		(7,862)		(1,867)		(9,729)
Fund balances, beginning of year		-		10,599		12,225		5,156		27,980
Fund balances, end of year	\$	-	\$	10,599	\$	4,363	\$	3,289	\$	18,251

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

		Agency Funds
ASSETS Cash and equivalents	<u></u>	31,464
LIABILITIES Assets held for others	\$	31,464

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

The accounting policies of the Gilchrist County Sheriff (the Office) conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

(a) **Reporting entity**— The Sheriff is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), the reporting entity for financial reporting purposes. The Office's General Fund is combined with the Board of County Commissioners in the County's financial statements to properly reflect the county-wide General Fund.

(b) **Basis of presentation**—The Office's financial statements are special-purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the Rules). In conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented the government-wide financial statements, the reconciliations to the government-wide statements or management's discussion and analysis.

(c) **Fund accounting**—Accounts are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, as appropriate for each fund type. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The focus of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The Office reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – The principal operating fund of the office. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds – The Inmate Welfare Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the funds that are generated by phone commissions. The profits can only be spent for the benefit of the inmates. The Federal Forfeiture Fund is used to account for the receipt and expenditures of federal forfeitures received. The Donations Fund is used to track all donation revenues.

Additionally, the Sheriff reports the following fiduciary fund type:

Agency Fund – Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Office in a trustee capacity, or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governments.

(d) **Measurement focus/basis of accounting**—All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Their operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and, accordingly, are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. The Office considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized when due.

(e) **Cash**—The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

(f) **Capital assets and long-term liabilities**—Capital assets used by the Office are capitalized (recorded and accounted for) by the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners.

Depreciation is reported for the primary government using the straight-line method calculated on a service-life basis to amortize the cost of the asset over their estimated economic useful lives, which are as follows:

Assets	Years
Vehicles	4-6 years
Building and improvements	20 years
Computer software	3-10 years
Machinery and equipment	3-20 years

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

(g) **Accounts payable**—Accounts payable balances in the general fund are primarily payable to third-party vendors for goods provided and services rendered.

(h) **Compensated absences**—The Office follows generally accepted accounting principles in accounting for accrued compensated absences. The Office allows limited vesting of unused employee leave time. Since the annual and sick leave liability is considered long-term, it is recorded in the government-wide financial statements of the County. Compensated absences are expected to be paid out of the General Fund of the Office and this practice is expected to continue in the future. The Office kept compensated absence records for the hours earned, used and available.

(i) **Fund balance**—Fund balance for governmental funds report classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. In as much as the Sheriff is a county constitutional officer, any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year are returned to the Board of County Commissioners. Unassigned fund balance represents funds available for spending at the government's discretion.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

The Office does not have a formal written policy regarding whether restricted or unrestricted amounts are considered to be spent when an expenditure for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available. However, it has been the Office's general practice when expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available; the Office considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the Office considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and lastly unassigned funds, as needed.

(j) Use of estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

Governmental fund revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with the Florida Statutes. An annual budget was adopted for the General Fund. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been adjusted for legally authorized amendments of the annual budget for the year. The annual budget is monitored at varying levels of classification detail. However, for purposes of budgetary control, expenditures cannot legally exceed the total budget appropriations at the individual fund level. All appropriations lapse at year-end

(3) <u>Investments:</u>

Florida Statutes authorize the Office to invest in bonds, notes or other obligations of the U.S. Government, certificates of deposits, repurchase agreements, certain bonds of any State or local government unit and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool.

Interest Rate Risk. The Office does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The Office places no limit on the amount the Office may invest in any one issuer. The Office maintained 100-percent of excess deposits in a checking account with a local financial institution subject to Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, and/or the State of Florida collateral pool established under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act (the Act).

(4) <u>Risk Management:</u>

The County purchased commercial insurance to limit the exposure of the following risks of loss: theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; natural disasters and injuries to employees. Commercial insurance has been purchased by the Office to cover the risks of loss due to employee errors or omissions and health insurance. Settled claims resulting from all risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

(5) Capital Assets:

Capital asset activity of the Office is incorporated in the County-wide financial statements. All applicable depreciation expense is recorded under the public safety function.

