

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS  
NORTH CAROLINA**

**Financial Statements**

**June 30, 2021**

(with Independent Auditor's Report thereon)

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**Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council  
Town of Seven Devils  
Seven Devils, North Carolina

**Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina, as of and for the year then ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Town of Seven Devil's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

***Auditor's 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 opinion.

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, based on our audit, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund 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 on pages 8-17 respectively, the Local Government Employees' Retirement System's Schedules of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset and Contributions on page 51 and the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance schedules of the Changes in Total Pension Liability and Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll on page 52 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.

#### *Supplementary and Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina. The combining and individual fund statements, budgetary schedules and other schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements, budgetary schedules and other schedules 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 by us and other auditors. In our opinion, based on our audit and the procedures performed as described above, the combining and individual fund financial statements, budgetary schedules and other schedules are 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 August 16, 2021 on our consideration of Town of Seven Devil'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 the 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 Town of Seven Devil's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Sharon Gillespie*

S. Gillespie P.A.

Spruce Pine, North Carolina

August 16, 2021

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**Management's Discussion and Analysis**  
**June 30, 2021**

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As management of the Town of Seven Devils, we offer readers of the Town of Seven Devils' financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Seven Devils for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the Town's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

**Financial Highlights**

- The assets of the Town of Seven Devils exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by \$5,159,222.
- The government's total net position increased by \$313,193.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, The Town of Seven Devils' governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,286,661 an increase of \$153,725 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 89% percent of this total amount or \$1,152,196 is available for spending at the government's discretion (*unassigned fund balance*).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$1,152,196 or 54 percent of total general fund expenditures for the fiscal year.
- The Town of Seven Devils' total debt generated by installment obligations decreased by \$45,311 during the current fiscal year due to regularly scheduled debt repayments.

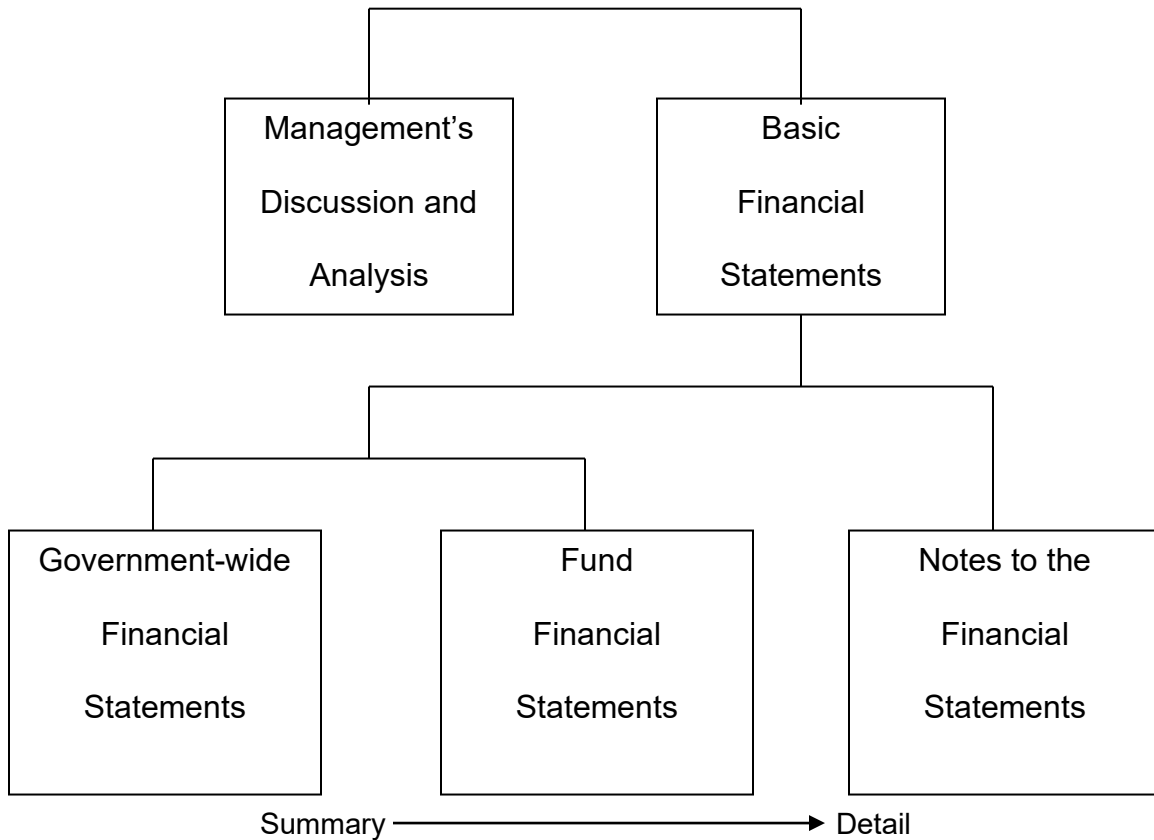
**Overview of the Basic Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town of Seven Devils' basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements consist of three components; 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (see Figure 1). The basic financial statements present two different views of the Town through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of the Town of Seven Devils.



**Required Components of Annual Financial Report**

**Figure 1**



**Basic Financial Statements**

The first two statements (Exhibits 1 and 2) in the basic financial statements are the **Government-wide Financial Statements**. These statements provide short and long-term information about the Town's financial status.

The next statements (Exhibits 3 through 5) are the **Fund Financial Statements**. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the Town's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements. There are three parts to the Fund Financial Statements: 1) the governmental funds statements; 2) the budgetary comparison statements; and 3) the proprietary fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **notes**. The notes to the financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, **supplemental information** is provided to show details about the Town's individual funds. Budgetary information required by the General Statutes also can be found in this part of the statements.

## ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

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### **Government-wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the Town's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the Town's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the Town's net position and how it has changed. Net position is the difference between the Town's total assets and total liabilities. Measuring net position is one way to gauge the Town's financial condition.

The government-wide financial statements are on Exhibits 1 and 2 of this report.

### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements (see Figure 2) provide a more detailed look at the Town's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town of Seven Devils, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the Town's budget ordinance. All of the funds of the Town of Seven Devils can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds.

**Governmental Funds** – Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the Town's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can be readily converted into cash flow in and out, and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting* that provides a short-term spending focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps him or her determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the Town's programs. The relationship between government activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

The Town of Seven Devils adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the Town, the management of the Town, and the decisions of the Board about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the Town to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the Town complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the Town succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using

## ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

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the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the board; 2) the final budget as amended by the board; 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund; and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges. To account for the difference between the budgetary basis of accounting and the modified accrual basis, a reconciliation showing the differences in the reported activities is shown at the end of the budgetary statement.

**Proprietary Funds** – The Town of Seven Devils has one proprietary fund. *Enterprise Funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town of Seven Devils uses enterprise funds to account for its water activity. These funds are the same as those functions shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

**Notes to the Financial Statements** – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements are on pages 27-50 of this report.

### **Other Information**

Combining and individual fund statements and schedules are also included in this report.

### **Interdependence with Other Entities**

The Town depends on financial resources flowing from, or associated with, both the Federal Government and the State of North Carolina. Because of this dependency, the Town is subject to changes in specific flows of intergovernmental revenues based on modifications to Federal and State laws and Federal and State appropriations. It is also subject to changes in investment earnings and asset values associated with U.S. Treasury Securities because of actions by foreign government and other holders of publicly held U.S. Treasury Securities.

## Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)

Figure 2

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
Current and other assets	\$ 1,379,388	\$ 1,205,444	\$ 364,121	\$ 250,945	\$ 1,743,509	\$ 1,456,389
Capital and noncurrent assets	2,688,238	2,613,992	2,147,747	2,206,912	4,835,985	4,820,904
Deferred outflows of Resources	310,154	264,210	11,280	11,862	321,434	276,072
deferred outflows of resources	4,377,780	4,083,646	2,523,148	2,469,719	6,900,928	6,553,365
Long-term liabilities outstanding	928,125	1,052,310	95,585	152,781	1,023,710	1,205,091
Other liabilities	662,432	458,880	27,852	109,489	690,284	568,369
Deferred Inflows of Resources	27,712	21,979	41,025	66,799	68,737	88,778
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	1,618,269	1,533,169	164,462	329,069	1,782,731	1,862,238
<b>Net position:</b>						
Net investment in capital assets	1,760,113	1,561,682	2,052,163	2,054,131	3,812,276	3,615,813
Restricted	134,465	167,725	29,624	24,024	164,089	191,749
Unrestricted	864,933	821,070	317,924	217,397	1,182,857	1,038,467
Total net position	\$ 2,759,511	\$ 2,550,477	\$ 2,399,711	\$ 2,295,552	\$ 5,159,222	\$ 4,846,029

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as one useful indication of an agency's financial condition. The assets of The Town of Seven Devils exceeded liabilities by \$5,159,222 as of June 30, 2021. The Town's net position increased by \$313,193 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. However, the largest portion (74%) reflects the Town's investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, and equipment) less any related debt still outstanding that was issued to acquire those items. The Town of Seven Devils uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town of Seven Devils' investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. The remaining balance of \$1,346,946 is unrestricted. With the GASB Statement 68 and Statement 73 reporting changes, the Town is allocated its proportionate share of the Local Government Employees' Retirement System's, as well as the Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance's, net pension asset, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expense. Decisions regarding the allocation are made by the administrators of the pension plan, not by the Town of Seven Devil's management.

### ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

A particular aspect of the Town's financial operations that positively influenced the total unrestricted governmental net position:

- Continued diligence in the collection of property taxes by maintaining a tax collection percentage rate of 99.80%.
- Controlled spending

Figure 3

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>						
<b>Program Revenues:</b>						
Charges for services	\$ 26,824	\$ 7,094	\$ 288,348	\$ 246,000	\$ 315,172	\$ 253,094
Operating grants and contributions	206,758	54,114			206,758	54,114
Capital grants and contributions	-	160,055			-	160,055
<b>General Revenues:</b>						
Property taxes	837,203	831,100			837,203	831,100
Other Taxes	816,524	589,677			816,524	589,677
Investment earnings	5,774	20,135	13,833	4,845	19,607	24,980
Other	384,976	27,321	-	905	384,976	28,226
Total revenues	<u>2,278,059</u>	<u>1,689,496</u>	<u>302,181</u>	<u>251,750</u>	<u>2,580,240</u>	<u>1,941,246</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
General government	846,239	604,632			846,239	604,632
Public safety	675,384	641,299			675,384	641,299
Public works	472,147	479,878			472,147	479,878
Interest on long-term debt	27,512	23,966			27,512	23,966
Cultural and Recreational	47,743	-			47,743	-
Water	-	-	198,022	201,788	198,022	201,788
Total expenses	<u>2,069,025</u>	<u>1,749,775</u>	<u>198,022</u>	<u>201,788</u>	<u>2,267,047</u>	<u>1,951,563</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in net position</b>	209,034	(60,279)	104,159	49,962	313,193	(10,317)
<b>Net Position:</b>						
<b>Beginning, July 1</b>	<u>2,550,477</u>	<u>2,610,756</u>	<u>2,295,552</u>	<u>2,245,590</u>	<u>4,796,067</u>	<u>7,406,823</u>
<b>Ending, June 30</b>	<u>\$ 2,759,511</u>	<u>\$ 2,550,477</u>	<u>\$ 2,399,711</u>	<u>\$ 2,295,552</u>	<u>\$ 5,159,222</u>	<u>\$ 4,846,029</u>

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$209,034.

## ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

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**Business-Type Activities:** Business-type activities increased the Town of Seven Devils' net position by \$104,159. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

Continued diligence in controlling expenditures

### **Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds**

As noted earlier, The Town of Seven Devils uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental Funds.** The focus of the Town of Seven Devils' governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town of Seven Devils' financing requirements. Specifically, unreserved fund balance can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of The Town of Seven Devils. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$1,152,196 while total fund balance reached \$1,286,661. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 54 percent of total General Fund expenditures and transfers (compared to 54% in 2020) while total fund balance represents 60 percent of that same amount (compared to 56% in 2020).

At June 30, 2021 the governmental funds of The Town of Seven Devils reported a combined fund balance of \$1,286,661, an increase of \$153,725 over last year.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights:** During the fiscal year, the Town revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as Federal and State grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services.

**Proprietary Funds.** The Town of Seven Devils' proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. Unrestricted net position of the Water Fund at the end of the fiscal year amounted to \$317,924. The change in net position was \$104,159 in the current year. Other factors concerning the finances of the fund have already been addressed in the discussion of the Town of Seven Devils' business-type activities.

## ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets.** The Town of Seven Devils' investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2021, totals \$4,835,985 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include buildings, road and bridges, land, machinery and equipment, and vehicles.

Major capital asset transactions during the year include the following additions (there were no significant demolitions or disposals):

- Paving with Powell Bill and general funding
- Roofing, generator and landscaping equipment
- Well houses

**Figure 4**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Land	\$ 397,453	\$ 396,704	\$ 7,224	\$ 7,224	\$ 404,677	\$ 403,928
Infrastructure	1,618,761	1,525,337	-	-	1,618,761	1,525,337
Buildings	1,559,576	1,536,184	-	-	1,559,576	1,536,184
Plant	-	-	2,988,899	2,969,035	2,988,899	2,969,035
Equipment and furniture	1,368,132	1,228,320	407,814	407,814	1,775,946	1,636,134
Vehicles	271,309	236,906	-	-	271,309	236,906
Computers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Less: accumulated depreciation	(2,526,993)	(2,309,458)	(1,256,190)	(1,177,162)	(3,783,183)	(3,486,620)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,688,238</b>	<b>\$ 2,613,993</b>	<b>\$ 2,147,747</b>	<b>\$ 2,206,911</b>	<b>\$ 4,835,985</b>	<b>\$ 4,820,904</b>

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in note 4 of the Basic Financial Statements.

**Long-Term Debt.** As of June 30, 2021, the Town of Seven Devils had total debt outstanding of \$1,023,710 backed by the full faith and credit of the Town.

## ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

### **Town of Seven Devil's Outstanding Debt General Obligation Bonds and Other Long-Term Liabilities**

Figure 5

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Compensated Absences	\$ 64,400	\$ 55,749	\$ 2,752	\$ 2,121	\$ 67,152	\$ 57,870
Installment purchases	928,125	1,052,310	95,585	152,781	1,023,710	1,205,091
Total	<u>\$ 992,525</u>	<u>\$ 1,108,059</u>	<u>\$ 98,337</u>	<u>\$ 154,902</u>	<u>\$ 1,090,862</u>	<u>\$ 1,262,961</u>

The Town of Seven Devils' total installment obligations debt decreased by \$181,381 during the past fiscal year, primarily due to principal payments toward debt reduction; The Town's total compensated absences liability increased by \$9,282 for a combined debt decrease of \$172,099.

North Carolina general statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8 percent of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government's boundaries. The legal debt margin for the Town of Seven Devils' long-term debt is \$ 14,098,727.

Additional information regarding the Town of Seven Devils' long-term debt can be found in the notes to the basic financial statements.

### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The following key economic indicators reflect the financial condition of the Town.

- COVID-19 related closures and impacts on staffing were believed to both have an impact on revenues and expenditures. The Town continued to operate on a conservative basis, and fared well with Cares Act funding.

### **Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022**

- COVID-19 forced Council to prepare for reduced revenue streams, and normal budget items were delayed until more certain economic conditions prevailed. We expect the normal budget process to resume in the near future. Anticipate ARP funding in the upcoming year.
- Upcoming revaluation in 2022 of both Watauga and Avery Counties will likely increase revenue



## ***Management's Discussion and Analysis (continued)***

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### **Requests for Information**

This report is designed to provide an overview of the Town's finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the Director of Finance, Town of Seven Devils, 157 Seven Devils Rd. Seven Devils, NC 28604. You can also call (828) 963-5343, visit our website [www.SevenDevils.net](http://www.SevenDevils.net) or send an email to [townfinance@sevendevils.net](mailto:townfinance@sevendevils.net).

