



AUDIT REPORT

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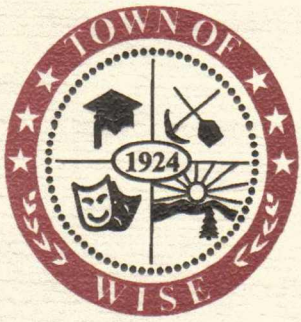
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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



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PROFILE OF THE TOWN

The Town of Wise is located in Southwest Virginia within the territorial boundaries of Wise County, approximately 50 miles northwest of Bristol, Virginia.

The Town lies 2,450 feet above sea level and is the highest point of population in Wise County. Indian Mountain rises to the north and Guest Mountain immediately to the south of town. The mountains provide a quiet escape and the opportunity to enjoy amazing scenery and outdoor adventures.

First incorporated as the Town of Gladeville in 1874, the locality was officially chartered as the Town of Wise in 1924. Today, the Town serves as a center of government, commerce, and education for Wise County. The Town provides a full range of services including police and fire protection, water and sewer services, refuse collection and disposal, construction and maintenance of streets, sidewalks and other transportation infrastructure, parks and recreation facilities, cultural events, cemeteries, planning and zoning, and general administration.

The Town currently operates under the council-manager form of government. The Town Council is the governing body of the Town and consists of five members elected for staggered four-year terms. Council is charged with the responsibility of establishing policies for the administration of the Town and enacting ordinances and resolutions. The Council appoints a Town Manager to act as the chief executive officer of the Town. He/she serves at the will and pleasure of Council, carries out their policies, and has the power of hiring and removal of all non-appointed employees. Duties and responsibilities of the Town Manager include preparation, submission, and administration of the annual budget, advising Council on the affairs of the Town, enforcement of local ordinances, and direction and supervision of all departments.

LOCAL ECONOMY

The Town of Wise is proud to be the home of the University of Virginia's College at Wise. This public, four-year residential college attracts students from throughout the Southeast as well as from foreign countries. *U.S. News and World Report* has named this college as one of the top ten public liberal arts colleges in the nation. The University of Virginia's College at Wise was founded in 1954 and is the only branch campus of the University of Virginia. The College offers Virginia's only undergraduate degree program in software engineering as well as 30 majors, 32 minors, seven pre-professional programs and 24 teaching licensures. UVa-Wise has been selected for inclusion in "*Colleges of Distinction*," which recognizes institutions for engaged students, great teaching, vibrant communities and successful outcomes.

Three miles northeast of the Town, Lonesome Pine Airport serves the public with one mile of lighted runway. Adjacent to the airport, Lonesome Pine Regional Business & Technology Park consists of approximately 195 acres of land and buildings. The Business and Technology Park has been developed with all the amenities necessary to accommodate a variety of technology-based enterprises.

Town residents are largely employed in education services associated with UVa-Wise and the Wise County School System. The function of the Town as the county seat also brings significant employment in governmental and professional services. The retail trade industry associated with a number of regional

shopping centers as well as chain and independent restaurants account for another important source of employment. Call centers also provide work for a number of residents. For example, Crutchfield Corporation, the nation's leading catalog and internet retailer of audio and video components employs over one hundred highly skilled people to respond to sales, technical support, and service calls. In addition, Sykes Enterprises, Inc., a global in-bound customer technical support center provides support for hardware and software products from various companies and also employs hundreds of area residents. The Town has benefitted from the diversity of these sectors for contributions to total employment. The Town has also derived a number of benefits from the completion of a new 3,000 seat convocation center on the campus of the University of Virginia's College at Wise and opening of the renovated and expanded historic Inn in downtown Wise in November of 2014 which features 49 lodging rooms, banquet/meeting space, a pub, a café, and a restaurant.

The Town's identity as a college town is reinforced by the close proximity of downtown Wise to the University of Virginia's College at Wise. The central business district is a vibrant gateway to the larger community and the UVA-Wise campus, offering shopping, dining, and entertainment. In the center of downtown, the Big Glades amphitheatre attracts visitors from throughout the region to participate in special events sponsored by the College, Pro-Art, the Town, and the local business association. Downtown Wise also features structures listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Also notable is the emergence of UVA-Wise as a primary destination for activities other than higher education. The local winery at Mountain Rose Vineyard has captured national attention for its unique adaptive reuse of a reclaimed coal mine site as well as accolades for its award-winning wines. Orchards and a farmers market also figure prominently in the local scene.

