

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**December 31, 2023**

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## MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPORTING

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. Financial statements are not precise since they include certain amounts based on estimates and judgments. When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances, in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects.

The Village maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls of high quality, consistent with reasonable cost. Such systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and the Village's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The Village Council is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements.

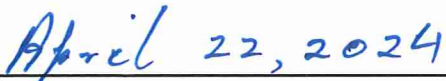
The Audit Committee reviews the Village's financial statements and recommends their approval to Village Council. The Audit Committee meets periodically with management, as well as the external auditors, to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting issues, to satisfy themselves that each party is properly discharging their responsibilities, and to review the financial statements and the external auditors' report. The Mayor and Council take this information into consideration when approving the financial statements for issuance to the residents. The Mayor and Council also consider the engagement of the external auditors.

The financial statements have been audited by Grant Thornton LLP in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards on behalf of the ratepayers. Grant Thornton LLP has full access to the Council and management.

On behalf of The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft



Yoginder Bhalla, CFO



Date

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Mayor and Council,  
THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT (the Village), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, and the statement of accumulated surplus, statement of operations, statement of change in net financial assets and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT as at December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations, changes in its net financial assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

### **Basis for Opinion**

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

### **Other Matter**

We draw attention to the fact the supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 10 do not form part of the financial statements. We have not audited or reviewed this supplementary information and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a review conclusion or any other form of assurance on this supplementary information.

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

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

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

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

*Grant Thornton LLP*

Chartered Professional Accountants


Kamloops, Canada  
April 22, 2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**December 31, 2023**

<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 6)	\$ 694,368	\$ 1,383,062
Restricted cash and cash equivalents (Note 6)	4,866,273	3,391,818
Accounts receivable (Note 7)	807,912	447,120
Taxes and utilities receivable	<u>283,322</u>	<u>257,833</u>
	<u><b>6,651,875</b></u>	<u><b>5,479,833</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	679,145	615,074
Deferred revenue (Note 8)	81,500	7,167
Asset retirement obligation (Note 9)	<u>232,826</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u><b>993,471</b></u>	<u><b>622,241</b></u>
<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>5,658,404</b></u>	<u><b>4,857,592</b></u>
<b>NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Tangible capital assets (Note 10)	19,343,733	17,649,825
Prepaid expenses	<u>29,610</u>	<u>48,792</u>
	<u><b>19,373,343</b></u>	<u><b>17,698,617</b></u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Note 11)</b>	<u><b>\$ 25,031,747</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 22,556,209</b></u>

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 12)

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

  
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 Yoginder Bhalla, CFO

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATEMENT OF ACCUMULATED SURPLUS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023

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	<b>2023</b>	2022
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, beginning of year	<b>\$ 22,556,211</b>	\$ 21,306,706
ANNUAL SURPLUS	<u><b>2,475,536</b></u>	<u>1,249,505</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, end of year</u>	<u><b>\$ 25,031,747</b></u>	<u>\$ 22,556,211</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023

	Budget (Note 17)	2023	2022
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Municipal taxation (Note 14)	\$ 1,748,414	<b>\$ 1,889,377</b>	\$ 1,708,939
Sales of services	1,317,500	<b>1,332,361</b>	1,283,021
Government transfers (Note 15)	2,901,500	<b>2,910,147</b>	1,890,446
Licenses, permits, penalties and fines	213,732	<b>479,140</b>	267,377
	<u>6,181,146</u>	<u><b>6,611,025</b></u>	<u>5,149,783</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
General government services	1,611,254	<b>632,250</b>	605,006
Protective services	221,030	<b>181,017</b>	195,138
Transportation services	730,830	<b>752,426</b>	695,143
Environmental and public health services	337,406	<b>268,282</b>	284,344
Recreational and cultural services	1,019,222	<b>936,163</b>	863,101
Water and sewer services	1,359,842	<b>1,365,351</b>	1,257,546
	<u>5,279,584</u>	<u><b>4,135,489</b></u>	<u>3,900,278</u>
<b>ANNUAL SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 901,562</b>	<b>\$ 2,475,536</b>	<b>\$ 1,249,505</b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023

	Budget	<b>2023</b>	2022
ANNUAL SURPLUS	\$ 901,562	<b>\$ 2,475,536</b>	\$ 1,249,505
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(2,812,000)	<b>(2,351,593)</b>	(1,161,195)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	606,959	<b>657,687</b>	613,595
Change in prepaid expenses	-	<b>19,182</b>	(14,834)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	(1,303,479)	<b>800,812</b>	687,071
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, beginning of year	4,857,592	<b>4,857,592</b>	4,170,521
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, end of year	\$ 3,554,113	<b>\$ 5,658,404</b>	\$ 4,857,592

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Annual surplus	\$ 2,475,536	\$ 1,249,505
Non-cash changes to operations:		
Amortization	657,687	613,595
(Increase) decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	(360,792)	210,689
Taxes and utilities receivable	(25,489)	(64,426)
Prepaid expenses	19,182	(14,834)
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	64,071	73,700
Deferred revenue	74,333	(233,580)
Asset retirement obligation	232,826	-
Cash flows from operations	<u>3,137,354</u>	<u>1,834,649</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	<u>(2,351,593)</u>	<u>(1,161,195)</u>
Cash flows used in capital	<u>(2,351,593)</u>	<u>(1,161,195)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Statutory reserve fund	(276,923)	(230,601)
Reserve for future expenditures	(1,197,532)	(136,396)
Cash flows used in investing	<u>(1,474,455)</u>	<u>(366,997)</u>
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(688,694)</b>	306,457
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of year</b>	<b><u>1,383,062</u></b>	<b><u>1,076,605</u></b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 694,368</b>	<b>\$ 1,383,062</b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
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**NOTE 1. ENTITY:**

The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft was incorporated in 1952 under the Municipal Act, a statute of the Province of British Columbia. Its principal activities include the provision of local government services to the residents of the incorporated area. These services include administrative, protective, transportation, environmental, recreational, water, sewer and fiscal services.

