



Commonwealth of Virginia

Auditor of Public Accounts

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August 25, 2023

Mitzi Johnson Owens
Treasurer

Debbie C. Dockery
Commissioner of the Revenue

Jeff B. Edds
Sheriff

Kyle Kilgore
Commonwealth's Attorney

Locality: County of Scott

We have reviewed the Commonwealth collections and remittances of the Treasurer, Commissioner of the Revenue, Sheriff, and Commonwealth's Attorney of the locality indicated for the year ended June 30, 2023. Our primary objectives were to determine that the officials have maintained accountability over Commonwealth collections, established internal controls, and complied with state laws and regulations. We limited our work to the collection of Commonwealth revenues. Local governments hire certified public accountants to audit all other financial activities of the locality and these firms issue separate reports on the results of their audits.

The results of our tests found the Treasurer, Commissioner of the Revenue, Sheriff, and Commonwealth's Attorney complied, in all material respects, with state laws, regulations and other procedures relating to the receipt, disbursement, and custody of state funds, except as follows.

The Treasurer did not comply with state laws and regulations as described below.

Properly Remit Sheriff's Fees

Repeat: No

The Treasurer did not retain the correct amount of Sheriff's fees due to the locality during the audit period as required by § 15.2-1609.3 of the Code of Virginia. This resulted in the Treasurer under-remitting fees of \$329 to the Commonwealth. The Treasurer should remit this amount during fiscal year 2024 and ensure proper accounting for Sheriff's fees in the future, as this will ensure compliance with Code of Virginia requirements.

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We discussed this finding with the Treasurer on August 10, 2023, and we acknowledge the cooperation extended to us during this review.

Sincerely,

Staci A. Henshaw
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LJH: clj

cc: Danny Mann, Board Chair
Freda Starnes, County Administrator
Ron Bostic, Partner
Bostic, Tucker & Company, P.C.