BUDGETARY CONTROLS

The annual budget serves as the foundation of the Town's financial planning and control. In addition to internal accounting controls, the Town also maintains budgetary controls to ensure compliance with provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget approved by Town Council. The governing body adopts an annual budget for the General Fund by July 1 of each year, after advertising and public hearing and as required by §15.2—2503 of the Code of Virginia, as amended. A budget for the proprietary fund is not required under the Code of Virginia, but a budget for this fund is prepared and tracked by the Town. The budget appropriation resolution adopted by Town Council places legal restrictions on expenditures at the departmental level. Budget transfers between departments and requests for supplemental appropriations require action by the governing body. Budget-to-actual comparisons are provided in this report for the General Fund in Schedules 1 and 2.

MAJOR INITIATIVES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015

Following the goals and objectives established by Town Council, and with the assistance and guidance of the Town Manager's office, municipal staff implemented a number of specific programs designed to provide residents with cost efficient government while enhancing their quality of life. Highlights of major initiatives, begun, continued, or completed this fiscal year include the following:

Government Administration

On June 24, 2014, the Wise Town Council adopted a General Fund budget for FY 2015 totaling nearly \$4.7 million and representing an increase of 5.6% from the previous fiscal year. The change is due, in large part, to receipt of a Revenue Sharing Grant from the Virginia Department of Transportation for paving of various streets. Efforts to stabilize municipal funds included budgeted rate increases as well as expenditure controls including an election not to proceed with major improvements programmed in the capital improvements plan, delay of some maintenance work, and imposing of a hiring freeze for vacant

positions. Said budget set forth a financial plan for the Town as well as a general work program for the year while maintaining real estate taxes at their pre-existing levels. In response to citizen requests, the motor vehicle license tax, commonly referred to as the auto decal tax, was repealed and eliminated. This tax required citizens to bring copies of their vehicle registrations to Town Hall for issuance of a decal to be displayed on each vehicle windshield and was considered inconvenient and time-consuming, especially for those who work during the Town Hall's business hours. In lieu of the motor vehicle license tax, the governing body approved a 19% increase in the personal property tax rate with the goal of generating sufficient revenue to offset losses from repeal of the motor vehicle license tax.

After a review of rates allowed by statute as well as a comparison of rates imposed by neighboring localities, Town Council also elected to update and increase rates for the "Repair, Personal, & Business Services" classification and for the "Financial, Real Estate, & Professional Services" classification of the Business, Professional, and Occupational License Tax (BPOL).

In FY 2015, the Town received financial assistance to fund improvements at the water treatment plant. The assistance consisted of a loan of up to \$663,050 at a rate of 2% for 30 years and a grant of up to \$450,000 in the form of principal forgiveness. The loan and bond was provided by the Virginia Resources Authority (VRA) and grant funding was provided for this project by the Virginia Department of Health (VDH). However, VDH and VRA determined that the Town's water rates were not sufficient to meet program guidelines. As a result VDH required that water rates be increased as a condition for grant and loan closing. At a minimum, the Town is required to raise water rates by ten percent every other year until a target rate of one percent of median household income is reached. The first required rate increase will take effect in FY 16.

Close financial review indicated that the Town's utility rates were not sufficient to provide adequate income to meet requirements for operation, maintenance, and debt service for the upcoming year. Continuing decreases in water consumption and termination of a contract for wholesale of water to another utility coupled with increasing operating costs led the governing body to adopt a twenty-five percent water rate increase for in-town customers for FY 15.

In July of 2014, the Town received two grants from the Virginia Dam Safety Flood Prevention and Protection Assistance Fund totaling \$11,200 to assist with a portion of the cost for preparation of a mandatory dam break inundation zone analysis, mapping, and digitization, and for development of an emergency action plan for the dam.

After repeated traffic signal failures at the Norton Road/Main Street/Birchfield Road intersections, the Town initiated a project with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to install a new signal system at said locations. The existing signalization had been in use nearly fifty years and repair and replacement parts were no longer available. In addition, much of the wiring for the controls had deteriorated over time. The new installation was completed in December of 2014.

In December of 2014, Quesenberry's Inc. completed construction of Phase I of the East Main Street Improvements Project. The project was funded in large part through a grant of MAP-21 enhancement funds by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the scope of improvements included new and widened pedestrian sidewalks with decorative stone inserts, curb & gutter, ornamental street lamps and posts with underground electrical service, and concrete pedestrian islands at major crosswalks to narrow traffic lanes, slow traffic and improve pedestrian safety. Phase I of the project area extended from Spring Street to Nottingham Ave.