(6) Long-term Liabilities:

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities of the Office for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, follows:

	eginning Balance	0		Reductions		Ending Balance		Due Within One Year	
Compensated absences	\$ 358,799	\$	260,537	\$	(210,625)	\$	408,711	\$	140,195

(7) **Pension Plan:**

The Office participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer, cost sharing defined public employee retirement system which covers all of the Office's full-time employees. The System is administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement to provide retirement and survivor benefits to participating public employees. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans and other nonintegrated programs. These include a defined-benefit pension plan (Plan), with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP), and a defined-contribution plan, referred to as the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan).

In addition, all regular employees of the entity are eligible to enroll as members of the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program. The HIS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

For financial reporting purposes, the Office is deemed to be part of the primary government of the County. A liability related to the Office's proportionate share of FRS retirement benefits, along with a detailed plan description, is reported in the financial statements of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Budgetee	d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive	
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
Revenues					
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,901	\$ 8,901	
Expenditures					
Current:					
Public safety	4,956,657	4,956,657	4,980,249	(23,592)	
Court-related	288,736	288,736	274,737	13,999	
Debt service					
Principal	81,156	81,156	81,156	-	
Interest	10,587	10,587	10,587		
Total expenditures	5,337,136	5,337,136	5,346,729	(9,593)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(5,337,136)	(5,337,136)	(5,337,828)	(692)	
Other financing sources (uses)					
Appropriations from board of county commissioners	5,337,136	5,337,136	5,345,145	8,009	
Reversion to board of county commissioners	-	-	(7,317)	(7,317)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	5,337,136	5,337,136	5,337,828	692	
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-	
Fund balances, beginning of year	-	-	-	-	
Fund balances, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

The accompanying note to schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - budget to actual - governmental funds is an integral part of this schedule.

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF NOTE TO SCHEDULES OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

(1) **<u>Budgetary Information:</u>**

An annual budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. A formal budget is not adopted for the federal forfeiture, inmate welfare, or volunteers funds, and therefore budgetary comparison schedules are not presented for these funds.

The Office follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a) The preparation, adoption and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- b) Budget excess expenditures over revenues are funded through appropriations from the Board of County Commissioners.
- c) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. The legal level of budgetary control is the fund level.
- d) The budgets for the funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY SHERIFF COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	 ate Trust Fund	 vidual and ense Fund	 ids and es Fund	 vidence ust Fund	 Total
ASSETS Cash and equivalents	\$ 5,653	\$ 1,837	\$ 346	\$ 23,628	\$ 31,464
LIABILITIES Assets held for others	\$ 5,653	\$ 1,837	\$ 346	\$ 23,628	\$ 31,464

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable Robert D. Schultz, Sheriff, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gilchrist County Sheriff (the Office) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Sheriff's special-purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020, which was modified to refer to a basis of accounting required for compliance with state filing requirements.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the special-purpose financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the following paragraph as item 2019-001, that we consider to be a material weakness.

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2019-001 - Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting

During the course of the audit, several adjustments were noted with respect to account reconciliation and the presentation of accounts in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). As the Office maintains their cash accounts on the cash basis of accounting, several material entries were required to record the accounts in accordance with GAAP. This included an adjustment of approximately \$146,000 to properly accrue for backdated checks and payroll expenditures which had not been accrued in the corresponding period. Material entries were also required to reconcile the Office's due to/from balances with those of the Board. We recommend the Office utilize accrual features within the accounting software or obtain a software that can properly accrue for items at year-end.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Gilchrist County Sheriff's special-purpose financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Management's Response to Findings

The Office's responses to the findings identified in our audit are outlined as listed in the table of contents. The Office's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

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

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable Robert D. Schultz, Sheriff, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited the financial statements of the Gilchrist County Sheriff (the Office), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 26, 2020, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address certain findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report, except as noted below. Comment 2019-001 remains uncorrected from the second preceding audit (various interrelated matters combined into single comment in current year).

2018-001 – Segregation of Duties: Corrective action taken.

2018-002 – Audit Adjustments: Corrective action not taken. See repeat comment 2019-001.

2018-003 – Bank Reconciliations: Corrective action not taken. See repeat comment 2019-001.

2018-004 – Due to/from Balances: Corrective action not taken. See repeat comment 2019-001.

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Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Gilchrist County Sheriff is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. Gilchrist County, including the Office of the Sheriff, was established by Chapter 8516, Laws of Florida in 1921. There are no component units of the Gilchrist County Sheriff to be disclosed as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Gilchrist County Sheriff, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Maore : 60. , P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

The Honorable Robert D. Schultz, Sheriff, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have examined the Gilchrist County Sheriff's (the Office) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Office's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Gilchrist County Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

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June 26, 2020

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> RE: Written Explanation or Rebuttal Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office Audit Report Ending Sept. 30, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter of written explanation regarding the schedule of findings. I have been informed of our Auditor's findings and the recommendations that they have outlined in their annual audit report.

