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October 20, 2014

The Honorable Mayor John Kirkland,  
Members of the Town Council, and  
Citizens of the Town of River Bend, NC

State Law requires that all general-purpose local governments publish, within six months of the close of each fiscal year, a complete set of financial statements presented in conformity with generally accepted auditing principles (GAAP) and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to that requirement, the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 is presented herewith for your review.

This report is presented by the management of the Town of River Bend, which is responsible for the completeness and reliability of the information included in this report. To provide reasonable assurance that the information contained in the financial statements is complete and accurate, the Town has developed an internal control framework that is designed to protect the government's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and maintain reliable records for compilation and presentation. The Town has a small administrative staff but employees are cross-trained and checks and balances have been included in financial procedures. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost control should not exceed the benefits likely derived; and (2) the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

All internal control evaluations occur within the above framework. After a significant investment in accounting software and utilization of the controls and safeguards afforded by this system, we believe the Town's internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

The Town's financial statements and supplemental schedules in the Financial Section have been audited by the independent, certified public accounting firm of Martin Starnes and Associates, CPAs, P.A. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the Town, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The independent auditors concluded, based on the audit, that there was reasonable basis for rendering an unqualified opinion that the Town's basic financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2014 were presented in conformity with GAAP. The independent auditors' report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report. GAAP require that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and

Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The Town's MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

## **Community Profile**

Founded as the City of River Bend Plantation, it was renamed the Town of River Bend in 1981 when it was incorporated. Located in Craven County a few miles south of historic New Bern, River Bend, North Carolina encompasses three square miles of wooded area, bordered by the Trent River on the south and a navigable canal system on the east. The Town of River Bend is a primarily residential community. A privately owned championship 18-hole golf course winds throughout the town and a privately owned marina serves the needs of recreational boaters.

### **Town Government**

The Town of River Bend operates under the Council-Manager form of government. All five members of the Town Council (Council) are popularly elected to serve four-year terms. Terms of office are staggered so an election for at least a portion of the Council is held every two years.

The Mayor is elected directly by the voters to serve a four-year term and presides at all meetings of the Council and represents the Town at official functions. The Mayor, and each member of the Council, serves as liaisons to Advisory Boards, or in other administrative capacities in support of the function of the Town. The Mayor Pro-Tem is a member of the Council, selected by the Council to assume the duties of the Mayor in the Mayor's absence.

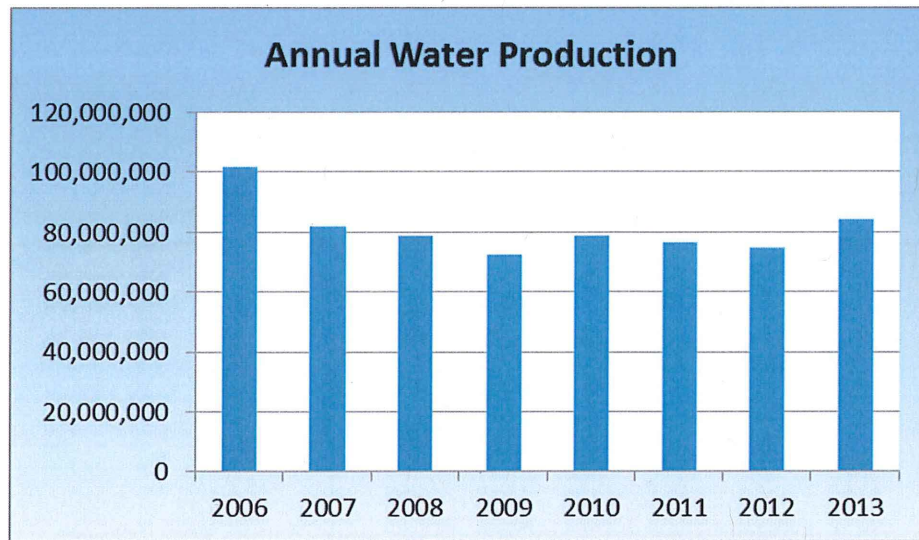
The Council appoints a Town Manager to handle the administrative affairs of the Town. The Manager is the supervisor of Town staff and, by law, the Town's budget officer. The Manager provides the Council with weekly and monthly reports regarding the operational and financial condition of the Town and works with the Council to establish and implement long range plans. The Council also appoints six volunteer boards to serve in advisory, planning and quasi-judicial capacities in accordance with their charge.

### **Water and Wastewater**

The Town of River Bend operates two enterprises: the water system, and the sewer system. River Bend purchased these two businesses from a private company, Carolina Water Service, in 1995. These enterprises are operated as businesses by having all revenues and expenditures accounted for separately from other functions of the Town and by having rates established that cover all expenditures of the enterprise.

#### **Water**

Our water system withdraws from the Castle Hayne aquifer through three wells with a combined capacity of 925,000 gallons per day. Two elevated storage tanks with a total capacity of 400,000 gallons ensure a consistent supply and adequate pressure throughout the system. In 2013 (calendar year), we treated 83,980,000 gallons with a daily average of 230,082 gallons. In 2012, we treated 74,361,000 gallons of water, an average of 203,889 per day.



The water in the Castle Hayne aquifer, while plentiful, requires treatment to remove iron and manganese. Using pH adjustment, pressure filters and adding chlorine, our operators ensure that clean water is ready for our customers to use.

Water is available to nearly 1,423 households and businesses through 18.86 miles of pipe ranging in size from two to eight inches in diameter. In addition to providing water for consumption, our system also stands ready in the event of fire. There are 112 hydrants located throughout the system in order to give the fire department ample access to water for their work.

Our water system is monitored and regulated by the State of North Carolina which grants us a permit to operate. In accordance with State standards, water samples are tested at an independent laboratory for bacteria and other harmful contaminants. Each customer receives a copy of our annual report showing the results of our testing.

### **Wastewater**

The Town of River Bend owns and operates a wastewater treatment and collection system serving approximately 961 households and businesses. Wastewater is collected from our customers and transmitted via approximately 11 miles of gravity and force main pipes. Nine lift stations pressurize portions of the system so the waste is efficiently moved to our treatment facility on Gull Pointe Drive. Seven of these lift stations, and the treatment plant itself, have backup power supplied by fixed location generators. The other two lift stations can be powered by one of our mobile generators.

In calendar 2013, we treated 32.3 million gallons of wastewater compared to 33.7 million gallons in 2012. The daily average treatment rate was 88,534 gallons in 2013 and 88,493 gallons in 2012. The State standard for waste treatment capacity is 330 gallons per day per household, which in our case translates to 310,200 gallons per day. This standard shows that we should be using 96% of our permitted capacity, while in reality we use, on average, 27% of our permitted capacity.



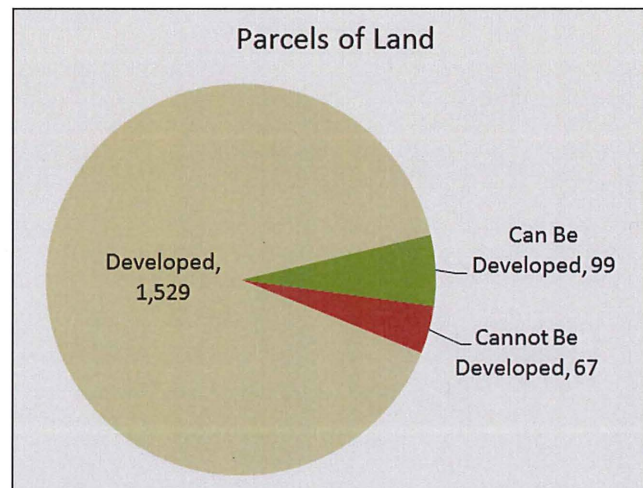


The North Carolina Department of Water Quality (DWQ) administers federal and state regulations designed to protect the quality of the receiving waters. Part of this administration is the issuance of permits for treatment facilities like the one we have here in River Bend. Our treatment plant has a permitted capacity of 330,000 gallons per day and discharges treated effluent to the Trent River. We take weekly samples of our effluent to test for chemical and nutrient content to ensure our plant is operating effectively and we are within the limits established by DWQ. In the summer months, we also sample river water up and downstream from our discharge point to determine what, if any, impact we are having upon the Trent River.

The Town holds three discharge permits, one for the main wastewater plant, and the other two to allow us to discharge backwash from our water treatment filters. These backwash discharge permits allow us to discharge up to 7,000 gallons per day at each site.

### Land Use

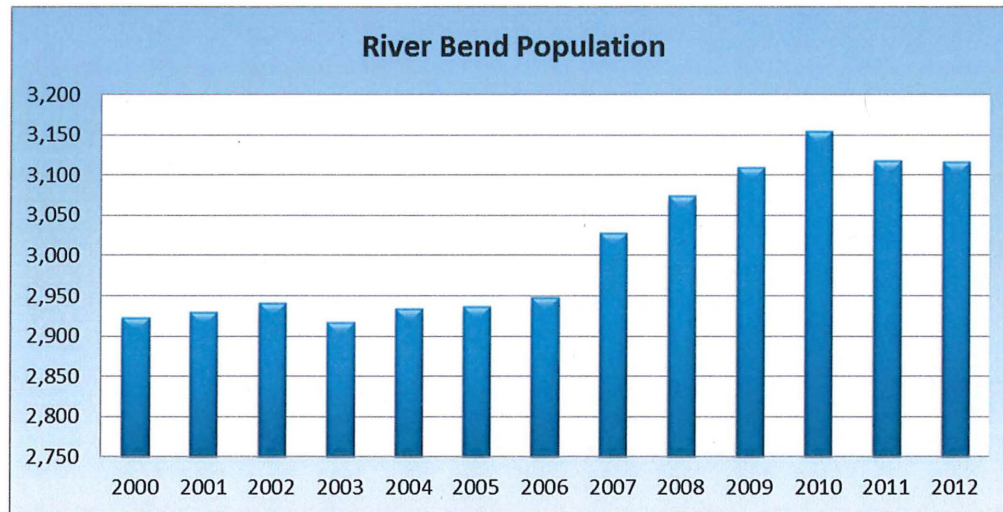
According to the US Census Bureau, the town has a total area of 2.8 square miles, of which 2.6 square miles is land and 0.2 square mile is water. Land is divided into 1,695 parcels, of which 1,529 are developed and 166 undeveloped. There are approximately 33 acres of available commercial land, 20 acres of vacant institutional land, and over 280 acres of vacant residential land.



### Population

The population of River Bend as reported in the 1990 US Census was 2,408; with a sizable 21.4% increase occurring between 1990 and 2000. The total 2000 population was reported to be 2,923. The North Carolina Office of State Planning estimated the 2010 population of the town to be 3,155, demonstrating an increase in population of 7.94% between the years 2000 and 2010. The 2010 Census however provided an accurate count of 3,119 residents which is

a 6.7% increase from the 2000 Census count. The chart below shows the change in total population over the past twelve years.

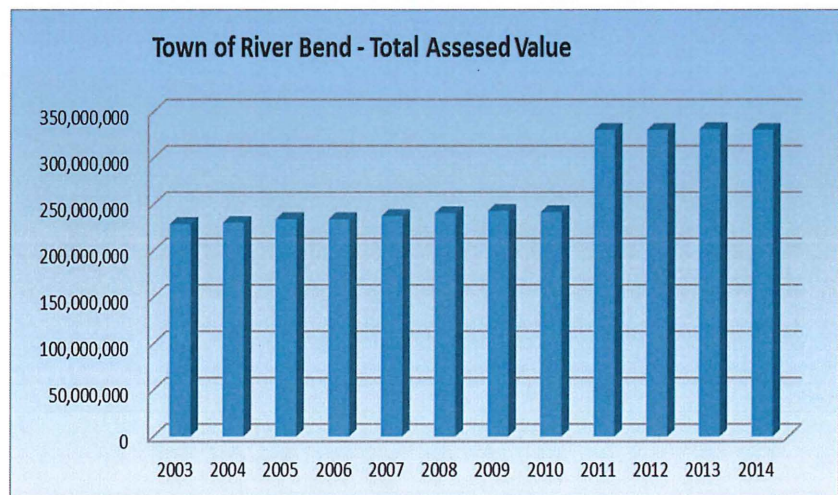


The median age in River Bend is 56.8 years old. According to the 2010 Census, veterans make up 24.1% of our population, compared to a national percentage of 9.9%.

## Housing

The occupancy rate of River Bend's housing units is relatively high – 89.7% of the town's housing units are occupied, as reported in the 2010 Census. Of the vacant units, 2.5% are used for seasonal, recreational, or occasional use. Of the occupied units, 79.7% are owner-occupied, and 20.3% of the units are renter-occupied.

Housing values, particularly assessed values, in River Bend have increased since the last reappraisal in 2003 and 2011. The value of real property increased, in this eight-year period, by 44%. This equates to an additional 101.4 million dollars in value.



The chart to the right shows the changes in value since the last reappraisal.

## Economy

The 2010 Census reported that the majority of River Bend's workers were employed in the educational, health and social services (23%), and the manufacturing (20%) industries. Of our population over 16 years old, 56.8% were listed as "not in the labor force" in 2010. This reflects the level of retirees in the Town. Of those in the labor force, 1.7% were listed as unemployed. Table 13 on page 86 of this report provides the top ten employers in Craven

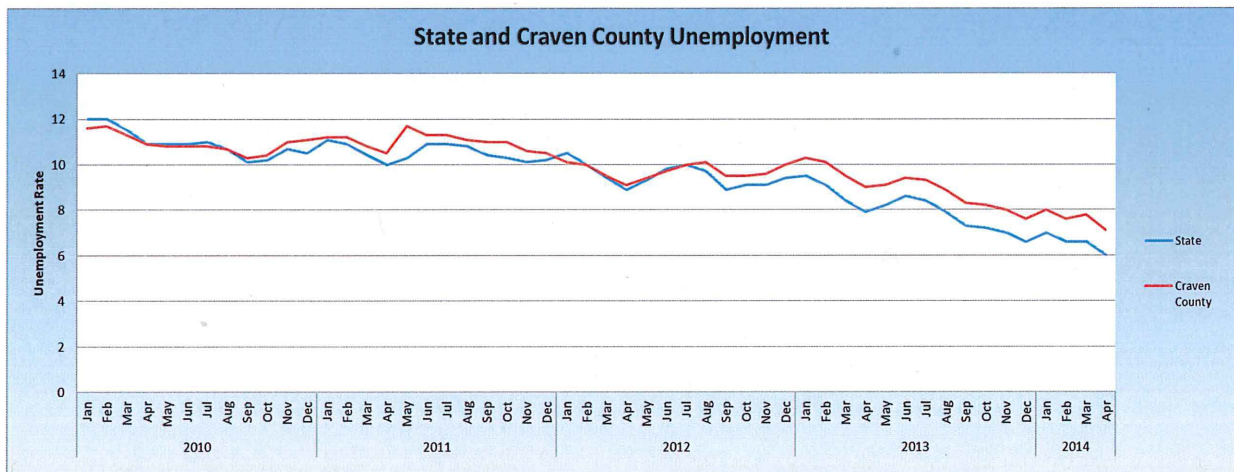


County. The predominant employers within the Town's corporate limits are the RHA Howell Center, the River Bend Golf and Country Club (Conjer Green, LLC) and Riverstone Health Management.

- RHA Howell Center serves children and adults with developmental disabilities on a 16-acre campus and has a 125-bed capacity.
- The River Bend Golf and Country Club is an eighteen-hole facility which includes a 6,000 square foot club house with a banquet facility and a 260,000 gallon swimming pool.
- Riverstone is a 40-bed licensed assisted living facility and also offers a complex of one and two bedroom apartments with a total of thirty-two apartments available. Services offered in this complex depend upon the amenities requested from tenants.

River Bend is conveniently located to all of the major employers within Craven, Jones, and Onslow Counties.

Craven County's unemployment, despite being boosted by the effect of local military and related employment, runs slightly higher than the statewide unemployment rate. As with other areas, Craven County and North Carolina have experienced increases in the rate of unemployment, but a slight decreasing trend over the last three years. The chart below tracks unemployment over the past four full years comparing the State and County rates.



The median household income recorded in the 2010 Census was \$48,547 compared to a national median household income of \$41,994. Only 4% of our population has an income below the poverty level, compared to a national poverty rate of 11.3%.

For residents 25 years of age and older, 93.2% have a high school or higher education; 26.5% have a bachelor's degree or higher, and 8% have a graduate or professional degree.

## Initiatives

The Town of River Bend utilizes a well-planned and reasoned approach to major initiatives through the use of a capital improvement plan (CIP), which is addressed in the Town's Financial and Budgetary Policies. The purpose of the CIP is to forecast and match projected revenues and major capital needs over a five-year period. Capital planning is an important

management tool that strengthens the linkage between community infrastructure needs and the financial capacity of the Town.

The River Bend CIP achieves five major objectives as a component of the Town's budget and financial planning process:

1. Helps the Town rationally and intelligently plan for the repair, replacement, and acquisition of capital items that are necessary in providing high quality services to the citizens of River Bend.
2. Assists in fiscal planning by forecasting capital demands together with future revenues and expenditures.
3. Ensures better coordination, evaluation, and planning of projects to serve the community and its needs.
4. Serves together with the annual budget and other financial plans as a guide to decision-making for the Town Council, Town Manager, and staff.
5. Serves as a systematic and comprehensive analysis of capital needs increasing the probability of making rational budgetary judgments since improvements are identified, prioritized, and matched to the projected fiscal resources of the Town.

Generally defined, CIP expenditures are those of major value that recur irregularly, result in the acquisition (or significant modification) of a fixed asset, and has a useful life greater than one year. The CIP is updated annually as part of the Town's regular budget process. Projects are reviewed and evaluated based on the Mayor's and Council's priorities, other Town infrastructure needs, the financial capacity of the Town and the impact the projects will create on the Town's operating budget.

Once the projects are evaluated, a recommended CIP is developed that identifies the selection and timing of capital projects into future fiscal years. First-year projects are incorporated into the recommended annual operating budget. The Mayor and Council are presented the future planning years for their consideration, review, and endorsement so staff can proceed with planning and evaluation of potential capital projects.

By capturing known or planned expenditures and predicting, based on historical data, future expenditures we are able to develop a reasonable estimate of trends over the next five years. These projections are reviewed annually to see how they correlate to actual expenditures and revenues and to determine if changes in the economic climate warrant changes in the underlying assumptions.

In planning for the 2014-15 fiscal year, the Town Council and staff were mindful of the need to control costs while continuing to provide necessary services and maintain our infrastructure. The Town follows a paving maintenance plan developed by our engineer which includes paving one road, full depth patching on four streets, and an allowance for patching and striping for a budgeted amount of \$189,500 this year. Paving funds provided by the State (Powell Bill by name) are a function of gas tax revenue and are based upon our population and number of miles of roads. Powell Bill revenue was budgeted for \$91,000.

In this budget, we propose to address two locations that need work to correct drainage issues. While the total cost of these projects, \$40,500, is greater than the annual stormwater reserve amount of \$30,000, over the past five years we have undertaken smaller projects that have not fully utilized reserve funding. In addition, our engineer will design plans for replacing



the bulkhead at the Plantation Drive east canal crossing. This project will require approximately six months to complete the design and permit process. The construction phase, estimated to cost \$175,000, will be considered for inclusion in the FY 2016 budget. All the work we do relative to managing storm water is aimed at not only providing relief for emergent drainage problems but also at being conscious of the environmental impact storm water can have on receiving streams.

This year, using a private contractor, we will do routine maintenance of the trees along the side of Plantation Canal. This scheduled maintenance is performed every three years, funded by the CIP, in order to keep the boating channel clear of overgrown or downed trees.

In accordance to our IT replacement plan, which is funded also through our Capital Improvement Plan reserves, we are purchasing two laptops for police patrol vehicles, a printer for the Water Resources billing, and replacing a network switch and UPS battery. In fiscal year 2012 we migrated away from maintaining our IT infrastructure on-site to “the cloud” model, thereby eliminating the more expensive components of our infrastructure. We continue to replace certain pieces of hardware to keep our system viable, but have reduced our IT hardware inventory by 40%. Our estimate of cost savings show that we will save nearly \$31,000 over the first eight years of using this approach to IT.

Programs are being funded to support the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board plans to continue its efforts to provide craft making and special events throughout the year, the largest of which is the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and picnic. Also included is continued funding for the Community Organic Garden project on Town-owned land that will allow residents to engage in a group effort to grow organic produce.

In the enterprise funds area, the largest water project is to interconnect our water system with that of the City of New Bern. This interconnection would allow both utilities to have a back-up supply of water should either develop supply, treatment, or storage difficulties. The wastewater treatment plant will receive several improvements needed to insure the plant is functioning properly and efficiently for a budgeted cost of approximately \$36,000.

We utilize a professionally designed rate model for each utility so the impact of the proposed expenditures and desired level of reserves can be compared to revenue at various rate levels. Based upon the proposed expenditures and the revenue projected, we are recommending a decrease in the base fee for the water utility. The cash balance in this utility is sufficient to respond to unknown conditions and there are no identified long-term capital needs that require the continued building of cash reserves.

On the other hand, the sewer enterprise fund is not as fiscally strong. In fact, absent a rate increase, the fund will continue to lose money. We are recommending, based upon the output of our rate model, that rates be increased to account for the effect of inflation since the last increase in FY 2011. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the consumer price index has increased 6.87% over these four years, so this is the change we are recommending in sewer rates.

The net increase for our average water and sewer user will be approximately \$0.58 per bi-monthly bill. With the aforementioned changes in rates and remaining conservative with expenses will allow the utilities to maintain an adequate level of reserves to respond to emergent needs if they arise during the year.