The Town supports a number of charitable institutions, volunteer, and nonprofit organizations which serve residents. Most notable, during Fiscal Year 2015, just over \$126,000 was provided to support the operation of the Wise Volunteer Fire Department, \$9,000 for the Lonesome Pine Regional Library, \$3,000 for the Cumberland Airport Commission, \$8,000 for Pro-Art, and \$10,000 for the Wise Rescue Squad. In addition, the Town contributed \$500 to the Wise Senior Citizens group, and provided \$5,000 to assist with Wise Fall Fling festival expenses. The Town also supported the fund-raising activities of the Wise County/City of Norton Chamber of Commerce sponsoring a table at the annual gala.

The region's deep roots in mountain traditions and its strong music heritage are gaining popularity. To build on this cultural resource, the Town continued its financial support of the Southwest Virginia Cultural Heritage Foundation with a \$1,000 contribution. The Foundation is a platform to encourage economic development through cultural heritage ventures, tourism initiatives, and other asset-based enterprises throughout the 19 counties of Southwest Virginia. Under this umbrella are the familiar Crooked Road musical heritage trail, "Round the Mountain" artisans' network, agritourism trail, and outdoor recreation trails program. It is hoped that this initiative will enhance recognition of the area as a viable tourist destination.

Awards

In May of 2015, the Wise Water Treatment Plant received a Gold Excellence in Waterworks Operations Award from the Virginia Department of Health. The Town's water plant was one of 37 conventional water treatment plants out of 131 in Virginia that received the award and tied for first place earning a performance score of 20 in the judging criteria, with 20 being the highest possible score. This award commends waterworks that provide a quality of water that far exceeds the expectations of the Health Department and of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). In addition to providing outstanding drinking water, in order to be considered for a Gold Excellence Award, the treatment plant must represent one of the most effectively operated systems in the State. The Town of Wise is very pleased to be recognized for its efforts to provide customers with the highest quality drinking water possible. To achieve this top ranking is a significant accomplishment for the management and staff of the Wise Water Treatment Plant. We are very proud of their efforts.

Constructed in 1964, the Wise Water Treatment Plant serves approximately 2760 water connections and approximately 7,450 people. The water system consists of over 50 miles of water line, a 1.5 million-gallon-per-day surface water treatment plant, 3 pump stations, and 8 water storage tanks.

Financial

The Treasurer's office remains vigilant in the collection of delinquent taxes and fees. Tools utilized include participation in the Virginia Department of Taxation's Debt Set-Off Program, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicle Registration Withholding Program, bank and wage liens, skip tracing, and the issuance of warrants-in-debt. As a result, this fiscal year, the Treasurer's office collected 87.73 % of the current tax levy.

Cash Management

Cash temporarily idle during the year was invested in time deposits and various authorized money market instruments. The town's investment activities are designed to allow the Town to obtain a higher yield on available funds consistent with constraints imposed by safety objectives, cash flow considerations, and state laws restricting the placement of funds. The amount of interest earned for FY 15 was \$ 32,198. This is a small increase from interest earned on temporary investments in FY 14 which totaled \$ 28,741.

Drawdowns of funds banked for planned capital projects limit the amount of money available for investment and anemic market interest rates have also contributed to the low returns.

Reserve Policy

The governing body and its chief financial officers have long recognized the importance of maintaining a prudent level of fund balance to ensure that adequate reserves are available to respond to emergencies, provide cash flow, and provide overall financial stability. The Unassigned General Fund Reserve target is 10% of the budget to provide the Town with sufficient working capital and a margin of safety to address unforeseen, one-time emergency expenditures, or significant and unforeseen declines in revenue in a specific year. Unassigned Fund Balance in the general fund measured 72.84 % of General Fund Budgeted Expenditures for FY 14-15 and falls with the policy guidelines set by Council.

Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of losses. Staff uses a variety of techniques to identify and monitor its risks and exposures for the activities of the Town and has an ongoing employee safety program to help prevent losses. The Town is a member of the Virginia Municipal Liability Pool and the Virginia Municipal Group Self Insurance Association. These programs provide self-insurance coverage for workers' compensation, general liability, automobile liability, property and fire protection, public officials' liability, and law enforcement liability.