I understand that the auditors have met with my staff regarding their findings. I will take the appropriate steps to change the procedures to resolve these findings:

2019-001 We have been explained the correct procedure for the accruals. This procedure will be adhered to going forward. We are in the process of setting up a due to/due from account in our software to correct this finding.

I appreciate the manner in which the auditors conducted the audit and feel that they were helpful, courteous and professional.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Schultz, III, Sheriff

GILCHRIST COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

GILCHRIST COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Connie Sanchez, Supervisor of Elections, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the general fund of the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections (the Office), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Office's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the general fund for the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund, only for that portion of the major funds, of Gilchrist County, Florida, that is attributable to the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Gilchrist County, Florida as of September 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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, although not a required part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Office's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Moore ; 6., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

GILCHRIST COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund		
ASSETS Cash and equivalents	\$	45,228	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenditures Due to Board of County Commissioners Total Liabilities	\$	7,658 37,570 45,228	
Fund Balance: Unassigned		-	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	45,228	

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund			
Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$	10,831		
Charges for services		256		
Miscellaneous		46		
Total revenues		11,133		
Expenditures				
Current:				
General government		336,125		
Capital outlay		2,203		
Total expenditures		338,328		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(327,195)		
Other financing sources (uses)				
Appropriations from Board of County Commissioners		364,765		
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners		(37,570)		
Total other financing sources (uses)		327,195		
Net change in fund balance		-		
Fund balance, beginning of year		-		
Fund balance, end of year	\$	-		

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

The accounting policies of the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections (the "Office") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

(a) **Reporting entity**—The Supervisor of Elections is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), the reporting entity for financial reporting purposes. The Office's General Fund is combined with the Board of County Commissioners in the County's financial statements to properly reflect the county-wide General Fund.

(b) **Basis of presentation**—The Office's financial statements are special-purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the Rules). In conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented the government-wide financial statements, the reconciliations to the government-wide statements or management's discussion and analysis.

(c) **Fund accounting**—Accounts are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, as appropriate for each fund type. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The focus of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The Office reports the following major governmental fund; there are no non-major governmental funds:

General Fund – The principal operating fund of the Office. It is used to account for all financial resources.

(d) **Measurement focus/basis of accounting**—All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Their operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and, accordingly, are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. The Office considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized when due.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

(e) **Cash**—The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

(f) **Capital assets and long-term liabilities**—Capital assets used by the Office are capitalized (recorded and accounted for) by the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

(g) **Accounts payable**—Accounts payable balances in the general fund are primarily payable to third-party vendors for goods provided and services rendered.

(h) **Compensated absences**—The Office follows generally accepted accounting principles in accounting for accrued compensated absences. The Office allows limited vesting of unused employee leave time. Since the annual and sick leave liability is considered long-term, it is recorded in the government-wide financial statements of the County. Compensated absences are expected to be paid out of the General Fund of the Office and this practice is expected to continue in the future. The Office kept compensated absence records for the hours earned, used and available.

(i) **Fund balance**—Fund balance for governmental funds report classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. In as much as the Supervisor of Elections is a county constitutional officer, any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year are returned to the Board of County Commissioners. Unassigned fund balance represents funds available for spending at the government's discretion.

The Office does not have a formal written policy regarding whether restricted or unrestricted amounts are considered to be spent when an expenditure for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available. However, it has been the Office's general practice when expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available; the Office considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the Office considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and lastly unassigned funds, as needed.

(j) Use of estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

Governmental fund revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with the Florida Statutes. An annual budget was adopted for the General Fund. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been adjusted for legally authorized amendments of the annual budget for the year. The annual budget is monitored at varying levels of classification detail. However, for purposes of budgetary control, expenditures cannot legally exceed the total budget appropriations at the individual fund level. All appropriations lapse at year-end

(3) <u>Investments:</u>

Florida Statutes authorize the Office to invest in bonds, notes or other obligations of the U.S. Government, certificates of deposits, repurchase agreements, certain bonds of any State or local government unit and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool.

