

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY  
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9  
SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE**

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**Financial Statements**

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**For the Year Ended  
September 30, 2023**

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9  
SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE  
September 30, 2023**

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9  
SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE  
MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
September 30, 2023**

As management of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 – Spicewood Fire Rescue (the District), we are pleased to offer readers of the District’s financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the District’s financial activities for the year ended September 30, 2023. We encourage readers to consider it in conjunction with the additional information presented in the accompanying basic financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.

**Financial Statements**

- The net position of the District increased by \$662,060 as a result of the current year’s operations. Net position at year end consisted of invested in capital assets, net of related debt, of \$1,306,767 and unrestricted net position of \$2,512,331 for total net position of \$3,819,098.
- Total revenues from all sources were \$2,193,431(**2,193,431**) which represents an increase of \$335,609 over the prior year. This is due to an increase in property tax collections.
- Total costs of all programs were \$1,531,371 which represents an increase of \$257,024. This is due primarily to increases in depreciation expense and payroll costs.
- As of September 30, 2023, the District’s governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$2,512,331 an increase of \$595,857.

**Using this Annual Report**

This annual report presents the following three components of the financial statements:

1. Government-wide financial statements provide information for the District as a whole.
2. Fund financial statements provide detailed information for the District’s significant funds.
3. Notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to understanding the government-wide and fund financial statements.

This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves. The other information includes this management’s discussion and analysis as well as the budgetary comparison schedule.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District’s finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the assets and liabilities of the District. The difference between assets and liabilities is reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information on how the District’s net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. This statement is presented using the accrual basis of accounting, which means that all of the current year’s revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

Both the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present information for the following:

Governmental activities–This includes all of the District’s emergency protection services which will be primarily supported with property tax and sales tax revenues.

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The government-wide financial statements begin on page 8. The following is a summary of net position as of September 30, 2023:

**Table 1  
Net Position**

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>9/30/2023</u>	<u>9/30/2022</u>
Current assets and other assets	\$ 2,520,401	\$ 1,939,919
Capital assets, net	<u>2,585,020</u>	<u>2,740,160</u>
Total assets	<u>5,105,421</u>	<u>4,680,079</u>
Current liabilities	8,070	23,446
Other liabilities	<u>1,278,253</u>	<u>1,499,596</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,286,323</u>	<u>1,523,042</u>
Net position:		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,306,767	1,240,564
Unrestricted	<u>2,512,331</u>	<u>1,916,473</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 3,819,098</u>	<u>\$ 3,157,037</u>

The following table is a summary of changes in net position:

**Table 2  
Changes in Net Assets**

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>9/30/2023</u>	<u>9/30/2022</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 35,436	\$ 3,980
Operating grants and contributions	7,190	8,450
Capital grants and contributions	-	-
General revenues:		
Property taxes	1,059,514	816,653
Sales taxes	990,016	1,017,370
Interest income	101,276	11,331
Gain (loss) on disposition of assets	-	38
Total revenues	<u>2,193,432</u>	<u>1,857,823</u>
Expenses:		
General government	115,033	120,822
Public safety	1,416,338	1,153,525
Total expenses	<u>1,531,371</u>	<u>1,274,347</u>
Change in net position	662,061	583,476
Net position - October 1	<u>3,157,037</u>	<u>2,573,561</u>
Net position - September 30	<u>\$ 3,819,098</u>	<u>\$ 3,157,037</u>

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**Fund Financial Statements**

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 District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the District’s significant funds - not the District as a whole. The District’s funds fall into one category - governmental fund.

The focus of the District’s *governmental fund* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District’s financing requirements. In particular, the *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government’s net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The *governmental fund statements* provide a detailed short-term view of the government operations and the basic services it provided and are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting which focuses on available spendable resources. This allows the reader to evaluate the District’s short-term financing requirements. Both the governmental fund *Balance Sheet* and the governmental fund *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances* provide a reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

**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 can be found on pages 13 through 20 of this report.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The District adopts an annual budget for the general fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided to demonstrate compliance with the budget. The governmental fund financial statements begin on page 10, and the budgetary comparison schedule is on page 22.