Even while maintaining a progressive posture relative to supporting infrastructure, providing competitive compensation for our staff, and maintaining sufficient reserves, we are able to propose a budget that reflects no increases in the tax rate.

## **Financial Management**

The Town of River Bend maintains comprehensive financial and budgetary policies covering a broad range of the elements of the Town's financial plans and financial systems that underlay the management of overall financial resources. These policies have major objectives to be achieved that include:

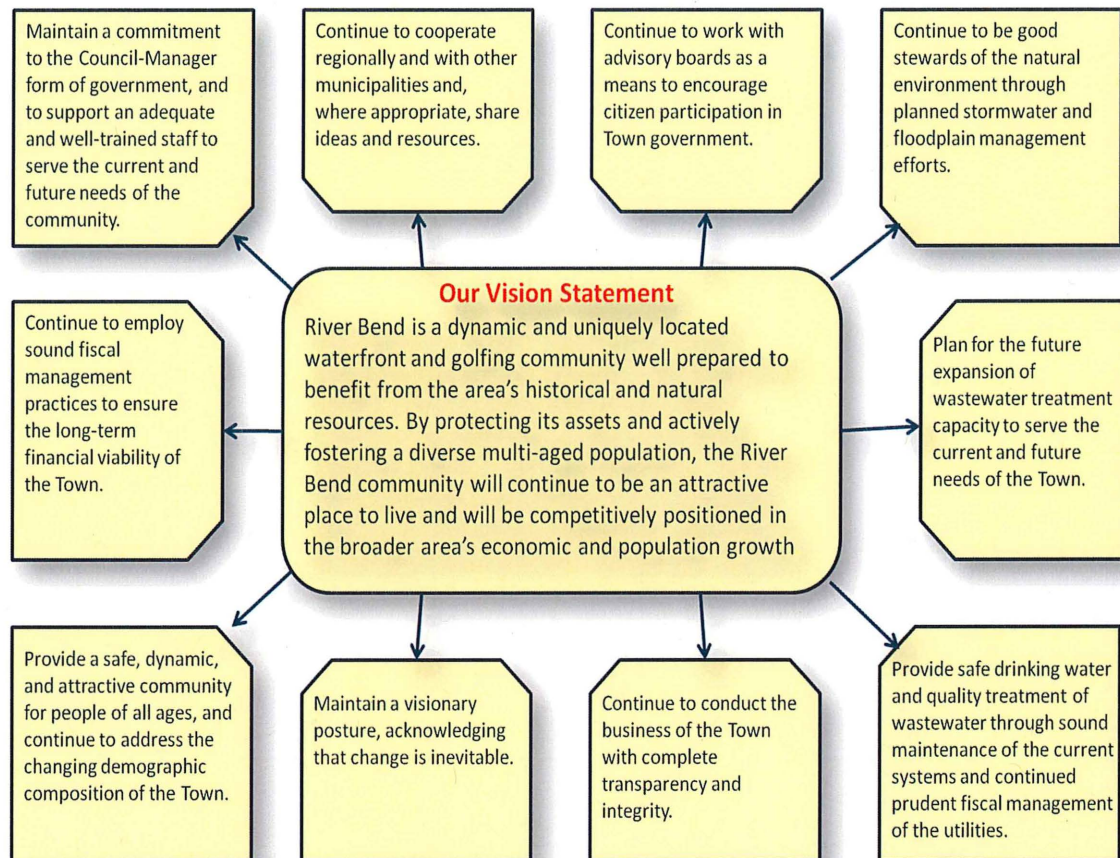
- To link long-term financial planning with short-term daily operations and decision-making.
- To maintain and improve the Town's financial position.
- To maintain and improve the Town's credit ratings by meeting or exceeding the requirements of rating agencies through sound financial policies.
- To maintain and increase investor confidence in the Town and to provide credibility to the citizens of the Town regarding financial operations.
- To comply with the North Carolina Budget and Fiscal Control Act and the policies of the North Carolina Local Government Commission (the "LGC").
- To effectively conduct asset-liability management of the Town's balance sheet.

The Town's Financial and Budgetary Policies states that the target goal for the General Fund's unrestricted and unassigned fund balance shall be greater than 50% of the actual expenditures of the then completed fiscal year. The Town Council is committed to maintaining this level of fund balance.

## **Budgetary Control**

In accordance with the North Carolina Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act, the Town adopts an ordinance containing balanced budgets for each of the three major funds for the fiscal year beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30. The budget ordinance also includes, as required by the Act, the property tax levy and rate. Budgeted expenditures are approved by the ordinance at the department level.

The Town of River Bend employs a progressive and transparent budget development process that allows for significant participation from elected officials, advisory boards, staff, and the public. The process formally begins with a Council Retreat in November where the Council discusses its priorities for the coming fiscal year in terms of how they respond to the Town's Mission Statement, which is presented below. The Finance Officer leads a general discussion concerning the current fiscal year and trends observed that might impact the budget planning process.



The Council also agrees, at this retreat, to a schedule of budget workshops. At these workshops, the professional staff presents details of revenue and expenses in each fund. Through direct interaction with the Council in a less formal setting, the staff is able to get the consensus of the elected body in terms of the details contained in the budget. The Council is also able to hear from residents who attend these sessions in an informal setting. Following the last of these workshops, the professional staff prepares the Budget Message and the final budget document.

## **Independent Bond Rating**

In FY 2013 we refinanced our general obligation bond debt for the enterprise funds, saving nearly \$300,000 over the remaining life of the bonds, ending in FY 2027. In the process of refunding our bond debt, we obtained updated ratings from the agencies who analyze and rate our debt. The following summarizes their findings:

### **Standard and Poor's**

In 2009 we received an upgrade from S&P from A to A+. Following their review in 2013 we received another upgrade from A+ to AA-. Here is an excerpt from their rating rationale:

*"The upgrade reflects our assessment of, what we consider, the town's historically strong financial performance due, in part, to, what we regard as, conservative budgeting practices that have helped the town historically maintain, in our view, extremely strong available general fund reserves."*

### **Moody's**

Following their review in 2013 we received a confirmation of their A1 rating. Here is an excerpt from their rating rationale:

*"Moody's expects the town's financial position will remain favorable, supported by a diverse revenue stream and conservative budgeting."*

*"The A1 rating reflects the town's stable, modest tax base; healthy financial performance with ample reserves; and manageable debt position with no future borrowing planned."*

### **North Carolina Municipal Council**

Following their review in 2013 we received an upgrade from 79 to 81. Here is an excerpt from their rating rationale:

*"We certainly commend the Town and management for increasing the unassigned fund balance, unrestricted cash and investments, for taking measures to reduce costs (especially in the utilities funds), retiring the installment debt and appropriating funds for capital maintenance in the CIP."*

*"The Town tax rate is low and tax collections are highly commendable."*

*"River Bend has a stable management team, which we recognize."*

These favorable reviews, especially in the current economy, is a testimony to the financial strength of this Town. Through good planning and making difficult decisions, River Bend will remain viable and strong for many years to come.



## Conclusion and Acknowledgements

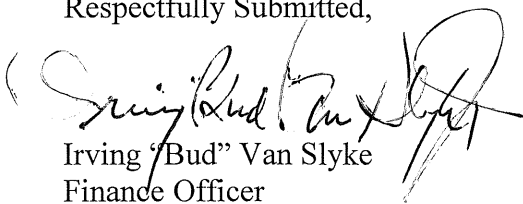
These economic times make it more important and challenging than ever to concentrate our budgeting efforts on maintenance of current services, Town-owned property and infrastructure while attempting to keep rates and fees reasonable. Our Town Council members accept their responsibility with great conviction and sincerity, and remain well informed and engaged in the operation of this government. These financial statements reflect the Council's commitment to maintaining and improving this community, and positioning it to be financially sound in the future.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for the Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Town of River Bend for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013. This was the third year that the government received this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the government had to publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR that satisfied both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current CAFR continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements, and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

Preparation of this report was made possible by the effort and dedication of the Town's staff, Finance Officer, and our independent auditors lead by Audit Manager Ko Tang Cha-Moses, CPA. Credit must also be given to the Mayor and Town Council for their ongoing support for maintaining the highest standards of professionalism in the management of the Town of River Bend's finances.

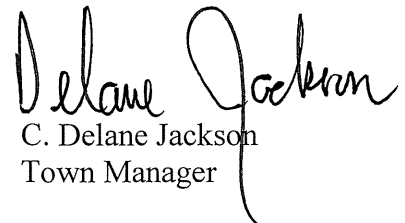
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Town Manager



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**June 30, 2013**

Executive Director/CEO

## Distinguished Budget Presentation Award



GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

### *Distinguished Budget Presentation Award*

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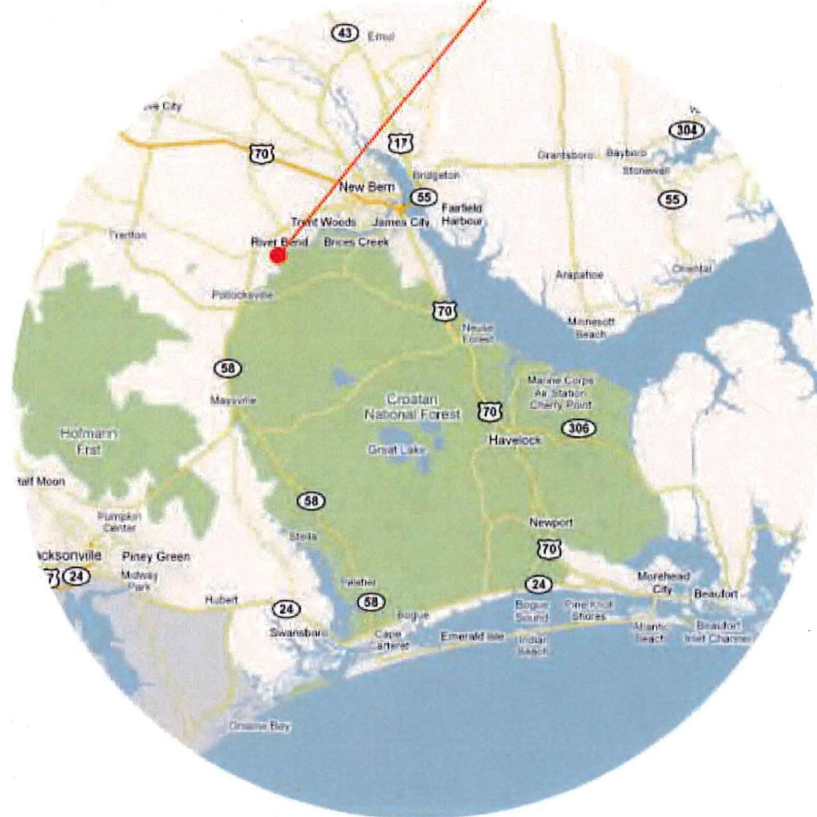
**July 1, 2013**

Executive Director

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the Town of River Bend, North Carolina for its annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013. In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as an operations guide, as a financial plan, and as a communications device.

This award is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current budget continues to conform to program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.

# RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA



# **TOWN OF RIVER BEND NORTH CAROLINA**

## **Appointed and Administrative Positions**

**June 30, 2014**

### **MAYOR**

John Kirkland

### **TOWN COUNCIL**

Luci Avery

Brenda Garvey

Barbara Maurer

Morris "Buddy" Sheffield

Irving "Bud" Van Slyke, Jr.\*

\*also serves as Mayor Pro Tem and Finance Officer

### **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Drew Havens

Town Manager

Margaret Theis

Finance Administrator

Ann Katsuyoshi

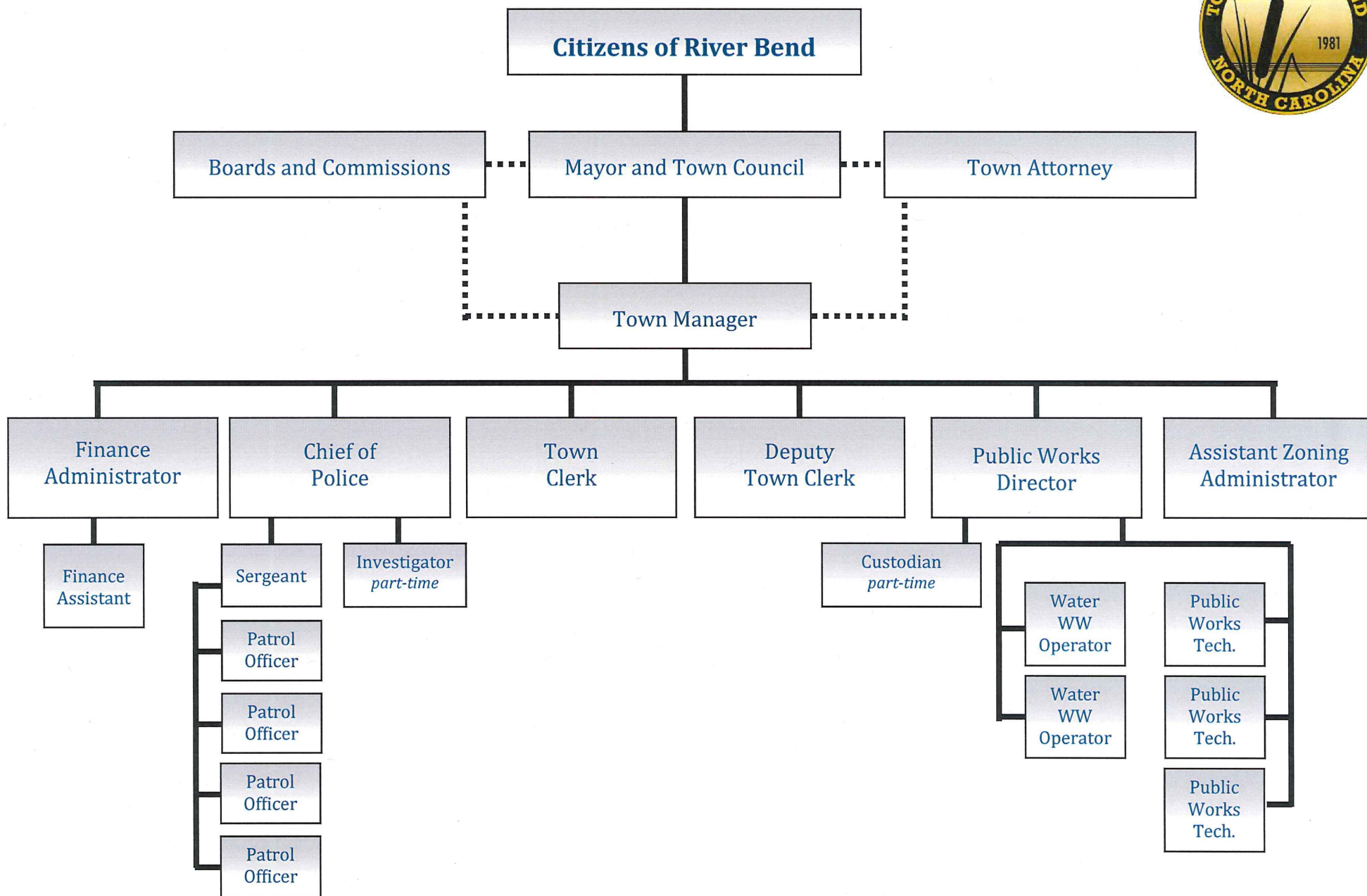
Town Clerk

Ryland Matthews, Jr.

Police Chief

Brandon Mills

Public Works Director





## **FINANCIAL SECTION**

- Report of Independent Certified Public Accountants
- Management's Discussion & Analysis
- Basic Financial Statements
- Notes to the Financial Statements
- Required Supplementary Information
- Other Supplementary Information





**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the Town Council  
Town of River Bend, North Carolina

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town'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 of material misstatement.

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

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

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## ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina, as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows 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 and the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance Schedule of Funding Progress and Employer Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by 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 assurance.

### ***Supplementary and Other Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of River Bend, North Carolina's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, budget and actual schedules, supplemental ad valorem tax schedules, and statistical section 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 and schedules, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from, and relate directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, budget and actual schedules, and supplemental ad valorem tax schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



The introductory section and statistical section have not been subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and; accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide assurance on them.

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 20, 2014 on our consideration of the Town of River Bend's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of River Bend's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A.*

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A.  
Hickory, North Carolina  
October 20, 2014



## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS**



**Management Discussion and Analysis**  
**Town of River Bend**

**Town of River Bend**  
**Management's Discussion and Analysis**  
**June 30, 2014**

As management of the Town of River Bend, we offer readers of the Town of River Bend's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of River Bend, (the Town), for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. 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 and deferred outflows of resources of the Town exceeded its liabilities by \$4,868,398 (*net position*) at the close of the fiscal year.
- For governmental type activities, the Town's net position showed an increase of 5% at the close of the fiscal year at \$4,095,042. Net position for business-type activities, which exclusively include the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds, were \$461,457 and \$311,899 respectively, for a total of \$773,356. This represents an increase of \$156,516 in the value of net position in the Water Fund, and an increase of \$120,968 in the value of net position in the Sewer Fund. Capital improvements for the water and wastewater systems amounted to \$89,811. On-going depreciation of the infrastructure, a total of \$196,824, continues to be a significant expense. The government's total net position increased by \$483,031.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,757,055, an increase of \$80,340. Approximately 8 percent of this amount, or \$143,230, is restricted or non-spendable.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$1,287,611 or 81.3 percent of total General Fund expenditures for the fiscal year. The Town Council's policy is that this ratio should be targeted at 50 percent of the completed fiscal year's actual expenditures. For the year ending June 30, 2014, this amounted to \$791,889; therefore, the available fund balance for the General Fund was \$821,937.
- The Town's total General Obligation bond debt decreased by \$200,000 (6.4%) during the current fiscal year. The key factor in this decrease is the timely payments of debt service expenditures.
- The Town was upgraded to a AA- bond rating by Standard and Poor's Rating Services on its G.O. Series 2013 refunding bonds. The original bonds were used to purchase and upgrade the water and wastewater operations. The Town of River Bend received a stable A1 bond rating from Moody's Investor Service and an upgraded North Carolina Municipal Council rating of 81, up from 79.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

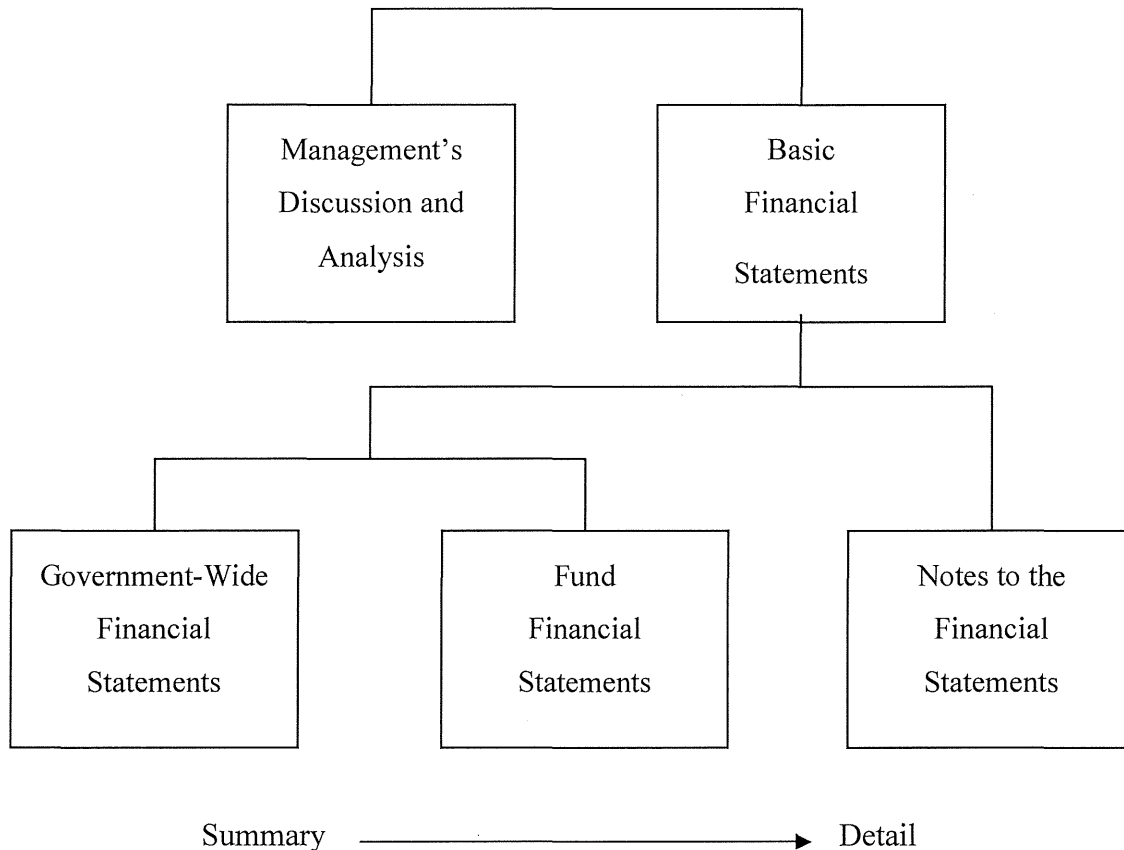
This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (see Figure 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 River Bend.



**Management Discussion and Analysis  
Town of River Bend**

**Required Components of Annual Financial Report**

**Figure 1**



**Basic Financial Statements**

The first two statements (Exhibits A and B) in the basic financial statements are the **Government-Wide Financial Statements**. They provide both short and long-term information about the Town's financial status.