**NOTE 2. ADOPTION OF NEW STANDARDS:**

Effective January 1, 2023, The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft adopted new Public Sector Accounting Standards Sections PS 3450 Financial Instruments, PS 3041 Portfolio Investments, PS 2601 Foreign Currency Translation and Section 1201 Financial Statement Presentation along with the related amendments. New Section PS 3450 requires the fair value measurement of derivatives and portfolio investments in equities quoted in an active market. All other financial assets and liabilities are measured at cost or amortized cost (using the effective interest method), or, by policy choice, at fair value when the entity defines and implements a risk management or investment strategy to manage and evaluate the performance of a group of financial assets, financial liabilities or both on a fair value basis. For items denominated in a foreign currency, unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses between the transaction date and subsequent financial statement dates are recognized in the statement of remeasurement gains and losses until they are settled, upon which they are recognized in the statement of operations.

The measurement requirements were applied prospectively. The recognition, derecognition, and measurement policies followed in the comparative period had no impact on the comparative figures.

Prospective restatement

Effective January 1, 2023, the Village adopted new Public Sector Accounting Standard Section PS 3280 *Asset Retirement Obligations* (ARO) which recognizes legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible capital assets. The financial statements of the comparative year have not been restated to reflect this change in the accounting policy, which has been applied prospectively. Under the prospective application method, all ARO incurred before and after the transition date have been recognized/adjusted in accordance with the standard. For those tangible capital assets in productive use, there was a related increase in the carrying amount of the related tangible capital asset by the same amount; for those tangible capital assets no longer in productive use, an expense was recognized for the same amount as the liability.

**NOTE 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

Basis of Presentation:

The financial statements are the responsibility of management and prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards (PSAS). The preparation of these financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates based on management's judgment, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting period cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods. These financial statements include the operations of the General, Water, Sewer, and Reserve Funds.

Basis of Accounting:

The Village's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

Cash and Cash Equivalents:

The Village's cash and cash equivalents and pooled bond funds are recorded at fair market value. Short-term investments are held with the Municipal Finance Authority and are held in short term bonds and a money market fund.

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**NOTE 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):**

Non-financial Assets:

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the annual surplus, provides the Change in Net Financial Assets for the year.

a) **Tangible Capital Assets:**

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Major Asset Category

Buildings	20 to 70 years
Machinery and equipment	5 to 25 years
Pool, arena and other facilities	50 to 100 years
Roads	25 to 75 years
Storm sewer	100 years
Plants and facilities	20 to 70 years
Underground networks	100 years

The Village reviews the useful lives and the carrying values of its tangible capital assets at least annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets might be impaired, by reference to the assets' contribution to the Village's ability to provide services. When assets no longer have any long-term service potential to the Village, the assets are considered to be impaired. An impairment loss is measured at the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value, which is estimated as the expected service potential of the assets.

b) **Contributions of Tangible Capital Assets:**

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at their fair value at the date of receipt.

c) **Leases:**

Leases are classified as capital or operating leases. Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as capital leases. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related lease payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

Revenue Recognition:

The Village derives revenues from a number of sources. Revenue is recognized on the accrual basis as it is earned, or as services are provided, and is measurable and becomes receivable under the terms of the applicable funding agreements.

Municipal Taxation:

Annual levies for non-optional municipal services and general administrative services are recorded as taxes for municipal purposes. Levies imposed by other taxing authorities are not included as taxes for municipal purposes. Taxes are recognized as revenue in the year they are levied.

Through the BC Assessment appeal process taxes may be adjusted by way of supplementary roll adjustments. The effect of these adjustments on taxes are recognized at the time they are awarded.

Interest is recorded on the accrual basis and is recognized when earned. Grants, contributions and other amounts received from third parties pursuant to legislation, regulation or agreement and may only be used in the conduct of certain programs, in the completion of specific work or for the purchase of tangible capital assets is recorded as revenue in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services performed, or the tangible capital assets are acquired. All other sources of revenue are recorded as services are provided.

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**NOTE 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):**

Revenues, other than government transfers, that are externally restricted through stipulations imposed by an agreement with an external party, legislation, or regulation that specify the purpose or purpose for which the resources are to be used are deferred on the statement of financial position. The revenue is recognized in the year in which it is used for the specified purpose.

Sales of Services:

Charges for arena, swimming pool, parks, garbage collection, etc. are included in this category. These revenues are recorded on the accrual basis and recognized as earned which is usually when services are provided or facilities are utilized.

Revenue related to fees or services received in advance of the fee being earned or the service performed are deferred and recognized when the fee is earned or service is performed.

Government Transfers:

Government transfers are recognized as revenue in the period that the transfer is authorized, eligibility criteria, if any, has been met by the Village, and a reasonable estimate of the amount to be received can be made.

Licenses, permits, penalties and fines:

Own source revenues derived from such sources as interest income, rental and donations, etc. are recognized upon transfer of title of the product or upon performance of the service and when collectability is reasonably assured.

Municipal Pension Plan:

The Village's pension plan follows the guidelines of the Municipal Pension Plan which is administered by the Province of British Columbia for all British Columbia municipalities. The Village and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (a jointly trustee pension plan). The board of trustees, representing plan members and employers is responsible for administering the plan, including investment assets and administration of benefits. The plan is a multi-employer defined benefit plan. See Note 12 for further details.

Expense Recognition:

Expenses are recorded on the accrual basis and are recognized as they are incurred as a result of the receipt of goods and services or the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

Use of Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates. A significant area requiring management estimates includes the useful life of tangible capital assets. Management reviews these estimates on a periodic basis and, where necessary, makes adjustments prospectively.

Contaminated Sites:

Governments are required to accrue a liability for the costs to remediate a contaminated site. Liabilities are recognized when an environmental standard exists, contamination exceeds the standard, the government has responsibility for remediation, future economic benefits will be given up and a reasonable estimate can be made. The Village has not recognized any liabilities for remediation of contaminated sites.

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**NOTE 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):**

Segment Disclosure:

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. The revenues and expenses that are directly attributable to a particular segment are allocated to that segment. Amounts that are directly attributable to a number of segments have been allocated on a reasonable basis.

The segments are as follows:

**Government Services – Mayor & Council, Finance, and Human Resources:**

The Departments within General Government Services are responsible for adopting bylaws; adopting administrative policy; levying taxes; acquiring, disposing and managing Village assets; ensuring effective financial management; monitoring performance and ensuring that high quality service standards are met.

**Protective Services – Fire Protection:**

Fire Protection includes all of the operating activities for fire prevention and suppression.

