

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To: The Reeve and Council
Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304 (the Municipality) which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2024, and the statements of operations, changes in net financial assets, cash flows and remeasurement gains and losses for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Municipality as at December 31, 2024, and the results of its operations, changes in net financial assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

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

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

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

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Municipality's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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Chartered Professional Accountants

Melville, Saskatchewan
March 24, 2025

Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304
Statement of Financial Position
As at December 31, 2024

	2024	Statement 1 2023
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2)	2,453,035	1,837,932
Investments	-	-
Taxes Receivable - Municipal (Note 3)	93,707	130,137
Other Accounts Receivable (Note 4)	91,022	118,658
Assets Held for Sale	-	-
Long-Term Receivable (Note 5)	96,251	87,293
Debt Charges Recoverable	-	-
Derivative Assets	-	-
Other	-	-
Total Financial Assets	2,734,015	2,174,020
LIABILITIES		
Bank Indebtedness	-	-
Accounts Payable	257,969	68,839
Accrued Liabilities Payable	-	-
Derivative Liabilities	-	-
Deposits	-	-
Deferred Revenue	-	-
Asset Retirement Obligation	-	-
Liability for Contaminated Sites	-	-
Other Liabilities	300	300
Long-Term Debt (Note 6)	-	-
Lease Obligations	-	-
Total Liabilities	258,269	69,139
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	2,475,746	2,104,881
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Tangible Capital Assets (Schedule 6, 7)	1,644,437	1,799,770
Prepayments and Deferred Charges	3,964	13,521
Stock and Supplies	88,380	74,590
Other	-	-
Total Non-Financial Assets	1,736,781	1,887,881
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Schedule 8)	4,212,527	3,992,762
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit) is comprised of:		
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses) (Schedule 8)	4,212,527	3,992,762
Accumulated remeasurement gains (losses) (Statement 5)	-	-

Contingent Liabilities (Note 7)

The accompanying notes and schedules are an integral part of these statements.

See Accompanying Notes

Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304
Statement of Operations
As at December 31, 2024

	2024 Budget	2024	Statement 2 2023
REVENUES			
Tax Revenue (Schedule 1)	1,266,803	1,266,869	1,253,466
Other Unconditional Revenue (Schedule 1)	284,446	284,267	261,368
Fees and Charges (Schedule 4, 5)	81,550	144,617	27,652
Conditional Grants (Schedule 4, 5)	1,731	7,083	1,697
Tangible Capital Asset Sales - Gain (Schedule 4, 5)	-	71,958	-
Land Sales - Gain (Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Investment Income (Schedule 4, 5)	72,960	78,620	68,595
Commissions (Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Restructurings (Schedule 4,5)	-	-	-
Other Revenues (Schedule 4, 5)	-	1,390	89
Provincial/Federal Capital Grants and Contributions (Schedule 4, 5)	35,400	23,273	23,710
Total Revenues	1,742,890	1,878,077	1,636,577
EXPENSES			
General Government Services (Schedule 3)	436,230	372,569	350,842
Protective Services (Schedule 3)	34,000	28,643	33,524
Transportation Services (Schedule 3)	962,558	1,190,099	982,687
Environmental and Public Health Services (Schedule 3)	32,000	39,649	38,814
Planning and Development Services (Schedule 3)	8,600	8,577	1,911
Recreation and Cultural Services (Schedule 3)	5,165	6,664	4,955
Utility Services (Schedule 3)	26,300	12,111	26,733
Restructurings (Schedule 3)	-	-	-
Total Expenses	1,504,853	1,658,312	1,439,466
Annual Surplus of Revenues over Expenses	238,037	219,765	197,111
Accumulated Surplus excluding remeasurement gains (losses), Beginning of Year	3,992,762	3,992,762	3,795,651
Accumulated Surplus excluding remeasurement gains (losses), End of Year	4,230,799	4,212,527	3,992,762
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Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304
Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets
As at December 31, 2024

	Statement 3		
	2024 Budget	2024	2023
Annual Surplus of Revenues over Expenses	238,037	219,765	197,111
(Acquisition) of tangible capital assets	(100,000)	-	(294,025)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-	227,291	206,922
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	-	-
Loss (gain) on the disposal of tangible capital assets	-	(71,958)	-
Transfer of assets/liabilities in restructuring transactions	-	-	-
Surplus (Deficit) of capital expenses over expenditures	(100,000)	155,333	(87,103)
(Acquisition) of supplies inventories	-	(88,380)	(74,590)
(Acquisition) of prepaid expense	-	9,557	(7,300)
Consumption of supplies inventory	-	74,590	45,412
Use of prepaid expense	-	-	-
Surplus (Deficit) of expenses of other non-financial over expenditures	-	(4,233)	(36,478)
Unrealized remeasurement gains (losses)	-	-	-
Increase/Decrease in Net Financial Assets	138,037	370,865	73,530
Net Financial Assets - Beginning of Year	2,104,881	2,104,881	2,031,351
Net Financial Assets - End of Year	2,242,918	2,475,746	2,104,881

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Rural Municipality of Buchanan No. 304
Statement of Cash Flow
As at December 31, 2024

Statement 4
2024 2023

Cash provided by (used for) the following activities

Operating:

Annual Surplus of Revenues over Expenses	219,765	197,111
Amortization	227,291	206,922
Loss (gain) on disposal of tangible capital assets	(71,958)	-
	375,098	404,033

Change in assets/liabilities

Taxes Receivable - Municipal	36,430	(38,099)
Other Receivables	27,636	(85,743)
Assets Held for Sale	-	-
Other Financial Assets	-	-
Accounts and Accrued Liabilities Payable	189,130	18,736
Deposits	-	-
Deferred Revenue	-	-
Asset Retirement Obligation	-	-
Liability for Contaminated Sites	-	-
Other Liabilities	-	-
Stock and Supplies	(13,790)	(29,178)
Prepayments and Deferred Charges	9,557	(7,300)
Other	-	-

Cash provided by operating transactions **624,061** **262,449**

Capital:

Acquisition of capital assets	-	(294,025)
Proceeds from the disposal of capital assets	-	-

Cash applied to capital transactions **-** **(294,025)**

Investing:

Decrease (increase) in restricted cash or cash equivalents	-	-
Proceeds from disposal of investments	(8,958)	(8,433)
Decrease (increase) in investments	-	-

Cash provided by (applied to) investing transactions **(8,958)** **(8,433)**

Financing:

Debt charges recovered	-	-
Long-term debt issued	-	-
Long-term debt repaid	-	-
Other financing	-	-

Cash provided by (applied to) financing transactions **-** **-**

Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents during the year **615,103** **(40,009)**

Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year **1,837,932** **1,877,941**

Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year **2,453,035** **1,837,932**

Cash and cash equivalents is made up of:

Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	2,453,035	1,837,932
Less: restricted portion of cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	-	-
Temporary bank indebtedness	-	-
	2,453,035	1,837,932

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