The next statements (Exhibits C through K) are **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 four parts to the fund financial statements: 1) the governmental funds statements, 2) the budgetary comparison statements, 3) the proprietary fund statements, and 4) the fiduciary 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.

Following the notes is the required supplemental information. This section contains funding information about the Town's pension plan.

## **Management Discussion and Analysis**

### **Town of River Bend**

#### **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 they have changed. Net position is the difference between the Town's total assets and deferred outflows of resources and the total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Measuring net position is one way to gauge the Town's financial condition.

The government-wide statements are divided into two categories: 1) governmental activities and 2) business-type activities. The governmental activities include most of the Town's basic services, such as public safety, transportation, cultural and recreational, and general administration. Property taxes and State distributed sales tax, franchise revenues, and Powell Bill funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those that the Town charges customers to provide services. These include the water and sewer services provided by the Town of River Bend.

The government-wide financial statements are on Exhibits A and B of this report.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements 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 River Bend, 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 River Bend can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary 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 readily be 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*. This method also has a current financial resources 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 are described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

## **Management Discussion and Analysis**

### **Town of River Bend**

The Town of River Bend 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 Town Council 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 the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the Town Council, 2) the final budget as amended by the Town Council, 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.

**Proprietary Funds.** The Town of River Bend has one kind of 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 River Bend uses two enterprise funds to account for its water and sewer operations. These funds are the same as those separate activities shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

**Fiduciary Funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. The Town of River Bend has one fiduciary fund: the Law Enforcement Officers' Separation Allowance Trust Fund, which is a pension trust fund.

**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 follow Exhibit K of this report.

**Other Information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report includes certain required supplementary information concerning the Town of River Bend's progress in funding its obligation to provide pension benefits to its employees. Required supplementary information can be found beginning on Schedule A-1 of 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 the U.S. Treasury Securities because of actions by foreign governments and other holders of publicly held U.S. Treasury Securities.

**Government-Wide Financial Analysis.** As noted earlier, net position may serve over time, as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town of River Bend exceeded liabilities by \$4,868,398 as of June 30, 2014. The Town's net position increased by \$483,031 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. The largest portion (63%) of total net position is the Town's unrestricted net position, \$3,088,277, which are available for future spending. The Town reports net investments in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, and equipment) as 34 percent of the total net position. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. The remaining balance of \$139,611 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

**Management Discussion and Analysis**  
**Town of River Bend**

**Town of River Bend's Net Position**

**Figure 2**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Assets:</b>						
Current and other assets	\$ 1,799,120	\$ 1,707,939	\$ 1,381,978	\$ 1,188,360	\$ 3,181,098	\$ 2,896,299
Net pension asset	39,535	37,610	-	-	39,535	37,610
Capital assets, net	2,327,727	2,192,207	2,392,661	2,499,674	4,720,388	4,691,881
Total assets	<u>4,166,382</u>	<u>3,937,756</u>	<u>3,774,639</u>	<u>3,688,034</u>	<u>7,941,021</u>	<u>7,625,790</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>						
Deferred charges on refunding	-	-	116,072	125,000	116,072	125,000
<b>Liabilities:</b>						
Current liabilities	65,954	43,142	251,082	234,924	317,036	278,066
Long-term liabilities	5,386	5,119	2,866,273	3,082,238	2,871,659	3,087,357
Total liabilities	<u>71,340</u>	<u>48,261</u>	<u>3,117,355</u>	<u>3,317,162</u>	<u>3,188,695</u>	<u>3,365,423</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>						
Net investment in capital assets	2,327,727	2,192,207	(687,217)	(791,348)	1,640,510	1,400,859
Restricted	139,611	115,098	-	-	139,611	115,098
Unrestricted	1,627,704	1,582,190	1,460,573	1,287,220	3,088,277	2,869,410
Total net position	<u>\$ 4,095,042</u>	<u>\$ 3,889,495</u>	<u>\$ 773,356</u>	<u>\$ 495,872</u>	<u>\$ 4,868,398</u>	<u>\$ 4,385,367</u>

Several particular aspects of the Town's financial operations positively influenced the total unrestricted governmental net position:

- Craven County's continuous diligence in collecting the Town's property taxes achieved a total levy tax collection rate of 99.55%, compared to the State-wide average of 97.52%.
- Ad valorem collections provided \$47,328 in revenues above budgeted level. The majority of this was due to motor vehicle tax collection timing as a result of the transition from county billing and collections to the North Carolina Vehicle Tax System which collects tax along with tag renewals.
- Sales & Use Tax revenue, which the County distributes based on the proportion our tax levy bears to the total levy of all local government units in the County, increased slightly (\$9,613) from last fiscal year but because the Town Council budgets conservatively, this revenue was better (\$18,516) than budgeted amounts.
- General Fund departmental expenditures to budget ended favorably (\$88,440) while providing all budgeted services - particularly in contracted services for leaf and limb pick-up in Environmental Protection, which came in under budget by \$12,271 and is based on the number of tons removed.
- The annual comprehensive study of the operations and capital needs of the Water and Sewer systems in fiscal year 2011 resulted in a 16.8% rate increase which continued to enable the enterprise funds to cover operating costs, fund capital improvements, and maintain cash reserves in this fiscal year.
- Operating efficiencies and a comprehensive maintenance plan for the water and sewer infrastructure were instrumental in boosting operating income by keeping expenditures well within operating budgets for the enterprise funds.

**Management Discussion and Analysis**  
**Town of River Bend**

**Town of River Bend's Changes in Net Position**

**Figure 3**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 89,978	\$ 83,473	\$ 1,189,474	\$ 1,207,446	\$ 1,279,452	\$ 1,290,919
Operating grants and contributions	94,276	93,954	-	5,410	94,276	99,364
Capital grants and contributions	13,272	55,092	-	-	13,272	55,092
General revenues:						
Property taxes	907,885	879,221	-	-	907,885	879,221
Other taxes	548,022	535,705	-	-	548,022	535,705
Investment earnings, unrestricted	243	626	98	335	341	961
Miscellaneous, unrestricted	-	-	4,180	-	4,180	-
Total revenues	<u>1,653,676</u>	<u>1,648,071</u>	<u>1,193,752</u>	<u>1,213,191</u>	<u>2,847,428</u>	<u>2,861,262</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
General government	617,455	557,376	-	-	617,455	557,376
Public safety	522,568	472,582	-	-	522,568	472,582
Transportation	206,270	188,420	-	-	206,270	188,420
Environmental protection	51,960	51,972	-	-	51,960	51,972
Cultural and recreational	49,876	44,149	-	-	49,876	44,149
Water	-	-	439,060	537,884	439,060	537,884
Sewer	-	-	477,208	600,186	477,208	600,186
Total expenses	<u>1,448,129</u>	<u>1,314,499</u>	<u>916,268</u>	<u>1,138,070</u>	<u>2,364,397</u>	<u>2,452,569</u>
Increase in net position	205,547	333,572	277,484	75,121	483,031	408,693
<b>Net Position:</b>						
Beginning of year - July 1	3,889,495	3,555,923	495,872	437,860	4,385,367	3,993,783
Restatement	-	-	-	(17,109)	-	(17,109)
Beginning of year - July 1, restated	<u>3,889,495</u>	<u>3,555,923</u>	<u>495,872</u>	<u>420,751</u>	<u>4,385,367</u>	<u>3,976,674</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 4,095,042</u>	<u>\$ 3,889,495</u>	<u>\$ 773,356</u>	<u>\$ 495,872</u>	<u>\$ 4,868,398</u>	<u>\$ 4,385,367</u>

**Governmental Activities.** Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$205,547, thereby accounting for 42.6% of the total growth in the net position of the Town. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

- Ad valorem taxes make up 55% of the governmental activity revenue. The Town's tax rate during FY14 remained at 26.5 cents with an assessed value of \$341,425,554. River Bend's real and personal property tax base experienced little change from fiscal year 2013, with a Craven County collection rate of 99.66%. Motor vehicle tax collections increased \$29,020; a large portion of this is a result of



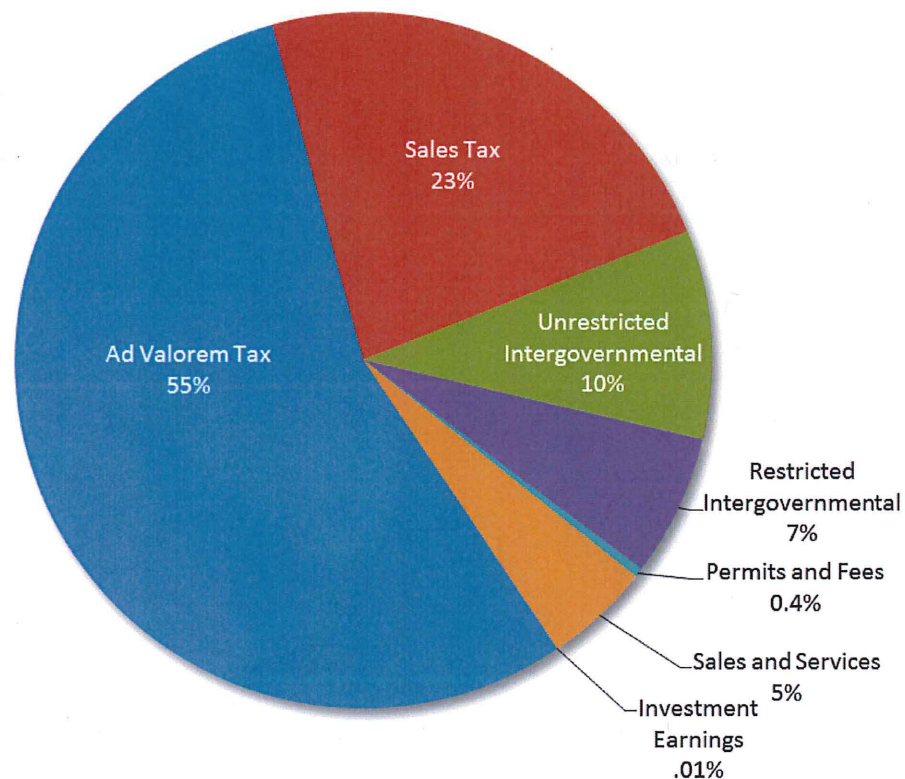
## Management Discussion and Analysis

### Town of River Bend

the transition from County billing and collections to the North Carolina Vehicle Tax System and will not be repeated in the future as this collection system levels out.

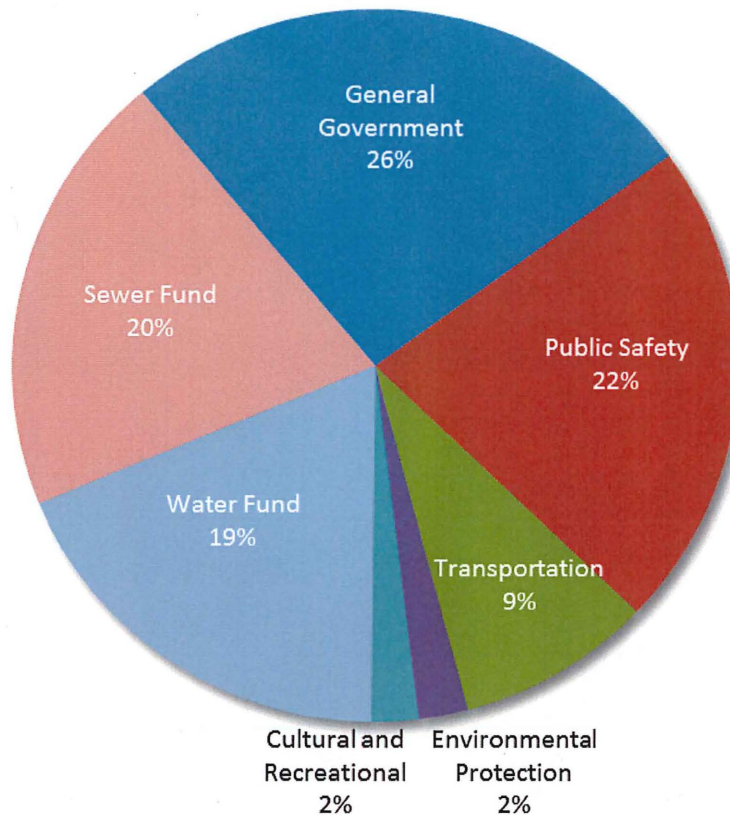
- Sales tax is the second largest revenue source accounting for 23% of total governmental revenues. These revenues outperformed the budgeted level by \$15,281. Because of the uncertainty of economic growth, the Town Council took a conservative approach when budgeting state provided revenues.
- Powell Bill funds are generated from the State's gasoline tax. A certain percentage of this tax is returned to the municipalities through a formula based on the Town's population and street mileage. The amount of Powell Bill funds the Town received remained level this year and is included in the Operating Grants and Contributions. Powell Bill funds available for allocation at the State level decreased only slightly this year.
- Schedule 2 on page 61 outlines budget to actual performance in the General Fund for Town expenditures. Each functional area operated well within budgeted amounts, while still maintaining services, which contributed \$88,440 to the Town's net position for the fiscal year. Capital outlays increased capital assets in the amount of \$273,378; the General Fund Capital Improvement Plan contributed \$188,283 from Capital Reserves for capital outlay.

**Town of River Bend**  
**Figure 4. Revenue Sources - Governmental Activities - Fiscal Year 2014**



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**Figure 5. Functional Expenses - Fiscal Year 2014**



**Business-Type Activities.** Business-type activities increased the Town's net position by \$277,484, accounting for 57.4% of the total growth in the government's net position. Business-type activities reported for the Town are exclusively the Town's Water and Sewer Fund. The operations are self-supported by their respective user fees, which are determined using guidance from a professionally designed rate model.

- The fiscal year 2011 utility rate increase of 16.8% enabled the Council to once again adopt a current year budget without increasing user fees in either of these funds. By natural conservation and other factors billed usage dropped 4.8% for the 1411 households with water service and 2.4% for the 950 households with sewer service. Despite this trend, operating revenues from water and sewer services changed only slightly and covered the operating expenses resulting in operating income in both funds.
- The Water Fund increased its cash and cash equivalents balance by \$119,741, resulting in ending cash balance of \$650,116.
- The Sewer Fund increased its cash and cash equivalents balance by \$88,392, resulting in an ending cash balance of \$494,585.

Exhibits H and I provide this information in more detail.

## **Management Discussion and Analysis**

### **Town of River Bend**

Both enterprise operations experienced operating efficiencies through the diligent management of staff which was evidenced by savings in Contracted Services, Supplies & Materials, Lab Testing, and Maintenance & Repair.

#### **Water Fund:**

- The Water Fund increased net position \$156,516 from last year to \$461,457 at year-end.
- Operating income was \$194,405, down \$1,708 from last year.
- Capital assets in the amount of \$45,746 were acquired in the current year.
- Depreciation expense reduced net position in the amount of \$107,156.71, compared to \$118,958 last year.

#### **Sewer Fund:**

- The Sewer Fund increased net position \$120,968 from last year to \$311,899 at year-end.
- Operating income was \$156,101, up \$58,987 from last year.
- Capital assets in the amount of \$44,065 were acquired in the current year.
- Depreciation expense reduced net position in the amount of \$89,666.93, compared to \$93,132 last year.

The enterprise funds are self-supporting and user fees are adjusted, taking guidance from the aforementioned rate model to address the cost of operations and capital expenditures identified in the Capital Improvement Plans.

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

As noted earlier, the Town of River Bend uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

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

Total governmental fund balances were \$1,757,055, an increase of \$80,340 over the prior year. Included in this change is an increase in fund balance in the General Fund and a decrease in fund balance in the Capital Reserve Funds. \$83,263 represents the decrease of committed funds retained in the Capital Reserve Fund. Conservative revenue budgeting, a slight increase in sales tax revenue from the slowly recovering economy and a change in motor vehicle tax collections method, combined with operating efficiencies by management and reduced use of contracted services, produced the remaining increase in fund balance.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Town of River Bend. At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town's fund balance available in the General Fund was \$821,937 and unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$1,287,611, a 4% increase from prior year. Total fund balance reached \$1,757,055. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. At year-end, unassigned General Fund

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balance represents 81.3 percent of total General Fund expenditures. The Town Council's policy states this ratio should be targeted at 50 percent of the completed fiscal year's actual General Fund expenditures. Total fund balance represents 110.9 percent of total General Fund expenditures and available fund balance represents 51.9 percent of that same amount.

The Department of State Treasurer reported the average fund balance of 71.3 percent for the group of non-electric cities with a population of 2,500 – 9,999 for the year ended June 30, 2013.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights.** During the fiscal year, the Town revised the budget on three 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.

Revenues were adjusted accordingly for:

- Governor's Highway Safety Program grant funds awarded.
- Miscellaneous Recreation fees in the amount of \$12,500 were recognized.
- Additional Capital Reserve funds were appropriated for IT hardware and contracted services and excess project funds were returned at the end of the fiscal year.
- Powell Bill funds received above budget, \$2,032, which was utilized for additional road patching.
- Legal, Leaf & Limb Pick-up, and Contingency funds were shifted to cover additional needs in several departments.
- The Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Trust Fund was funded with an additional \$10,000 at the end of the fiscal year.

Actual operating revenues for the General Fund were greater than the final budget by \$76,392. More than half of this amount is attributed to Ad Valorem taxes - \$47,328. The majority of this amount came from motor vehicle taxes as a result of the implementation of Tag and Tax Together by the North Carolina Vehicle Tax System. With registered motor vehicles tax collected upon renewal, there is no longer a three month lag between billing and collections as was when the County was in charge of collections. The transition to simultaneous levy and collection accounts for the one-time occurrence of additional motor vehicle tax revenue in this fiscal year. By the end of FY15 the collection rates should be close to 100% for taxes on registered vehicles as people get used to the new system and a more complete history will indicate how collections will run and can be budgeted.

A favorable variance due to conservative revenue budgeting was realized in unrestricted intergovernmental revenues in the amount of \$7,982. Sales tax revenues increased slightly over last fiscal year due to the slowly recovering economy. Sales and Services, which consist of Wildwood Storage rents, contributions, sales of fixed assets, miscellaneous fees for golf cart registration and various recreation programs, finished \$8,534 above final budgeted levels. The fiscal year revenues finished without the need for budgeted appropriated fund balance, \$1,229.

The most recently completed reappraisal of real property by Craven County was effective in FY2011 resulted in an increase of real property in River Bend of 36.1% and a decrease in value of motor vehicles of 16.3%. The Town adopted an ad valorem tax rate of \$0.265 per \$100 of assessed value and reported a revenue neutral rate of \$0.2169. Our growth in the tax base in the years since the last reappraisal averages less than 1%. The Town Council held the tax rate this year at \$0.265. Craven County adopted a

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six-year revaluation schedule and then a four-year revaluation thereafter which would be 2016 and 2020, effective with the 2016-17 and 2020-21 tax levies.

Departmental expenditures were less than the final budgeted amounts by \$88,440. Although each functional area contributed to this total amount, the most significant, \$42,723, came from the general government, which is comprised of eight departments. Details of the budget and actual amounts for revenues and expenditures of the General Fund are presented in the Supplementary Information, Schedule 2, beginning on page 60. The Town complied with its budgetary requirements.

**Proprietary Funds.** The Town's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements, but in more detail. These funds, which exclusively include the Town's Water and Sewer Funds, reported net position of \$461,457 and \$311,899, respectively, for a total of \$773,356. This represents an increase in the amount of \$277,484 from last fiscal year. As stated before, a key element each year is depreciation; for this year in the Water Fund, \$107,157, and the Sewer Fund, \$89,667. Unrestricted net position of the Water Fund and Sewer Fund at the end of the fiscal year amounted to \$1,460,573.

Other factors concerning the finances of these funds have been addressed in the discussion of the Town's business-type activities. The enterprise funds' users' fees are adjusted as needed to address the cost of operations, minor capital expenditures, and maintain a cash reserve for capital needs.

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

**Capital Assets.** The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2014 totaled \$4,720,388 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include buildings, land, improvements, equipment, vehicles, infrastructure, water and wastewater facilities, and construction in progress. The Town maintains a \$5,000 capitalization threshold. Capital asset transactions during the year include the following additions (there were no significant demolitions or disposals.):

#### **General Fund:**

- \$189,500, 2014 Street Paving Program.
- \$45,800, Storm water drainage projects.
- \$55,475, Police vehicle and public works truck.
- \$10,825, Flail mower
- \$7,765, Pavement and striping of the basketball court.

#### **Water Fund:**

- \$33,170, Multi-housing Harbour Walk water line replacement.
- \$12,576, Well #3 submersible motor replacement.

#### **Sewer Fund:**

- \$13,198, Wastewater Treatment Plant lift station upgrade and pump replacement.
- \$30,867, Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements: Clarifier 1, bar screen & sump pit bypasses.

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The Town of River Bend utilizes a well-planned and reasoned approach to major initiatives through the use of a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which is addressed in the Town's Financial and Budgetary Policies, Section VII, Capital Improvements Policy:

- a. The Town will update and readopt annually a five-year capital improvements plan (CIP) which projects capital needs and details the estimated costs, description and anticipated funding sources for capital projects. A separate CIP will be developed for the General Fund, Water Fund, and Sewer Fund.
- b. The annual update of the CIP will be conducted in conjunction with the annual operating budget process.
- c. The first year of the five-year CIP will be the basis of formal fiscal year appropriations during the annual budget process.
- d. A programming or cost estimation study is eligible for inclusion in the CIP for a project for which a future request is being considered. Such a study is encouraged in order to generate reliable cost estimates for the CIP.
- e. The Town expects to see new capital items generally first appear in the last year of the CIP.
- f. The Town acknowledges pay-as-you-go financing as a significant capital financing source, but will ultimately determine the most appropriate financing structure for each capital project both on an individual basis after examining all relevant factors of the project and in conjunction with the funding of the entire CIP.