**Transportation Services - Public Transit and Street Maintenance:**

Public Transit and Street Maintenance involve the repair and maintenance of the road network and traffic services.

**Environmental and Public Health Services - Waste Management:**

Waste Management includes all of the revenue and expenses related to the collection and disposal of solid waste and community development, tourism and promotional activities.

**Recreational and Cultural Services - Parks, Recreation and Culture:**

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department is responsible for providing, facilitating the development of, and maintaining high quality parks, recreation facilities, and cultural services.

**Water Services - Water Department:**

The Water Department includes all the operating activities related to the treatment and distribution of water throughout the Village.

**Sewer Services - Sewer Department:**

The Sewer Department operates network sewer mains and pump stations.

**Reserve Funds - Statutory Reserve Funds:**

The Statutory Reserve Fund is comprised of the machinery and equipment replacement reserve and capital works reserve.

Financial instruments:

All financial instruments are recorded at their cost or amortized cost except for portfolio investments in equity instruments quoted in an active market and derivatives which are recorded at their fair value with unrealized remeasurement gains and losses recorded in the statement of remeasurement gains and losses. Once realized, remeasurement gains and losses are transferred to the statement of operations. Changes in the fair value on restricted assets are recognized as a liability until the criterion attached to the restrictions has been met, upon which the gain or loss is recognized in the statement of operations.

Transaction costs related to financial instruments measured at cost or amortized cost are added to the carrying value of the financial instrument. Transaction costs related to financial instruments recorded at their fair values are expensed as incurred.

Financial liabilities (or part of a financial liability) are removed from the statement of financial position when, and only when, they are discharged or cancelled or expire.

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**NOTE 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):**

Asset retirement obligations

A liability for an asset retirement obligation is recognized when all of the following criteria are met:

- there is a legal obligation to incur retirement costs in relation to a tangible capital asset;
- the past transaction or event giving rise to the liability has occurred;
- it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up; and
- a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

The liability is measured at the Village's best estimate of the amount required to retire a tangible capital asset (or a component thereof) at the financial statement date. The estimate includes costs directly attributable to the asset retirement activities. The costs also include post-retirement operation, maintenance and monitoring that are an integral part of the retirement of the tangible capital asset and the costs of tangible capital assets acquired as part of asset retirement activities to the extent those assets have no alternative use.

Upon initial recognition of the liability for an asset retirement obligation, the carrying amount of the corresponding tangible capital asset (or component thereof) is increased by the same amount. The capitalized asset retirement cost is expensed in a rational and systematic manner over the useful life of the tangible capital asset (or a component thereof). For obligations for which there is no tangible capital asset recognized or for tangible capital assets that are no longer in productive use, the asset retirement costs are expensed immediately. Subsequently, the liability is reviewed at each financial statement reporting date and adjusted for (1) changes as a result of the passage of time with corresponding accretion expense and (2) adjusted for any revisions to the timing, amount of the original estimate of undiscounted cash flows, or the discount rate. Adjustments to the liability as a result of revisions to the timing, amount of the estimate of undiscounted cash flows or the discount rate are adjusted to the cost of the related tangible capital asset and the revised carrying amount of the related tangible capital asset is amortized except for adjustments related to tangible capital assets that are not recognized or no longer in productive use, which are expensed in the period they are incurred.

The asset retirement costs are amortized on a straight-line basis.

A recovery related to asset retirement obligation is recognized when the recovery can be appropriately measured; reasonably estimated and it is expected that future economic benefits will be obtained. The recovery is not netted against the liability.

Statement of remeasurement gains and losses

The statement of remeasurement gains and losses has not been included in the financial statement as there have been no remeasurement gains or losses as of December 31, 2023 or accumulated gains or losses from prior fiscal periods.

**NOTE 4. FUTURE ACCOUNTING CHANGES**

PS 3400 Revenues

This section establishes standards on how to account for and report on revenue. This section applies to fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2023, with early adoption permitted.

PS 3160 Public private partnerships

This section establishes standards on how to account for and report on public private partnerships. This section applies to fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2023, with early adoption permitted.

PS 1000 Financial Statement Concepts

Section PS 1000 has been amended to remove the prohibition of recognition of purchased intangibles in public sector financial statements. This section applies to fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2023, with early adoption permitted.

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**NOTE 5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:**

Classification

The following table provides the carrying amount information of the Village's financial instruments by category. The maximum exposure to credit risk for the financial assets would be the carrying values shown below.

Financial instrument	<b>2023</b>	2022
	<b>Amortized cost / cost</b>	Amortized cost / cost
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$ 694,368</b>	\$ 1,383,062
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	<b>4,866,273</b>	3,391,818
Accounts receivable	<b>807,912</b>	447,120
Taxes and utilities receivable	<b>283,322</b>	257,833
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<b>679,145</b>	615,074

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Village if a debtor fails to discharge their obligation (e.g., pay the accounts receivable owing to the Village). The Village is exposed to this risk arising from its cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. The Village holds its cash accounts with two federally regulated chartered banks who are insured by the Canadian Deposit Insurance Corporation. In the event of default, the Village's cash accounts are insured up to the full amount with each bank.

Accounts receivable is primarily due from government corporations and individuals. Credit risk is mitigated by the highly diversified nature of the debtors and other customers. The Village measures its exposure to credit risk based on how long the amounts have been outstanding. An impairment allowance is set up based on the Village's historical experience regarding collections. In the current and prior years, all of the impairment allowance related to the other receivables. There were no changes in exposures to credit risk during the period. The amounts outstanding at year end were as follows:

	<b>Current</b>	<b>31-60 days</b>	<b>61-90 days</b>	<b>Over 90 days</b>	<b>Total</b>
Government receivables	\$ 1,072,474	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,072,474
Other accounts receivable	1,534	11,282	506	5,438	18,760
Net receivable	<b>\$ 1,074,008</b>	<b>\$ 11,282</b>	<b>\$ 506</b>	<b>\$ 5,438</b>	<b>\$ 1,091,234</b>

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Village will not be able to meet all cash outflow obligations as they come due. The Village mitigates this risk by monitoring cash activities and expected outflows through extensive budgeting and maintaining investments that may be converted to cash in the near-term if unexpected cash outflows arise.