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2021**

	Primary Government			Town of Seven Devils Tourism Development Authority
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Current Assets:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,228,338	\$ 334,497	\$ 1,562,835	\$ 126,510
Taxes receivable (net)	3,624	-	3,624	-
Accounts receivable (net)	32,923	29,624	62,547	36,884
Due from other governments	101,542	-	101,542	-
Other assets	12,961	-	12,961	-
Total current assets	1,379,388	364,121	1,743,509	163,394
<b>Non-current Assets:</b>				
Capital Assets:				
Land, nondepreciable improvements, and construction in progress	397,453	7,224	404,677	-
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	2,290,785	2,140,523	4,431,308	-
Total capital assets	2,688,238	2,147,747	4,835,985	-
Total assets	4,067,626	2,511,868	6,579,494	163,394
Deferred Outflows of Resources				
Pension Deferrals	310,154	11,280	321,434	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	310,154	11,280	321,434	-
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable	67,178	8,930	76,108	958
Current portion of long term debt	112,500	29,343	141,843	-
Compensated absences - current	64,400	2,752	67,152	-
Total current liabilities	244,078	41,025	285,103	958
<b>Long-Term Liabilities:</b>				
Net pension liability	307,225	16,170	323,395	-
Total pension liability	223,629	-	223,629	-
Due in more than one year	815,625	66,242	881,867	-
Total long-term liabilities	1,346,479	82,412	1,428,891	-
Total Liabilities	1,590,557	123,437	1,713,994	958
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Prepaid taxes	21,925	-	21,925	-
Pension deferrals	5,787	-	5,787	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	27,712	-	27,712	-
<b>Net Position:</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	1,760,113	2,052,163	3,812,276	-
Restricted for Stabilization by State Statute	134,465	29,624	164,089	36,884
Unrestricted	864,933	317,924	1,182,857	125,552
Total net position	\$ 2,759,511	\$ 2,399,711	\$ 5,159,222	\$ 162,436

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			Town of Seven Devils Tourism Development Authority
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government			
					Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	
<b>Primary Government:</b>								
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>								
General Government	\$ 846,239	\$ 11,840	\$ -		\$ (834,399)	\$ -	\$ (834,399)	\$ -
Public Safety	675,384	14,984	180,592		(479,808)	-	(479,808)	-
Public Works	472,147	-	26,166		(445,981)	-	(445,981)	-
Cultural and Recreational	47,743				(47,743)		(47,743)	
Interest on long-term debt	27,512	-	-	-	(27,512)	-	(27,512)	-
Total governmental activities	<u>2,069,025</u>	<u>26,824</u>	<u>206,758</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,835,443)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,835,443)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>								
Water	<u>198,022</u>	<u>288,348</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>90,326</u>	<u>90,326</u>	<u>-</u>
Total business-type activities	<u>198,022</u>	<u>288,348</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>90,326</u>	<u>90,326</u>	<u>-</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 2,267,047</u>	<u>\$ 315,172</u>	<u>\$ 206,758</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(1,835,443)</u>	<u>90,326</u>	<u>(1,745,117)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Component Unit:</b>								
Town of Seven Devils								
Tourism Development Authority	<u>\$ 379,323</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 395,608</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,285</u>
Total Component unit	<u>\$ 379,323</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 395,608</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,285</u>
<b>General Revenues:</b>								
Taxes:								
Ad valorem					837,203	-	837,203	-
Occupancy taxes					395,608	-	395,608	-
Other taxes					420,916	-	420,916	-
Unrestricted investment earnings					5,774	13,833	19,607	-
Gain (loss) on sale of assets					-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous revenues					384,976	-	384,976	-
Total general revenues and transfers					<u>2,044,477</u>	<u>13,833</u>	<u>2,058,310</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in net position					209,034	104,159	313,193	16,285
<b>Net Position, beginning</b>					2,550,477	2,295,552	4,846,029	159,543
Restatement					<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,392)</u>
<b>Net Position, beginning, restated</b>					<u>2,550,477</u>	<u>2,295,552</u>	<u>4,846,029</u>	<u>146,151</u>
<b>Net Position, end of year</b>					<u>\$ 2,759,511</u>	<u>\$ 2,399,711</u>	<u>\$ 5,159,222</u>	<u>\$ 162,436</u>

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2021**

	<b>General</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,228,338	\$ 1,228,338
Taxes receivable, net	3,624	3,624
Accounts receivable, net	32,923	32,923
Due from other governments	101,542	101,542
Other assets	12,961	12,961
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,379,388</u>	<u>\$ 1,379,388</u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances:</b>		
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 67,178	\$ 67,178
Total liabilities	<u>67,178</u>	<u>67,178</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>		
Property taxes receivable	3,624	3,624
Taxes paid in advance	21,925	21,925
	<u>25,549</u>	<u>25,549</u>
<b>Fund balances:</b>		
Restricted:		
Stabilization by State Statute	\$ 134,465	\$ 134,465
Unassigned:	1,152,196	1,152,196
Total fund balances	<u>1,286,661</u>	<u>1,286,661</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balances	<u>\$ 1,379,388</u>	
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (Exhibit A) are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		2,688,238
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds		310,154
Net pension liability		(307,225)
Total pension liability		(223,629)
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions are not reported in the funds		(5,787)
Other long term assets, including interest receivable on taxes, are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.		3,624
Long-term liabilities and compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and are also not reported in the funds.		(992,525)
Net position of governmental activities		<u>\$ 2,759,511</u>

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 841,761	\$ 841,761
Other taxes and licenses	395,608	395,608
Unrestricted intergovernmental	420,916	420,916
Restricted governmental	206,758	206,758
Permits and fees	26,824	26,824
Investment earnings	5,774	5,774
Miscellaneous	384,976	384,976
Total revenues	<u>2,282,617</u>	<u>2,282,617</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
<b>Current:</b>		
General government	871,648	871,648
Public safety	609,872	609,872
Public works	426,846	426,846
Cultural and recreational	68,829	68,829
<b>Debt Service:</b>		
Principal	124,185	124,185
Interest and other charges	27,512	27,512
Total expenditures	<u>2,128,892</u>	<u>2,128,892</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>153,725</u>	<u>153,725</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>		
Loan proceeds received	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>153,725</u>	<u>153,725</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>		
Beginning of year, July 1	1,132,936	1,132,936
End of year, June 30	<u>\$ 1,286,661</u>	<u>\$ 1,286,661</u>

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUNDS BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds	153,725
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, capital outlay is not an expense, rather it is an increase in capital assets.	291,777
Contributions to the pension plan in the current fiscal year are not included on the Statement of Activities	131,300
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	
Change in deferred tax revenue	(4,154)
Interest receivable on uncollected tax revenues	
Proceeds from note payable	-
Gains and losses on disposal of assets	
Depreciation expense allocates the costs of capital assets over their useful lives. It is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds statement.	(217,531)
Expenses related to compensated absences and law enforcement officers separation allowance and pension expense that do not require current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	(8,651)
Advance refunding of bonds and principal repayments are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, these transactions are not reported.	112,500
Total changes in net assets of governmental activities.	<u>\$ 458,966</u>

**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA  
GENERAL FUND - STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Amounts</b>	<b>with Final Budget Over/Under</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 806,000	\$ 838,092	\$ 841,761	\$ (3,669)
Other taxes and licenses	150,000	360,000	395,608	(35,608)
Unrestricted intergovernmental	220,000	342,160	420,916	(78,756)
Restricted intergovernmental	192,010	213,709	206,758	6,951
Permits and fees	1,000	19,000	26,824	(7,824)
Investment earnings	-	200	5,774	(5,574)
Miscellaneous	101,800	209,493	384,976	(175,483)
Total revenues	<u>1,470,810</u>	<u>1,982,654</u>	<u>2,282,617</u>	<u>(299,963)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government	657,784	736,593	871,648	(135,055)
Public safety	576,842	614,673	609,872	4,801
Public works	381,258	427,370	426,846	524
Cultural and recreational development	52,001	52,321	68,829	(16,508)
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
Principal retirement	-	124,185	124,185	-
Interest and other charges	-	27,512	27,512	-
Total expenditures	<u>1,667,885</u>	<u>1,982,654</u>	<u>2,128,892</u>	<u>(146,238)</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(197,075)	-	153,725	(153,725)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Proceeds from long term debt	-	-	-	-
Appropriations	197,075	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>197,075</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u></u>	153,725	<u>\$ (153,725)</u>
<b>Fund Balance:</b>				
Beginning of year, July 1			1,132,936	
End of year, June 30			<u>\$ 1,286,661</u>	