### Town of River Bend's Capital Assets

Figure 6

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
Land	\$ 929,320	\$ 929,320	\$ 183,357	\$ 183,357	\$ 1,112,677	\$ 1,112,677
Plant and distribution system	-	-	5,700,331	5,610,520	5,700,331	5,610,520
Furniture and equipment	-	-	264,798	264,798	264,798	264,798
Building and improvements	1,741,344	1,733,579	8,960	8,960	1,750,304	1,742,539
Equipment and vehicles	360,969	299,669	-	-	360,969	299,669
Infrastructure	1,195,493	996,180	-	-	1,195,493	996,180
Subtotal	<u>4,227,126</u>	<u>3,958,748</u>	<u>6,157,446</u>	<u>6,067,635</u>	<u>10,384,572</u>	<u>10,026,383</u>
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,899,399)	(1,766,541)	(3,764,785)	(3,567,961)	(5,664,184)	(5,334,502)
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,327,727</u>	<u>\$ 2,192,207</u>	<u>\$ 2,392,661</u>	<u>\$ 2,499,674</u>	<u>\$ 4,720,388</u>	<u>\$ 4,691,881</u>

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 2 to the basic financial statements.



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**Long-Term Debt.** As of June 30, 2014, the Town had total bonded debt outstanding of \$2,935,000, all of which is backed by the full faith and credit of the Town.

#### Town of River Bend's Long-Term Debt

Figure 7

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,935,000	\$ 3,135,000	\$ 2,935,000	\$ 3,135,000
Unamortized premium on bonds	-	-	144,878	156,022	144,878	156,022
Compensated absences	35,916	34,119	10,164	9,470	46,080	43,589
Total debt	<u>\$ 35,916</u>	<u>\$ 34,119</u>	<u>\$ 3,090,042</u>	<u>\$ 3,300,492</u>	<u>\$ 3,125,958</u>	<u>\$ 3,334,611</u>

In the process to advance refund the Series 2004 General Obligation bonds in 2013, the Town of River Bend received an upgrade in our Standard and Poor's rating to AA-, a stable A1 rating with Moody's Investor Service, and an upgrade in our North Carolina Municipal Council rating to 81 which is equivalent to the national ratings. This bond rating is a clear indication of consistently sound financial operations with ample reserves.

Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in the notes to the basic financial statements. The Town's legal debt margin at June 30, 2014 was \$25,900,000.

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

The Town of River Bend is a small residential community in Craven County, home to approximately 3,119 people. Located several miles from the City of New Bern on Highway 17 South, residents are employed by industry and government within a wide radius of the Town, while a high percentage is retirees. Local area economy is experiencing slow recovery; both State and County reported the unemployment rate near 9% last year. Craven County unemployment rate of 7.4% was slightly higher than the State average of 6.5% and national average of 6.3% at the end of June 2014.

#### Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015

**Governmental Activities.** The budget represents the commitment of the Town Council to the mission statement established in the Town's Comprehensive Plan, and responds to the goals the Council established at their retreat in November 2013. These goals are the foundation upon which the budget is built. We invite you to review the annual budget report on our website [www.riverbendnc.org/finance](http://www.riverbendnc.org/finance). This is the fourth year the Town has been awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the Government Finance Officers Association.

The adopted tax rate of \$0.265 is unchanged from the prior year. The General Fund budget was formulated in compliance with the Financial and Budgetary Policies which stipulates a minimum contingency level of one percent of budgeted General Fund expenditures and a target of 50% unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year. General Fund revenues are budgeted at \$1,716,811; a 3.7 percent decrease from the 2014 fiscal year-end budgeted revenues and 7.3 percent decrease compared to year-end revenue.

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Diligent management of all Town resources, which includes a qualified professional staff, is critical in providing services to maintain the quality of life expected by the residents of our Town. The Town of River Bend budget supports eighteen full-time and three part-time employees. Personnel costs, including benefits, represent 37% of the total combined operating budget. Following the guidance of the Council, the budget reflects a 1.5% cost-of-living increase and 1% for longevity increases. An additional 1% merit pool is available to recognize outstanding performance of individual employees.

Included in the budget is an allocation of \$10,000 to fund the Law Enforcement Officers' Separation Allowance. At the end of fiscal year 2014, the Council approved a one-time addition of \$10,000 to this Trust Fund. Our financial obligation for eligible retirees is \$30,075 this year.

Each year our contracted engineer reviews an evaluation he performed on all our streets in order to determine the priority for our paving funds. We budget to follow the plan which includes paving one road, full depth patching on four streets, and an allowance for patching and striping. The estimated cost is well above what we receive from the State through gas tax revenues so local revenue in the amount of \$98,500 will be budgeted to complete this project.

Capital Improvement Plans (CIP) are used to plan for capital needs in each major fund area in order to sustain and improve infrastructure and operations within the financial capacity of the Town. Ongoing CIP budgeted funds for governmental activities, \$105,000, include vehicle and information technology replacement plans, stormwater and canal maintenance, and the Wildwood facility replacement.

CIP budgeted expenditures this year in the amount of \$76,435 will be for two identified stormwater management projects (\$40,500), subsequent year stormwater engineering fees (\$25,000), clearing trees along the canal (\$4,500), and scheduled hardware replacement (\$6,345). Included in the governmental CIP is a detailed plan for keeping our information technology equipment up to date. In fiscal year 2012 we migrated to "the cloud" which means our servers are maintained at a remote site by our IT contractor. This cost effective approach enabled us to reduce the amount of CIP funding for IT from \$10,000 per year to \$6,000 per year, while providing us with the necessary disaster recovery capability and efficient public e-mail retention. Due to reductions in the costs of our remaining hardware, particularly for mobile data terminals used by the police department, we are able to further reduce CIP funding to \$2,000 in FY 2014.

**Business-Type Activities.** The adopted rate schedule reflects rate changes in both the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund. Using the professionally designed rate model, revenues are projected and the necessary expenditures identified to maintain the infrastructure, pay debt service, and attain the appropriate level of cash reserves to sustain the quality of services provided by our community water and wastewater systems. Debt service accounts for 30% and 16% of the total expenditures for the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund, respectively. Based upon the proposed expenditures and the revenue projected, the base fee for the water utility was decreased 16.4% or \$3 per month for residential users. The cash balance in this utility is sufficient to respond to unknown conditions and there are no identified long term capital needs that require the continued building of cash reserves.

On the other hand, the sewer enterprise fund is not as fiscally strong and the level of cash balance is declining. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the consumer price index has increased 6.87% since the last sewer rate increase in FY 2011. This factor was applied to the FY 2014 rates to arrive at the rates approved in this budget. Business, commercial, and industrial rates are determined by Equivalent Residential Units and will change proportionately.

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Water Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) annually budgeted funds of \$63,000 support the vehicle replacement plan, well pump replacements, and all other planned or emergency cash-funded capital expenditures. One CIP expenditure for the Water Fund this year, \$12,448, is the repair and upgrade of existing corroded supports under two filters at the well #3 treatment plant. The other project is the estimated cost of interconnecting our water system with that of the City of New Bern. This interconnection would allow both utilities to have a back-up supply of water should either develop supply, treatment, or storage difficulties. The sharing of project costs and rates for purchase of water will be negotiated with the City before this project moves into planning and construction phases.

Sewer Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) annually budgeted funds of \$63,000 support the vehicle replacement plan and all other planned or emergency cash-funded capital expenditures. Planned projects in the Sewer Fund this year include improvements to the wastewater treatment unit #2 (\$36,000) similar to the repairs that were made to unit #1 last year. The wastewater treatment plant improvements will ensure the plant is functioning properly and improve operational and maintenance flexibility.

The most significant project in the sewer enterprise is to contract for the design and permitting for renovation and upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant to continue to serve those who are currently served by the collection and treatment systems. No plans are being made to change the permitted capacity of the treatment plant, rather, the Council is attempting to remain proactive in their approach to maintaining the life of the plant and be ready for changes in nutrient limits that are likely to be part of our next permit renewal in four years. The design and permitting phase of the project, costing \$210,000, will result in the Town having a permit to allow us to renovate and upgrade; the permit is good for five years from when it is issued. The engineer working on this project estimates that it will take upwards of twelve months to complete this work. During the fiscal year 2015, the Town Council will continue discussions relative to the most appropriate time to undertake the construction phase of this project.

This budget reflects the Council's commitment to maintaining and improving this community and positioning it to be financially sound in the future.

### **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 Margaret Theis, Finance Administrator, 45 Shoreline Drive, River Bend, North Carolina 28562-8970 or [finance@riverbendnc.org](mailto:finance@riverbendnc.org). Get to know us on the Town of River Bend's web site: [www.riverbendnc.org](http://www.riverbendnc.org).



## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**





## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2014

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
<b>Assets:</b>			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,649,249	\$ 1,134,293	\$ 2,783,542
Taxes receivable, net	6,641	-	6,641
Accounts receivable, net	1,272	233,516	234,788
Prepaid items	3,619	2,868	6,487
Due from other governments	138,339	893	139,232
Total current assets	<u>1,799,120</u>	<u>1,371,570</u>	<u>3,170,690</u>
Non-current assets:			
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	-	10,408	10,408
Net pension asset	39,535	-	39,535
Capital assets:			
Land and construction in progress	929,320	183,357	1,112,677
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	1,398,407	2,209,304	3,607,711
Total non-current assets	<u>2,367,262</u>	<u>2,403,069</u>	<u>4,770,331</u>
Total assets	<u>4,166,382</u>	<u>3,774,639</u>	<u>7,941,021</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>			
Deferred charge on refunding	<u>-</u>	<u>116,072</u>	<u>116,072</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	30,284	16,905	47,189
Accrued expenses	249	-	249
Prepaid rent	4,891	-	4,891
Current portion of compensated absences	30,530	7,625	38,155
Current portion of long-term debt	-	216,144	216,144
Payable from restricted assets	-	10,408	10,408
Total current liabilities	<u>65,954</u>	<u>251,082</u>	<u>317,036</u>
Non-current liabilities:			
Non-current portion of compensated absences	5,386	2,539	7,925
Non-current portion of long-term debt	-	2,863,734	2,863,734
Total non-current liabilities	<u>5,386</u>	<u>2,866,273</u>	<u>2,871,659</u>
Total liabilities	<u>71,340</u>	<u>3,117,355</u>	<u>3,188,695</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	2,327,727	(687,217)	1,640,510
Restricted for stabilization by State statute	139,611	-	139,611
Unrestricted	<u>1,627,704</u>	<u>1,460,573</u>	<u>3,088,277</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 4,095,042</u>	<u>\$ 773,356</u>	<u>\$ 4,868,398</u>

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

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

		Program Revenues		
		Charges for	Operating	Capital
	Expenses	Services	Grants and	Grants and
			Contributions	Contributions
<b>Functions/Programs:</b>				
<b>Primary Government:</b>				
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
General government	\$ 617,455	\$ 86,957	\$ -	\$ -
Public safety	522,568	1,266	367	13,272
Transportation	206,270	-	93,909	-
Environmental protection	51,960	1,755	-	-
Cultural and recreational	49,876	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>1,448,129</u>	<u>89,978</u>	<u>94,276</u>	<u>13,272</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>				
Water Fund	439,060	591,985	-	-
Sewer Fund	477,208	597,489	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>916,268</u>	<u>1,189,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 2,364,397</u>	<u>\$ 1,279,452</u>	<u>\$ 94,276</u>	<u>\$ 13,272</u>

### General Revenues:

Ad valorem taxes  
Local option sales taxes  
Franchise taxes  
Other taxes and licenses  
Interest earned on investments, unrestricted  
Miscellaneous, unrestricted  
Total general revenues

Change in net position

### Net Position:

Beginning of year - July 1

End of year - June 30

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## Exhibit B

Net Revenue (Expense) and Changes in Net Position		
Primary Government		
Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
\$ (530,498)	\$ -	\$ (530,498)
(507,663)	-	(507,663)
(112,361)	-	(112,361)
(50,205)	-	(50,205)
(49,876)	-	(49,876)
<u>(1,250,603)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,250,603)</u>
-	152,925	152,925
-	120,281	120,281
-	<u>273,206</u>	<u>273,206</u>
<u>(1,250,603)</u>	<u>273,206</u>	<u>(977,397)</u>
907,885	-	907,885
371,846	-	371,846
80,300	-	80,300
95,876	-	95,876
243	98	341
-	4,180	4,180
<u>1,456,150</u>	<u>4,278</u>	<u>1,460,428</u>
205,547	277,484	483,031
<u>3,889,495</u>	<u>495,872</u>	<u>4,385,367</u>
<u>\$ 4,095,042</u>	<u>\$ 773,356</u>	<u>\$ 4,868,398</u>

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## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2014

	<u>General Fund</u>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,649,249
Taxes receivable, net	6,641
Accounts receivable, net	14,544
Prepaid items	3,619
Due from other governments	125,067
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,799,120</u>
<b>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances:</b>	
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 30,284
Accrued expenses	249
Prepaid rent	4,891
Total liabilities	<u>35,424</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>	
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	<u>6,641</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>	
Non-spendable - prepaid items	3,619
Restricted for stabilization by State statute	139,611
Committed for general government capital outlay	228,892
Assigned	97,322
Unassigned	1,287,611
Total fund balances	<u>1,757,055</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 1,799,120</u>
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position (Exhibit A) are different because:	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not current economic resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	\$ 2,327,727
Liabilities for earned revenues considered deferred inflows of resources in fund statements.	6,641
Other long-term liabilities (unfunded pension obligations and compensated absences) are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	<u>3,619</u>
Net position of governmental activities per Exhibit A	<u>\$ 4,095,042</u>

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## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	<u>General Fund</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>	
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 918,326
Other taxes and licenses	387,091
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	160,931
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	109,303
Permits and fees	7,189
Sales and services	81,034
Investment earnings	243
Total revenues	<u>1,664,117</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Current:	
General government	527,309
Public safety	538,998
Transportation	368,962
Environmental protection	97,760
Cultural and recreational	50,748
Total expenditures	<u>1,583,777</u>
Net change in fund balance	80,340
<b>Fund Balance:</b>	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>1,676,715</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 1,757,055</u>

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# **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

## **RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Exhibit B) are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit D)	\$ 80,340
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	
Change in unavailable revenue from tax revenues	(10,441)
Expenses related to compensated absences do not require current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	(1,797)
Net pension obligation expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	1,925
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.	273,378
Depreciation expense allocates the costs of capital assets over their useful lives. It is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds statement.	<u>(137,858)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities, per Exhibit B	<u>\$ 205,547</u>

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## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final	Amounts	Final Budget
				Over/Under
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 870,998	\$ 870,998	\$ 918,326	\$ 47,328
Other taxes and licenses	371,810	371,810	387,091	15,281
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	152,949	152,949	160,931	7,982
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	90,870	112,447	109,303	(3,144)
Permits and fees	6,500	6,500	7,189	689
Sales and services	60,000	72,500	81,034	8,534
Investment earnings	501	501	223	(278)
Total revenues	<u>1,553,628</u>	<u>1,587,705</u>	<u>1,664,097</u>	<u>76,392</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General government	596,932	570,032	527,309	42,723
Public safety	505,226	552,655	538,998	13,657
Transportation	364,116	387,629	368,962	18,667
Environmental protection	154,031	110,031	97,760	12,271
Cultural and recreational	40,170	51,870	50,748	1,122
Total expenditures	<u>1,660,475</u>	<u>1,672,217</u>	<u>1,583,777</u>	<u>88,440</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(106,847)</u>	<u>(84,512)</u>	<u>80,320</u>	<u>164,832</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Transfers to other funds	(105,000)	(105,000)	(105,000)	-
Transfers from other funds	233,529	188,283	188,283	-
Contingency	(27,826)	-	-	-
Appropriated fund balance	6,144	1,229	-	(1,229)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>106,847</u>	<u>84,512</u>	<u>83,283</u>	<u>(1,229)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	163,603	<u>\$ 163,603</u>
<b>Fund Balance:</b>				
Beginning of year - July 1			<u>1,364,560</u>	
End of year - June 30			<u>\$ 1,528,163</u>	

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

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF FUND NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2014

	Major Enterprise Funds		
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
<b>Assets:</b>			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 644,936	\$ 489,357	\$ 1,134,293
Accounts receivable, net	117,194	117,215	234,409
Prepaid expense	1,434	1,434	2,868
Total current assets	<u>763,564</u>	<u>608,006</u>	<u>1,371,570</u>
Non-current assets:			
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	5,180	5,228	10,408
Capital assets, net:			
Land and construction in progress	118,171	65,186	183,357
Other capital assets, net of depreciation	<u>1,181,301</u>	<u>1,028,003</u>	<u>2,209,304</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>1,299,472</u>	<u>1,093,189</u>	<u>2,392,661</u>
Total non-current assets	<u>1,304,652</u>	<u>1,098,417</u>	<u>2,403,069</u>
Total assets	<u>2,068,216</u>	<u>1,706,423</u>	<u>3,774,639</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</b>			
Deferred charge on refunding	<u>62,286</u>	<u>53,786</u>	<u>116,072</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	6,182	10,723	16,905
Compensated absences payable	3,765	3,860	7,625
Current portion of long-term debt	115,986	100,158	216,144
Liabilities paid from restricted assets:			
Customer deposits	<u>5,180</u>	<u>5,228</u>	<u>10,408</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>131,113</u>	<u>119,969</u>	<u>251,082</u>
Non-current liabilities:			
Compensated absences payable	1,256	1,283	2,539
Long-term debt	<u>1,536,676</u>	<u>1,327,058</u>	<u>2,863,734</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>1,537,932</u>	<u>1,328,341</u>	<u>2,866,273</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,669,045</u>	<u>1,448,310</u>	<u>3,117,355</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	(353,190)	(334,027)	(687,217)
Unrestricted	<u>814,647</u>	<u>645,926</u>	<u>1,460,573</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 461,457</u>	<u>\$ 311,899</u>	<u>\$ 773,356</u>

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

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES  
IN FUND NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Major Enterprise Funds		
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>			
Charges for services	\$ 571,572	\$ 581,777	\$ 1,153,349
Water and sewer taps	2,500	2,500	5,000
Other operating revenues	17,913	13,212	31,125
Total operating revenues	<u>591,985</u>	<u>597,489</u>	<u>1,189,474</u>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>			
Administration	218,975	232,632	451,607
Operations	72,637	120,116	192,753
Depreciation and amortization	105,968	88,640	194,608
Total operating expenses	<u>397,580</u>	<u>441,388</u>	<u>838,968</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>194,405</u>	<u>156,101</u>	<u>350,506</u>
<b>Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):</b>			
Investment earnings	56	42	98
Interest and fees	(41,480)	(35,820)	(77,300)
Other non-operating revenues	3,535	645	4,180
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>(37,889)</u>	<u>(35,133)</u>	<u>(73,022)</u>
Change in net position	<u>156,516</u>	<u>120,968</u>	<u>277,484</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>			
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>304,941</u>	<u>190,931</u>	<u>495,872</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 461,457</u>	<u>\$ 311,899</u>	<u>\$ 773,356</u>

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

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Major Enterprise Funds		
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>			
Cash received from customers	\$ 600,451	\$ 607,453	\$ 1,207,904
Cash paid for goods and services	(174,313)	(218,407)	(392,720)
Cash paid to/on behalf of employees	(115,439)	(128,779)	(244,218)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	310,699	260,267	570,966
<b>Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:</b>			
Non-operating revenues	3,535	645	4,180
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>			
Acquisition of capital assets	(45,746)	(44,065)	(89,811)
Principal repaid on long-term debt	(107,323)	(92,677)	(200,000)
Interest and other costs paid on long-term debt	(41,480)	(35,820)	(77,300)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	(194,549)	(172,562)	(367,111)
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>			
Investment income received	56	42	98
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	119,741	88,392	208,133
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents:</b>			
Beginning of year - July 1	530,375	406,193	936,568
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 650,116</u>	<u>\$ 494,585</u>	<u>\$ 1,144,701</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:</b>			
Operating income (loss)	\$ 194,405	\$ 156,101	\$ 350,506
Depreciation	107,157	89,667	196,824
Amortization	(1,189)	(1,027)	(2,216)
Change in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivables	6,770	8,447	15,217
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(351)	(351)	(702)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	1,870	5,560	7,430
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits	1,696	1,517	3,213
Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation	341	353	694
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ 310,699</u>	<u>\$ 260,267</u>	<u>\$ 570,966</u>
<b>Supplemental Schedule of Non-Cash Financing Activities:</b>			
Net amortization of bond premium and deferred charges on refunding	<u>\$ 1,189</u>	<u>\$ 1,027</u>	<u>\$ 2,216</u>

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

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA****STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION****FIDUCIARY FUND****JUNE 30, 2014**

	<b>Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Trust Fund</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>84,396</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>	
Held in trust for pension benefits	\$ <u>84,396</u>

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## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
 FIDUCIARY FUND  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	<b>Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Trust Fund</b>
<b>Additions:</b>	
Employer contributions	\$ 20,000
Investment income	<u>8</u>
Total additions	<u>20,008</u>
<b>Deductions:</b>	
Benefits paid	<u>22,111</u>
Change in net position	(2,103)
<b>Net Position:</b>	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>86,499</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 84,396</u>

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## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

These notes are intended to communicate information necessary for a fair presentation of financial position and results of operations that are not readily apparent from or cannot be included in the financial statements themselves. The notes supplement the financial statements, are an integral part thereof, and are intended to be read in conjunction with the financial statements.



## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina, (the “Town”), conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

##### A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Mayor and five-members of the Town Council with a Manager-Council form of government. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town.

##### B. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

###### Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus – Basis of Accounting

*Government-Wide Statements.* The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the primary government. 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: 1) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a 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, including its fiduciary fund. Separate statements for each fund category – *governmental*, *proprietary*, and *fiduciary* – 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. Non-operating revenues, such as subsidies, result from non-exchange transactions. Other non-operating items are ancillary activities, such as investment earnings.

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

##### **Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus – Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

The Town reports the following major governmental fund:

**General Fund.** The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Town. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The Capital Reserve Fund is a legally budgeted fund under North Carolina General Statutes; however, for statement presentation in accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, it is consolidated in the General Fund.

The Town reports the following major enterprise funds:

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

**Sewer Fund.** This fund is used to account for the Town's sewer operations.

The Town reports the following fund types:

*Pension Trust Fund.* The Town maintains one pension trust fund – the Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Trust Fund. Pension trust funds are used to report resources that are required to be held in trust for the members and beneficiaries of defined benefit pension plans or defined contribution plans. The Law Enforcement Separation Allowance Trust Fund is used to account for the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance pension activity.

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, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements.* The government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and 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, entitlements, 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, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

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.

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

##### **Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus – Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from 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 revenues of the Town's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. The Town also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the water and sewer system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating 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 property taxes 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. As of September 1, 2013, State law altered 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. Intergovernmental revenues and sales and services are not susceptible to accrual because generally they are not measurable until received in cash.

## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

##### **Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus – Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

Under the terms of grant 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 by general revenues.

##### **C. 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, the Capital Reserve Fund, the enterprise funds and their respective capital reserve funds. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end.

All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the department level for all annually budgeted funds. The Budget Officer is authorized to reallocate any appropriations within departments, to execute interfund and interdepartmental transfers in emergency situations, and to execute interdepartmental transfers in the same fund, including contingency appropriations, not to exceed \$5,000. Notification of such transfers shall be made to the Town Council at its next meeting following the transfer. Any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the governing board. During the year, three amendments to the original budget were necessary.

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

###### **Deposits and Investments**

All deposits of the Town are made in Board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by 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 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).

## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

##### **Deposits and Investments (Continued)**

The Town's investments with a maturity of more than one year at acquisition and non-money market investments are carried at fair value as determined by quoted market prices. The securities of the NCCMT Cash Portfolio, an SEC-registered (2a-7) money market mutual fund, are valued at fair value, which is the NCCMT's share price. The NCCMT Term Portfolio's securities are valued at fair value. Money market investments that have a remaining maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less are reported at amortized cost.

##### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Town pools monies from several funds, except the Pension Trust Fund, 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.

##### **Restricted Assets**

Customer deposits held by the Town before any services are supplied are restricted to the service for which the deposit was collected. Restricted cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2014 for customer deposits were \$10,408.

##### **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, penalties and interest do not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2013.

##### **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.

##### **Prepaid Items**

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.

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

##### 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. Minimum capitalization cost for the Town's assets are \$5,000. 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 of the Town are depreciated on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Buildings and systems	30 years
Maintenance and construction equipment	5 years
Furniture and office equipment	5 years
Medium and heavy motor vehicles	5 years
Automobiles and light trucks	5 years

##### Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflow 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 – a deferred charge on refunding of bonds that would have previously been classified as an asset. In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position can also 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 only one item that meet the criterion for this category – property taxes receivable.

##### 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 on the Statement of Net Position.

In the fund financial statements for governmental fund types, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.



## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

##### **Compensated Absences**

The vacation policies of the Town provide for the accumulation of up to 30 days of earned vacation leave, with such leave being fully vested when earned. For the Town's government-wide presentation, an expense and a liability for compensated absences and the salary-related payments are recorded as the leave is earned.

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. Since the Town does not have any obligation for the accumulated sick leave until it is actually taken, no accrual for sick leave has been made.

##### **Net Position/Fund Balances**

##### **Net Position**

Net position in government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements is classified as net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. Restricted net position represent constraints on resources that are either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments or (b) 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:

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

*Prepaid Items* – portion of fund balance that is not an available resource, because it represents the year-end balance of prepaid items, which are not spendable resources. Non-spendable fund balance for prepaid items at June 30, 2014 was \$3,619.

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

**Restricted Fund Balance:** This classification includes revenue sources that are restricted to specific purposes externally imposed by creditors or imposed by law.

*Restricted for Stabilization by State Statute* – represents the portion of fund balance that is restricted by State statute [G.S.159-8(a)]. Amount restricted at June 30, 2014 was \$139,611.

**Committed Fund Balance:** This classification represents the portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes imposed by majority vote of the Town of River Bend's Town Council (highest level of decision-making authority). The Town Council can, by adoption of an ordinance prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Any changes or removal of specific purpose requires majority vote by the members of the Town Council and through the adoption of an ordinance.

*Committed for General Government Capital Outlay* – portion of fund balance that has been set aside for future capital outlay by the members of the Town Council. At June 30, 2014, commitment for capital outlay was \$228,892.

**Assigned Fund Balance:** Assigned fund balance is the portion of fund balance that the Town Council has budgeted to use for specific purposes. The Town Council has the authority to assign fund balance through a majority vote.

*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 members of the Town Council approve the appropriation. At June 30, 2014, assigned fund balance for this purpose was \$97,322.

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

The Town has a revenue spending policy that provides guidance for programs with multiple revenue sources. The Finance Department, as directed by the Finance Officer, will use resources in the following hierarchy as appropriate: bond proceeds, federal funds, State funds, local non-Town funds, and Town 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's in the best interest of the Town.

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The Town has adopted a formal fund balance policy. The target goal of the Town for the General Fund unassigned fund balance shall be 50% of the actual expenditures of the then completed fiscal year. These funds will be utilized to avoid cash flow interruptions, generate interest income, eliminate the need for short-term borrowing, and maintain the Town's credit ratings. The fund balance may be purposefully drawn down below the target percentage for emergencies, economic influences, non-recurring expenditures, or major capital projects. If the fund balance falls below the target percentage for two consecutive years, the Town will replenish funds by direct appropriation in the next budget developed for the fiscal year after the occurrence is known. In that instance, the Town will annually appropriate 25% of the difference between the target percentage level and the actual balance until the target level is met. In the event appropriating 25% is not feasible, the Town will appropriate a lesser amount and shall reaffirm by Council resolution its commitment to fully replenish the fund balance over a longer period of time.

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	\$ 1,757,055
Less:	
Prepays	3,619
Stabilization by State statute	139,611
Fund balance policy	<u>791,889</u>
Total available fund balance	<u>\$ 821,937</u>

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

##### **Reconciliation of the General Fund – Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual (Exhibit F) to the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds (Exhibit D)**

The Capital Reserve Fund is a legally budgeted fund that is consolidated into the General Fund for fund balance reporting purposes under the requirements of GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. Exhibit F presents only the General Fund and Exhibit D presents the General Fund and the Capital Reserve Fund consolidated as follows:

End of year (Exhibit F) - June 30	\$ 1,528,163
<b>Capital Reserve Fund:</b>	
Revenues:	
Investment earnings	20
Expenditures:	
Transfers in - General Fund	105,000
Transfers out - General Fund	(188,283)
Fund balance:	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>312,155</u>
End of year (Exhibit D) - June 30	<u>\$ 1,757,055</u>

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant areas where estimates are made are the allowances for doubtful accounts and asset depreciation lives.

## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds**

##### **Assets**

##### **Deposits**

All of the Town's deposits are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits exceeding the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with the securities held by the Town's agent in the Town'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 with the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amount of collateral pledged for the Town under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for undercollateralization, 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 formal 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 that deposits are properly secured.

At June 30, 2014, the Town's deposits had a carrying amount of \$440,959 and a bank balance of \$444,756. The Town only has deposits in institutions that collateralize under the Pooling Method. Of the bank balance, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$194,756 was covered by collateral held under the Pooling Method. The Town had petty cash of \$629 at June 30, 2014.

##### **Investments**

At June 30, 2014, the Town had \$2,436,758 invested with North Carolina Capital Management Trust's Cash Portfolio, which carried a credit rating of AAAM by Standard and Poor's.

The Town's investment policy was updated by the Town Council, effective July 1, 2013, and is designed to invest public funds in a manner which provides the highest investment return with the maximum security while meeting the daily cash flow requirements of the Town. The Town's objectives in managing the investment portfolio, in order of priority, are safety, liquidity, and yield.

## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)**

##### **Investments (Continued)**

*Interest Rate Risk.* As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates, the Town's investment policy established the following maturity limits:

- 60% of the portfolio maturities are no more than 3 years from the date of purchase.
- 80% of the portfolio maturities are no more than 5 years from the date of purchase.
- 95% of the portfolio maturities are no more than 10 years from the date of purchase.

Additionally, the Town's policy requires purchases of investments to be laddered with staggered maturity dates and limits all investments to a final maturity of no more than 15 years.

*Credit Risk.* Credit risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security issuer or backer. The Town will minimize this risk by pre-qualifying the financial institution and broker dealers, and establishing diversification limits by security type and by institution so that potential losses on individual securities will be minimized. It is the Town's policy to maintain a list of financial institutions that are authorized to provide investment services. Those institutions will be selected based on credit worthiness, and must maintain an office in the State of North Carolina, and show proof of National Association of Securities Dealers' certification. These may include "primary" dealers or regional dealers that qualify under SEC Rule 15C3-1. No other credit rating limitations other than this are imposed by the Town. The Town's investment policy sets forth a more restrictive list of investment types than that afforded by G.S. 159-30 and restricts the purchase of securities to the highest possible ratings whenever particular types of securities are rated. As of June 30, 2014, the Town's investment in the NC Capital Management Trust Cash Portfolio carried a credit rating of AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

The Town does not have a formal policy on custodial credit risk.

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Receivables – Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

Disaggregation information and allowance for doubtful accounts related to receivables reported at the government-wide level at June 30, 2014 were as follows:

	<u>Accounts</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>			
General	\$ -	\$ 10,241	\$ 10,241
Wildwood storage receivables	5,237	-	5,237
Other receivables	2,203	-	2,203
Due from other governments	138,339	-	138,339
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(6,168)	(3,600)	(9,768)
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 139,611</u>	<u>\$ 6,641</u>	<u>\$ 146,252</u>
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>			
	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total</u>
Accounts	\$ 43,932	\$ 38,433	\$ 82,365
Unbilled receivables	91,351	97,300	188,651
Due from other governments	300	593	893
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(18,389)	(19,111)	(37,500)
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 117,194</u>	<u>\$ 117,215</u>	<u>\$ 234,409</u>

Due from other governments consisted of the following:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
Local option sales tax	\$ 102,086	\$ -
Sales tax refund receivable	12,924	893
Due from Craven County	10,057	-
Grants receivable	13,272	-
Total	<u>\$ 138,339</u>	<u>\$ 893</u>

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Capital Assets

#### Governmental Activities

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2014 was as follows:

	<u>June 30, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>
<b>By Asset Type:</b>				
<b>Non-Depreciable Assets:</b>				
Land	\$ 929,320	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 929,320
<b>Depreciable Assets:</b>				
Buildings and improvements	1,733,579	7,765	-	1,741,344
Equipment and vehicles	299,669	66,300	(5,000)	360,969
Infrastructure	996,180	199,313	-	1,195,493
Total depreciable assets	<u>3,029,428</u>	<u>273,378</u>	<u>(5,000)</u>	<u>3,297,806</u>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation:</b>				
Buildings and improvements	1,331,312	63,272	-	1,394,584
Equipment and vehicles	265,233	20,676	(5,000)	280,909
Infrastructure	169,996	53,910	-	223,906
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>1,766,541</u>	<u>\$ 137,858</u>	<u>\$ (5,000)</u>	<u>1,899,399</u>
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>1,262,887</u>			<u>1,398,407</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 2,192,207</u>			<u>\$ 2,327,727</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

#### Governmental Activities:

General government	\$ 89,607
Public safety	13,786
Transportation	27,572
Cultural and recreational	<u>6,893</u>
Total	<u>\$ 137,858</u>



# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Capital Assets (Continued)

#### Business-Type Activities

Capital assets activity for the Water Fund for the year ended June 30, 2014 was as follows:

	<u>June 30, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>
<b>By Asset Type:</b>				
<b>Non-Depreciable Assets:</b>				
Land	\$ 118,171	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 118,171
<b>Depreciable Assets:</b>				
Plant and distribution system	3,090,758	45,746	-	3,136,504
Buildings and improvements	4,480	-	-	4,480
Furniture and equipment	136,997	-	-	136,997
Total depreciable assets	<u>3,232,235</u>	<u>45,746</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,277,981</u>
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation:</b>				
Plant and distribution system	1,852,190	107,045	-	1,959,235
Buildings and improvements	336	112	-	448
Furniture and equipment	136,997	-	-	136,997
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>1,989,523</u>	<u>\$ 107,157</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>2,096,680</u>
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>1,242,712</u>			<u>1,181,301</u>
 Total water capital assets, net	 <u>1,360,883</u>			 <u>1,299,472</u>

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Capital Assets (Continued)

#### Business-Type Activities (Continued)

Capital assets activity for the Sewer Fund for the year ended June 30, 2014 was as follows:

	<u>June 30, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>
<b>By Asset Type:</b>				
<b>Non-Depreciable Assets:</b>				
Land	65,186	\$ -	\$ -	65,186
<b>Depreciable Assets:</b>				
Plant and distribution system	2,519,762	44,065	-	2,563,827
Buildings and improvements	4,480	-	-	4,480
Furniture and equipment	127,801	-	-	127,801
Total depreciable assets	2,652,043	44,065	-	2,696,108
<b>Less Accumulated Depreciation:</b>				
Plant and distribution system	1,456,897	86,270	-	1,543,167
Buildings and improvements	336	112	-	448
Furniture and equipment	121,205	3,285	-	124,490
Total accumulated depreciation	1,578,438	\$ 89,667	\$ -	1,668,105
Depreciable capital assets, net	1,073,605			1,028,003
 Total sewer capital assets, net	 1,138,791			 1,093,189
 Total business-type activities capital assets, net	 \$ 2,499,674			 \$ 2,392,661

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Net Investment in Capital Assets

The total net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2014 is composed of the following elements:

		<b>Business-Type Activities</b>		
	<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>
Capital assets	\$ 2,327,727	\$ 1,299,472	\$ 1,093,189	\$ 2,392,661
Long-term debt	35,916	1,657,683	1,432,359	3,090,042
Less: compensated absences	(35,916)	(5,021)	(5,143)	(10,164)
Long-term debt related to capital assets	-	1,652,662	1,427,216	3,079,878
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 2,327,727	\$ (353,190)	\$ (334,027)	\$ (687,217)

#### Liabilities

##### Accounts Payable

Payables at the government-wide level at June 30, 2014, were as follows:

	<b>Vendors</b>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	
General	\$ 30,284
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>	
Water Fund	\$ 6,182
Sewer Fund	10,723
Total	\$ 16,905

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

##### Pension Plan and Other Post-Employment Obligations

##### Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

*Plan Description.* The Town contributes to the state-wide Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of North Carolina. LGERS provides retirement and disability benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The LGERS 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 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

*Funding Policy.* Plan members are required to contribute 6% of their annual covered salary. The Town is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. For the Town, the current rate for employees not engaged in law enforcement and for law enforcement officers is 7.07% and 7.28%, respectively, of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of members and of the Town are established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Town's contributions to LGERS for the years ended June 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were \$55,585, \$50,155, and \$49,980, respectively. The contributions made by the Town equaled the required contributions for each year.

##### Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

*Plan Description.* The Town 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. The Separation Allowance is equal to 0.85% 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. The Separation Allowance is reported in the Town's report as a pension trust fund.

All full-time Town law enforcement officers are covered by the Separation Allowance. At December 31, 2013, the Separation Allowance's membership consisted of:

Retirees receiving benefits	2
Terminated plan members entitled to, but not yet receiving, benefits	-
Active plan members	6
Total	<u>8</u>

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

##### Pension Plan and Other Post-Employment Obligations (Continued)

##### Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance (Continued)

A separate report was not issued for the Plan.

##### *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*

*Basis of Accounting.* Financial statements for the Separation Allowance are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Employer contributions to the Plan are recognized when due and when the Town has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

*Method Used to Value Investments.* Investments are reported at fair value. Short-term money market debt instruments, deposits, and repurchase agreements are reported at cost or amortized cost, which approximates fair value. Certain longer term United States Government and United States Agency securities are valued at the last reported sales price.

*Contributions.* 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 by making contributions based on actuarial valuations. For the current year, the Town contributed \$20,000, or 7.1% of annual covered payroll. 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 annual required contribution for the current fiscal year was determined as part of the December 31, 2012 actuarial valuation using the projected unit credit actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) 5.00% investment rate of return and (b) projected salary increases ranging from 4.25% to 7.85% per year. The inflation component of 3.00%. The assumptions did not include post-retirement benefit increases. The actuarial value of assets was market value. The remaining amortization period at December 31, 2012 was 18 years.

##### Three-Year Trend Information

Year Ended June 30	Annual Pension Cost (APC)	Percentage of APC Contributed	Net Pension Asset
2012	\$ 11,165	382.53%	\$ (11,299)
2013	12,689	307.35%	(39,535)
2014	18,075	110.65%	(39,535)

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

##### Pension Plan and Other Post-Employment Obligations (Continued)

##### Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance (Continued)

*Annual Pension Costs and Net Pension Obligation.* The Town's annual pension cost and net pension obligation to the Separation Allowance for the current year were as follows:

Annual required contribution	\$ 16,892
Interest on net pension obligation	(1,881)
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>3,064</u>
Annual pension cost	18,075
Contributions made for fiscal year ending June 30, 2014	<u>(20,000)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net pension obligation	(1,925)
Net pension asset:	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>(37,610)</u>
End of year - June 30	<u><u>\$ (39,535)</u></u>

The negative amount shown above as the net pension obligation represents asset amounts or prepaid expenses. At year-end, there was no net pension obligation.

*Funded Status and Funding Progress.* As of December 31, 2013, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the Plan was 42.26% funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$176,054, the actuarial value of assets was \$74,392, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$101,662. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the Plan) was \$282,202, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 36.02%.

The Schedule of Funding Progress, presented as required supplementary information following the Notes to the Financial Statements, presents multi-year trend information about whether the actuarial value of Plan assets are increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liability for benefits.

## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)**

##### **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 5% of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the Plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2014 were \$17,459, which consisted of \$14,262 from the Town and \$3,197 from the law enforcement officers.

##### **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), 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 will be a minimum of \$25,000 and will not exceed \$50,000. 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.

# **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

### **NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)**

#### **Pension Plan and Other Post-Employment Obligations (Continued)**

#### **Other Employment Benefits (Continued)**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the Town made contributions to the State for death benefits of \$0. The Town's required contributions for law enforcement officers represented 0.00% of covered payroll, respectively. Due to a surplus in the death benefit, a decision was made by the State to temporarily stop employer contributions to the LGERS Death Benefit Plan beginning July 1, 2012. A temporary relief period based on the number of years the employer had contributed as of December 31, 2010 was established by the State. The period of reprieve is determined separately for law enforcement officers. The Town contributed more than 20 years and was relieved for three years. Contributions will resume in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.

#### **Deferred Compensation Plans**

The Town also offers, to employees not engaged in law enforcement, a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). Employee participation is discretionary and is limited to the amount allowable under the Internal Revenue Code. For each qualified employee, the Town contributes 5% of the employee's pre-tax annual compensation to the Plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2014 were \$39,464, which consisted of \$24,625 from the Town and \$14,839 from the employees. A separate report was not issued for the Plan because the required contributions are considered immaterial to the financial statements.

#### **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Unearned Revenues**

The amount of deferred outflows of resources is an unamortized deferred charge on refunding for the Water and Sewer Funds' bond refunded in fiscal year 2013. The amount on the government-wide and fund financial statement is \$116,072.

The balance in deferred inflows of resources (unavailable revenue) on the fund financial statement and unearned revenue on the government-wide statement at year-end is composed of the following elements:

	<u>Unavailable Revenues</u>	<u>Unearned Revenues</u>
<b>General Fund:</b>		
Deferred inflows:		
Taxes receivable, net	\$ <u>6,641</u>	\$ <u>-</u>



## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)**

##### **Risk Management**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town purchases commercial coverage from a private insurer. Through this coverage, the Town obtains general liability of \$3 million, excess liability coverage of \$2 million, auto liability of \$1 million per occurrence, and blanket property damage coverage for replacement cost up to \$6.7 million per year. workers' compensation coverage up to the statutory limits is provided by a private insurer.

As the Town does not have structures within an area required by FEMA to carry flood insurance, we have elected not to carry flood insurance.

The Finance Officer and Tax Collector are individually bonded for \$60,000 and \$10,000, respectively.

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

##### **Long-Term Obligations**

##### **General Obligation Indebtedness – Enterprise Funds**

The Town's Water Fund and Sewer Fund issued general obligation bonds in 1995 to provide funds for the purchase of the water and sewer systems from a private company, Carolina Water Service. The remainder of the bond amount was used in 1999 for sewer upgrades and to extend water lines and install hydrants to afford fire protection throughout the Town. The 2004 bond refunding resulted in a savings of \$2,484,429 and shortened the length of the original general obligation debt by twelve years. The bonds were refunded once again in 2013, which resulted in another savings of \$274,678. The terms of the new debt remains unchanged from the 2004 Series, with maturity in 2027. These bonds, which are recorded in the Water and Sewer Funds, are collateralized by the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the Town. Principal and interest payments are appropriated when due.