Interest risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument might be adversely affected by a change in the interest rates. In seeking to minimize the risks from interest rate fluctuations, the Village manages exposure through its normal operation and financing activities. It is management's opinion that the Village is not exposed to significant interest rate risk by its investments.

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**NOTE 6. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Statutory Reserve Fund	\$ 2,608,310	\$ 2,331,387
Reserve for future expenditures	<u>2,257,963</u>	<u>1,060,431</u>
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	<b>4,866,273</b>	3,391,818
Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	<u><b>694,368</b></u>	<u>1,383,062</u>
	<u><b>\$ 5,560,641</b></u>	<u>\$ 4,774,880</u>
Consists of:		
Cash	\$ 2,838,237	\$ 3,174,150
Investments in pooled money market funds	<u>2,722,404</u>	<u>1,600,730</u>
	<u><b>\$ 5,560,641</b></u>	<u>\$ 4,774,880</u>

**NOTE 7. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Province of BC - Sewer Treatment Plant grant	\$ 85,293	\$ 80,738
Province of BC - Hot Tub Replacement grant	-	112,386
Province of BC - Fire Department Hall Retrofit grant	447,278	-
Other	<u>275,341</u>	<u>253,996</u>
	<u><b>\$ 807,912</b></u>	<u>\$ 447,120</u>

**NOTE 8. DEFERRED REVENUE:**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Federal Gas Tax Agreement - Community Works Fund:		
Opening balance of unspent funds	\$ -	\$ 11,352
Add: Amount received during the year	132,384	126,451
Interest earned	190	245
Less: Revenue recognized during the year	<u>(132,574)</u>	<u>(138,048)</u>
Closing balance of unspent funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Funding:		
Interior Health - Heat Alert & Response Planning Project:		
Opening balance unspent funds	-	12,500
Less: Revenue recognized during the year	-	(12,500)
NG911 & Complete Communities grant		
Add: Amount received during the year	71,500	-
Less: Revenue recognized during the year	-	-
NDIT Marketing grant		
Add: Amount received during the year	10,000	-
Less: Revenue recognized during the year	-	-
Closing balance of unspent funds	<u><b>81,500</b></u>	<u>-</u>



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**NOTE 8. DEFERRED REVENUE (continued):**

Sewer Revenue - Rural and Northern Communities Program:

Opening balance of unspent funds	7,167	216,895
Add: Amount received during the year	-	-
Less: Revenue recognized during the year	<u>(7,167)</u>	<u>(209,728)</u>
Closing balance of unspent funds	<u>-</u>	<u>7,167</u>

Total	<u><b>\$ 81,500</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 7,167</b></u>
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a) Community Works Fund:

Community Works funding is provided by the Government of Canada. The use of the funding is established by a funding agreement between the local government and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities. Community Works funding may be used towards designated public transit, community energy, water, wastewater, solid waste and capacity building projects, as specified in the funding agreements.

b) Other Funding:

Other funding has been deferred until related expenses are incurred.

c) Rural and Northern Communities Program:

Clean Water and Wastewater funding is provided jointly by the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia. The use of the funding is established by a funding agreement between the local government and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities. Clean Water and Wastewater funding may be used towards eligible costs of the lift station replacement project as specified in the funding agreements.

**NOTE 9. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION**

The Village has recognized an asset retirement obligation related to potential asbestos remediation in the buildings of the Village of Ashcroft. There are no plans to remediate the asbestos but the carrying value must be tracked.

A reconciliation of the aggregate carrying amount of the liability is as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	
Opening balance	<u>\$ -</u>	
Increase due to new liability incurred in the current period	225,316	
Accretion expense	<u>7,510</u>	
Closing balance	<u><b>\$ 232,826</b></u>	

The liability is estimated using a present value technique that discounts the expected future expenditures. The discount rate used was based on the Municipal Finance Authority of BC's borrowing rate for liabilities with similar risks and maturity of 4.19%.

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NOTE 10. <b>TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>2023</b>	2022
Tangible capital assets consist of the following:		
Land	\$ 656,841	\$ 600,280
Pool, arena and other facilities	2,681,049	1,392,138
Buildings	851,213	662,492
Machinery and equipment	1,309,583	1,181,315
Roads	472,593	440,184
Storm sewer	351,736	356,981
Plants and facilities	12,145,319	12,119,146
Underground networks	875,399	897,289
	<u>\$ 19,343,733</u>	<u>\$ 17,649,825</u>

For additional information, see Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets (Appendix 1).

NOTE 11. <b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS:</b>	<b>2023</b>	2022
Accumulated surplus consists of individual fund surpluses and reserves as follows:		
Surplus from operations	<u>\$ 821,741</u>	<u>\$ 1,514,568</u>
Invested in tangible capital assets	<u>19,343,733</u>	<u>17,649,825</u>
Statutory reserve funds:		
Capital works reserve	2,434,403	2,164,371
Machinery and equipment replacement reserve	173,907	167,016
	<u>2,608,310</u>	<u>2,331,387</u>
Reserves for future expenditure:		
General	363,309	363,309
Fire department	392	387
Roads	61,844	58,866
Transit	96,703	95,357
Growing Community	1,114,768	-
Water	66,504	66,504
Sewer	554,443	476,008
	<u>2,257,963</u>	<u>1,060,431</u>
	<u>\$ 25,031,747</u>	<u>\$ 22,556,211</u>

**NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES:**

a) Operation and Maintenance Agreement:

The Village has an operating lease for a photocopier and maintenance agreements for the water treatment plant and sewer treatment plant.

Future minimum monthly payments as at December 31, 2023, are as follows:

2024	\$ 44,760
2025	18,682
2026	676
	<u>\$ 64,118</u>

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**NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (continued):**

b) The employer and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (a jointly trustee pension plan). The board of trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for administering the plan, including investment of assets and administration of benefits. The plan is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Basic pension benefits are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2023, the plan has about 240,000 active members and approximately 124,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 43,000 contributors from local governments.

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial position of the plan and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the plan. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the plan. This rate may be adjusted for the amortization of any actuarial funding surplus and will be adjusted for the amortization of any unfunded actuarial liability.

The most recent actuarial valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan as at December 31, 2021, indicated a \$3,761 million funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The Village paid \$110,700 (2022 - \$100,674) for employer contributions to the plan in 2023.

The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2024.