Interest Rate Risk. The Office does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The Office places no limit on the amount the Office may invest in any one issuer. The Office maintained 100-percent of excess deposits in a checking account with a local financial institution subject to Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, and/or the State of Florida collateral pool established under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act (the Act).

(4) **<u>Risk Management:</u>**

The County purchased commercial insurance to limit the exposure of the following risks of loss: theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; natural disasters and injuries to employees. Commercial insurance has been purchased by the Office to cover the risks of loss due to employee errors or omissions and health insurance. Settled claims resulting from all risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

(5) Long-term Liabilities:

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, follows:

	Beginning Balance		Additions		Reductions		Ending Balance		Due Within One Year	
Compensated absences	\$	3,640	\$	3,091	\$	(4,467)	\$	2,264	\$	777

(6) <u>Pension Plan:</u>

The Office participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer, cost sharing defined public employee retirement system which covers all of the Office's full-time employees. The System is administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement to provide retirement and survivor benefits to participating public employees. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans and other nonintegrated programs. These include a defined-benefit pension plan (Plan), with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP), and a defined-contribution plan, referred to as the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan).

In addition, all regular employees of the entity are eligible to enroll as members of the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program. The HIS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

For financial reporting purposes, the Office is deemed to be part of the primary government of the County. A liability related to the Office's proportionate share of FRS retirement benefits, along with a detailed plan description, is reported in the financial statements of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Budgetee	d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget - Positive	
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
Revenues	0	·			
Intergovernmental	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,831	\$ 10,831	
Charges for services	-	-	256	256	
Miscellaneous	_		46	46	
Total revenues	-		11,133	11,133	
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	361,765	361,765	336,125	25,640	
Capital outlay	3,000	3,000	2,203	797	
Total expenditures	364,765	364,765	338,328	26,437	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(364,765)	(364,765)	(327,195)	37,570	
Other financing sources (uses)					
Appropriations from Board of County Commissioners	364,765	364,765	364,765	-	
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners			(37,570)	(37,570)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	364,765	364,765	327,195	(37,570)	
Net change in fund balance	-	-	-	-	
Fund balance, beginning of year	-	-	-	-	
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

The accompanying note to schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - budget to actual - governmental funds is an integral part of this schedule.

GILCHRIST COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

(1) **<u>Budgetary Information:</u>**

An annual budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The Office follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a) The preparation, adoption and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- b) Budget excess expenditures over revenues are funded through appropriations from the Board of County Commissioners.
- c) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. The legal level of budgetary control is the fund level.
- d) The budgets for the funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Connie Sanchez, Supervisor of Elections, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the general fund of the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections (the Office) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections' special-purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020, which was modified to refer to a basis of accounting required for compliance with state filing requirements, and for other reasons.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the special-purpose financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Office's special-purpose financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

James Moore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable Connie Sanchez, Supervisor of Elections, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections (the Office), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 26, 2020, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address all findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report, if applicable.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. There are no component units of the Office to be disclosed as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

The Honorable Connie Sanchez, Supervisor of Elections, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have examined the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections' (the Office) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Office's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Gilchrist County Supervisor of Elections complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

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GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR

SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR

SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Michael McElroy, Tax Collector, Gilchrist County, Florida:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gilchrist County Tax Collector (the Office), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Tax Collector's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information for the Gilchrist County Tax Collector as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of each major fund, only for that portion of the major funds, of Gilchrist County, Florida, that is attributable to the Office. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Gilchrist County, Florida as of September 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

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, although not a required part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Office's basic financial statements. The supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental information is the responsibility of management and are derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report on our consideration of the Office's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters included under the heading Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Gilchrist County Tax Collector's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund	
Assets Cash and equivalents	\$	1,898
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Liabilities Due to Board of County Commissioners	\$	1,898
Fund balance Unassigned		-
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	1,898

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	General Fund
Revenues	
Miscellaneous revenue	\$ 1,309
Expenditures	
Current:	
General government	553,557
Capital outlay	1,929
Total expenditures	555,486
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(554,177)
Other financing sources (uses)	
Appropriations from Board of County Commissioners	556,075
Reversion to Board of County Commissioners	(1,898)
Total other financing sources (uses)	554,177
Net change in fund balance	-
Fund balance, beginning of year	-
Fund balance, end of year	\$ -

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AGENCY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Agency Fund		
Assets			
Cash and equivalents	\$	349,589	
Taxes receivable		4,122	
Accounts receivable		14,494	
Total assets	\$	368,205	
Liabilities			
Due to other governments	\$	18,537	
Due to other county agencies		31,759	
Assets held for others		317,909	
Total liabilities	\$	368,205	
Net Position	\$		

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u>

The accounting policies of the Gilchrist County Tax Collector (the "Office") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

(a) **Reporting entity**— The Tax Collector is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. The Office is an integral part of Gilchrist County, Florida (the County), the reporting entity for financial reporting purposes. The Office's General Fund is combined with the Board of County Commissioners in the County's financial statements to properly reflect the county-wide General Fund.