The District amended the budget during the fiscal year increasing some line items and decreasing others. However, overall budget expenditures did not change. Actual expenditures on a budgetary basis were one percent over budgeted expenditures due to increased pension cost. The District’s overall actual revenues were 16 percent more than budgeted due to unanticipated property and sales tax collections.

**Capital Assets**

The District’s investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2023, amounts to \$2,585,020 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, furniture and fixtures, machinery, equipment, and vehicles.

**Capital Assets  
 Government Activities  
 (net of depreciation)**

	9/30/2023	9/30//2022
EMS Building	\$ 491,062	\$ 508,471
Fire Department Building	980,366	1,013,063
Furniture and Fixtures	4,778	2,802
Machinery and Equipment	76,558	55,466
Vehicle and Equipment	984,756	1,112,858
Land	47,500	47,500
Total	\$ 2,585,020	\$ 2,740,160

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During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, the District purchased various equipment and a trailer for a total of \$49,408 and disposed old unused assets for the total of \$13,857.

Additional information on the District’s capital assets can be found in Note 4 on page 18 of this report.

**Debt Administration**

As of September 30, 2023, the District was obligated on the following debt:

**Outstanding Debt at Year End**

	9/30/2023	9/30//2022
	Total	Total
Notes Payable	\$ 1,278,253	\$ 1,499,596
Total	\$ 1,278,253	\$ 1,499,596

During the year, the District assumed no new loans. The District incurred \$45,913 of interest expense for the year ended September 30, 2023, which has been charged to public safety expenses.

Additional information on the District’s non-current liabilities can be found in Note 5 beginning on page 19 of this report.

**Economic Factors and Next Year’s Budgets and Rates**

The District’s tax revenues are expected to continue to grow with the steady population growth, increased property values, and sales tax collections. These additional funds will be used to fund emergency fire services and emergency medical services as provided by Marble Falls Area EMS, as well as continued funding of the District’s operations, reserves, and capital investments.

**Contacting the District’s Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District’s finances and to demonstrate the District’s accountability for the money it receives from the citizens of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 – Spicewood Fire Rescue. If you have any questions about this report or need further information, contact Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 – Spicewood Fire Rescue, P.O. Box 2, Spicewood, TX 78669.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Commissioners  
Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9  
Spicewood Fire Rescue

### Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 - Spicewood Fire Rescue, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 - Spicewood Fire Rescue's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 - Spicewood Fire Rescue, as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 required to be independent of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 - Spicewood Fire Rescue and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 - Spicewood Fire Rescue's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

### 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 opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.



- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- 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 Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 – Spicewood Fire Rescue’s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 – Spicewood Fire Rescue’s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

### **Other Matters**

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management’s discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

*Oliver, Rainey & Wojtek, LLP*

Oliver, Rainey & Wojtek, LLP  
March 12, 2024

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9**  
**SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**As of September 30, 2023**

	Primary Government	
	Governmental	
	Activities	Total
<b>Assets</b>		
Deposits and investments	\$ 2,340,465	\$ 2,340,465
Taxes receivable	179,936	179,936
Capital assets, net	2,585,020	2,585,020
Total Assets	5,105,421	5,105,421
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	8,070	8,070
Non-current liabilities:		
Due within one year	227,228	227,228
Due in more than one year	1,051,025	1,051,025
Total Liabilities	1,286,323	1,286,323
<b>Net Position</b>		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,306,767	1,306,767
Unrestricted assets	2,512,331	2,512,331
Total Net Position	\$ 3,819,098	\$ 3,819,098

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

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9  
SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023**