Employers participating in the plan record their pension expense as the amount of employer contributions made during the fiscal year (defined contribution pension plan accounting). This is because the plan records accrued liabilities and accrued assets for the plan in aggregate, resulting in no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to individual employers participating in the plan.

c) The Village was approved for a Rural and Northern Communities Program grant in the prior year for the replacement of a sewer lift station. The total project is expected to cost \$1.38 million over five years, with the grant from the Province covering 2/5 of the amount and a grant from Canada covering 3/5 of the amount for a total of \$1.38 million. Total costs on this project to the year-end date are \$1,286,054. Total amounts received as revenue from the grant to the year-end date are \$1,278,089.

**NOTE 13. PERPETUAL CARE TRUST FUND:**

The Village operates a cemetery in accordance with the Cemetery and Funeral Services Act. The Village is required to maintain a trust fund which is not included in these financial statements. Details of the trust funds are as follows:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
BALANCE, beginning of year	\$ 70,102	\$ 66,157
Add:		
Proceeds from sale of plots and monuments	2,782	2,518
Interest earned	3,929	1,427
	<b>\$ 76,813</b>	<b>\$ 70,102</b>
 BALANCE, end of year	 <b>\$ 76,813</b>	 <b>\$ 70,102</b>
 The perpetual care trust fund is represented by:		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 76,813	\$ 70,384
Due to (from) General Revenue Fund	-	(282)
	<b>\$ 76,813</b>	<b>\$ 70,102</b>
	<b>\$ 76,813</b>	<b>\$ 70,102</b>

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**NOTE 14. TAXATION REVENUE:**

The Village is required to collect taxes on behalf of and transfer these amounts to the government agencies noted below:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Tax collected:		
General purposes	\$ 1,889,377	\$ 1,708,939
Collections for other governments	<u>1,372,556</u>	<u>1,228,330</u>
	<u><b>3,261,933</b></u>	<u><b>2,937,269</b></u>
Less transfers to other governments:		
Province of BC - school taxes	858,375	762,741
Thompson-Nicola Regional District	260,910	243,476
Thompson Regional Hospital District	125,253	117,492
Municipal Finance Authority	84	69
BC Assessment Authority	16,695	14,777
Policing	<u>111,239</u>	<u>89,775</u>
	<u><b>1,372,556</b></u>	<u><b>1,228,330</b></u>
	<u><b>\$ 1,889,377</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 1,708,939</b></u>

**NOTE 15. GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS:**

Government transfers are a major source of transfers to the Village. Government transfers received are for completed projects that meet the required criteria as set out by the Government body providing the funding. Government transfers do not include grants in lieu of taxes received from the Federal and Provincial governments. In 2023 the Village received and recorded as revenue the following transfers:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Operating transfers:		
Federal	\$ 132,611	\$ 248,229
Provincial	2,202,170	718,324
Other governments	<u>407,394</u>	<u>395,013</u>
	<u><b>2,742,175</b></u>	<u><b>1,361,566</b></u>
Capital transfers:		
Provincial	<u>167,972</u>	<u>528,880</u>
	<u><b>\$ 2,910,147</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 1,890,446</b></u>

**NOTE 16. CASH FLOW INFORMATION:**

During the year, the Village received \$286,182 (2022 - \$104,314) in interest income.

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**NOTE 17. BUDGET:**

The Financial Plan Bylaw adopted by Council included capital transactions such as acquisition of tangible capital assets, borrowing proceeds for the purchase of capital assets, and debt principal repayments. In addition, internal transfers between services, transfers to reserves, and transfers from surplus were included.

These capital transactions and transfers have been removed from the Financial Plan and presented as the budget in these Financial Statements as follows:

	Financial Plan Bylaw	Adjustments for capital transactions and transfers	Budget
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Municipal taxation	\$ 1,748,414	\$ -	\$ 1,748,414
Sales of services	1,317,500	-	1,317,500
Government grants	2,901,500	-	2,901,500
Borrowings, licenses, permits, penalties and fines	213,732	-	213,732
Transfer from Surplus	981,567	(981,567)	-
	7,162,713	(981,567)	6,181,146
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
General government services	1,611,254	-	1,611,254
Protective services	221,030	-	221,030
Transportation services	730,830	-	730,830
Environmental and public health services	337,406	-	337,406
Recreational and cultural services	1,019,222	-	1,019,222
Water and sewer services	1,359,842	-	1,359,842
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	1,705,000	(1,705,000)	-
Transfer to reserves	178,129	(178,129)	-
	7,162,713	(1,883,129)	5,279,584
<b>ANNUAL SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 901,562</b>	<b>\$ 901,562</b>

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**SCHEDULE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023

	General					Water		Sewer		Totals		
	Land	Pool, Arena and Other	Buildings	Machinery & Equipment	Roads	Storm Sewer	Plants & Facilities	Underground Networks	Plants & Facilities	Underground Networks	2023	2022
<b>Cost</b>												
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 600,280	\$ 2,768,770	\$ 2,125,482	\$ 2,983,122	\$ 7,356,470	\$ 530,323	\$ 11,441,704	\$ 1,321,839	\$ 3,805,187	\$ 771,997	\$ 33,705,174	\$ 32,543,980
Add: Additions during the year	56,561	1,353,930	-	266,657	84,241	-	188,305	-	176,583	-	2,126,277	1,161,195
Asset retirement obligation	-	3,650	221,666	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	225,316	-
Less: Disposals during the year	-	-	-	(32,270)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(32,270)	-
Balance, end of year	656,841	4,126,350	2,347,148	3,217,509	7,440,711	530,323	11,630,009	1,321,839	3,981,770	771,997	36,024,497	33,705,175
<b>Accumulated amortization</b>												
Balance, beginning of year	-	1,376,631	1,462,989	1,801,809	6,916,286	173,342	2,075,641	745,133	1,052,102	451,414	16,055,347	15,441,755
Add: Amortization	-	68,670	32,946	138,387	51,832	5,245	269,696	14,170	69,021	7,720	657,687	613,595
Less: Disposals during the year	-	-	-	(32,270)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(32,270)	-
Balance, end of year	-	1,445,301	1,495,935	1,907,926	6,968,118	178,587	2,345,337	759,303	1,121,123	459,134	16,680,764	16,055,350
<b>Net Book Value of Tangible Capital Assets</b>												
	\$ 656,841	\$ 2,681,049	\$ 851,213	\$ 1,309,583	\$ 472,593	\$ 351,736	\$ 9,284,672	\$ 562,536	\$ 2,860,647	\$ 312,863	\$ 19,343,733	\$ 17,649,825

Included in Pool, Arena and Other (General) is \$1,319,231 (2022 - \$244,514) of tangible capital assets under construction. These assets have not been amortized.