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2021**

	<b>2021</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
<b>Current Assets:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 334,497
Accounts receivable (net)	29,624
Due from other governments	-
Total current assets	<u>364,121</u>
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>	
Non-depreciable assets	7,224
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	2,140,523
Total noncurrent assets	<u>2,147,747</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 2,511,868</u></u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Pension deferrals	<u>\$ 11,280</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	8,930
Compensated absences	2,752
Installment purchase -current	29,343
Total current liabilities	<u>41,025</u>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities:</b>	
Net pension liability	16,170
Installment purchase - noncurrent	66,242
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>82,412</u>
Total liabilities	<u>123,437</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Pension deferrals	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	2,052,163
Unrestricted	347,548
Total net position	<u><u>\$ 2,399,711</u></u>

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN**  
**NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	<b>2021</b>
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>	
Charges for services	\$ 282,248
Other operating revenues	6,100
Total operating revenues	<u>288,348</u>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>	
Water treatment and distribution	115,349
Depreciation	79,026
Total operating expenses	<u>194,375</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>93,973</u>
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):</b>	
Interest and other charges	10,186
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses) before transfers	<u>10,186</u>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<u>104,159</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>	
Beginning of year, July 1	2,295,552
End of year, June 30	<u><u>\$ 2,399,711</u></u>

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**TOWN OF SEVEN DEVILS, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	<b>2021</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>	
Cash received from customers	\$ 276,648
Cash paid for goods and services	(64,865)
Cash paid to or on behalf of employees for services	(43,436)
Other operating revenues	6,100
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>174,447</u>
<b>Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>	
(Acquisition) disposal and construction of capital assets	(19,863)
Proceeds from (payments on) outstanding debt	(60,841)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	<u>(80,704)</u>
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>	
Investment income	13,833
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	<u>13,833</u>
 Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	 107,576
 Cash and cash equivalents, July 1	 <u>226,921</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, June 30	<u>\$ 334,497</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:</b>	
Operating income (loss)	\$ 93,973
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation	79,026
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(5,600)
Increase (decrease) in net pension asset	4,966
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,082
Total adjustments	<u>80,474</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 174,447</u>

Supplemental information: Interest paid during the year was \$3,647.

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounting policies of the Town of Seven Devils conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

*Reporting Entity:*

The Town of Seven Devils is a municipal corporation, which is governed by a five-member council. As required by the generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town and its component unit, a legally separate entity for which the Town is financially accountable. The discretely presented component unit presented below is reported in a separate column in the Town's financial statements in order to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Town.

*Town of Seven Devils Tourism Development Authority*

The members of the TDA's governing board are appointed by the Town Council. In addition, the TDA is required by State statute to use the funds remitted to promote travel and tourism in Seven Devils and shall use the remainder for tourism related expenditures. The TDA, which has a June 30, year-end is presented as a governmental fund and is shown on these financial statements as a discretely presented component unit. Complete financial statements for the TDA may be obtained from the entity's administrative office at the Town of Seven Devils TDA, Town of Seven Devils, 157 Seven Devils Road, Seven Devils, NC 28604.

*Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting:*

Government-Wide Statements: The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the primary government and its component unit. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the Town. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for the different business-type activities of the Town and for each function of the Town's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Indirect expense allocations that have been made in the funds have been reversed for the Statement of Activities. Program revenues include (a) fees paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a

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particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the Town's funds. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental and proprietary* – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - The General fund is the general operating fund of the Town. The General fund accounts for all financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund. The primary revenue sources are ad valorem taxes, State grants, and various other taxes and licenses. The primary revenue expenditures are for public safety, street maintenance and construction, and administrative services.

The Town reports the following major enterprise fund:

Water Fund - This fund is used to account for the Town's water operations.

*Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting*

In accordance with North Carolina General Statutes, all funds of the Town are maintained during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements - The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the Town gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

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Amounts reported as program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants, and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues; therefore, all taxes are reported as general revenues.

Proprietary funds distinguish between operating revenues/expenses and non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of the Water fund is charges to customers for services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and depreciation of capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements - Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

The Town considers all revenues available if they are collected within 90 days after year-end, except for property taxes. Ad valorem taxes receivable are not accrued as revenue because the amount is not susceptible to accrual. At June 30, taxes receivable for property other than motor vehicles are materially past due and are not considered to be an available resource to finance the operations of the current year. Also, as of September 1, 2013, State law altered the procedures for the assessment and collection of property taxes on registered motor vehicles in North Carolina. Effective with this change in the law, the State of North Carolina is responsible for billing and collecting the property taxes on registered motor vehicles on behalf of all municipalities and special tax districts. Property taxes are due when vehicles are registered. The billed taxes are applicable to the fiscal year in which they are received. Uncollected taxes that were billed in periods prior to September 1, 2013 and for limited registration plates are shown as a receivable in these financial statements and are offset by deferred inflows of resources.

Sales taxes and certain intergovernmental revenues, such as the utilities franchise tax, collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the Town are recognized as revenue. Sales taxes are considered a shared revenue for the Town of Seven Devils because the tax is levied by Watauga and Avery Counties and then remitted to and distributed by the State. Intergovernmental revenues and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash. Under the terms of grant

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agreements, the Town funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there is both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the Town's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then general revenues.

*Budgetary Data*

The Town's budgets are adopted as required by the North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget is adopted for the General Fund and the Enterprise Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the functional level for all annually budgeted funds and at the object level for the multi-year funds. Amendments are required for any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund or that change functional appropriations by more than \$2,500. All amendments must be approved by the governing board. During the year, several immaterial adjustments to the original budget were necessary. The budget ordinance must be adopted by July 1 of the fiscal year or the governing board must adopt the interim budget that covers that time until the annual ordinance can be adopted.

*Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources, and Fund Equity*

1. Deposits and Investments

All deposits of the Town are made in board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by State law [G.S. 159-31]. The Town may designate, as an official depository, any bank or savings association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the Town may establish time deposit accounts such as NOW and SuperNOW accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit.

State law [G.S. 159-30(c)] authorizes the Town and the ABC Board to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States, obligations of the State of North Carolina, bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority, obligations of certain non-guaranteed federal agencies, certain high quality issues of commercial paper and bankers' acceptances, and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT). The Town's and the ABC Board's investments are reported at fair value. Non-participating interest earning investment contracts are accounted for at cost. The NCCMT Government Portfolio, a SEC-registered (2a-7) external investment pool, is measured at amortized cost, which is the NCCMT's share price. The NCCMT- Term Portfolio's securities are valued at fair value

2. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Town pools money from several funds to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are essentially demand deposits and are considered cash and cash equivalents. The Town considers all highly liquid

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investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash and cash equivalents.

3. Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable

In accordance with State law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the Town levies ad valorem taxes on property other than motor vehicles on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1 (lien date); however, interest does not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2020.

4. Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

All receivables that historically experience uncollectible accounts are shown net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. This amount is estimated by analyzing the percentage of receivables that were written off in prior years.

5. Inventory

The inventories of the Town are valued at cost (first-in, first-out), which approximates market. The Town's General Fund inventory consists of expendable supplies that are recorded as expenditures as used rather than when purchased.

The inventories of the Town's enterprise funds consist of materials and supplies held for subsequent use. The cost of these inventories is expensed when held for resale rather than when purchased.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements and expensed as the items are used.

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than a certain cost and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Minimum capitalization costs are \$2,500 for all capital assets. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. General infrastructure assets acquired prior to July 1, 2002, consist of the road network and water system assets that were acquired or that received substantial improvements subsequent to July 1, 1980, and are reported at estimated historical cost using deflated replacement cost. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

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<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Infrastructure	50
Buildings and Improvements	50
Equipment and Furniture	10
Vehicles	5
Computer Equipment	5

**7. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, Deferred Outflows of Resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The Town has one item that meets this criterion, contributions made to the pension plan in the 2021 fiscal year. In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial 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 net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as revenue until then. The Town has one item that meets the criteria for this category - deferrals of pension expense that resulted from the implementation of GASB Statement 68 and GASB 73.

**8. Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method that approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premiums or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

**9. Compensated Absences**

The vacation policies of the Town provide for the accumulation of three hundred twenty (320) hours earned vacation leave with such leave being fully vested when earned. For the Town's government-wide and proprietary funds a liability for compensated absences and salary-related



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payments are recorded as the leave is earned. The Town has assumed a first-in, first-out method of using accumulated compensated time. As this time is estimated to be used in the next fiscal year, it has been designated as a current liability in the government-wide financial statements.