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

#### General Obligation Indebtedness – Enterprise Funds (Continued)

The Town's general obligation bonds payable at June 30, 2014 are comprised of the following:

##### Serviced by the Water Fund:

\$1,588,336 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-Series 2013, due on June 1 in installments beginning June 1, 2014 through June 1, 2027; interest varying from 2% to 3% \$ 1,574,921

##### Serviced by the Sewer Fund:

\$1,371,664 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-Series 2013, due on June 1 in installments beginning June 1, 2014 through June 1, 2027; interest varying from 2% to 3% 1,360,079

Total general obligation bonds \$ 2,935,000

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the general obligation bonds are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Serviced by the Water Fund		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 110,006	\$ 36,517	\$ 146,523
2016	110,006	34,317	144,323
2017	115,372	32,116	147,488
2018	115,372	29,809	145,181
2019	118,056	27,502	145,558
2020-2024	630,524	100,750	731,274
2025-2027	375,585	22,617	398,202
Total	<u>\$ 1,574,921</u>	<u>\$ 283,628</u>	<u>\$ 1,858,549</u>

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

#### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

##### Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

##### General Obligation Indebtedness – Enterprise Funds (Continued)

Year Ending June 30	Serviced by the Sewer Fund		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 94,994	\$ 31,533	\$ 126,527
2016	94,994	29,633	124,627
2017	99,628	27,734	127,362
2018	99,628	25,741	125,369
2019	101,944	23,748	125,692
2020-2024	544,476	87,000	631,476
2025-2027	324,415	19,533	343,948
Total	<u>\$ 1,360,079</u>	<u>\$ 244,922</u>	<u>\$ 1,605,001</u>

##### Statutory Debt Limitation

The Town is subject to the Municipal Finance Law of North Carolina which limits the amount of net bonded debt (exclusive of revenue and special assessment bonds). The Town may have outstanding to 8% of the appraised value of property subject to taxation. At June 30, 2014, the Town's legal debt margin was approximately \$25,900,000.

##### Deferred Bond Refunding Charges/Premium

The Town had \$125,000 unamortized bond refunding charges and \$156,022 premium from the 2013 advanced refunding issue. This amount is reported as a deferred outflow of resources on the Statement of Net Position. At June 30, 2014, the remaining unamortized balances for the refunding charge and premium were \$116,072 and \$144,878, respectively.

# TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

### NOTE 2 – Detail Notes on All Funds (Continued)

#### Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

#### Long-Term Obligation Activity

The following is a summary of changes in the Town's governmental activities long-term debt:

	<u>June 30, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>Current Maturities</u>
<b>By Type:</b>					
Compensated absences	\$ 34,119	\$ 32,651	\$ (30,854)	\$ 35,916	\$ 30,530

The following is a summary of changes in the Town's business-type activities long-term debt:

	<u>June 30, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>Current Maturities</u>
<b>By Type:</b>					
<b>Water Fund:</b>					
General obligation bonds	\$ 1,682,244	\$ -	\$ (107,323)	\$ 1,574,921	\$ 110,006
Unamortized premium					
on bonds	83,721	-	(5,980)	77,741	5,980
Compensated absences	4,680	4,863	(4,522)	5,021	3,765
Total Water Fund	<u>1,770,645</u>	<u>4,863</u>	<u>(117,825)</u>	<u>1,657,683</u>	<u>119,751</u>
<b>Sewer Fund:</b>					
General obligation bonds	1,452,756	-	(92,677)	1,360,079	94,994
Unamortized premium					
on bonds	72,301	-	(5,164)	67,137	5,164
Compensated absences	4,790	5,064	(4,711)	5,143	3,860
Total Sewer Fund	<u>1,529,847</u>	<u>5,064</u>	<u>(102,552)</u>	<u>1,432,359</u>	<u>104,018</u>
<b>Total business-type activities</b>	<u>\$ 3,300,492</u>	<u>\$ 9,927</u>	<u>\$ (220,377)</u>	<u>\$ 3,090,042</u>	<u>\$ 223,769</u>

Compensated absences and pension obligations typically have been liquidated in the General Fund. Compensated absences are accounted for on a FIFO (first-in, first-out) basis.

## **TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

#### **NOTE 3 – Federal and State-Assisted Programs**

The Town has received proceeds from 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 agreement. 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 4 – Reimbursement of General Fund Expenditures**

The Town's Water Fund and Sewer Fund receive the benefit of administrative services and other employees paid for by the General Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund each reimbursed the General Fund \$76,822 in accordance with the Town's indirect cost plan. The reimbursement was reported as expenses in the Water Fund and Sewer Fund and as a reduction of expenditures in the General Fund.

The Town's General Fund receives the benefit of the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund employees. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the General Fund reimbursed the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund \$30,237 each, in accordance with the Town's indirect cost plan. The reimbursement was reported as expenditures in the General Fund and as a reduction of expenses in the Water Fund and the Sewer Fund.



## **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

This section contains additional information required by generally accepted accounting principles.

Schedule of Funding Progress for the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

Schedule of Employer Contributions for the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

Notes to the Required Schedules for the Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance





## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE -  
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

## Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets A	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) - Projected Unit Credit B	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) B - A	Funded Ratio A / B	Covered Payroll C	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((B - A) / C)
12/31/2013	\$ 74,392	\$ 176,054	\$ 101,662	42.26%	\$ 282,202	36.02%
12/31/2012	56,488	215,534	159,046	26.21%	276,170	57.59%
12/31/2011	39,569	141,287	101,718	28.01%	231,482	43.94%
12/31/2010	31,561	111,014	79,470	28.43%	239,398	33.20%
12/31/2009	23,520	95,895	72,388	24.53%	233,647	30.98%
12/31/2008	15,404	68,636	53,232	22.44%	224,084	23.76%
12/31/2007	7,154	54,173	47,019	13.21%	218,836	21.49%
12/31/2006	-	45,773	45,773	0.00%	211,535	21.64%

## Schedule of Employer Contributions

Year Ended June 30	Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	Percentage of ARC Contributed
2014	\$ 16,892	118.40%
2013	12,551	310.73%
2012	11,361	375.94%
2011	10,077	79.39%
2010	8,257	96.89%
2009	7,314	109.38%
2008	6,901	101.43%
2007	5,947	0.00%
2006	N/A	0.00%

## Notes to the Required Schedules:

The information presented above was determined as part of the actuarial valuations at the dates indicated.  
Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows:

Valuation date	12/31/2013
Actuarial cost method	Projected unit credit
Amortization method	Level dollar closed
Remaining amortization period	17 years
Asset valuation method	Market value
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return *	5.00%
Projected salary increases *	4.25% - 7.85%
Cost of living adjustments	N/A

\* Includes inflation at 3.00%



## **GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund accounts for the resources traditionally associated with government that are not required legally or by sound financial management to be accounted for in other funds.



## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Capital Reserve Fund</u>	<u>Eliminations</u>	<u>Total General Fund</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 918,326	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 918,326
Other taxes and licenses	387,091	-	-	387,091
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	160,931	-	-	160,931
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	109,303	-	-	109,303
Permits and fees	7,189	-	-	7,189
Sales and services	81,034	-	-	81,034
Investments earnings	223	20	-	243
Total revenues	<u>1,664,097</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,664,117</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government	527,309	-	-	527,309
Public safety	538,998	-	-	538,998
Transportation	368,962	-	-	368,962
Environmental protection	97,760	-	-	97,760
Recreation	50,748	-	-	50,748
Total expenditures	<u>1,583,777</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,583,777</u>
Revenue over (under) expenditures	<u>80,320</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>80,340</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Transfers out	(105,000)	(188,283)	293,283	-
Transfers in	<u>188,283</u>	<u>105,000</u>	<u>(293,283)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>83,283</u>	<u>(83,283)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balance	163,603	(83,263)	-	80,340
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>1,364,560</u>	<u>312,155</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,676,715</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 1,528,163</u>	<u>\$ 228,892</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,757,055</u>

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**GENERAL FUND**

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**

**IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

**WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	2014			2013
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
<b>Revenues:</b>				
<b>Ad Valorem Taxes:</b>				
Taxes	\$ 870,998	\$ 918,326	\$ 47,328	\$ 874,300
<b>Other Taxes and Licenses:</b>				
Local option sales tax	277,515	287,050	9,535	281,838
Hold harmless tax	73,260	82,241	8,981	77,840
Telecommunications sales tax	21,035	17,800	(3,235)	20,762
Total other taxes and licenses	371,810	387,091	15,281	380,440
<b>Unrestricted Intergovernmental Revenues:</b>				
Utility franchise tax	73,529	80,300	6,771	75,996
Video programming	66,935	66,996	61	66,575
Beer and wine tax	12,485	13,635	1,150	12,694
Total unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	152,949	160,931	7,982	155,265
<b>Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues:</b>				
Federal and State grants	18,370	13,639	(4,731)	55,264
Solid waste disposal tax	2,200	1,755	(445)	1,975
Powell Bill allocation	91,877	93,909	2,032	93,318
Total restricted intergovernmental revenues	112,447	109,303	(3,144)	150,557
<b>Permits and Fees:</b>				
Zoning permits	2,000	2,773	773	1,584
Animal licenses	4,000	3,150	(850)	2,240
Court cost fees	500	1,266	766	480
Total permits and fees	6,500	7,189	689	4,304
<b>Sales and Services:</b>				
Rents and concessions	52,000	54,759	2,759	56,166
Contributions and refunds	1,000	2,726	1,726	1,720
Sale of assets	6,000	7,555	1,555	-
Miscellaneous	13,500	15,994	2,494	19,772
Total sales and services	72,500	81,034	8,534	77,658

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014  
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b>2014</b>			<b>2013</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Over/Under</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Investments Earnings</b>	<u>501</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>(278)</u>	<u>483</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>1,587,705</u>	<u>1,664,097</u>	<u>76,392</u>	<u>1,643,007</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>General Government:</b>				
<b>Governing Body:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	21,984	21,143	841	22,031
Other operating expenditures	10,356	7,752	2,604	9,129
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	<u>(8,451)</u>	<u>(8,450)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(8,450)</u>
Total governing body	<u>23,889</u>	<u>20,445</u>	<u>3,444</u>	<u>22,710</u>
<b>Administration:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	197,392	193,123	4,269	192,709
Other operating expenditures	67,775	63,156	4,619	60,728
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	<u>(48,147)</u>	<u>(48,147)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(51,068)</u>
Total administration	<u>217,020</u>	<u>208,132</u>	<u>8,888</u>	<u>202,369</u>
<b>Finance:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	82,496	81,802	694	81,251
Other operating expenditures	48,849	47,073	1,776	34,848
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	<u>(41,249)</u>	<u>(41,249)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(23,854)</u>
Total finance	<u>90,096</u>	<u>87,626</u>	<u>2,470</u>	<u>92,245</u>
<b>Tax Listing:</b>				
Contracted services	<u>11,323</u>	<u>10,730</u>	<u>593</u>	<u>9,542</u>
<b>Legal:</b>				
Professional services	<u>20,000</u>	<u>18,308</u>	<u>1,692</u>	<u>13,397</u>
<b>Elections:</b>				
Contracted services	<u>7,556</u>	<u>4,928</u>	<u>2,628</u>	<u>-</u>

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**GENERAL FUND**

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**

**IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

**WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	2014			2013
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
<b>Public Buildings:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	14,895	13,860	1,035	13,656
Other operating expenditures	138,750	133,348	5,402	60,102
Total public buildings	153,645	147,208	6,437	73,758
<b>Central Services - Planning:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	56,915	51,820	5,095	45,765
Other operating expenditures	11,850	374	11,476	13,985
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(22,262)	(22,262)	-	-
Total central services - planning	46,503	29,932	16,571	59,750
Total general government	570,032	527,309	42,723	473,771
<b>Public Safety:</b>				
<b>Police:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	434,355	432,773	1,582	420,866
Other operating expenditures	79,612	69,802	9,810	58,074
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(3,917)	(3,918)	1	(3,550)
Capital outlay	30,258	30,223	35	-
Total police	540,308	528,880	11,428	475,390
<b>Animal Control:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	14,809	12,849	1,960	8,539
Other operating expenditures	500	231	269	461
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(2,962)	(2,962)	-	(976)
Total animal control	12,347	10,118	2,229	8,024
Total public safety	552,655	538,998	13,657	483,414
<b>Transportation:</b>				
<b>Powell Bill:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	37,022	32,136	4,886	21,351
Other operating expenditures	6,000	2,317	3,683	4,007
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(7,404)	(7,404)	-	(2,440)
Contracted services	7,000	9,060	(2,060)	6,107
Capital outlay	153,513	153,513	-	140,024
Total Powell Bill	196,131	189,622	6,509	169,049



**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**GENERAL FUND**

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**

**IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

**WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b>2014</b>			<b>2013</b>
	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Over/Under</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Non-Powell Bill:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	51,932	44,986	6,946	29,867
Other operating expenditures	18,181	14,361	3,820	14,063
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(10,366)	(10,366)	-	(3,418)
Utilities	44,000	43,737	263	41,285
Contracted services	48,485	49,871	(1,386)	52,243
Capital outlay	39,266	36,751	2,515	-
Total Non-Powell Bill	191,498	179,340	12,158	134,040
 Total transportation	 387,629	 368,962	 18,667	 303,089
 <b>Environmental Protection:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	22,214	19,281	2,933	12,806
Other operating expenditures	9,500	3,135	6,365	4,379
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(4,443)	(4,442)	(1)	(1,464)
Contracted services	36,960	33,986	2,974	36,251
Capital outlay	45,800	45,800	-	15,792
Total environmental protection	110,031	97,760	12,271	67,764
 <b>Recreation:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	22,213	22,523	(310)	14,025
Other operating expenditures	17,800	16,843	957	18,689
Salaries allocated to Water and Sewer	(4,443)	(4,442)	(1)	(1,464)
Contracted services	6,300	8,059	(1,759)	6,560
Capital outlay	10,000	7,765	2,235	80,750
Total recreation	51,870	50,748	1,122	118,560
 Total expenditures	 1,672,217	 1,583,777	 88,440	 1,446,598
 Revenue over (under) expenditures	 (84,512)	 80,320	 164,832	 196,409

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**GENERAL FUND**

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**

**IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

**WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<u>2014</u>			<u>2013</u>
	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Transfers out	(105,000)	(105,000)	-	(108,000)
Transfers in	188,283	188,283	-	19,212
Appropriated fund balance	1,229	-	(1,229)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>84,512</u>	<u>83,283</u>	<u>(1,229)</u>	<u>(88,788)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	163,603	<u>\$ 163,603</u>	107,621
<b>Fund Balance:</b>				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>1,364,560</u>		<u>1,256,939</u>
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 1,528,163</u>		<u>\$ 1,364,560</u>

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA****CAPITAL RESERVE FUND****SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES****IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL****FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014****WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<u>2014</u>			<u>2013</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Investment income	\$ 367	\$ 20	\$ (347)	\$ 143
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Transfers out	(188,283)	(188,283)	-	(19,212)
Transfers in	105,000	105,000	-	108,000
Contingency	82,916	-	(82,916)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(367)	(83,283)	(82,916)	88,788
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	(83,263)	<u>\$ (83,263)</u>	88,931
<b>Fund Balance:</b>				
Beginning of year - July 1		312,155		223,224
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 228,892</u>		<u>\$ 312,155</u>



## **ENTERPRISE FUNDS**

Enterprise Funds account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of net income is appropriate for accountability purposes.

The Town's Enterprise Funds are comprised of the Water and Sewer Funds which account for the operation of water and wastewater services provided throughout the Town.



**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**ENTERPRISE FUND - WATER FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014  
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	2014			2013
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
<b>Revenues:</b>				
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 567,091	\$ 571,572	\$ 4,481	\$ 581,347
Water taps	2,500	2,500	-	11,250
Other operating revenues	17,359	17,913	554	18,456
Total operating revenues	586,950	591,985	5,035	611,053
<b>Non-Operating Revenues:</b>				
Interest earnings	983	56	(927)	183
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	250
Miscellaneous	-	3,535	3,535	3,106
Total non-operating revenues	983	3,591	2,608	3,539
Total revenues	587,933	595,576	7,643	614,592
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Water Administration:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	118,264	115,780	2,484	144,560
Allocated costs reimbursed by General Fund	(30,237)	(30,237)	-	(30,595)
Operating expenses	138,042	129,742	8,300	98,934
Repairs and maintenance	5,746	3,690	2,056	3,968
Total administration	231,815	218,975	12,840	216,867
<b>Water Operations:</b>				
Operating expenses	54,095	41,318	12,777	49,135
Repairs and maintenance	42,007	31,319	10,688	29,980
Capital outlay	45,709	45,746	(37)	16,719
Total operations	141,811	118,383	23,428	95,834
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
Principal repayment	107,323	107,323	-	88,542
Interest	41,480	41,480	-	82,698
Other costs	-	-	-	40,246
Total debt service	148,803	148,803	-	211,486
Total expenditures	522,429	486,161	36,268	524,187

TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

ENTERPRISE FUND - WATER FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014  
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

	2014			2013
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenue over (under) expenditures	65,504	109,415	43,911	90,405
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Refunding bonds issued	-	-	-	1,588,336
Bond premium	-	-	-	83,721
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	-	-	(1,521,449)
Deferred charge on refunding	-	-	-	67,077
Appropriated fund balance (contingency)	(65,504)	-	65,504	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(65,504)	-	65,504	217,685
Revenue and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ -	109,415	\$ 109,415	\$ 308,090
<b>Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:</b>				
Reconciling items:				
Depreciation		(107,157)		
Amortization		1,189		
Capital outlay		45,746		
Repayment of long-term debt principal		107,323		
Change in net position		\$ 156,516		



**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**ENTERPRISE FUND - SEWER FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014  
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	<b>2014</b>			<b>2013</b>
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance Over/Under</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 562,324	\$ 581,777	\$ 19,453	\$ 577,014
Sewer taps	1,250	2,500	1,250	4,650
Other operating revenues	10,655	13,212	2,557	9,111
Total operating revenues	<u>574,229</u>	<u>597,489</u>	<u>23,260</u>	<u>590,775</u>
<b>Non-Operating Revenues:</b>				
Interest earnings	729	42	(687)	152
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	5,368
Miscellaneous	-	645	645	2,304
Total non-operating revenues	<u>729</u>	<u>687</u>	<u>(42)</u>	<u>7,824</u>
Total revenues	<u>574,958</u>	<u>598,176</u>	<u>23,218</u>	<u>598,599</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
<b>Sewer Administration:</b>				
Salaries and benefits	131,094	129,132	1,962	151,268
Allocated costs reimbursed by General Fund	(30,237)	(30,237)	-	(30,595)
Operating expenses	138,669	132,173	6,496	163,493
Repairs and maintenance	3,600	1,564	2,036	5,344
Total administration	<u>243,126</u>	<u>232,632</u>	<u>10,494</u>	<u>289,510</u>
<b>Sewer Operations:</b>				
Operating expenses	86,970	72,344	14,626	71,180
Repairs and maintenance	70,322	47,772	22,550	39,839
Capital outlay	46,925	44,065	2,860	15,095
Total operations	<u>204,217</u>	<u>164,181</u>	<u>40,036</u>	<u>126,114</u>
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
Principal repayment	92,677	92,677	-	76,458
Interest	35,820	35,820	-	71,771
Other costs	-	-	-	34,754
Total debt service	<u>128,497</u>	<u>128,497</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>182,983</u>
Total expenditures	<u>575,840</u>	<u>525,310</u>	<u>50,530</u>	<u>598,607</u>

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**

**ENTERPRISE FUND - SEWER FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014  
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

	2014			2013
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenue over (under) expenditures	(882)	72,866	73,748	(8)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Refunding bonds issued	-	-	-	1,371,664
Bond premium	-	-	-	72,301
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	-	-	(1,313,551)
Deferred charge on refunding	-	-	-	57,923
Appropriated fund balance	882	-	(882)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	882	-	(882)	188,337
Revenue and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ -	72,866	\$ 72,866	\$ 188,329
<b>Reconciliation from Budgetary Basis (Modified Accrual) to Full Accrual:</b>				
Reconciling items:				
Depreciation		(89,667)		
Amortization		1,027		
Capital outlay		44,065		
Repayment of long-term debt principal		92,677		
Change in net position		\$ 120,968		

## **OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Other financial information includes additional detailed analysis of particular aspects of the Town's financial position and results of operations.