Public Safety

The Wise Police Department works to provide professional law enforcement services to the citizens of the Town of Wise. The Department is committed to community policing whereby the officer spends time in personal contact with residents and business owners. The Department also provides on-demand crime prevention programs to citizens and organizations, and continues to sponsor the Wise Explorer Post Program. Examples of this work include 222 school walk-throughs and presentation of programs for the Head Start Program, the Wise Primary School, and the Boy Scouts of America. In addition, officers periodically eat lunch with children at the Primary School. Business bank deposit escorts are routinely provided and over 13,000 business security checks were completed providing opportunities for interaction with the department. The Department also manned traffic checkpoints during the selective enforcement events.

In carrying out its various law enforcement functions this past year, the police department handled 40,464 requests for assistance which led to issuance of 660 summons and 102 arrests. Calls included reports of theft, assault, juvenile crimes, traffic accidents, family violence incidents, property checks (17,861 requests), and disabled motorist assists.

Public Works

Much of the work performed by the Public Works Department involves routine maintenance. Utility crews answered 2,039 service calls during normal business hours and responded to 29 after hours call-outs. The Division also installed 32 new water taps, 20 new sewer taps, and replaced 57 meters. Approximately 2835 feet of new water line and 1,336 feet of new sewer line was also constructed. This past year, 5,950 feet of sewer line was filmed and tested, 2 fire hydrants were repaired and 5 were replaced. Personnel also responded to 204 requests for location and marking of underground utilities.

Water losses and associated revenue losses occur in all water utilities. The public works department regularly audits water supplies and implement controls to keep system losses at reasonable levels. As a result of active resource management, the average monthly water loss through leakage was 8% in FY 15 which is well below the industry standard.

In March of 2015, a contract was awarded to Frizzell Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$876,700 to complete improvements at the Wise Water Treatment Plant. The project generally consists of replacement of four existing filtration tanks, installation of a new static mixer, replacement of the filter backwash pump, installation of variable frequency drives for the raw water pumps, and modification of the existing SCADA system. This project will not be completed until the Spring of 2016.

The remaining balance of a grant from USDA Rural Development was utilized to provide repairs at the Wise Water Treatment Plant. In April of 2015, a contract was awarded to Frizzell Construction Company, Inc. to replace the membrane roofing system, gutters, and downspouts at the treatment plant. A contract was also awarded to Daniels HVAC & Plumbing, Inc. to install a new electric roll-up door, install a new HVAC system for the plant office and lab spaces, and replace existing heaters in the filter and pipe galley.

The Street Division performed routine town-wide preventive maintenance on storm drains in advance of and after all major rainstorms in order to reduce the severity of storm water problems. The crew also managed all snow and ice removal activities and carried out a weekly program of street cleaning for major thoroughfares. The Street Department performed routine maintenance for 27 miles of road, roadside, and storm water systems.

The Department is also responsible for the maintenance of many acres of municipal park property including Dotson Park, Arrowhead Park, the swim facility, the Gateway Garden, the Big Glades community square, and the Wise Cemetery. The Department maintains outdoor shelters and structures, public restrooms, playground equipment, fencing, and trash receptacles. In addition, the Department mows the sites, waters all plantings in the central business district and gateways, and prunes trees and vegetation from all town right-of-way.

This year, the Street Department overlaid portions of eighteen roads in an effort to repair damage associated with the weather, wear and tear, and utility cuts. Maintenance of coal haul routes during FY 14-15 included the pavement of a portion of Lake Street.

A four-person sanitation crew collected and transported over 3,100 tons of waste to Wise County's Blackwood Landfill in FY 2015. The crew also operated a residential recycling program consisting of collection of recyclables from five neighborhood drop centers. At the conclusion of FY 2015, over 62,000 pounds of recyclable material including glass, plastic, aluminum, and newsprint was diverted from the waste stream. In addition, 42 dump truck loads of yard waste were collected and chipped. The department purchased a new 18-yard rear loading refuse compactor to replace a defective and worn out unit. The packer body will be mounted on an existing truck to facilitate solid waste collection activities and cost \$45,825.

Planning and Community Development

The Town of Wise continues to be a commercial center for the county and the region. Within a 20-mile radius of Wise there are 91,470 persons and within a 30-mile radius there are 234,227 persons. As always, the Planning Department in conjunction with the Town Manager's office continues to assist businesses and individuals seeking to invest in Wise providing both information and services. An

important part of the Town's economic development initiative is its Enterprise Zone. Businesses located within the boundaries of the Enterprise Zone may qualify for State and local incentives.