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Assets</u>	
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Primary Government Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Primary government:						
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$ 115,033	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (115,033)	\$ (115,033)
Public safety - Fire	827,447	35,436	7,190	-	(784,821)	(784,821)
Public safety - EMS	588,891	-	-	-	(588,891)	(588,891)
Total net (expense) revenue for governmental activities and the primary government	<u>\$1,531,371</u>	<u>\$ 35,436</u>	<u>\$ 7,190</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(1,488,745)</u>	<u>(1,488,745)</u>
General Revenues:						
Taxes						
					1,059,514	1,059,514
					990,016	990,016
					101,276	101,276
					2,150,806	2,150,806
					662,061	662,061
					3,157,037	3,157,037
					\$ 3,819,098	\$ 3,819,098

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

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9**  
**SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE**  
**BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUND**  
**As of September 30, 2023**

	General Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>		
Deposits & investments	\$ 2,340,465	\$ 2,340,465
Receivables	206,025	206,025
Total Assets	2,546,490	2,546,490
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	8,070	8,070
Total Liabilities	8,070	8,070
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>		
Unavailable property taxes	26,089	26,089
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	26,089	26,089
<b>Fund Balance</b>		
Assigned for capital outlay	2,330	2,330
Unassigned	2,510,001	2,510,001
Total Fund Balance	2,512,331	2,512,331
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 2,546,490	
Amounts reported for government activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheet. (See Note 4)		2,585,020
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current year and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds balance sheet. (See Note 5)		(1,278,253)
Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 3,819,098

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

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9  
 SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND  
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
 For the Year Ended September 30, 2023**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Property taxes	\$ 1,059,514	\$ 1,059,514
Sales taxes	990,016	990,016
Contributions	7,190	7,190
Interest income	101,276	101,276
Other income	<u>35,436</u>	<u>35,436</u>
Total Revenues	<u>2,193,432</u>	<u>2,193,432</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Contract services	2,660	2,660
EMS service	556,000	556,000
Fuel	12,307	12,307
Insurance	75,956	75,956
Legal and professional fees	52,695	52,695
Office and administration	28,166	28,166
Payroll expenses	286,755	286,755
Radio fees	32,129	32,129
Repair and maintenance	100,006	100,006
Supplies	50,685	50,685
Tax appraisal and collection fees	34,616	34,616
Travel and training	18,907	18,907
Utilities	14,522	14,522
Capital outlay	64,914	64,914
Debt payments	<u>267,256</u>	<u>267,256</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>1,597,574</u>	<u>1,597,574</u>
Excess (Deficiencies) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other (Uses)	595,858	595,858
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>1,916,473</u>	<u>1,916,473</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 2,512,331</u>	<u>\$ 2,512,331</u>

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

**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 9  
 SPICEWOOD FIRE RESCUE  
 RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – GOVERNMENTAL FUND TO THE  
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
 For the Year Ended September 30, 2023**

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 595,858
<p>Amount reported for governmental activities in the                  Statement of Activities are different because:</p>	
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.                  However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets                  is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.                  This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of                  capital assets and related items. (See Note 4)</p>	
	(155,140)
<p>The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources                  to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of                  long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental                  funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets.                  This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of                  long-term debt and related items. (see Note 5)</p>	
	221,343
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 662,061

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

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Reporting Entity

Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 9 - Spicewood Fire Rescue (the District) was created by an election held on November 5, 2013. The District operates under Article III, Section 48-e of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 775 of the Texas Health and Safety Code and is run by a Board of Commissioners appointed by the Burnet County Commissioners Court. The District's major activities include providing emergency services to the residents of the District.

As required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the District (the primary government) and its component units. In evaluating how to define the District for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity is made by applying the criteria set forth in U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant indication of this ability is financial interdependency. Other indications of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. The other criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the District is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. The District had no component units for the year ended September 30, 2023.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The reporting model includes financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the District's activities. This approach includes not just current assets and liabilities (such as cash and accounts payable) but also capital assets and long-term liabilities (such as buildings and infrastructure, including bridges and roads, and general obligation debt). Accrual accounting also reports all of the revenues and cost of providing services each year, not just those received or paid in the current year or soon thereafter.