Included in Plants & Facilities (Sewer) is \$1,286,054 (2022 - \$1,109,471) of tangible capital assets under construction. These assets have not been amortized.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - SEGMENTED**  
**Year ended December 31, 2023**

	Government Services	Protective Services	Transportation Services	Environmental & Public Health Services	Recreational & Cultural Services	Water Services	Sewer Services	Reserve Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
<b>REVENUES:</b>										
Municipal taxation	\$ 1,723,761	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83,459	\$ 82,157	\$ -	\$ 1,889,377	\$ 1,708,939
Sales of services	24,384	11,380	-	163,692	138,513	543,210	451,181	-	1,332,360	1,283,021
Government transfers	2,200,449	30,000	1,758	377,394	-	132,574	167,972	-	2,910,147	1,890,445
Borrowings, licenses, permits, penalties and fines	33,762	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,762	26,624
Interest income	221,318	-	-	-	-	29,351	2,079	33,434	286,182	104,314
Donations and miscellaneous	124,727	1,815	-	-	32,436	219	-	-	159,197	136,440
	<u>4,328,401</u>	<u>43,195</u>	<u>1,758</u>	<u>541,086</u>	<u>170,949</u>	<u>788,813</u>	<u>703,389</u>	<u>33,434</u>	<u>6,611,025</u>	<u>5,149,783</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>										
Consulting and professional (recovery)	51,067	(19,237)	-	45,493	-	-	4,110	-	81,433	93,003
Grants	4,988	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,988	5,986
Insurance	23,304	2,651	323	-	27,340	32,097	10,127	-	95,842	87,172
Office and administration (recovery)	195,284	940	(736)	3,837	-	3,815	-	-	203,140	171,690
Accretion	7,511	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,511	-
Amortization	297,080	-	-	-	-	283,866	76,741	-	657,687	613,595
Repairs and maintenance	12,322	-	116,124	51,055	151,827	174,649	148,446	-	654,423	633,107
Salaries and benefits	721,719	41,843	441,875	103,727	457,858	97,374	69,122	-	1,933,518	1,754,129
Supplies and materials	-	109,810	79,214	211	4,658	5,976	2,676	-	202,545	238,163
Utilities and telephone	13,498	10,568	60,906	-	96,154	83,035	30,241	-	294,402	303,433
Overhead allocations	(702,828)	34,440	54,720	63,960	206,628	158,316	184,764	-	-	-
	<u>623,945</u>	<u>181,015</u>	<u>752,426</u>	<u>268,283</u>	<u>944,465</u>	<u>839,128</u>	<u>526,227</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,135,489</u>	<u>3,900,278</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)</b>										
REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	3,704,456	(137,820)	(750,668)	272,803	(773,516)	(50,315)	177,162	33,434	2,475,536	1,249,505
<b>INTERFUND TRANSFERS</b>										
	<u>(1,632,690)</u>	<u>137,820</u>	<u>750,668</u>	<u>(272,803)</u>	<u>773,516</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>243,489</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>ANNUAL SURPLUS</b>										
	<u>\$ 2,071,766</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (50,315)</u>	<u>\$ 177,162</u>	<u>\$ 276,923</u>	<u>\$ 2,475,536</u>	<u>\$ 1,249,505</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - SEGMENTED**  
**Year ended December 31, 2022**

	Government Services	Protective Services	Transportation Services	Environmental & Public Health Services	Recreational & Cultural Services	Water Services	Sewer Services	Reserve Funds	Total 2022
<b>REVENUES:</b>									
Municipal taxation	\$ 1,543,323	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83,459	\$ 82,157	\$ -	\$ 1,708,939
Sales of services	12,506	1,159	-	125,743	142,138	546,570	454,905	-	1,283,021
Government grants	826,395	33,493	2,110	361,520	-	138,047	528,880	-	1,890,445
Borrowings, licenses, permits, penalties and fines	24,434	-	-	-	-	-	2,190	-	26,624
Interest income	79,773	-	-	-	-	11,416	762	12,363	104,314
Donations and miscellaneous	111,792	2,315	-	-	18,840	3,493	-	-	136,440
	<u>2,598,223</u>	<u>36,967</u>	<u>2,110</u>	<u>487,263</u>	<u>160,978</u>	<u>782,985</u>	<u>1,068,894</u>	<u>12,363</u>	<u>5,149,783</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>									
Consulting and professional (recovery)	43,905	(19,357)	-	55,562	-	-	12,893	-	93,003
Grants	5,986	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,986
Insurance	21,817	2,610	323	-	20,644	31,317	10,461	-	87,172
Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office and administration	159,540	-	(67)	4,423	456	4,338	3,000	-	171,690
Amortization	265,542	-	-	-	-	271,312	76,741	-	613,595
Repairs and maintenance	18,833	-	126,134	111,889	127,632	168,382	80,237	-	633,107
Salaries and benefits	650,483	43,478	387,680	60,441	437,127	78,857	96,063	-	1,754,129
Supplies and materials	-	127,987	98,279	(459)	7,937	3,752	667	-	238,163
Utilities and telephone	15,680	12,160	45,438	-	99,733	96,845	33,577	-	303,433
Overhead allocations	(576,780)	28,260	37,356	52,488	169,572	132,948	156,156	-	-
	<u>605,006</u>	<u>195,138</u>	<u>695,143</u>	<u>284,344</u>	<u>863,101</u>	<u>787,751</u>	<u>469,795</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,900,278</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY)</b>									
REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	1,993,217	(158,171)	(693,033)	202,919	(702,123)	(4,766)	599,099	12,363	1,249,505
<b>INTERFUND TRANSFERS</b>									
	<u>(1,568,646)</u>	<u>158,171</u>	<u>693,033</u>	<u>(202,919)</u>	<u>702,123</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>218,238</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>ANNUAL SURPLUS</b>									
	<u>\$ 424,571</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (4,766)</u>	<u>\$ 599,099</u>	<u>\$ 230,601</u>	<u>\$ 1,249,505</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**GENERAL REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**December 31, 2023**  
*(Unaudited)*