Despite a challenging financial environment, the Town posted small gains in the business community. At the beginning of the year, Wise had 209 established businesses and during FY 2015, 15 new businesses chose to locate in the Town. In addition, during FY 15, six permits were issued for the construction of new residences

The Planning Department has also worked to eliminate blight throughout the Town through enforcement of the Uniform Property Maintenance Code, local mowing ordinances, and litter regulations. Eight properties were cited for property maintenance code violations, and eleven requests for mowing of property were sent.

Special events continue to be an important part of a marketing strategy to attract customers, investors, and tourists and new residents to Wise. The Big Glades Community Square is an affiliate venue on The Crooked Road, Virginia's Heritage Music Trail. The 2015 event season at Big Glades Community Square kicked off on June 27th with a Jimmy Buffet tribute band concert and ended with the 35th Annual Wise County Famous Fall Fling in October. During the summer, four separate concerts featuring fifteen bands were staged at the amphitheatre and offered free to the public as a result of partnerships with a variety of businesses and organizations. The third annual "Chillin & Grillin in the Glades" event was a big hit and included a KCBS sanctioned State Barbecue Championship competition, cornhole tournament, Miss BarbeCUTIE Pageant, Kids Corner, and concert by the Guns N Roses tribute band, Nightrain. Another signature event included a local "open mic night". Various genres of music were represented throughout the concert series including blues, jazz, bluegrass, country, golden oldies, and hard rock. In addition, the Town partnered with Sykes Enterprises, the UVA-Wise Alumni Association, the Wise Kiwanis Club, and the Mays Theater Project to host a free outdoor movie series at Big Glades. This popular family-friendly activity featured six movie nights hosted throughout the summer. True to its original design, Big Glades also hosted a weekly Farmers Market each Thursday afternoon.

In August Cavalier Pharmacy organized an event at Big Glades in celebration of the end of summer and return to school. More than 800 packages of free school supplies were distributed to participants. In addition a number of organizations provided information about healthy living, eating well, and staying active. Costumed characters mingled with the crowd, and there was a play area with activities for the children. A number of churches, businesses, and organizations partnered with Cavalier Pharmacy to sponsor the hugely successful event.

In recognition of the importance of the College to this community, the Town manned a welcome booth during Convocation Day in August to welcome new and returning students, faculty, and staff. Informational literature and maps were distributed along with a bag of free complimentary items. Key staff members from various departments were on hand to answer questions. Each October, the Planning Department and Public Works personnel work with the Wise Business Association to prepare for Wise County's Famous Fall Fling. The celebration features traditional mountain music and an arts and crafts festival. Approximately 150 vendors participated and there were two separate music venues with the main stage at Big Glades hosting seventeen performances. This year's event included a beauty pageant, Senior Citizens picnic in the park, a photography/art exhibit, 5K run and 1K fitness walk, chili cook-off, and writing, photo, art, and pet contests. Back by popular demand was the community-wide yard sale earlier in the week leading up to the main events on Saturday and Sunday. The Town provides security, traffic control, tent, stage, and food court set-up, garbage collection, and other logistical and support services.

Parks and Recreation

The 2015 pool season began on May 23rd and ended on August 30th with just over 10,000 people visiting the facility during that time period. Despite good attendance, fees for services were not sufficient to fund the costs of daily operations and maintenance. In addition, periodic resurfacing of the pool and replacement of aging pumps will require supplemental funding.

FACTORS AFFECTING FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION

The economic condition and outlook for the Town of Wise continues to be very guarded. The presence of the University of Virginia's College at Wise (UVA-Wise) provides many benefits to the local economy. The combination of approximately 2,000 students and almost 300 faculty and staff bring significant potential buying power and tax base to the Town which local merchants can work to capture. The Town continues to coordinate with the College to assure the presence of required infrastructure necessary to facilitate the expansion of campus facilities.

Approximately fifty percent of the land area within Wise consists of slopes exceeding twenty percent which generally precludes any large scale commercial or industrial development. Approximately forty percent of the remaining land area is already principally developed. Further, some of the remaining land area is located within flood prone areas of Glade and Yellow creeks which means that for all practical purposes, there is very little room for additional economic growth in the Town.