(b) **Basis of presentation**—The Office's financial statements are special-purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purpose of complying with the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida (the Rules). In conformity with the Rules, the Office has not presented the government-wide financial statements, the reconciliations to the government-wide statements or management's discussion and analysis.

(c) **Fund accounting**—Accounts are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures, as appropriate for each fund type. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for in, individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The focus of fund financial statements is on major funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The Office reports the following major governmental fund; there are no non-major governmental funds:

General Fund - The principal operating fund of the office. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Additionally, the Office reports the following fiduciary fund type:

Agency Fund - Used to account for assets held by the Office as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The Tax Collector's Agency Fund is used to account for the collection and distribution of property taxes, sales tax, vehicle tags and titles, boat registrations and titles, and fishing licenses.

(d) **Measurement focus/basis of accounting**—All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Their operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets and, accordingly, are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. Except for grants, which are recognized when the related expenditures are incurred, the Office considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

(1) <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:</u> (Continued)

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on general long-term debt are recognized when due.

(e) **Cash**—The Office's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

(f) **Capital assets and long-term liabilities**—Capital assets used by the Office are capitalized (recorded and accounted for) by the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the financial statements of the County.

(g) **Accounts payable**—Accounts payable balances in the general fund are primarily payable to third-party vendors for goods provided and services rendered.

(h) **Compensated absences**—The Office follows generally accepted accounting principles in accounting for accrued compensated absences. The Office allows limited vesting of unused employee leave time. Since the annual and sick leave liability is considered long-term, it is recorded in the government-wide financial statements of the County. Compensated absences are expected to be paid out of the General Fund of the Office and this practice is expected to continue in the future. The Office kept compensated absence records for the hours earned, used and available.

(i) **Fund balance**—Fund balance for governmental funds report classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. In as much as the Tax Collector is a county constitutional officer, any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year are returned to the Board of County Commissioners. Unassigned fund balance represents funds available for spending at the government's discretion.

The Office does not have a formal written policy regarding whether restricted or unrestricted amounts are considered to be spent when an expenditure for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available. However, it has been the Office's general practice when expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available; the Office considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the Office considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and lastly unassigned funds, as needed.

(j) Use of estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make various estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(2) **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

Governmental fund revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with the Florida Statutes. An annual budget was adopted for the General Fund. All budget amounts presented in the accompanying special-purpose financial statements have been adjusted for legally authorized amendments of the annual budget for the year. The annual budget is monitored at varying levels of classification detail. However, for purposes of budgetary control, expenditures cannot legally exceed the total budget appropriations at the individual fund level. All appropriations lapse at year-end.

(3) <u>Investments:</u>

Florida Statutes authorize the Office to invest in bonds, notes or other obligations of the U.S. Government, certificates of deposits, repurchase agreements, certain bonds of any State or local government unit and the State Treasurer's Investment Pool.

Interest Rate Risk. The Office does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The Office places no limit on the amount the Office may invest in any one issuer. The Office maintained 100-percent of excess deposits in a checking account with a local financial institution subject to Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance, and/or the State of Florida collateral pool established under the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act (the Act).

(4) **<u>Risk Management:</u>**

The County purchased commercial insurance to limit the exposure of the following risks of loss: theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; natural disasters and injuries to employees. Commercial insurance has been purchased by the Office to cover the risks of loss due to employee errors or omissions and health insurance. Settled claims resulting from all risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

(5) Long-term Liabilities:

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, follows:

	•	ginning alance	Ac	lditions	Re	ductions	Ending Balance	e Within ne Year
Compensated absences	\$	40,403	\$	24,212	\$	(18,282)	\$ 43,078	\$ 14,776

(6) <u>Pension Plan:</u>

The Office participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS), a multiple-employer, cost sharing defined public employee retirement system which covers all of the Office's full-time employees. The System is administered by the State of Florida, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement to provide retirement and survivor benefits to participating public employees. Provisions relating to the FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112, Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans and other nonintegrated programs. These include a defined-benefit pension plan (Plan), with a Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP), and a defined-contribution plan, referred to as the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan).