<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Cash	<u>\$ 2,838,237</u>	<u>\$ 3,174,150</u>
Investments in pooled money market funds	<u>1,383,138</u>	<u>327,413</u>
Receivables:		
Taxes and utilities	283,322	257,833
General	<u>722,619</u>	<u>366,382</u>
	<u>1,005,941</u>	<u>624,215</u>
	<u>5,227,316</u>	<u>4,125,778</u>
 <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	500,425	368,550
Accrued wages and employee benefits	178,832	246,919
Deferred revenue	81,500	-
Due to (from) Own Funds:		
Water Revenue Fund	355,751	340,656
Sewer Revenue Fund	495,369	431,850
Machinery and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund	33,968	33,968
Perpetual Care Trust Fund	-	(282)
Capital Works Reserve Fund	1,889,647	1,646,440
Growing Communities Reserve Fund	<u>1,114,768</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>4,650,260</u>	<u>3,068,101</u>
Asset retirement obligation	<u>232,826</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>4,883,086</u>	<u>3,068,101</u>
<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<u>344,230</u>	<u>1,057,677</u>
 <b>NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Tangible capital assets	6,323,015	4,633,390
Prepaid expenses	<u>29,610</u>	<u>48,792</u>
	<u>6,352,625</u>	<u>4,682,182</u>
 <b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</b>	<u>\$ 6,696,855</u>	<u>\$ 5,739,859</u>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**GENERAL REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND ACCUMULATED SURPLUS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023  
*(Unaudited)*

	Budget	2023	2022
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Municipal taxation	\$ 1,582,414	\$ <b>1,723,761</b>	\$ 1,543,323
Sales of services	322,500	<b>337,970</b>	281,546
Government transfers:			
Unconditional transfers from Provincial Government	430,000	<b>415,000</b>	565,704
Unconditional transfers from Local Government	325,000	<b>377,394</b>	361,520
Conditional transfers from regional and other governments	1,896,500	<b>1,817,207</b>	296,295
Borrowings, licenses, permits, penalties and fines:			
Professional and business licenses	10,000	<b>11,795</b>	10,140
Other	700	<b>1,815</b>	2,315
Animal violation	150	-	-
Interest received	80,000	<b>221,318</b>	79,773
Penalties and interest on taxes	15,000	<b>33,762</b>	24,434
Rentals	15,000	<b>29,621</b>	15,861
Donations and other	73,082	<b>115,748</b>	104,630
Tax sale fees	500	-	-
	<u>4,750,846</u>	<u><b>5,085,391</b></u>	<u>3,285,541</u>
<b>EXPENSES (Schedule 3)</b>	<u>2,843,742</u>	<u><b>2,770,138</b></u>	<u>2,642,732</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	1,907,104	<b>2,315,253</b>	642,809
<b>TRANSFER TO GROWING COMMUNITIES RESERVE FUND</b>	(1,076,000)	<b>(1,114,768)</b>	-
<b>TRANSFER TO STATUTORY RESERVE FUNDS</b>	<u>(225,694)</u>	<u><b>(243,489)</b></u>	<u>(218,238)</u>
<b>ANNUAL SURPLUS</b>	605,410	<b>956,996</b>	424,571
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, beginning of year</b>	<u>5,739,859</u>	<u><b>5,739,859</b></u>	<u>5,315,288</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 6,345,269</u>	<u><b>\$ 6,696,855</b></u>	<u>\$ 5,739,859</u>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**GENERAL REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF EXPENSES**  
Year ended December 31, 2023  
*(Unaudited)*

	Budget	2023	2022
<b>General Government Services:</b>			
Legislative Expense:			
Council indemnities and expenses	\$ 50,000	\$ 53,011	\$ 47,835
General Administration Expenses:			
Office	57,000	76,354	53,438
Building operation and maintenance	31,500	25,820	31,330
Legal and professional	55,000	51,067	43,905
Salaries and employee benefits	667,044	721,719	650,483
Other General Government Expenses:			
Amortization	263,041	297,080	265,542
Accretion	-	7,511	-
Asset management program	2,000	12,849	3,506
Travel	12,500	11,680	4,365
Insurance	23,000	23,304	21,817
Election and referendum	-	-	8,286
Grants to organizations	10,700	4,988	5,986
Sundry	65,300	49,217	45,243
Tax sale	1,000	478	50
Less amounts transferred to other services	(702,831)	(702,828)	(576,780)
	<u>535,254</u>	<u>632,250</u>	<u>605,006</u>
<b>Protective Services:</b>			
Administration	36,219	33,111	26,838
Volunteer stipends and benefits	37,600	40,117	39,181
Building operation and maintenance	10,700	10,568	12,161
Equipment	52,700	47,915	41,906
Emergency measures	6,200	3,198	26,016
Building inspection	4,414	4,414	4,414
Animal pest control	1,500	214	364
Bylaw officer (recovery)	15,000	15,726	17,280
Sundry	56,697	25,754	26,978
	<u>221,030</u>	<u>181,017</u>	<u>195,138</u>
<b>Transportation Services:</b>			
Administration	377,930	403,617	365,535
Equipment operation and maintenance	89,000	93,650	90,165
Building operation and maintenance	62,000	60,785	59,390
Road and street maintenance	140,000	122,028	103,959
Street lighting	46,000	44,816	49,969
Traffic services	13,900	27,530	26,125
Sundry	2,000	-	-
	<u>730,830</u>	<u>752,426</u>	<u>695,143</u>
<b>Environmental and Public Health Services:</b>			
Garbage and waste collection	165,439	140,965	152,805
Cemetery	22,792	21,969	20,847
Planning and zoning	1,000	184	-
Community development	84,700	71,944	82,034
Natural resource development	8,796	9,888	8,083
Sundry	54,679	23,332	20,575
	<u>337,406</u>	<u>268,282</u>	<u>284,344</u>
<b>Recreational and Cultural Services:</b>			
Administration	395,882	361,085	303,355
Community hall	17,400	10,985	13,618
Lady Minto building	21,410	18,051	19,026
Swimming pool	207,070	179,943	158,227
Arena	173,600	210,467	186,701
Parks and playgrounds	141,000	98,499	129,123
Historic sites	5,613	2,758	2,245
Museum	47,247	44,042	40,979
Curling club	10,000	10,211	10,177
Community garden (recovery)	-	122	(350)
	<u>1,019,222</u>	<u>936,163</u>	<u>863,101</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 2,843,742</b>	<b>\$ 2,770,138</b>	<b>\$ 2,642,732</b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**WATER REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**December 31, 2023**  
*(Unaudited)*