Lying within the coalfields of Southwest Virginia, the Town's economic and demographic profile generally reflects the prevailing conditions of the coalfield region. A major weakness of that economy is over dependence on one economic sector for basic employment, namely the coal mining industry. Looking realistically to the future requires that we consider the new economic reality of a market not favorable for the coal industry, and a new focus on natural gas as the preferred fuel source for energy production. This has led to significant job losses and closure of local businesses. In the past, mining payrolls and taxes paid by the coal industry have supported local and state government and contributed to the growth of the coalfield region through various grant programs. In addition, the coal industry has also been a generous supporter of nonprofit and charitable organizations that meet local human service needs. We will be hard-pressed to replace these losses.

Current economic trends reflect continuing unemployment rates that exceed historic averages and limited housing activity. These conditions have and will continue to challenge the Town and the region.

Significant action by the Federal government will be required now and for the foreseeable future in order to restore the nation's solvency in view of rising commitments for healthcare and debt service. Likewise, anticipated reductions in federal spending in Virginia will lead to increased pressures on the Commonwealth's budget. This will likely lead to more decreases in current Federal and State aid programs and additional shifting of new costs to localities. At the same time, the current revenue structure imposed on localities by the State provides few means to address these anticipated difficulties. The Town will have to carefully consider actions being taken at the State and Federal level in setting municipal spending priorities for the next fiscal year.

Mandates for improvements to the entire Town's basic infrastructure continue to mount. In addition municipalities are heavy consumers of steel, concrete, stone, fuel, power, and petroleum-based products. The effects of inflation on the cost of these materials and resources can be significant. Property taxes have not kept pace with the increases in wages and benefits and the prices of inputs used to provide municipal services.

In the face of multiple challenges, maintaining the Town's financial stability and improving fund balance will be a difficult mission. The Town has made significant strides in increasing revenue from water and sewer operations in order to bring the fund closer to self-sufficiency, but expensive State mandated upgrades of both the water and sewer treatment facilities will require more rate increases and continued efforts to control costs. These mandates and reduced state funding are arguably one of the greatest short-term threats to the financial stability of the Town.

Historically, the governing body has recognized that the quality of service rendered by the Town is directly related to the quality of personnel employed by the Town, and that getting and keeping qualified, dedicated people to provide services to the citizens is a prerequisite to accomplishment of any and all other goals that the governing body and the citizens might have. Costs of wages and benefits to support these human resources are sizeable and expenses associated with retirement and healthcare programs continue to rise at an alarming rate. The governing body will have to provide policy leadership to strategically reduce expenses while minimizing impact to services if a healthy financial position is to be maintained.

In addition, balancing funding for existing programs and the needs for capital improvements with taxpayer affordability will be an extremely difficult exercise. Creating innovative approaches to service delivery and exploring opportunities for partnerships with other organizations will become increasingly important for sound financial planning.

For the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, Town Council approved a General Fund Operating Budget of \$4.7 million. The Town ended the year with a surplus. However, major expenditure controls were required to generate this income including a hiring freeze for open positions, reduction in employee benefits, deferred facility maintenance, and delay of equipment replacements. These measures will not be sustainable over the long term and point to the need for strong financial management and greater reserve. This is especially true in light of recent and anticipated bond issues for water and sewer improvements and the impact that significant increases in debt retirement will have on future rate structures and operating budgets.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Beverly Owens". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Beverly Owens
Town Manager

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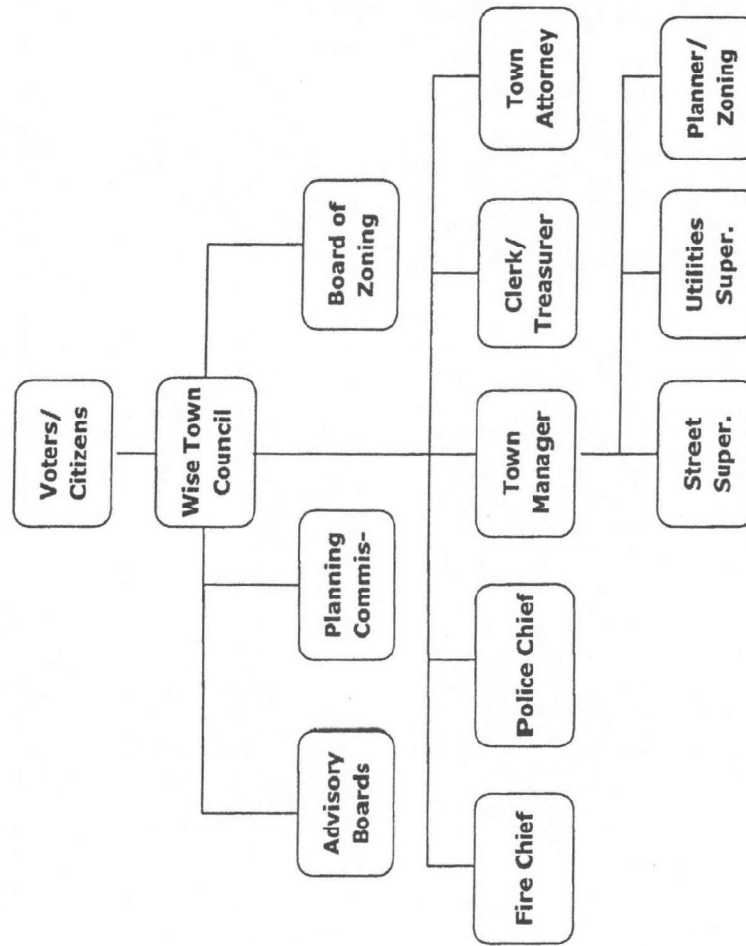
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Town of Wise Organizational Chart