The Town's sick leave policy provides for an unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. Sick leave does not vest, but any unused sick leave accumulated at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. No accrual for sick leave has been made because the Town has no obligation for accumulated sick leave until it is actually taken.

**10. Net Position / Fund Balances**

**Net Position**

Net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements is classified as net invested in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted. Restricted net position represents constraints on resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through State statute.

**Fund Balances**

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balance is composed of five classifications designed to disclose the hierarchy of constraints placed on how fund balance can be spent.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

**Nonspendable Fund Balance** – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

- Inventories – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource because it represents the year-end balance of ending inventories, which are not spendable resources.

**Restricted Fund Balance** – this classification includes amounts that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law.

- Restricted for Stabilization by State statute – portion of fund balance that is restricted by State Statute {G.S. 159-8(a)}.
- Restricted for Streets - Powell Bill portion of fund balance that is restricted by revenue source for street construction and maintenance expenditures. This amount represents the total unexpended Powell Bill funds.

**Committed Fund Balance** – portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes imposed by majority vote of the governing body. The governing body can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the ordinance remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another ordinance) to remove or revise the limitation.

**Assigned Fund Balance** – portion of fund balance of the Town intended to be used for specific purposes.

- Subsequent year's expenditures – portion of fund balance that is appropriated in the next year's budget that is not already classified in restricted or committed. The governing body approves the appropriation; however, the budget ordinance authorizes the manager to modify the appropriation by resource within funds.

**Unassigned Fund Balance** – the portion of fund balance that has not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes or to other funds.

The Town has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Officer will use resources in the following hierarchy, federal funds, State funds, and local funds. For purposes of fund balance classification, expenditures are to be spent from restricted fund balance first, followed in order by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and lastly, unassigned fund balance. The Finance Officer has the authority to deviate from this policy if it is in the best interest of the Town.

#### 11. Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension asset, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Local Government Employees' Retirement System (LERS) and additions to/deductions from LERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by LERS. For this purpose, plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. The Town of Seven Devils' employer contributions are recognized when due and the Town of Seven Devils has a legal requirement to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of LERS. Investments are reported at fair value.

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**NOTE 2:     STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

Excess of Expenditures over Appropriations

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the expenditures made in the Town's General Fund exceeded the authorized appropriations made by the governing board for general government and for cultural and recreational activities. The general government budget did not include a provision for the all transfers of items purchased from the Tourism Development Authority and for payables due to uncollected occupancy taxes. Management and the board will closely review expenditures to ensure compliance in future years.

**NOTE 3:     DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

*A. Assets*

1.     Deposits

All the deposits of the Town and the Tourism Development Authority are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits that exceed the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the Town's agents in the unit's name. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capacity for the Town, these deposits are considered to be held by the Town's agent in its name. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the Town or the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amounts of collateral pledged for the Town under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for under-collateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method. The Town has no policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits but relies on the State Treasurer to enforce standards of minimum capitalization for all pooling method financial institutions and to monitor them for compliance. The Town complies with the provisions of G.S.159-31 when designating official depositories and verifying deposits are properly secured.

At June 30, 2021, the Town's deposits had a carrying amount of \$1,209,766 and a bank balance of \$1,250,206. Of the bank balance, \$371,953 was covered by federal depository insurance and the remainder was covered by collateral held under the pooling method. The Town maintains a petty cash fund of \$300.

At June 30, 2021, the Tourism Development Authority's deposits had a carrying amount of \$126,510 and a bank balance of \$127,199. Of the bank balance, \$127,199 was covered by federal depository insurance.

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**2. Investments**

At June 30, 2021, the Town's investment balances were as follows:

Investments by Type	Valuation Measurement Method	Book Value at 6/30/2020	Maturity	Rating
NC Capital Management Trust – Government Portfolio	Amortized Cost	352,769	N/A	AAAm

All investments are measured using the market approach: using prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or a group of assets.

Level of fair value hierarchy: Level 1 debt securities are valued using directly observable, quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 debt securities are valued using a matrix pricing technique. Matrix pricing is used to value securities based on the securities' benchmark quoted prices.

Interest Rate Risk. The Town has no formal investment policy regarding interest rate risk.

**3. Receivables**

Receivables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2021, were as follows:

	Accounts	Taxes and Related Accrued Interest	Due from other Governments	Total
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
General	\$ 32,923	\$ 4,024	\$ 101,542	\$ 138,489
Allowance for doubtful accounts	-	(400)	-	(400)
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 32,923</u>	<u>\$ 3,624</u>	<u>\$ 101,542</u>	<u>\$ 138,089</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>				
Water fund	\$ 29,624	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,624
Allowance for doubtful accounts	-	-	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 29,624</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 29,624</u>
	<b>Governmental</b>	<b>Business-Type</b>		
Local option sales tax	\$ 61,240	\$ -		
Sales tax	15,302	-		
ABC Distribution	25,000	-		
	<u>\$ 101,542</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		

**4. Capital Assets**

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Capital asset activity for the primary government for the year ended June 30, 2021 was as follows:

	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
<b>Capital assets not being depreciated:</b>				
Land	\$ 396,703	\$ 749	\$ -	\$ 397,452
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>396,703</u>	<u>749</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>397,452</u>
<b>Capital assets being depreciated:</b>				
Infrastructure	1,602,087	16,675	-	1,618,762
Buildings	1,459,434	100,142	-	1,559,576
Equipment and furniture	1,228,322	139,810	-	1,368,132
Vehicles	236,907	34,402	-	271,309
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>4,526,750</u>	<u>291,029</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,817,779</u>
<b>Less accumulated depreciation for:</b>				
Infrastructure	932,478	87,194	-	1,019,672
Buildings	188,841	41,219	-	230,060
Equipment and furniture	1,026,902	56,009	-	1,082,911
Vehicles	161,241	33,109	-	194,350
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>2,309,461</u>	<u>\$ 217,531</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>2,526,993</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>2,217,289</u>			<u>2,290,786</u>
Governmental activity capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,613,992</u>			<u>\$ 2,688,238</u>

Depreciation was charged as follows:

General Government	\$ 64,732
Public Safety	49,758
Public Works	<u>100,412</u>
Cultural and recreational	<u>2,630</u>
	<u>\$217,531</u>

	<u>June 30, 2020</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reclass</u>	<u>June 30, 2021</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>				
<b>Water Fund:</b>				
<b>Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:</b>				
Land	\$ 7,224	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,224
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>7,224</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,224</u>
<b>Capital Assets Being Depreciated:</b>				
Plant	2,969,036	19,863	-	2,988,899
Equipment	407,814	-	-	407,814
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>3,376,850</u>	<u>19,863</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,396,713</u>
<b>Less Accumulated depreciation for:</b>				
Plant	843,310	61,369	-	904,679
Equipment	333,852	17,659	-	351,511
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>1,177,162</u>	<u>\$ 79,028</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>1,256,190</u>
Water capital assets, net	<u>2,199,688</u>			<u>2,140,523</u>
Business-type capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,206,912</u>			<u>\$ 2,147,747</u>

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**B. Liabilities**

1. Payables

Payables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2021, were as follows:

	<u>Vendors</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>			
General	\$ 67,177	\$ -0-	\$ 67,177
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 67,177</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 67,177</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>			
Water	\$ -	\$ 8,930	\$ 8,930
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,930</u>	<u>\$ 8,930</u>

2. Pension Plan Obligations

a. Local Government Employees' Retirement System

**Plan Description** The Town of Seven Devils is a participating employer in the statewide Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of North Carolina. LGERS membership is comprised of general employees and law enforcement officers (LEOs) of participating local government entities. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. Management of the plan is vested in the LGERS Board of Trustees, which consists of 13 members – nine appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the State Senate, and one appointed by the State House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer and State Superintendent, who serve as ex-officio members. The Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

**Benefits Provided:** LGERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.85% of the member's average final compensation times the member's years of creditable services. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. Plan members are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 65 with five years of creditable service, at age 60 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. Plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service (age 55 for firefighters). Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age

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(15 year of creditable service for firefighters and rescue squad members who are killed in the line of duty) or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of member's contributions. The plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon the actuarial gains of the plan.