*Statement of Net Position*

The Statement of Net Position is designed to display the financial position of the primary government (governmental activities) and its discretely presented component units, if any. Governments will report all capital assets, including infrastructure, in the government-wide Statement of Net Position and will report depreciation expense - the cost of "using up" capital assets - in the Statement of Activities. The net position of a government will be broken down into three categories - 1) invested in capital assets, net of related debt; 2) restricted; and 3) unrestricted.

*Statement of Activities*

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports expenses and revenues in a format that focuses on the cost of each of the District's functions. The expense of individual functions is compared to the revenues generated directly by the function (for instance, through user charges or intergovernmental grants).

Fund Financial Statements

In the fund financial statements, financial transactions of the District are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, and revenues and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for, in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Fund financial statements are provided for the governmental fund.

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**NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued**

*General Fund*

The General Fund is the principal fund of the District which accounts for all financial transactions not accounted for in other funds. The District had no other funds for the year ended September 30, 2023.

Fund Balance Classification

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the following classifications of fund balance:

- Nonspendable - includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not spendable in form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted - includes amounts restricted by external sources (creditors, laws of other governments, etc.) or by constitutional provision or enabling legislation.
- Committed - includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes. Committed fund balance is reported pursuant to ordinances passed by the Board, the Districts highest level of decision-making authority. Commitments may be modified or rescinded only through ordinances approved by the District's Board.
- Assigned - includes amounts that the District intends to use for a specific purpose, but do not meet the definition of restricted or committed fund balance.
- Unassigned - includes amounts that have not been assigned to other funds or restricted, committed or assigned to a specific purpose within the General Fund. The District reports all amounts that meet the unrestricted General Fund Balance Policy as unassigned.

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

In the fiscal year 2022, the District amended their minimum fund balance policy. The policy requires the unassigned fund balance for fiscal year ends to be at least equal to 50 percent of the total budget.

Budgetary Comparison Schedules

Demonstrating compliance with the adopted budget is an important component of a government's accountability to the public. Many citizens participate in one way or another in the process of establishing the annual operating budgets of state and local governments and have a keen interest in following the actual financial progress of their governments over the course of the year. Many governments revise their original budgets over the course of the year for a variety of reasons. Under the current reporting model, governments will provide budgetary comparison information in their annual reports. The District is required to present the original budget with the comparison of the final budget and actual results. The budget is adopted by the Board prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. Amendments are made during the year on approval by the Board. The District adopted the current year budget on a line-item basis.

Basis of Presentation

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured, such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.



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**NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued**

*Government-Wide and Fund Accounting*

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the District as a whole) and fund financial statements. Both the government-wide and fund financial statements (within the basic financial statements) categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. As of September 30, 2023, the District had no business-type activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position, the governmental activity columns are to be presented on a consolidated basis by column, and are reflected, on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which incorporates long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reflects both the gross and net cost per functional category (public safety), which are otherwise being supported by general government revenues. The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants, and contributions. The program revenues must be directly associated with the function (public safety). The District does not allocate indirect expenses. The operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. The District does not allocate indirect expenses.

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, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

In the fund financial statements, financial transactions of the District are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, and revenues and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for, in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The governmental fund financial statements are presented on a current financial resource and modified accrual basis of accounting. This is the manner in which these funds are normally budgeted. Since the governmental fund statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the government-wide statements' governmental column, a reconciliation is presented which briefly explains the adjustments necessary to reconcile the fund financial statements with the governmental column of the government-wide presentation.

The focus of the reporting model is on the District as a whole and the fund financial statements, including the major individual funds of the governmental categories, and the component units (if any). Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared (between years and between governments) to enhance the usefulness of the information.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the method by which revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED**  
**September 30, 2023**

**NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued**

The government-wide statement of net position and statement of activities are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these activities are included on the statement of net position.