<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Investments in pooled money market funds	\$ 612,388	\$ 582,232
Due from Own Funds:		
General Revenue Fund	<u>355,751</u>	<u>340,656</u>
	<b>968,139</b>	922,888
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>968,139</b>	922,888
Tangible capital assets	<u>9,847,208</u>	<u>9,942,770</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 10,815,347</b>	<b>\$ 10,865,658</b>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**WATER REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND ACCUMULATED SURPLUS**  
**Year ended December 31, 2023**  
*(Unaudited)*

	Budget	2023	2022
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Municipal taxation - water levy	\$ 83,500	\$ 83,459	\$ 83,459
Sale of services	545,000	543,210	546,570
Government transfers	-	132,574	138,047
Other revenues	16,300	29,570	14,909
	<u>644,800</u>	<u>788,813</u>	<u>782,985</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Maintenance and administration	558,859	555,258	533,644
Amortization	271,312	283,866	271,312
	<u>830,171</u>	<u>839,124</u>	<u>804,956</u>
<b>ANNUAL DEFICIT</b>	(185,371)	<b>(50,311)</b>	(21,971)
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, beginning of year</b>	<u>10,865,658</u>	<u>10,865,658</u>	<u>10,887,629</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 10,680,287</u>	<u>\$ 10,815,347</u>	<u>\$ 10,865,658</u>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**SEWER REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**December 31, 2023**  
*(Unaudited)*

<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Investments in pooled money market funds	\$ 42,183	\$ 40,106
Account receivable	85,293	80,738
Due from Own Funds: General Revenue Fund	<u>495,369</u>	<u>431,850</u>
	<b>622,845</b>	552,694
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deferred revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>7,167</u>
<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>622,845</b>	545,527
Tangible capital assets	<u>3,173,509</u>	<u>3,073,667</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 3,796,354</b>	\$ 3,619,194

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**SEWER REVENUE FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND ACCUMULATED SURPLUS**  
Year ended December 31, 2023  
*(Unaudited)*

	Budget	2023	2022
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Municipal taxation - sewer levy	\$ 82,500	\$ <b>82,157</b>	\$ 82,157
Sale of services	450,000	<b>451,181</b>	454,905
Government transfers	250,000	<b>167,972</b>	528,880
Other revenues	3,000	<b>2,077</b>	2,952
	<u>785,500</u>	<u><b>703,387</b></u>	<u>1,068,894</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Maintenance and administration	457,065	<b>449,486</b>	375,849
Amortization	72,606	<b>76,741</b>	76,741
	<u>529,671</u>	<u><b>526,227</b></u>	<u>452,590</u>
<b>ANNUAL SURPLUS</b>	255,829	<b>177,160</b>	616,304
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, beginning of year</b>	<u>3,619,194</u>	<u><b>3,619,194</b></u>	<u>3,002,890</u>
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 3,875,023</u>	<u><b>\$ 3,796,354</b></u>	<u>\$ 3,619,194</u>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**STATUTORY RESERVE FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**December 31, 2023**  
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<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	Machinery and Equipment Replacement Reserve	Capital Works Reserve	<b>Total 2023</b>	Total 2022
Investments in pooled money market funds	\$ 139,939	\$ 544,756	<b>\$ 684,695</b>	\$ 650,979
Due from General Revenue Fund	<u>33,968</u>	<u>1,889,647</u>	<b><u>1,923,615</u></b>	<u>1,680,408</u>
	<b>\$ 173,907</b>	<b>\$ 2,434,403</b>	<b>\$ 2,608,310</b>	<b>\$ 2,331,387</b>
<b>RESERVES</b>				
BALANCE, beginning of year	\$ 167,016	\$ 2,164,371	<b>\$ 2,331,387</b>	\$ 2,100,786
REVENUE: Interest earned	6,891	26,543	<b>33,434</b>	12,363
TRANSFERS (TO) FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>243,489</u>	<b><u>243,489</u></b>	<u>218,238</u>
BALANCE, end of year	<b>\$ 173,907</b>	<b>\$ 2,434,403</b>	<b>\$ 2,608,310</b>	<b>\$ 2,331,387</b>



**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**COVID-19 SAFE RESTART GRANTS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**  
**STATEMENT OF GRANT EXPENDITURES**  
**Year ended December 31, 2023**  
*(Unaudited)*

	2023	2022
REVENUES:		
Initial funds received	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
EXPENSES:		
Additional cleaning supplies	12,000	12,000
Additional pool staff	-	10,000
Budgetary revenue shortfall - Pool Revenue	-	10,000
Bylaw role	21,000	21,000
Computer & technology	15,000	15,000
Emergency measures - preventative & operational	1,200	1,200
Other costs	15,000	15,000
Protective service - Fire Hall Renovation Project	202,282	25,000
	<u>266,482</u>	<u>109,200</u>
DEFICIT OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(266,482)	(109,200)
FUNDS REMAINING, beginning of year	<u>266,482</u>	<u>375,682</u>
FUNDS REMAINING, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 266,482</u>

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**  
**GROWING COMMUNITIES FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF GRANT EXPENDITURES**  
Year ended December 31, 2023  
*(Unaudited)*

	<b>2023</b>
REVENUES:	
Initial funds received	<b>\$ 1,076,000</b>
Interest earned	<b>38,768</b>
	<b>1,114,768</b>
ELIGIBLE COSTS:	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	<b>1,114,768</b>
FUNDS REMAINING, beginning of year	-
FUNDS REMAINING, end of year	<b>\$ 1,114,768</b>

The Province of British Columbia distributed conditional GCF grants to communities at the end of March 2023 to help local governments build community infrastructure and amenities to meet the demands of population growth. The GCF provided a one-time total of \$1 billion in grants to all 161 municipalities and 27 regional districts in British Columbia.

The Village of Ashcroft received \$1,076,000 of GCF funding in March 2023.