- Schedule of Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable
- Analysis of Current Tax Levy



**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA****SCHEDULE OF AD VALOREM TAXES RECEIVABLE  
JUNE 30, 2014**

<b>Fiscal Year June 30</b>	<b>Uncollected Balance July 1, 2013</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Collections and Credits</b>	<b>Uncollected Balance June 30, 2014</b>
2013-2014	\$ -	\$ 904,777	\$ 900,702	\$ 4,075
2012-2013	9,231	-	7,834	1,397
2011-2012	2,713	-	1,837	876
2010-2011	2,346	-	1,696	650
2009-2010	2,085	-	1,476	609
2008-2009	1,865	-	1,379	486
2007-2008	860	-	-	860
2006-2007	504	-	-	504
2005-2006	541	-	-	541
2004-2005	243	-	-	243
2003-2004	294	-	294	-
Total	<u>\$ 20,682</u>	<u>\$ 904,777</u>	<u>\$ 915,218</u>	<u>\$ 10,241</u>

Less: allowance for uncollectible ad valorem taxes receivable: (3,600)

Ad valorem taxes receivable, net \$ 6,641

**Reconciliation of Collections and Credits with Revenues:**

Ad valorem taxes - General Fund \$ 918,326  
Taxes written off, statute of limitations 294  
Miscellaneous adjustments (3,402)

Total collections and credits \$ 915,218

## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

ANALYSIS OF CURRENT YEAR LEVY - GENERAL FUND PROPERTY TAX  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

	Town-Wide			Total Levy	
	Property Valuation	Rate	Total Levy	Property Excluding Registered Motor Vehicles	Registered Motor Vehicles
Original Levy	\$ 341,733,577	\$ 0.265	\$ 905,594	\$ 806,488	\$ 99,106
Discoveries	471,781	0.265	1,250	1,250	-
Abatements	(779,804)	0.265	(2,067)	(551)	(1,516)
Total property valuation	<u>\$ 341,425,554</u>				
Net Levy			904,777	807,187	97,590
Uncollected taxes at June 30, 2014			(4,075)	(2,748)	(1,327)
Current Year's Taxes Collected			<u>\$ 900,702</u>	<u>\$ 804,439</u>	<u>\$ 96,263</u>
Current Levy Collection Percentage			<u>99.55%</u>	<u>99.66%</u>	<u>98.64%</u>
Prior Year's Collection Percentage			<u>98.95%</u>	<u>99.38%</u>	<u>94.13%</u>

# STATISTICAL SECTION

## (UNAUDITED)

This part of the Town of River Bend's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the government's overall financial health.

### **Financial Trends**

These tables contain trend information to help the reader understand how the government's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.

### **Revenue Capacity**

These tables contain information to help the reader assess the government's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.

### **Debt Capacity**

These tables present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the government's current levels of outstanding debt and the government's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

### **Demographic and Economic Information**

These tables offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the government's financial activities take place.

### **Operating Information**

These tables contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the government's financial report relates to the services the government provides and the activities it performs.

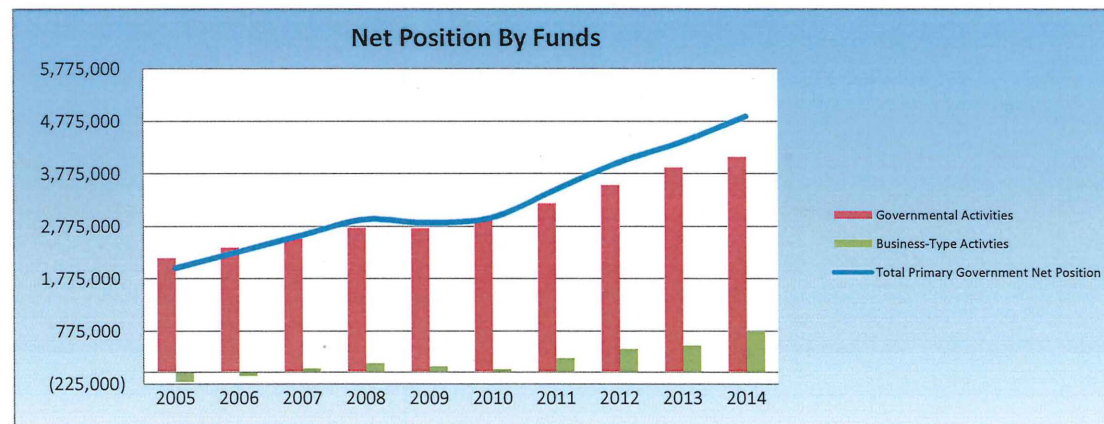
Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the financial statements for the relevant year.





**TABLE 1**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**NET POSITION BY COMPONENT**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
**(accrual basis of accounting)**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Governmental Activities										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 1,398,686	\$ 1,497,350	\$ 1,639,703	\$ 1,676,660	\$ 1,797,362	\$ 1,911,738	\$ 2,064,362	2,082,418	2,192,207	2,327,727
Restricted	87,058	39,938	3,701	39,338	1,432	31,187	89,296	151,533	115,098	139,611
Unrestricted	674,704	823,027	889,176	1,027,172	937,840	953,263	1,060,670	1,321,972	1,582,190	1,627,704
Total Governmental Activities Net Position	2,160,448	2,360,315	2,532,580	2,743,170	2,736,634	2,896,188	3,214,328	3,555,923	3,889,495	4,095,042
Business-Type Activities										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(931,270)	(718,167)	(722,830)	(730,288)	(713,360)	(724,167)	(730,646)	(495,050)	(791,348)	(687,217)
Restricted										
Unrestricted	742,394	644,488	794,858	897,251	820,790	774,247	995,724	932,910	1,287,220	1,460,573
Total Business-type Activities Net Position	(188,876)	(73,679)	72,028	166,963	107,430	50,080	265,078	437,860	495,872	773,356
Primary Government										
Net Investment in Capital Assets	467,416	779,183	916,873	946,372	1,084,002	1,187,571	1,333,716	1,587,368	1,400,859	1,640,510
Restricted	87,058	39,938	3,701	39,338	1,432	31,187	89,296	151,533	115,098	139,611
Unrestricted	1,417,098	1,467,515	1,684,034	1,924,423	1,758,630	1,727,510	2,056,394	2,254,882	2,869,410	3,088,277
Total Primary Government Net Position	1,971,572	2,286,636	2,604,608	2,910,133	2,844,064	2,946,268	3,479,406	3,993,783	4,385,367	4,868,398

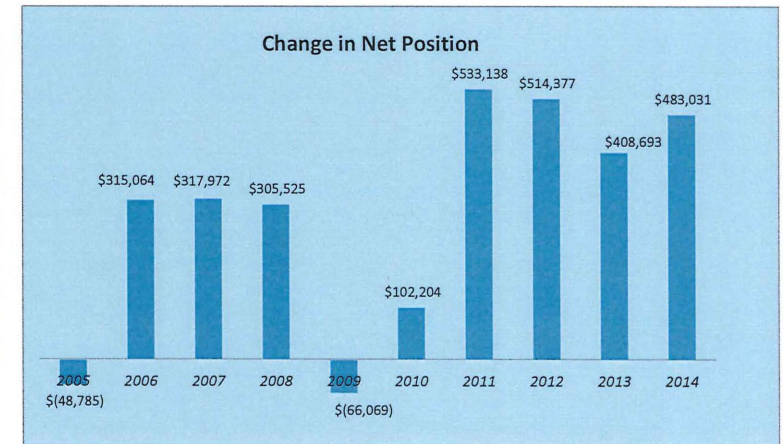
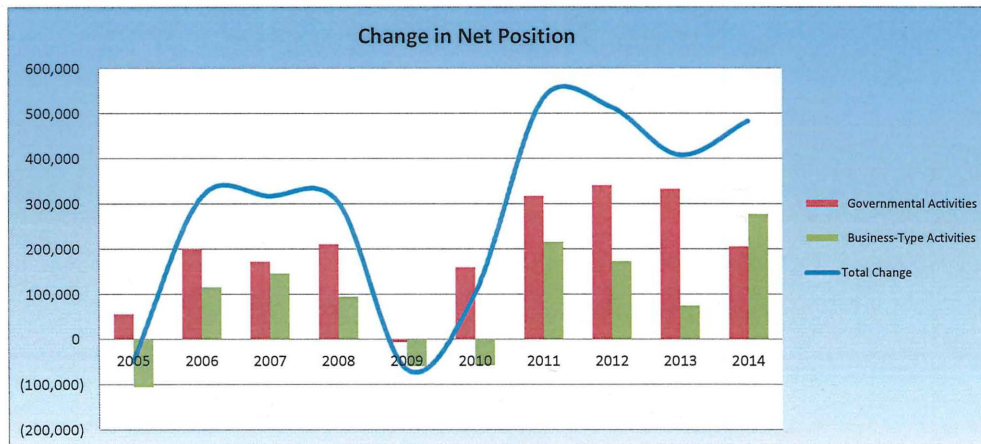


**TABLE 2**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
**(accrual basis of accounting)**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b>Expenses</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
General Government	\$ 387,959	\$ 442,051	\$ 434,563	\$ 483,896	\$ 467,913	\$ 501,046	\$ 492,988	\$ 531,899	\$ 557,376	\$ 617,455
Public Safety	285,575	325,697	332,366	359,958	384,117	404,431	418,392	643,318	472,581	522,568
Environmental Protection	63,986	35,275	43,052	12,085	154,148	49,194	51,301	45,227	188,420	206,270
Transportation	261,959	153,973	171,883	157,234	326,031	162,517	172,681	193,329	51,972	51,960
Cultural and Recreational	28,424	28,202	48,263	59,404	34,709	39,715	40,268	41,676	44,149	49,876
Interest on Long-Term Debt	17,811	14,381	10,807	8,591	6,668	2,795	525	-	-	-
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>1,045,714</b>	<b>999,579</b>	<b>1,040,934</b>	<b>1,081,168</b>	<b>1,373,586</b>	<b>1,159,698</b>	<b>1,176,155</b>	<b>1,455,449</b>	<b>1,314,499</b>	<b>1,448,129</b>
Business-Type Activities:										
Water	494,427	458,745	469,701	476,270	632,884	583,940	505,453	499,053	537,884	439,060
Sewer	555,587	451,422	466,054	488,463	544,872	575,616	521,159	535,959	600,186	477,208
<b>Total Business-Type Activities</b>	<b>1,050,014</b>	<b>910,167</b>	<b>935,755</b>	<b>964,733</b>	<b>1,177,756</b>	<b>1,159,556</b>	<b>1,026,612</b>	<b>1,035,012</b>	<b>1,138,070</b>	<b>916,268</b>
<b>Total Primary Government Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,095,728</b>	<b>\$ 1,909,746</b>	<b>\$ 1,976,689</b>	<b>\$ 2,045,901</b>	<b>\$ 2,551,342</b>	<b>\$ 2,319,254</b>	<b>\$ 2,202,767</b>	<b>\$ 2,490,461</b>	<b>\$ 2,452,569</b>	<b>\$ 2,364,397</b>
<b>Program Revenue</b>										
Governmental Activities:										
Charges for Services										
General Government	104,557	111,107	111,578	120,814	138,440	112,903	86,110	78,215	81,018	86,957
Public Safety	10,375	17,053	14,748	7,551	6,033	200	117	234	480	1,266
Environmental protection	-	-	-	-	-	2,152	-	2,147	1,975	1,755
Operating Grants and Contributions										
General Government	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Safety	1,525	25,318	-	2,886	-	-	-	199,652	636	367
Environmental protection	-	-	-	-	926	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	97,756	96,989	95,154	107,886	97,215	86,525	87,854	90,479	93,318	93,909
Cultural and Recreational	10,000	8,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	2,000	6,000	-	-	-
Capital Grants and Contributions										
Cultural and Recreational	-	-	-	-	-	30,533	680	-	55,092	-
Public Safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,272
<b>Total Governmental Activities Program Revenue</b>	<b>224,213</b>	<b>258,467</b>	<b>231,480</b>	<b>249,137</b>	<b>252,614</b>	<b>234,313</b>	<b>180,761</b>	<b>370,727</b>	<b>232,519</b>	<b>197,526</b>
Business-Type Activities:										
Charges for Services										
Water	470,126	509,929	519,346	546,270	579,459	573,250	609,163	603,094	611,303	591,985
Sewer	412,374	497,402	535,734	492,489	531,017	522,666	630,247	601,786	596,143	597,489
Operating Grants and Contributions	53,957	-	-	-	-	5,491	1,488	2,489	5,410	-
Capital Grants and Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Business-Type Activities Program Revenue</b>	<b>936,457</b>	<b>1,007,331</b>	<b>1,055,080</b>	<b>1,038,759</b>	<b>1,110,476</b>	<b>1,101,407</b>	<b>1,240,898</b>	<b>1,207,369</b>	<b>1,212,856</b>	<b>1,189,474</b>
<b>Total Primary Government Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,160,670</b>	<b>\$ 1,265,798</b>	<b>\$ 1,286,560</b>	<b>\$ 1,287,896</b>	<b>\$ 1,363,090</b>	<b>\$ 1,335,720</b>	<b>\$ 1,421,659</b>	<b>\$ 1,578,096</b>	<b>\$ 1,445,375</b>	<b>\$ 1,387,000</b>
<b>Net (Expense) Revenue</b>										
Governmental Activities	(821,501)	(741,112)	(809,454)	(832,031)	(1,120,972)	(925,385)	(995,394)	(1,084,722)	(1,081,980)	(1,250,603)
Business-Type Activities	(113,557)	97,164	119,325	74,026	(67,280)	(58,149)	214,286	172,357	74,786	273,206
<b>Total Primary Government Net Expense</b>	<b>\$ (935,058)</b>	<b>\$ (643,948)</b>	<b>\$ (690,129)</b>	<b>\$ (758,005)</b>	<b>\$ (1,188,252)</b>	<b>\$ (983,534)</b>	<b>\$ (781,108)</b>	<b>\$ (912,365)</b>	<b>\$ (1,007,194)</b>	<b>\$ (977,397)</b>

TABLE 2 continued  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
**(accrual basis of accounting)**

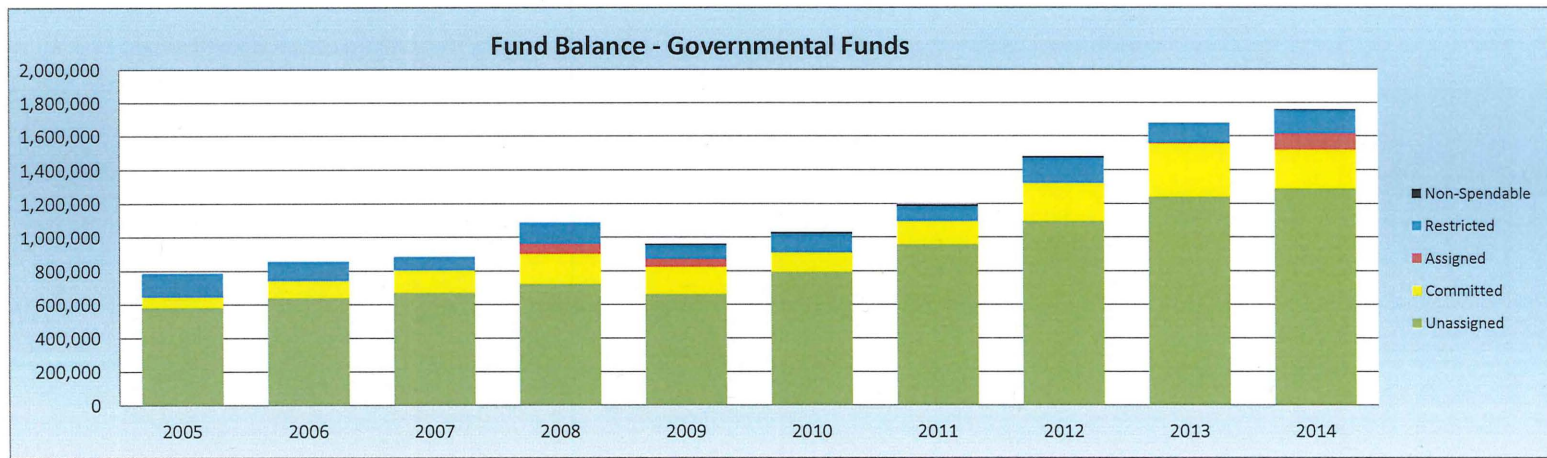
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Position										
Governmental Activities:										
Taxes:										
Property Taxes, levied for general purpose	511,988	515,081	522,687	598,856	680,260	669,688	877,172	876,418	879,221	907,885
Local Option Sales Tax	221,727	270,657	268,183	261,467	253,044	289,062	278,696	373,886	369,175	371,846
Other Taxes and Licenses	130,710	119,732	139,015	151,370	168,304	124,666	156,511	175,331	166,530	176,176
Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Specific Programs										
Investment Earnings, unrestricted	13,097	26,199	41,009	26,561	11,928	1,523	1,155	682	626	243
Miscellaneous, unrestricted	-	9,310	10,825	4,367	900	-	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	877,522	940,979	981,719	1,042,621	1,114,436	1,084,939	1,313,534	1,426,317	1,415,552	1,456,150
Business-Type Activities:										
Investment Earnings, unrestricted	8,751	18,033	26,382	20,909	7,747	799	712	425	335	98
Miscellaneous, unrestricted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,180
Total Business Type Revenues	8,751	18,033	26,382	20,909	7,747	799	712	425	335	4,278
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<b>\$ 886,273</b>	<b>\$ 959,012</b>	<b>\$ 1,008,101</b>	<b>\$ 1,063,530</b>	<b>\$ 1,122,183</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,738</b>	<b>\$ 1,314,246</b>	<b>\$ 1,426,742</b>	<b>\$ 1,415,887</b>	<b>\$ 1,460,428</b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>										
Governmental Activities	56,021	199,867	172,265	210,590	(6,536)	159,554	318,140	341,595	333,572	205,547
Business-Type Activities	(104,806)	115,197	145,707	94,935	(59,533)	(57,350)	214,998	172,782	75,121	277,484
<b>Total Primary Government Change in Net Position</b>	<b>\$ (48,785)</b>	<b>\$ 315,064</b>	<b>\$ 317,972</b>	<b>\$ 305,525</b>	<b>\$ (66,069)</b>	<b>\$ 102,204</b>	<b>\$ 533,138</b>	<b>\$ 514,377</b>	<b>\$ 408,693</b>	<b>\$ 483,031</b>



**TABLE 3**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
**(modified accrual basis of accounting)**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
General Fund										
Non-Spendable:										
Prepaid Items	-	-	-	-	8,935	10,988	10,292	9,315	2,958	3,619
Restricted:										
Streets	85,807	38,636	2,333	37,925	1	31,187	0	0	0	0
Stabilization by State Statute	56,869	76,964	78,462	90,131	81,331	81,071	89,296	151,533	115,098	139,611
Assigned:										
Subsequent years' expenditures	-	-	-	60,260	50,160	0	0	0	6,144	97,322
Unassigned	579,765	638,076	669,175	722,821	662,079	792,592	956,829	1,096,091	1,240,360	1,287,611
Total General Fund	579,765	638,076	669,175	783,081	712,239	792,592	1,056,417	1,256,939	1,364,560	1,528,163
Other Governmental Funds										
Committed										
General Government Capital Outlay	62,876	101,156	133,800	176,559	158,706	114,214	137,598	223,224	312,155	228,892
Total Other Governmental Funds	62,876	101,156	133,800	176,559	158,706	114,214	137,598	223,224	312,155	228,892
<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$ 642,641</b>	<b>\$ 739,232</b>	<b>\$ 802,975</b>	<b>\$ 959,640</b>	<b>\$ 870,945</b>	<b>\$ 906,806</b>	<b>\$ 1,194,015</b>	<b>\$ 1,480,163</b>	<b>\$ 1,676,715</b>	<b>\$ 1,757,055</b>

Amounts shown for Fiscal Years 2010 and prior have been reclassified to conform with GASB Statement 54.





**TABLE 4**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**  
**(modified accrual basis of accounting)**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b>Revenues</b>										
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 512,850	\$ 513,653	\$ 521,713	\$ 596,425	\$ 681,014	\$ 667,826	\$ 875,264	882,943	874,300	918,326
Other Taxes and Licenses	221,727	287,540	290,997	283,652	289,347	289,924	296,192	374,978	380,440	387,091
Unrestricted Intergovernmental	115,271	102,849	116,201	129,185	132,001	123,804	139,015	174,239	155,265	160,931
Restricted Intergovernmental	109,281	130,307	105,154	120,772	108,141	121,210	94,534	276,458	150,557	109,303
Permits and Fees	43,162	49,571	40,378	7,551	6,033	4,557	5,802	8,843	4,304	7,189
Sales and Services	87,381	84,532	96,773	125,181	139,340	110,382	80,425	79,458	77,658	81,034
Investment Earnings	13,097	29,566	41,009	26,561	11,928	1,523	1,155	682	626	243
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	1,102,769	1,198,018	1,212,225	1,289,327	1,367,804	1,319,226	1,492,387	1,797,601	1,643,150	1,664,117
<b>Expenditures</b>										
Current										
General Government	356,756	402,383	416,955	454,754	516,278	437,023	438,331	453,655	473,771	527,309
Public Safety	297,616	311,231	342,383	344,711	373,839	399,050	429,441	667,012	483,414	538,998
Transportation	260,296	272,119	300,460	213,386	305,288	200,523	319,237	274,881	303,089	368,962
Environmental Protection	34,154	35,275	44,815	26,899	154,148	49,194	62,279	60,186	67,764	97,760
Cultural and Recreational	63,986	34,830	43,052	59,404	46,215	84,823	41,482	55,719	118,560	50,748
Capital Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service										
Principal	64,578	58,284	52,700	69,134	91,852	76,979	37,129	-	-	-
Interest	17,811	14,381	10,807	8,591	6,668	2,729	525	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	1,095,197	1,128,503	1,211,172	1,176,879	1,494,288	1,250,321	1,328,424	1,511,453	1,446,598	1,583,777
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 7,572	\$ 69,515	\$ 1,053	\$ 112,448	\$ (126,484)	\$ 68,905	\$ 163,963	\$ 286,148	\$ 196,552	\$ 80,340
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>										
Transfers to Other Funds	(104,529)	(96,087)	(113,774)	(86,335)	(122,935)	(149,163)	(153,800)	(127,500)	(108,000)	(105,000)
Transfers from Other Funds	104,529	96,087	113,774	86,335	122,935	149,163	153,800	127,500	108,000	105,000
Installment Purchase Obligations Issued	-	-	27,885	91,478	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds From Debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,885	\$ 91,478	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 7,572</b>	<b>\$ 69,515</b>	<b>\$ 28,938</b>	<b>\$ 203,926</b>	<b>\$ (126,484)</b>	<b>\$ 68,905</b>	<b>\$ 163,963</b>	<b>\$ 286,148</b>	<b>\$ 196,552</b>	<b>\$ 80,340</b>
Debt Service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	8.53%	8.07%	6.72%	7.97%	7.83%	7.77%	3.53%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

**TABLE 5**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**ASSESSED VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY**  
**Last Ten Years**

Fiscal Year	Assessed Value <sup>(1)</sup>				Property Tax Rate <sup>(3)</sup>	Percent Increase in Value <sup>(4)</sup>
	Real Property	Personal Property <sup>(2)</sup>	Public Service Companies	Total		
2005	199,709,586	33,204,377	1,190,200	234,104,163	0.22	1.7%
2006	199,681,129	33,071,658	1,263,122	234,015,909	0.22	0.0%
2007	202,505,928	33,644,713	1,276,177	237,426,818	0.22	1.5%
2008	205,367,495	33,902,378	1,299,727	240,569,600	0.25	1.3%
2009	209,055,595	32,586,740	1,407,665	243,050,000	0.28	1.0%
2010	209,530,520	30,970,647	1,162,762	241,663,929	0.28	-0.6%
2011	299,654,043	29,153,944	1,580,323	330,388,310	0.265	36.7%
2012	299,057,633	29,643,132	1,611,985	330,312,750	0.265	-0.02%
2013	298,728,561	31,087,835	1,600,952	331,417,348	0.265	0.33%
2014	299,442,588	40,404,718	1,578,248	341,425,554	0.265	3.02%

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> Assessed Value is established by Craven County Tax Department.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes motor vehicles.