All revenue and expenditure recognition for governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of “available spendable resources.” Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. The District’s revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as current assets. Available means collectible within the current year or as soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. For this purpose, the government considers revenue to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal year. Penalties and interest, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Deposits and Investments

The District’s investment guidelines are defined by a written investment policy that is approved by the District’s Board. In accordance with this policy, the funds are invested, and the investments of those funds managed, as a prudent investor would do, exercising reasonable care, skill and caution.

Capital Assets

Capital outlays are recorded as expenditures of the General Fund and as assets in the government-wide financial statements of the District. Depreciation is recorded on general fixed assets on a government-wide basis. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual cost was not available. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date donated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method.

Maintenance, repairs, and minor equipment are charged to operations when incurred. Expenditures that materially change capacities or extend useful lives are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement of land, buildings, and equipment, the cost and related accumulated depreciation, if applicable, are eliminated from the respective accounts and any resulting gain or loss is included in the results of operations.

Estimated useful lives for depreciable assets are as follows:

EMS Building	5 to 40 years
Fire Department Building	5 to 40 years
Furniture and Fixtures	5 years
Machinery and Equipment	5 to 7 years
Vehicle and Equipment	5 to 10 years

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**NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Continued**

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and/or balance sheet 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 future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expense) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position and/or balance sheet 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(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

**NOTE 2 – Property Taxes**

The District's property tax is levied each October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the previous January 1 for all real property located in the District. The tax levy for October, 2022 was \$1,051,008.

The tax assessment of October 1, 2022, sets the tax levy at \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Delinquent property taxes estimated to be collectible within the next fiscal year are recognized as revenues. Other delinquent property taxes receivable at year end that are deemed to be ultimately collectible are recorded as deferred revenues.

**NOTE 3 – Deposits and Investments**

The District's deposits at September 30, 2023, are comprised of demand deposit of \$166,452. The investments of the District as of September 30, 2023, consisted of \$2,174,013 with the Texas Local Government Investment Pool (TexPool).

At September 30, 2023 all of the District's balances are either insured by the FDIC or are collateralized by registered securities held by the bank's trust department in the District's name.

*Custodial Credit Risk:* The custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's policy requires all deposits to be fully secured in accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 2257, by either surety bonds, letters of credit of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, or by eligible securities held by an independent third-party custodian. At September 30, 2023, all District cash balances were secured.

The public funds investment pool has been created pursuant to the Interlocal Corporation Act of the State of Texas. The District has delegated the authority to hold legal title to TexPool, as custodian, to make investment purchases with the District's funds.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts (the "Comptroller") is the sole officer, director, and shareholder of the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company which is authorized to operate TexPool. Additionally, the Comptroller has established an advisory board composed of both participants in TexPool and other people who do not have a business relationship with TexPool. The advisory board members review the investment policy and management fee structure. There are no maximum transactions amounts and withdrawals from TexPool may be made daily. TexPool uses amortized cost rather than fair value to report net assets share price.

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**NOTE 4 – Changes in Capital Assets**

Changes in general fixed assets during the year ended September 30, 2023, were as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2022	Increase	Decrease	Balance September 30, 2023
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 47,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,500
Other Capital Assets				
EMS Building	595,969	-	-	595,969
Fire Department Building	1,180,032	-	-	1,180,032
Furniture and Fixtures	8,282	3,130	(1,182)	10,230
Machinery and Equipment	567,165	46,278	(12,675)	600,768
Vehicle and Equipment	1,730,472	-	-	1,730,472
Total Other Capital Assets	4,081,920	49,408	(13,857)	4,117,471
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,389,260)	(204,548)	13,857	(1,579,951)
Other Capital Assets, Net	2,692,660	(155,140)	-	2,537,520
Total Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	\$ 2,740,160	\$ (155,140)	\$ -	\$ 2,585,020

Current year depreciation expense of \$185,985 was charged to fire expense, \$17,410 was charged to EMS expense, and \$1,153 was charged to general government.