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, and each major fund of the Town of Wise, Virginia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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; and the *Specifications for Audit of Counties, Cities and Towns*, issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts of the Commonwealth of Virginia. 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

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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.

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, and each major fund of the Town of Wise, Virginia, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof 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 budgetary comparison information on pages 4-10 and 51-56 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

The Honorable Members of Town Council
Town of Wise
Wise, Virginia 24293
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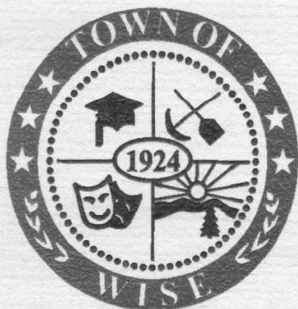
Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Wise, Virginia's basic financial statements. The introductory section and statistical sections are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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



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Town of Wise, Virginia
Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town, we offer readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. I encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal in the Introductory Section of this report, and the Town's financial statements which follow this discussion and analysis.

Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$22,259,099 (net position). Of this amount, \$3,961,322 (unrestricted) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The Town's total net position increased by \$1,138,104, of which the governmental activities increased by \$686,861 and business-type activities increased by \$451,243.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's general fund reported an ending fund balance of \$4,906,984, an increase of \$436,408 in comparison with the prior year. \$4,122,809 of this total amount is available for spending at the Town's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- Unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$4,122,809, or 116% percent of total general fund expenditures and 108% of total general fund revenues.
- The Town's total debt decreased by \$37,899 during the current fiscal year.

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.

This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements. **Government-Wide financial statements:** The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's overall financial status, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and

expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave.)

Both the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Town which are principally supported by taxes, and other non-exchange revenues transactions (*governmental activities*) from other activities which are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees charged to external parties (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities of the Town include general government administration; public safety; public works; parks and recreation and cultural; community development. The business-type activities consist of public utilities.

The government-wide financial statements (Exhibit 1 and 2) include only the Town itself. The Town has no component units to report.

Fund financial statements: A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental fund, and proprietary fund.

Governmental Funds: Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements *focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because of the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare to the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the Town's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General fund and proprietary fund, although not required for the proprietary fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with its budget.

The Town maintains one type of **Proprietary Fund:** The *Enterprise Fund* is used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses enterprise funds to account for its public utilities (water and sewer) fund.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements can be found at Exhibits 6 through 8 of this report.

Notes to 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.

Financial Analysis of the Town

Changes in net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a Town's financial position. Of interest, the Town's assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$22,259,099 at the close of fiscal year 2015.

The largest portion of the Town's net position (\$16,713,147; 75 percent of the total) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment) less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide service to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending, as capital assets are generally not sold or otherwise disposed of during their useful life. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Town of Wise, Virginia's Net Position

	<u>Primary Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<u>ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS:</u>		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 6,467,230	\$ 6,066,657
Capital Assets, Net	19,667,492	19,700,547
Other Noncurrent Assets	800,455	0
Deferred Outflows	<u>192,679</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Assets and Deferred outflows	<u>27,127,856</u>	<u>25,767,204</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS:</u>		
Current Liabilities	604,302	382,261
Long-Term Liabilities Outstanding	3,718,972	3,184,365
Deferred Inflows	<u>545,483</u>	<u>47,698</u>
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows	<u>4,868,757</u>	<u>3,614,324</u>
<u>NET POSITION:</u>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	16,713,147	16,681,719
Restricted	1,584,630	1,662,270
Unrestricted	<u>3,961,322</u>	<u>3,808,891</u>
Total Net Position	<u>22,259,099</u>	<u>22,152,880</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, And Net Position	<u>\$27,127,856</u>	<u>\$25,767,204</u>

Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town is able to report a positive balance in its net position, both for the Town as a whole, and as well as for its governmental activities.