<sup>(3)</sup> All tax rates are expressed in dollars of tax per \$100 of assessed valuation.

<sup>(4)</sup> A revaluation of all property is required at least every eight years by North Carolina General Statutes.

The last revaluation was on January 1, 2010 and was the basis for fiscal 2011 taxes.

The calculated tax revenue neutral rate was \$.2169.

The eight-year revaluation of real property became effective with the 2010-11 tax levy. Craven County adopted a six-year revaluation schedule and then a four-year revaluation thereafter which would be 2016 and 2020, effective with fiscal 2016-17 and 2020-21 tax levys.

**TABLE 6**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**PROPERTY TAX RATES - DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENT**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Town of River Bend</u>	<u>County of Craven</u>	<u>West New Bern II (Rhems) Fire District</u>
2005	2004	0.19	0.56	0.0375
2006	2005	0.22	0.61	0.0375
2007	2006	0.22	0.61	0.0375
2008	2007	0.22	0.61	0.0425
2009	2008	0.25	0.61	0.0425
2010	2009	0.28	0.61	0.0475
2011	2010	0.265	0.4728	0.0314
2012	2011	0.265	0.4728	0.0414
2013	2012	0.265	0.47	0.0414
2014	2013	0.265	0.4675	0.0389

Notes:

All tax rates are expressed in dollars of tax per \$100 of assessed valuation.

A revaluation of all property is required every eight years by state statute. The last revaluation occurred in tax year 2010.

The eight-year revaluation of real property became effective with the 2010-11 tax levy. Craven County adopted a six-year revaluation schedule and then a four-year revaluation thereafter which would be 2016 and 2020, effective with fiscal 2016-17 and 2020-21 tax levys.

**TABLE 7**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS**  
**Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

Taxpayer	Type of Business	Fiscal Year 2014			Fiscal Year 2005		
		Assessed Valuation	Rank	Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation	Assessed Valuation	Rank	Percentage of Total Assessed Valuation
Conjer Green, LLC	Country Club and Golf Course	\$ 2,667,340	1	0.81%	\$ 2,517,432	1	1.09%
Pierce Properties #1 LLC	Assisted Living Facility	2,017,800	2	0.61%	1,782,154	2	0.77%
Berit Peck	Residence	1,641,000	3	0.50%	614,170	9	
Progress Energy Carolinas <sup>(2)</sup>	Electricity	1,305,531	4	0.40%	949,790	4	0.41%
Camille Hoffman	Residence	1,210,923	5	0.37%	743,960	5	0.32%
J. Frank Efird	Land Development	967,990	6	0.29%	(1)		
Roland S. & Susan Pridgen	Real Estate	935,950	7	0.28%	684,620	7	0.30%
Taybro LLC	Real Estate	930,910	8		(1)		
RACS Development LLC	Caro-San Maintenance Supplies Store	901,600	9	0.27%	706,463	6	0.31%
Mattocks Family Properties LLC	Land Development	864,790	10	0.26%	1,392,400	3	0.61%
A Properties	Real Estate	(1)			654,700	8	
Jaybird Properties, LLC	Land Development	(1)			582,700	10	0.25%
		\$ 13,443,834		3.79%	\$ 10,628,389		4.07%

Notes:

Source: Craven County Tax Office

<sup>(1)</sup> Not within top ten ranking

<sup>(2)</sup> Formerly known as Carolina Power & Light Company.



**TABLE 8**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Fiscal Year	Tax Year	Taxes Levied for the Fiscal Year	Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Total Collections to Date		
			Amount	Percentage of Levy	Collections in Subsequent Years	Amount	Percentage of Levy
2005	2004	511,975	509,469	99.51%	2,163	511,632	99.93%
2006	2005	514,935	511,119	99.26%	3,110	514,229	99.86%
2007	2006	522,339	518,665	99.30%	3,062	521,727	99.88%
2008	2007	601,424	595,037	98.94%	5,449	600,486	99.84%
2009	2008	680,540	675,807	99.30%	2,522	678,329	99.68%
2010	2009	676,659	668,070	98.73%	6,323	674,393	99.67%
2011	2010	875,528	866,948	99.02%	6,065	873,013	99.71%
2012	2011	875,329	868,772	99.25%	3,844	872,616	99.69%
2013	2012	878,256	869,025	98.95%	7,834	876,859	99.84%
2014	2013	904,777	900,702	99.55%	<sup>(1)</sup>	900,702	99.55%

Notes:

Source: Craven County Tax Office

The eight-year revaluation of real property became effective with the 2010-11 tax levy. Craven County adopted a six-year revaluation schedule and then a four-year revaluation thereafter which would be 2016 and 2020, effective with fiscal 2016-16 and 2020-21 tax levys.

<sup>(1)</sup> Information not yet available

**TABLE 9**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE <sup>(1)</sup>**  
**Last Ten Years**

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities			Business-Type Activities			Total Primary Government	Population <sup>(3)</sup>	Per Capita	Median Household Income (MHI) <sup>(4)</sup>	Percentage of MHI
	General Obligation Bonds	Installment Financing	Capital Leases	General Obligation Bonds	Installment Financing	Capital Leases					
2005	5,000	261,714	-	4,215,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	760	-	4,482,474	2938	1,526	57,602	1.29%
2006	-	208,430	-	4,075,000	-	-	4,283,430	2948	1,453	59,561	1.39%
2007	-	183,615	-	3,940,000	-	-	4,123,615	3028	1,362	61,288	1.49%
2008	-	205,959	-	3,795,000	92,236	-	4,093,195	3075	1,331	63,862	1.56%
2009	-	114,107	-	3,645,000	59,420	-	3,818,527	3110	1,228	63,607	1.67%
2010	-	37,129	-	3,495,000	25,782	-	3,557,911	3162	1,125	48,547	1.36%
2011	-	-	-	3,335,000	-	-	3,335,000	3119	1,069	50,198	1.51%
2012	-	-	-	3,175,000	-	-	3,175,000	3144	1,010	51,031	1.61%
2013	-	-	-	3,135,000 <sup>(5)</sup>	-	-	3,135,000	3119	1,005	51,939	1.66%
2014	-	-	-	2,935,000	-	-	2,935,000	3119	941	<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>

Notes:

- <sup>(1)</sup> The Town does not have any long-term debt that is backed by pledged revenues.
- <sup>(2)</sup> General Obligation Bonds were refunded in 2004. Proceeds were used to pay off the bonds in December 2004. New General Obligation Debt of \$4,900,000 was issued.
- <sup>(3)</sup> N.C. State Demographer, Office of State Budget and Management.
- <sup>(4)</sup> Median household income is adjusted annually after the Decennial Census calendar year by the annual Consumer Price Index - Southern urban consumers.
- <sup>(5)</sup> Series 2004 G.O. bonds were advance refunded in 2013. Proceeds were placed in escrow to pay off the bonds in June 2014. New General Obligation Debt of \$2,960,000 was issued.
- <sup>(6)</sup> Information not yet available.

**TABLE 10**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**COMPUTATION OF LEGAL DEBT MARGIN**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Fiscal Year	Assessed Value	Debt Limit: 8% of Total Assessed Value	Total Net Debt Applicable to Limit	Legal Debt Margin
2005	234,104,163	18,728,333	2,220,637	\$ 16,500,000
2006	234,015,909	18,721,273	2,096,719	\$ 16,600,000
2007	237,426,818	18,994,145	2,009,348	\$ 16,900,000
2008	240,569,600	19,245,568	2,056,737	\$ 17,100,000
2009	243,050,000	19,444,000	1,862,561	\$ 17,500,000
2010	241,663,929	19,333,114	1,682,438	\$ 17,600,000
2011	330,388,310	26,431,065	1,545,385	\$ 24,800,000
2012	330,312,750	26,425,020	1,471,101	\$ 24,900,000
2013	331,417,348	26,513,388	1,452,756	\$ 25,000,000
2014	341,425,554	27,314,044	1,360,079	\$ 25,900,000

Net Debt Calculation for FY2014:

Gross debt:

Installment financing	\$ -
Water & Sewer General Obligation Bonds	2,935,000
Total gross debt	2,935,000
Less: Statutory Deductions	
Water GO Bonds	1,574,921
Amount of debt applicable to limit - net debt	\$ 1,360,079

Note: NC Statute GS 159-55 limits the Town's outstanding debt to 8% of the appraised value of property subject to taxation. The legal debt margin is the difference between the debt limit and the Town's net debt outstanding applicable to the limit, and it represents the Town's legal borrowing authority.

**TABLE 11**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**COMPUTATION OF OVERLAPPING BONDED DEBT**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

Craven County						
General						
Obligation		River Bend	Percentage	Bonded Debt		
Bonds	Assessed	Assessed	Applicable	Applicable to		Per
Outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	Valuation <sup>(1)</sup>	Valuation <sup>(1)</sup>	to Town <sup>(2)</sup>	River Bend	Population	Capita
43,202,088	5,770,565,866	234,104,163	4.06%	1,752,651	2938	597
40,575,535	6,021,600,546	234,015,909	3.89%	1,576,877	2948	535
37,943,982	6,340,906,231	237,426,818	3.74%	1,420,762	3028	469
35,347,429	6,693,478,551	240,569,600	3.59%	1,270,418	3075	413
32,785,876	6,937,167,570	243,050,000	3.50%	1,148,683	3110	369
32,706,707	6,977,756,448	241,663,929	3.46%	1,132,747	3162	358
29,915,363	9,582,126,280	330,388,310	3.45%	1,031,471	3119	331
27,144,019	9,612,789,921	330,312,750	3.44%	932,717	3144	297
24,402,675	9,738,049,583	331,417,348	3.40%	830,502	3119	266
21,711,331	9,443,258,112	341,425,554	3.62%	784,984	3119	252

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> Provided by Craven County Finance Department.

<sup>(2)</sup> Determined by the ratio of assessed value of property subject to taxation in Craven County.

**TABLE 12**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS**  
**Last Ten Years**

Fiscal Year	Population <sup>(1)</sup>	Personal Income (in thousands) <sup>(2)</sup>	Per Capita Personal Income <sup>(3)</sup>	Public School Enrollment <sup>(4)</sup>	Unemployment Rate <sup>(5)</sup>
2005	93,704	2,787,816	29,647	14,523	4.80%
2006	94,848	2,982,933	31,358	14,609	4.70%
2007	96,278	3,127,526	32,470	14,632	4.40%
2008	96,471	3,387,208	35,075	14,538	4.30%
2009	97,757	3,518,259	36,121	14,597	6.00%
2010	100,271	3,625,636	36,798	14,513	9.80%
2011	103,951	3,727,434	35,867	14,817	10.50%
2012	104,965	3,836,260	36,610	14,749	11.00%
2013	105,179			14,606	9.70%
2014	104,435	<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(6)</sup>	14,472	9.00%

Notes: Information not available for Town of River Bend. Craven County data presented.

<sup>(1)</sup> N.C. State Data Center. Estimates are as of the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Figures are as of the end of the calendar year ended during the fiscal year.

<sup>(3)</sup> Information is not available for Town of River Bend. County data is from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

<sup>(4)</sup> N.C. Department of Public Instruction, First Month Average Daily Membership.

<sup>(5)</sup> N.C. Employment Security Commission, Annual Average as of the end of the calendar year ended during the fiscal year.

<sup>(6)</sup> Information not yet available.

**TABLE 13**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS**  
**Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

Employer <sup>(1)</sup>	2014			2005		
	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total County Employment
Department of Defense <sup>(2)</sup>	5,194	1	13.63%	1,000+	1	N/A
CarolinaEast Health Systems	2,180	2	5.72%	1,000+	3	N/A
Craven County Schools	1,961	3	5.14%	1,000+	2	N/A
BSH Home Appliances	950	4	2.49%	1,000+	5	N/A
State of North Carolina	923	5	2.42%	500-999	7	N/A
Wal-Mart	830	6	2.18%	500-999	10	N/A
Moen Incorporated	665	7	1.74%	500-999	6	N/A
Craven County	607	8	1.59%	500-999	8	N/A
City of New Bern	475	9	1.25%			
Craven Community College	420	10	1.10%	500-999	9	N/A
Hatteras Yachts (Brunswick Corp)				1,000+	4	N/A
	<u>14,205</u>		<u>37.27%</u>			

Notes: Information not available for Town of River Bend. Craven County data presented.

Source: N.C. Employment Security Commission.

<sup>(1)</sup> Information is not available for Town of River Bend. County data is from the Craven County Economic Development Commission and N.C. Employment Security Commission.

<sup>(2)</sup> Excludes 9,419 active military personnel based in Craven County. It includes civilian employment at the Fleet Readiness Center, Naval Health Clinic, 2nd MAW, and MCAS Cherry Point. The amount shown includes employees from all counties.

**TABLE 14**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**EMPLOYEE POSITION AUTHORIZATION BY DEPARTMENT**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

<u>Full-time Equivalent Employees as of June 30</u>										
<u>Department</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
General government:										
Administration	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Finance	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Zoning				1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Public Works	2	2	2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	3
Public safety- Police	4.96	5	5.11	5.17	5.26	5.40	5.48	5.39	5.36	6.48
Water/Sewer:										
Finance	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Utility Operators	3	3	3.6	3.6	3.6	4	4	4	4	3
Total	<u>14.96</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.71</u>	<u>17.27</u>	<u>17.36</u>	<u>17.90</u>	<u>17.98</u>	<u>17.89</u>	<u>17.86</u>	<u>18.48</u>

Source: Town of River Bend Finance Department

**TABLE 15**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**CAPITAL ASSET STATISTICS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM**  
**Last Ten Years**

Function/Program	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Public Safety - Police										
Police Stations	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Patrol Units	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Cultural and Recreational										
Recreation and Parks										
Number of Parks	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	5
Number of Picnic Shelters	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Public Works and Utilities										
Miles of Paved Streets	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48
Water										
Number of Hydrants	107	107	107	108	108	108	108	112	112	112
Water Mains (miles)	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18.86	18.86	18.86
Number of Wells	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Number of Water Towers	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Sewer										
Sewer Lines (miles)	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
Number of Lift Stations	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Number of Treatment Plants	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

Source: Town of River Bend Department Heads.



**TABLE 16**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM**  
**LAST TEN YEARS**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b><u>Police Activity</u></b>										
Violent Crime	38	34	42	59	31	63	60	41	48	58
Property Crime	74	56	48	65	68	101	98	114	134	83
Arrests	88	58	74	76	51	73	76	95	235	252
Motor Vehicle	450	271	290	193	173	199	206	450	827	1,400
Agency Assist	317	350	346	417	313	425	490	506	1,144	691
Quality of Life	576	546	436	433	386	430	524	466	445	297
Community Policing	1,151	1,004	1,142	1,124	1,153	1,635	1,903	3,444	13,245	15,079
Total Activity	2,694	2,319	2,378	2,367	2,175	2,926	3,357	5,116	16,078	17,860
<b><u>Roadway Maintenance</u></b>										
Miles of Paved Road	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48	16.48
Miles of Road Resurfaced	2.04	1.3	0.78	0.16	0.75	0.34	0.50	0.45	0.52	0.53
<b><u>Zoning</u></b>										
Permits Issued	78	121	87	112	59	49	69	89	26	54
New Residences	9	18	13	2	1	0	2	1	2	1
<b><u>Water</u></b>										
Treatment Capacity	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000	337,625,000
Water Treated	107,369,000	99,526,000	102,798,000	84,634,000	71,429,000	78,267,000	74,885,000	75,801,000	78,471,000	90,976,000
Number of Water Customers	1,251	1,272	1,299	1,315	1,313	1,335	1,352	1409	1411	1423
<b><u>Wastewater</u></b>										
Treatment Capacity	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000	120,450,000
Wastewater Treated	49,016,000	57,330,000	59,515,000	56,752,000	49,300,000	46,230,000	45,063,000	36,784,000	32,081,000	35,094,000
Number of Sewer Customers	902	906	915	919	912	924	930	936	950	961
<b><u>Leaf and Limb</u></b>										
Total Tons Collected <sup>(1)</sup>	494.72 <sup>(2)</sup>	177.25	309.11	186.83	349.63	249.41	241.82	149.01	257.50	222.93

Notes:

Source: Town of River Bend Department Heads.

<sup>(1)</sup> Does not include tonnage picked up after a storm event in which the Town received disaster assistance funds.

<sup>(2)</sup> Hurricane Charley created an additional 240 tons of debris, but was not declared a disaster.

**TABLE 17**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**INSURANCE IN FORCE**  
**July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014**

Type of Coverage	Details of Coverage
Worker's Compensation	1,000,000 Bodily Injury by Accident- Each Accident 1,000,000 Bodily Injury by Disease- Each Accident 1,000,000 Bodily Injury by Disease- Coverage Limit
General Liability	1,000,000 Each Occurance 3,000,000 General Aggregate 1,000 Deductible
Umbrella Liability	2,000,000 Liability Limit Each Occurance
Law Enforcement Liability	1,000,000 Each Occurance 3,000,000 General Aggregate 1,000 Deductible
Public Officials Liability	1,000,000 Each Occurance 3,000,000 General Aggregate 2,500 Deductible
Public Employee Blanket Bond	20,000 Indemnification 0 Deductible
Public Official Bond	
Tax Collector	10,000 Liability
Finance Officer	60,000 Liability 0 Deductible
Real and Personal Property	7,022,006 Covered Cause of Loss 1,000 Deductible per Occurance Includes Boiler & Machinery
Computer Equipment/Media	500,000 Limits of Coverage 500 Deductible
Scheduled Equipment	50,600 Scheduled Equipment 500 Deductible
Automobile Liability	1,000,000 Per Occurance 1,000 Deductible
Automobile Comprehensive	N/A Actual Cash Value Valuation 100 Deductible
Automobile Collision	N/A Actual Cash Value Valuation 500 Deductible

Source: River Bend Finance Department

**TABLE 18**  
**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**UTILITY RATE INFORMATION**  
**Fiscal Year 2014 Approved Operating Budget Ordinance**

WATER RATES

	METER SIZE			
	3/4"	1"	2"	4"
Customer Base Charge per month	18.24	38.40	112.32	354.24
Initial Connection (Tap Fee) <sup>(1)</sup>	1,250.00	1,500.00	3,500.00	5,000.00
Disconnection for non-payment	35.00	50.00	50.00	100.00
Reconnect following non-payment	35.00	50.00	50.00	100.00
New Customer Capital Investment Fee (CIF)	2,600.00	6,500.00	20,800.00	67,600.00
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$ 4.02			
Fire Hydrant Availability Annual Charge	\$ 207.00			

SEWER RATES

	METER SIZE			
	3/4"	1"	2"	4"
Customer Base Charge per month	22.63	46.26	132.88	416.38
Initial Connection (Tap Fee) <sup>(1)</sup>	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
New Customer Capital Investment Fee (CIF)	1,500.00	3,750.00	12,000.00	39,000.00
Usage Charge per 1,000 gallons	\$ 8.50			

<sup>(1)</sup> Minimum charge; applicant shall pay the actual cost if it exceeds the published fee.



## **COMPLIANCE SECTION**



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## **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***

### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the Town Council  
Town of River Bend, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of River Bend, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 20, 2014.

### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of River Bend'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's 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 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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of River Bend's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, non-compliance 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 non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town'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 Town's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A.*

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Hickory, North Carolina  
October 20, 2014



## TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA

### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

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

##### Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      X   No
- Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      X   None Reported

Non-compliance material to financial statements noted? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      X   No

#### II. Findings Related to the Audit of the Basic Financial Statements

None reported.

**TOWN OF RIVER BEND, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

N/A – no prior year findings.