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**NOTE 5 – Changes in Non-current Liabilities.**

The following is a summary of non-current liability transactions during the year ended September 30, 2023:

	Balance October 1, 2022	Additions	Payments	Balance September 30, 2023
Notes payable	\$ 1,499,596	\$ -	\$ (221,343)	\$ 1,278,253
Total	\$ 1,499,596	\$ -	\$ (221,343)	\$ 1,278,253
<u>Payee and Terms</u>		<u>Per annum Interest Rate</u>		<u>Principal Balance</u>
Government Capital Corporation, dated September 2022, for a fire truck, payable in annual installments of \$109,194 including interest at 3.69 percent, the balance due September 2032, secured by tax revenue		3.69%		\$ 823,484
TIB National, dated August 2021, for a building remodel, payable in annual installments of \$158,062 including interest at 2.12 percent, the balance due February 2026, secured by tax revenue.		2.12%		454,769
Total non-current liabilities				1,278,253
Less current portion				(227,228)
Total Long-Term Debt				\$ 1,051,025

Annual payments required to amortize all long-term debt outstanding as of September 30, 2023 including interest payments, are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 227,228	\$ 40,028	\$ 267,256
2025	233,283	33,973	267,256
2026	239,511	27,745	267,256
2027	87,857	21,337	109,194
2028	91,099	18,095	109,194
2029 to 2032	399,275	37,500	436,775
	\$ 1,278,253	\$ 178,678	\$ 1,456,931

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**NOTE 6 – EMS Services**

For the period November 28, 2017, through September 30, 2023, the District entered into an agreement with Marble Falls Area Emergency Medical Service, Inc to provide emergency services to the residents of Burnet County ESD#9 – Spicewood Fire Rescue. This contract was renewed for the period October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2028. Future payments for services under this contract are not to exceed the following amounts each year.

<u>Year-End</u>	<u>Amount</u>
9/30/2024	\$ 583,000
9/30/2025	600,000
9/30/2026	618,000
9/30/2027	636,000
9/30/2028	655,000
	<u>\$ 3,092,000</u>

**NOTE 7 – Subsequent Events**

The District did not have any subsequent events through March 12, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued for events requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2023**

	Budget		Actual Amounts Budgetary Basis	Variance with Final Final Budget
	Original	Final		Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 1,033,435	\$ 1,033,435	\$ 1,059,513	\$ 26,078
Sale taxes	800,000	800,000	990,016	190,016
Contributions	-	-	7,190	7,190
Interest income	1,200	1,200	101,276	100,076
Other income	-	-	35,436	35,436
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>1,834,635</u>	<u>1,834,635</u>	<u>2,193,431</u>	<u>358,796</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Contingency	66,467	52,962	-	52,962
Contract services	10,000	2,700	2,660	40
EMS service	556,000	556,000	556,000	-
Fuel	15,000	15,000	12,307	2,693
Insurance	62,229	75,958	75,956	2
Legal and professional fees	63,500	55,500	52,695	2,805
Office and administration	32,240	37,515	28,166	9,349
Payroll expenses	305,000	305,000	286,755	18,245
Radio fees	42,000	42,000	32,129	9,871
Repair and maintenance	108,500	112,640	100,006	12,634
Supplies	54,800	60,200	50,685	9,515
Tax appraisal and collection fees	34,376	34,637	34,616	21
Travel and training	44,000	44,000	18,907	25,093
Utilities	17,800	17,800	14,522	3,278
Capital outlay	300,000	300,000	64,914	235,086
Debt payments	122,723	122,723	267,256	(144,533)
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>1,834,635</u>	<u>1,834,635</u>	<u>1,597,574</u>	<u>237,061</u>
Excess (Deficiencies) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other (Uses)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	595,857	<u>\$ 595,857</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			<u>1,916,474</u>	
Fund Balance, End of Year			<u>\$ 2,512,331</u>	