

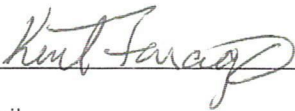
## Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the accompanying financial statements, including responsibility for significant accounting judgments and estimates in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. This responsibility includes selecting appropriate accounting policies and methods, and making decisions affecting the measurement of transactions in which objective judgment is required.

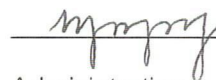
In discharging its responsibilities for the integrity and fairness of the financial statements, management designs and maintains the necessary accounting systems and related internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded and financial records are properly maintained to provide reliable information for the preparation of financial statements.

The Council is composed of elected officials who are not employees of the Municipality. The Council is responsible for overseeing management in the performance of its financial reporting responsibilities. The Council fulfils these responsibilities by reviewing the financial information prepared by the administration and discussing relevant matters with external auditors. The Council is also responsible for recommending the appointment of the Municipality's external auditors.

Dudley & Company LLP, an independent firm of Chartered Professional Accountants, is appointed by the Council to audit the financial statements and report directly to them; their report is attached to the financial statements. The external auditors have full and free access to both the Council and administration to discuss their audit findings.



Council



Administration

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Reeve and Councillors  
Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189

### *Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of the **RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LUMSDEN NO. 189**, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and the statements of operations, changes in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the municipality as at December 31, 2023, and its financial performance 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 *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the municipality in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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

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

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

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

### *Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 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.

*Independent Auditors' Report (continued)*

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 over-ride of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the municipality's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the municipality's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' 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 auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the municipality to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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



Dudley & Company LLP  
Chartered Professional Accountants

Regina, Saskatchewan  
June 06, 2024

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LUMSDEN NO. 189**

Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2023

Statement 1

	2023	2022
<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Cash & Cash Equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 6,358,968	\$ 5,359,427
Investments	-	-
Taxes Receivable - Municipal (Note 3)	673,440	511,383
Other Accounts Receivable (Note 4)	91,739	148,711
Assets Held for Sale	-	-
Long-Term Receivable	-	-
Other Long-Term Investments (Note 5)	40,649	32,134
Debt Charges Recoverable	-	-
Derivative Assets	-	-

<b>Total Financial Assets</b>	<b>7,164,796</b>	<b>6,051,655</b>
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<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Bank Indebtedness	-	-
Accounts Payable (Note 6)	549,403	606,708
Accrued Liabilities Payable	-	-
Derivative Liabilities	-	-
Deposits	-	-
Deferred Revenue	12,713	11,493
Asset Retirement Obligation	-	-
Liability for Contaminated Sites	-	-
Long-Term Debt (Note 7)	555,857	781,124
Lease Obligations	-	-
Other Liabilities	4,699	4,699

<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,122,672</b>	<b>1,404,024</b>
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<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>6,042,124</b>	<b>4,647,631</b>
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<b>Non-Financial Assets</b>		
Tangible Capital Assets (Schedules 6, 7)	10,192,067	10,491,218
Prepayment and Deferred Charges	4,439	5,207
Stock and Supplies	220,754	327,198
Other (Note 8)	233,631	233,631

<b>Total Non-Financial Assets</b>	<b>10,650,891</b>	<b>11,057,254</b>
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<b>Accumulated Surplus (Deficit) (Schedule 8)</b>	<b>\$ 16,693,015</b>	<b>\$ 15,704,885</b>
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Accumulated surplus (deficit) is comprised of:

Accumulated surplus (deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses)	\$ 16,693,015	\$ 15,704,885
Accumulated remeasurement gains (losses) (Statement 5)	\$ -	\$ -

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LUMSDEN NO. 189**

Statement of Operations

For the year ended December 31, 2023

Statement 2

		<b>2023 Budget</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Tax Revenue	(Schedule 1)	\$ 3,992,499	\$ 4,007,303	\$ 3,932,172
Other Unconditional Revenue	(Schedule 1)	452,258	455,023	402,518
Fees and Charges	(Schedule 4, 5)	67,027	150,418	131,512
Conditional Grants	(Schedule 4, 5)	38,474	40,497	116,843
Tangible Capital Assets - Gain(Loss)	(Schedule 4, 5)	-	11,784	-
Land Sales - Gain	(Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Investment Income and Commissions	(Schedule 4, 5)	233,985	246,778	87,828
Other Revenues	(Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Restructurings	(Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Provincial/Federal Capital Grants	(Schedule 4, 5)	592,414	130,621	112,443
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>5,376,657</b>	<b>5,042,424</b>	<b>4,783,316</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
General Government Services	(Schedule 3)	593,134	680,276	613,707
Protective Services	(Schedule 3)	207,195	219,134	198,415
Transportation Services	(Schedule 3)	2,254,202	2,813,528	2,627,497
Environmental and Public Health Services	(Schedule 3)	95,512	86,186	92,463
Planning and Development Services	(Schedule 3)	187,124	165,818	162,656
Recreation and Cultural Services	(Schedule 3)	52,580	89,352	86,199
Utility Services	(Schedule 3)	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>3,389,747</b>	<b>4,054,294</b>	<b>3,780,937</b>
<b>Surplus (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses</b>		<b>1,986,910</b>	<b>988,130</b>	<b>1,002,379</b>
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses), Beginning of Year		15,704,885	15,704,885	14,702,506
<b>Accumulated Surplus (Deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses), End of Year</b>		<b>\$ 17,691,795</b>	<b>\$ 16,693,015</b>	<b>\$ 15,704,885</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.