LGERS plan members who are LEOs are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 55 with five years of creditable service as an officer, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. LEO plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 15 years of creditable service as an officer. Survivor benefits are available at age 50 with 15 years creditable service as an officer. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of LEO members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day or service and who also have completed either 20 years of creditable service regardless of age, or have completed 15 years of service as a LEO and have reached age 50, or have completed five years of creditable service as a LEO if killed in the line of duty. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions.

Contributions Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 128-30 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Town of Seven Devils employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. Employer contributions are actuarially determined and set annually by the LGERS Board of Trustees. The Town of Seven Devil's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2021 was 10.9% of compensation for law enforcement officers and 10.15% for general employees and firefighters, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year. Regular contributions to the pension plan for the Town of Seven Devils were \$59,620 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

Refunds of Contributions – Town employees who have terminated service as a contributing member of LGERS may file an application for refund of their contributions. By State law, refunds to members with at least five years of service include 4% interest. State law requires a 60 day waiting period after service termination before the refund may be paid. The acceptance of a refund payment cancels the individual's right to employee contributions or any other benefit provided by LGERS.

*Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions*

At June 30, 2021, the Town reported a liability of \$323,395 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2020 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. The Town's proportion of the net pension asset was based on a projection of the Town's long term

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share of future payroll covered by the pension plan of all participating LGERS employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2021, the Town's proportion was .00905%, which was an increase of .00042% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the Town recognized pension expense of \$138,211. At June 30, 2021, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 40,839	\$ -
Changes of assumptions	\$ 24,067	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ 45,509	-
Differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	\$ 44,770	-
Town contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$ 70,415	-
Total	\$ 225,600	\$ -

\$70,415 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Town contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an increase of the net pension asset in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:

2022	\$ 52,590
2023	\$ 56,013
2024	\$ 33,116
2025	\$ 13,468
2026	-
Thereafter	\$155,187

**Actuarial Assumptions.** The total pension liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.0 percent
Salary increases	3.5 to 8.10 percent, including inflation and productivity factor
Investment rate of return	7 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions the US population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality



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improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019 valuation were based on results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

Future ad hoc COLA amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2018 are summarized in the following table:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
Fixed Income	29.0%	1.4%
Global Equity	42.0%	5.3%
Real Estate	8.0%	4.3%
Alternatives	8.0%	8.9%
Credit	7.0%	6.0%
Inflation Protection	6.0%	4.0%
Total	100%	

The information above is based on 30 year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2019 asset liability and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems, including LGERS. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.0%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return

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on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Towns' proportionate share of the net pension asset to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 7.0 percent, as well as what the Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset or net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.0 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.0 percent) than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease (6.0%)</b>	<b>Discount Rate (7.0%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (8.0%)</b>
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 656,133	\$ 323,395	\$ 46,866

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina.

b. Law Enforcement Officers Special Separation Allowance

1. Plan Description. The Town of Seven Devils administers a public employee retirement system (the Separation Allowance), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the Town's qualified sworn law enforcement officers under the age of 62 who have completed at least 30 years of creditable service or have attained 55 years of age and have completed five or more years of creditable service. The Separation Allowance is equal to 0.85 percent of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly.

All full-time Town law enforcement officers are covered by the Separation Allowance. At December 31, 2020, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of:

Retirees receiving benefits	0
Terminated plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	0
Active plan members	6
Total	<u>6</u>

## **2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of Accounting.* The Town has chosen to fund the Separation Allowance on a pay as you go basis. Pension expenditures are made from the General Fund, which is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

The Separation Allowance has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria which are outlined in GASB Statement 73.

## **3. Actuarial Assumptions**

The entry age actuarial cost method was used in the December 31, 2019 valuation. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.5 percent
Salary increases	1 percent, per annum
Discount rate	2.79 percent, per annum, compounded annually

The discount rate used to measure TPL is the S&P municipal bond 20 year high grade rate index as of June 30, 2020.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation were based on the results of an experience study completed by the Actuary for the Local Government Employees' Retirement System for the five-year period ending December 31, 2014.

### **Mortality Rate**

Deaths After Retirement (Healthy): Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set for Healthy Annuitants Mortality Table. The RP-2014 annuitant tables have no rates prior to age 50. The RP-2014 Total Data Set Employee Mortality Table is used for ages less than 50.

Deaths After Retirement (Disabled): Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set for Disabled Annuitants Mortality Table. Rates for male members are multiplied by 103% for all ages. Rates for female members are multiplied by 99% for all ages.

Deaths Before Retirement: Mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Total Data Set Employee Mortality Table.

Mortality Projection: All mortality rates are projected from 2014 using generational improvement with Scale MP-2015.

## **3. Contributions.**

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The Town is required by Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the amounts necessary to cover the benefits earned on a pay as you go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operating budget. There were no contributions made by employees. The Town's obligation to contribute to this plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. Administration costs of the Separation Allowance are financed through investment earnings. The Town paid out no benefits for the reporting period.

***Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions***

At June 30, 2021, the Town reported a total pension liability of \$223,629. The total pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2019 based on a December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation. The total pension liability was then rolled forward to the measurement date of December 31, 2019 utilizing update procedures incorporating the actuarial assumptions. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Town recognized pension expense of \$35,521.

	<b>Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 37,865	\$ 3,663
Changes of assumptions	57,969	2,124
County benefit payments and plan administrative expense made subsequent to the measurement date	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 95,834</u>	<u>\$ 5,787</u>

No amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from benefit payments made and administrative expenses incurred subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the total pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

For the year ended June 30:

2022	\$ 22,140
2023	\$ 20,853
2024	\$ 21,314
2025	\$ 14,220
2026	\$ 11,520
Thereafter	\$ -

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*Sensitivity of the Town's total pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the Town's total pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 1.93 percent, as well as what the Town's total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (.93 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (2.93 percent) than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease (.93%)</b>	<b>Discount Rate (1.93%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (2.93%)</b>
Total pension liability	\$ 248,626	\$ 223,629	\$ 201,138

**Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability**  
**Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance**

<b>Total Pension Liability as of December 31, 2019</b>	\$ 127,862
<b>Changes for the year:</b>	
Service Cost at End of Year	8,979
Interest	4,168
Change in benefit terms	0
Difference between expected and actuarial Experience	18,291
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	64,329
Benefit payments	0
Other	0
<b>Net changes</b>	<b>\$ 95,767</b>
<b>Total Pension Liability as of December 31, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 223,629</b>

The plan currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014.

***Total Expense, Liabilities, and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources of Related to Pensions***

Following is information related to the proportionate share and pension expense for all pension plans:

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	LGERS	LEOSSA	Total
Pension Expense	\$ 138,211	\$ 35,521	\$ 173,732
Pension Liability	323,395	223,629	547,024
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	0.00905%	n/a	
Deferred of Outflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	40,839	37,865	78,704
Changes of assumptions	24,067	57,969	82,036
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	45,509	-	45,509
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	44,770	-	44,770
Benefit payments and administrative costs paid subsequent to the measurement date	70,415	-	70,415
Deferred of Inflows of Resources			
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	3,663	3,663
Changes of assumptions	-	2,124	2,124
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	-	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	-	-	-

c. Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers

Plan Description The Town contributes to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan (Plan), a defined contribution pension plan administered by the Department of State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. The Plan provides retirement benefits to law enforcement officers employed by the Town. Article 5 of G.S. chapter 135 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes the pension trust fund financial statements for the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) plan that includes the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

Funding Policy Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the Town to contribute each month an amount equal to five percent of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are immediately vested. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2021 were \$32,110, which consisted of \$17,287 from the Town and \$14,823 from the law enforcement officers.

d. Other Employment Benefits

The Town has elected to provide death benefits to employees through the Death Benefit Plan for members of the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (Death Benefit Plan),

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a multiple-employer, State-administered, cost-sharing plan funded on a one-year term cost basis. The beneficiaries of those employees who die in active service after one year of contributing membership in the System, or who die within 180 days after retirement or termination of service and have at least one year of contributing membership service in the System at the time of death are eligible for death benefits. Lump sum death benefit payments to beneficiaries are equal to the employee's 12 highest months' salary in a row during the 24 months prior to the employee's death, but the benefit may not exceed \$50,000 or be less than \$25,000. Because all death benefit payments are made from the Death Benefit Plan and not by the Town, the Town does not determine the number of eligible participants. The Town has no liability beyond the payment of monthly contributions. The contributions to the Death Benefit Plan cannot be separated between the post-employment benefit amount and the other benefit amount. Contributions are determined as a percentage of monthly payroll based upon rates established annually by the State. Separate rates are set for employees not engaged in law enforcement and for law enforcement officers. The Town considers these contributions to be immaterial.