In addition, all regular employees of the entity are eligible to enroll as members of the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program. The HIS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of the state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment equal to the number of years of service credited at retirement multiplied by \$5. The minimum payment is \$30 and the maximum payment is \$150 per month, pursuant to section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS benefit, a retiree under one of the state-administered retirement systems must provide proof of eligible health insurance coverage, which can include Medicare.

For financial reporting purposes, the Office is deemed to be part of the primary government of the County. A liability related to the Office's proportionate share of FRS retirement benefits, along with a detailed plan description, is reported in the financial statements of the County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Budgeted Amounts						Variance with Final Budget -	
	(Original Final		Actual		Positive (Negative)		
Revenues								
Miscellaneous revenue	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,309	\$	1,309
Expenditures								
Current:								
General government		553,575		553,575		553,557		18
Capital outlay		2,500		2,500		1,929		571
Total expenditures		556,075		556,075		555,486		589
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		(556,075)		(556,075)		(554,177)		1,898
Other financing sources (uses) Appropriations from Board of County Commissioners Reversion to Board of County Commissioners		556,075 -		556,075 -		556,075 (1,898)		- (1,898)
Total other financing sources (uses)		556,075		556,075		554,177		(1,898)
Net change in fund balance		-		-		-		-
Fund balance, beginning of year		-		-		-		-
Fund balance, end of year	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

The accompanying note to schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance - budget to actual - governmental funds is an integral part of this schedule.

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

(1) **<u>Budgetary Information:</u>**

An annual budget is adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The Office follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a) The preparation, adoption and amendment of the budgets are governed by Florida Statutes. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- b) Budget excess expenditures over revenues are funded through appropriations from the Board of County Commissioners.
- c) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. The legal level of budgetary control is the fund level.
- d) The budgets for the funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR COMBINING SCHEDULE OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AGENCY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

	Tax Fund		Tag Fund		Trust Fund		Total Agency Funds	
Assets								
Cash and equivalents	\$	317,859	\$	16,520	\$	15,210	\$	349,589
Taxes receivable		4,122		-		-		4,122
Accounts receivable		-		14,494		-		14,494
Total assets	\$	321,981	\$	31,014	\$	15,210	\$	368,205
Liabilities								
Due to other governments	\$	4,211	\$	14,326	\$	-	\$	18,537
Due to other county agencies		24,788		6,971		-		31,759
Assets held for others		292,982		9,717		15,210		317,909
Total liabilities	\$	321,981	\$	31,014	\$	15,210	\$	368,205
Net Position	\$		\$		\$		\$	

See notes to financial statements.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF SPECIAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

The Honorable Michael McElroy, Tax Collector, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the general fund of the Gilchrist County Tax Collector (the Office) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Gilchrist County Tax Collector's special-purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020, which was modified to refer to a basis of accounting required for compliance with state filing requirements, and for other reasons.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the special-purpose financial statements, we considered the Office's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the special-purpose financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Office's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gilchrist County Tax Collector's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Gilchrist County Tax Collector's specialpurpose financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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

James Maore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

The Honorable Michael McElroy, Tax Collector, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have audited the financial statements of the Gilchrist County Tax Collector (the Office), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated June 26, 2020.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Special-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 26, 2020, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. Corrective actions have been taken to address all findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The Gilchrist County Tax Collector is an elected constitutional officer, whose office is established by Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Florida and is governed by various provisions of state law. Gilchrist County, including the Office of the Tax Collector, was established by Chapter 8516, Laws of Florida in 1921. There are no component units of the Gilchrist County Tax Collector to be disclosed as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Gilchrist County Tax Collector, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

James Meore : 60., P.L.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' EXAMINATION REPORT

The Honorable Michael McElroy, Tax Collector, Gilchrist County, Florida:

We have examined the Gilchrist County Tax Collector's (the Office) compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019. Management is responsible for the Office's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Office's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Office complied with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, *Local Government Investment Policies*, for the year ended September 30, 2019, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Office's compliance with those requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of risks of material noncompliance with those requirements, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Gilchrist County Tax Collector complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Gainesville, Florida June 26, 2020

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