**3. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

The balance in deferred outflows of revenues at year-end is comprised of the following:

Contributions to pension plan in current fiscal year along with changes of assumptions and estimates: (Note 2.b)	\$ 321,434
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The balance in deferred inflows of revenues at year-end is composed of the following:

	<b><u>Unearned Revenue</u></b>	<b><u>Deferred Inflows</u></b>
Taxes receivable (net)	\$ 3,624	
Prepaid taxes		\$ 17,918
Pension deferrals		\$ 5,787

**Risk Management**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destructions of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town participates in a self-funded risk financing pool administered by the North Carolina League of Municipalities. Through this pool, the Town obtains general liability and auto liability coverage of \$1 million per occurrence, property coverage up to the total insurance values of the property policy, workers' compensation coverage up to a \$2 million lifetime limit. The pool is reinsured through commercial companies for single occurrence claims against general liability, auto liability, and property in excess of \$500,000 and \$300,000 up to statutory limits for workers' compensation. The pool is reinsured for annual employee health claims in excess of \$150,000. The property liability pool has an aggregate limit for the total property losses in a single year, with the reinsurance limit based upon a percentage of the total insurance values.

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The Town carries commercial coverage for risks of loss. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage in the current year, and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The Town does not carry flood insurance.

In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the Town's employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the Town's funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond. The Finance Officer and the Tax Collector are each individually bonded for \$50,000. The remaining employees that have access to funds are bonded under a blanket bond for \$10,000.

***Long-Term Obligations***

Installment Purchase

The Town has outstanding notes from direct borrowings. In the event of default, the Town agrees to pay to the purchaser, on demand, interest on any and all amounts owing by the Town under the related agreements.

The Town has entered into various direct placement installment purchase contracts comprised of the following:

**Serviced by Governmental Funds:**

\$1,125,000 for purchase of Town Hall Building, funded by non general obligation debt, over a 10 year term with monthly payments of \$9,375; plus interest at 2.75% through September 1, 2029	928,125
Total governmental fund debt	<u>\$ 928,125</u>

**Serviced by Enterprise Funds:**

\$277,000 for Snowcloud water line replacement due in monthly installments of \$2,623; including interest at 2.590%, through September 1, 2024	95,584
Total enterprise fund debt	<u>95,584</u>
Total installment loan debt	<u><u>\$ 1,023,709</u></u>



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Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Town's direct placement installment purchases are as follows:

<b>Year Ending June 30</b>	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>	
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>
2022	112,500	24,105	29,343	2,128
2023	112,500	21,012	30,112	1,360
2024	112,500	17,918	30,901	1,174
2025	112,500	14,824	5,228	17
2026	112,500	11,730		
Thereafter:	365,625	11,803	-	
Total	<u>\$928,125</u>	<u>\$101,392</u>	<u>\$ 95,584</u>	<u>\$ 4,679</u>

**General Obligation Indebtedness**

At June 30, 2021, the Town of Seven Devils had no bonds authorized or uninsured and had legal debt margin of \$14,098,727.

**Changes in Long-Term Liabilities**

	<b>Balance July 1, 2020</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Balance June 30, 2021</b>	<b>Current Portion of Balance</b>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Direct placement installment purchase contracts	\$ 1,052,310	\$ -	124,185	\$ 928,125	\$112,500
Net pension liability (LGERS)	223,895	83,330	-	307,225	-
Total pension liability (LEO)	127,862	95,767	-	223,629	-
Compensated absences	55,749	8,651	-	64,400	64,400
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,459,816</u>	<u>\$ 187,748</u>	<u>124,185</u>	<u>\$ 1,523,379</u>	<u>\$ 176,900</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>					
Direct placement installment purchase contracts	\$ 152,781	\$ -	\$ 57,198	\$ 95,583	\$ 29,343
Compensated absences	2,121	631	-	2,752	2,121
Net pension liability (LGERS)	11,786	4,384	-	16,170	-
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 166,688</u>	<u>\$ 5,015</u>	<u>\$ 57,198</u>	<u>\$ 114,505</u>	<u>\$ 31,464</u>

Compensated absences typically have been liquidated in the General Fund and are accounted for on a FIFO basis.

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**Fund Balance**

The following schedule provides management and citizens with information on the portion of General fund balance that is available for appropriation:

Total fund balance-General Fund	\$1,286,661
Less:	
Stabilization by State Statute	134,465
Remaining Fund Balance	1,152,196

**NOTE 4: JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION**

The Town, in conjunction with seven counties and eighteen municipalities, established the Region D Council of Governments (Council). The participating governments established the Council to coordinate various funding received from federal and State agencies. Each participating government appoints one member to the Council's governing board. The Town paid membership fees of \$597 to the Council during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

**NOTE 5: SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES**

Federal and State Assisted Programs

The Town has received proceeds from several federal and State grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

**NOTE 6: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management has evaluated subsequent events through August 16, 2021, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Town of Seven Devils**  
**Proportionate Share of Net Pension (Liability) Asset**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**Last Eight Fiscal Years**

**Local Government Employees Retirement System**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Town's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (%)	0.00905	0.00863	0.00888	0.00935	0.00876	0.00882	0.00944	0.0094
Town's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) (\$)	323,395	235,679	210,664	142,842	185,917	39,584	(55,672)	113,306
Town's covered-employee payroll	633,821	613,616	600,022	578,933	572,095	543,026	510,451	525,540
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.51	0.38	0.35	0.25	0.32	0.07	(0.11)	0.22
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	0.9200	0.9418	0.9147	0.9809	0.9879	1.0264	0.9435	0.9822

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending June 30.

**Town of Seven Devils**  
**Schedule of Contributions to the Local Government Employees' Retirement System**  
**Required Supplementary Information**  
**Last Eight Fiscal Years**

**Local Government Employees Retirement System**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Contractually required contribution	70,415	58,805	50,062	47,121	43,813	34,326	66,618	38,381
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	70,415	58,805	50,062	47,121	43,813	34,326	66,618	38,381
Town's covered-employee payroll	673,081	633,821	613,616	600,022	578,933	572,095	543,026	510,451
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.1046	0.0928	0.0816	0.0785	0.0757	0.0600	0.1227	0.0752

See auditor's report and accompanying notes.

**Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina**  
**Schedule of Changes in Total Pension Liability**  
**Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance**  
**6/30/2021**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Beginning balance	\$ 127,862	\$ 75,271	\$ 81,071	\$ 61,640	\$ 57,131
Service Cost	8,979	6,451	5,597	5,526	4,581
Interest on the total pension liability	4,168	2,740	2,562	2,379	2,040
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience in the measurement of the total pension liability	18,291	38,116	(10,053)	2,660	-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	64,329	5,284	(3,906)	8,866	(2,112)
Benefit payments	-	-	-	-	-
Other changes	-	-	-	-	-
Ending balance of the total pension liability	<u>\$ 223,629</u>	<u>\$ 127,862</u>	<u>\$ 75,271</u>	<u>\$ 81,071</u>	<u>\$ 61,640</u>

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the prior fiscal year ending December 31.

**Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina**  
**Schedule of Total Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll**  
**Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance**  
**6/30/2021**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Total pension liability	\$ 223,629	\$ 127,862	\$ 75,271	\$ 81,071	\$ 61,640
Covered payroll	312,669	303,012	293,506	284,960	169,048
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	71.52%	42.20%	25.65%	28.45%	36.46%

Notes to the schedules:

The Town of Seven Devils has no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement 73 to pay related benefits.

See auditor's report and accompanying notes.

## Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina

## General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances --Budget and Actual--  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	2021		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Ad valorem taxes:			
Taxes	\$	\$ 839,648	\$
Penalties and interest		2,113	
Total	838,092	841,761	3,669
Other taxes and licenses:			
Occupancy tax		395,608	
Total	360,000	395,608	35,608
Unrestricted intergovernmental:			
Local option sales tax		196,380	
Telecommunications sales tax		761	
Utility franchise tax		57,844	
Beer and wine tax		931	
ABC profit distribution		165,000	
Total	342,160	420,916	78,756
Restricted intergovernmental:			
On behalf of - Fire and Rescue		42,982	
ABC revenue for law enforcement		2,000	
Powell Bill allocation		26,166	
Government grant		7,903	
NC PRO Cares Act		127,707	
Total	213,709	206,758	(6,951)
Permits and fees:			
Building permits		1,500	
Zoning and development fees		5,999	
Sign permits		1,085	
Parking tickets		6,400	
Occupancy tax collection fee		11,840	
Total	19,000	26,824	7,824
Investment earnings	200	5,774	5,574

## Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina

## General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances --Budget and Actual--  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

	2021		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
Miscellaneous:			
Donations		0	
TDA contribution		361,212	
Cell Tower revenue		14,630	
Other		9,134	
Total	209,493	384,976	175,483
Total revenues	1,982,654	2,282,617	299,963
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
General government -			
Salaries and employee benefits		251,483	
Professional services		22,917	
Occupancy tax		395,608	
Other operating expenditures		92,010	
Capital outlay		109,630	
Total general government	736,593	871,648	(135,055)
Public safety -			
Police Department:			
Salaries and employee benefits		423,711	
Other operating expenditures		40,566	
Capital outlay		34,402	
Total	505,000	498,679	6,321
Fire:			
Salaries and employee benefits		13,946	
Other operating expenditures		26,291	
Capital outlay		70,550	
Total	109,263	110,787	(1,524)
Planning and inspections:			
Other operating expenditures		406	
Total	410	406	4
Total public safety	614,673	609,872	4,801

**Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina****General Fund****Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances --Budget and Actual--  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	<b>2021</b>		
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</b>
Public works:			
Streets and highways:			
Salaries and employee benefits		260,560	
Street lights		17,148	
Other operating expenditures		57,868	
Capital outlay		91,270	
Total public works	427,370	426,846	524
Cultural and recreational:			
Parks and recreation:			
Salaries and employee benefits		38,139	
Other operating expenditures		4,395	
Capital outlay		26,295	
Total cultural and recreational	52,321	68,829	(16,508)
Debt service -			
Principal retirement		124,185	
Interest and fees		27,512	
Total debt service	151,697	151,697	-
Total expenditures	1,982,654	2,128,892	(146,238)
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	153,725	(153,725)
Appropriated fund balance	-	-	-
Excess of revenues, other sources and appropriated fund balance over (under) expenditures and other uses	\$ -	153,725	\$ 153,725
Fund balances - beginning of year		1,132,936	
Fund balances - end of year		\$ 1,286,661	

See the accompanying Independent Auditor's Report.

**Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina**  
**Water Fund**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures--Budget and Actual-- (Non-GAAP)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

	2021		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Budget	Actual	
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Water charges	\$	\$ 282,248	\$
Water taps, reconnects and installation fees		6,100	
Interest and other		13,833	
Total revenues	257,000	302,181	45,181
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Water administration			
Salaries and employee benefits		50,484	
Contract services		19,349	
Repairs		6,395	
Utilities		27,772	
Other operating expenditures		5,751	
Capital outlay		19,863	
Total general government	157,000	129,614	27,386
Debt service -			
Principal retirement		57,171	
Interest and fees		3,647	
Total debt service	100,000	60,818	39,182
Total expenditures	257,000	190,432	66,568
Revenue over (under) expenditures	-	111,749	111,749
Other financing sources (uses):			
Operating transfers in (out):			
Fund balance appropriated	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	19,863	19,863
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	19,863	19,863
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	-	131,612	131,612
Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual \$ to Full Accrual:	-	-	\$ -
Principal retirement		57,171	
Depreciation		(79,026)	
Change in accrued vacation pay		(630)	
Change in pension deferrals		(4,968)	
Total reconciling items:		(27,453)	
Change in net position		\$ 104,159	

See the accompanying Independent Auditor's Report.



**Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina**  
**General Fund**  
**Schedule of Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable**  
**June 30, 2021**

	<b>Uncollected Balance June 30, 2020</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Collections and Credits</b>	<b>Uncollected Balance June 30, 2021</b>
2019 - 2020	\$	\$ 832,885	\$ 831,216	\$ 1,669
2018 - 2019	5,816	-	5,183	\$ 633
2017 - 2018	2,365	-	1,874	491
2016 - 2017	1,162	-	642	520
2015 - 2016	319	-	1	318
2014 - 2015	202	-	-	202
2013 - 2014	34	-	-	34
2012 - 2013	159	-	-	159
2011 - 2012	158	-	158	-
	<u>\$ 10,215</u>	<u>\$ 832,885</u>	<u>\$ 839,074</u>	<u>\$ 4,026</u>
Less: allowance for uncollectible accounts:				
General Fund				<u>(400)</u>
Ad valorem taxes receivable - net				
General Fund				<u>\$ 3,626</u>
<b>Reconcilement with revenues:</b>				
Ad valorem taxes - General Fund				<u>\$ 841,761</u>
Reconciling items:				
Interest collected				(2,113)
Discounts and write offs				<u>(574)</u>
Total reconciling items				<u>(2,687)</u>
Total collections and credits				<u>\$ 839,074</u>

**Town of Seven Devils, North Carolina**  
**Analysis of Current Tax Levy**  
**Town-Wide Levy**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021**

				<b>Total Levy</b>	
	<b>Property Valuation</b>	<b>Town-wide Rate</b>	<b>Amount of Levy</b>	<b>Property excluding Registered Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>Registered Motor Vehicles</b>
Original levy:					
Property taxed at current year's rate	\$ 163,310,775	0.510	\$ 832,885	\$ 810,027	\$ 22,858
Total	<u>163,310,775</u>		<u>832,885</u>	<u>810,027</u>	<u>22,858</u>
 Total property valuations	<u>163,310,775</u>				
 Net levy			832,885	810,027	22,858
 Uncollected taxes at June 30, 2021			<u>1,669</u>	<u>1,669</u>	<u>-</u>
 Current year's taxes collected			\$ <u>831,216</u>	\$ <u>808,358</u>	\$ <u>22,858</u>
 Current year's collection percentage			<u>99.80%</u>	<u>99.79%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>



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**Independent Auditor's 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***

To the Directors  
Town of Seven Devils  
Seven Devils, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, and each major fund of the Town of Seven Devils (the Town), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Seven Devils' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 16, 2021.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town'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 Town of Seven Devils' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town'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 was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 21-2.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Town of Seven Devils' 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*.

### **Town of Seven Devils' Response to Findings**

The Town of Seven Devils' response to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Corrective Action Plan. The Town'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.

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Spruce Pine, North Carolina  
August 16, 2021

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**I. Summary of Auditor's Results**

- A. An unqualified opinion was issued on the financial statements of Town of Seven Devils.
- B. Our audit of the financial statements disclosed one significant deficiency in internal controls. The significant deficiency was not determined to be a material weakness.
- C. Our audit of the financial statements disclosed no instance of noncompliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements that is material to the financial statements.
- D. There were no major federal or State programs for the Town of Seven Devils.

**II. Findings related to the Audit of the Financial Statements of Town of Seven Devils**

Finding 21-1

*Internal Control*

Refer to Note (2) Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability of the Notes to Financial Statements.

Condition: Budgetary violations of the General Statutes of North Carolina were noted during the year of audit regarding disbursements in the general fund in excess of budget.

Effect: The requisite and contemporaneous financial information necessary to perform their duties within the framework of the General Statutes of North Carolina was not available to the governing body of the Town of Seven Devils.

Cause: The governing body failed to monitor and acknowledge the deficiencies within the financial/accounting functions of the Town and implement corrective action.

Recommendation: The governing body should monitor financial statements and accounting functions to ensure that the budget is amended as needed.

**III. Findings and Questioned Costs Related to the Audit of Federal and State Awards**

None

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**IV. Status of Prior Year Findings**

N/A

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Corrective Action Plan  
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**Section II – Financial Statement Findings**

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MATERIAL WEAKNESS

2021 – 1      Compliance

Name of contact person:    Larry Fontaine, Chair

Corrective Action:    The governing board will monitor future expenditures to make sure the funds are correctly disbursed according to budget.

Proposed Completion Date:      The Board will immediately implement the above procedures.

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**Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

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Not applicable.

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**Section IV – State Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

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Not applicable.