Governmental Activities – Primary Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$1,138,104. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

Town of Wise, Virginia's Change in Net Position		
	<u>Primary Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
REVENUES:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for Services	\$ 3,114,835	\$ 2,905,216
Grants and Contributions	1,226,762	1,175,859
General Revenues:		
Property Taxes	710,274	693,762
Other Local Taxes	2,150,911	2,098,058
Other	<u>106,980</u>	<u>104,024</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 7,309,762</u>	<u>\$ 6,976,919</u>
EXPENSES:		
General Government	\$ 481,626	\$ 514,059
Public Safety	1,138,905	1,149,929
Public Works	1,252,947	1,286,576
Health and Welfare	2,221	4,939
Parks, Recreation and Culture	235,995	198,568
Community Development	181,964	219,201
Interest Expense	0	1,701
Water and Sewer	<u>2,878,000</u>	<u>2,852,703</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$ 6,171,658</u>	<u>\$ 6,189,116</u>
 Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	 \$ 1,138,104	 \$ 749,243
Net Position – June 30, 2014, as Restated	<u>21,120,995</u>	<u>21,403,637</u>
Net Position – June 30, 2015	<u>\$ 22,259,099</u>	<u>\$22,152,880</u>

Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds

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

Governmental Fund: The focus of the Town's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In addition, the Town's fund balance classifications are useful to identify the extent to which the Town's fund balances are constrained and how binding those constraints are.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town's *governmental fund* reported an ending fund balance of \$4,906,984, an increase of \$436,408 in comparison with the prior year. \$784,175 (15%) is classified as restricted to indicate that it can only be spent for specific purposes as stipulated by external resource providers (for example, through debt covenants, grant agreements, or by laws or regulations of other governments. Eighty-five percent of this total amount, \$4,122,809 constitutes *unassigned fund balance*. Unassigned fund balances are technically available for any remaining purpose, but are maintained at targeted levels in accordance with sound financial management practices.

The General Fund is the only operating fund (and only governmental fund) of the Town (Exhibit 3). The General Fund's balance increased \$436,408 (9.7%) during fiscal year 2015 to \$4,906,984, of which \$4,122,809 is unassigned. As one measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it is useful to compare the total of the Town's assigned and unassigned fund balances to total revenues. At the end of fiscal year 2015, the General Fund's assigned and unassigned fund balances of \$4,906,984 represents (109.8%) of total General Fund revenues of \$4,465,478. In addition, General Fund's unassigned fund balance totaled \$4,122,809 and continues to exceed the 10% minimum set by the Town's fund balance policy. The \$436,408 fiscal year 2015 increase in the General Fund's fund balance resulted from General Fund revenues of \$4,465,478 less expenditures of \$3,553,258 and other financing uses of \$475,812, and was primarily the result of increased revenue as shown on Exhibit 4 to the financial statements.

Proprietary Funds: The Town's proprietary funds financial statements provide the same type of information presented in the business-type activities on the government-wide financial statements, as their basis of accounting is the same, but in more detail. Factors relating to the financial position and results of operation of the Town's Public Utilities System (water and sewer fund) have been addressed in the discussion of the Town's business-type activities.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Differences between the budgeted and the actual amounts represent expenditures being \$644,196 lower than anticipated, while revenues were \$207,787 lower than anticipated, resulting in a favorable difference of \$436,408 (the net change in fund balance).

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets: The Town's investment in capital assets for its primary governmental activities as of June 30, 2015 amounts to \$19,667,492, net of accumulated depreciation. This investment is in land, buildings and improvements, infrastructure, and machinery and equipment. The total increase in the Town's investment in capital assets, net of depreciation, for all funds in the current fiscal year was \$31,428.

Town of Wise, Virginia's Change in Capital Assets

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Land	\$ 2,281,892	\$ 2,281,892
Buildings and Building Improvements	3,021,362	2,965,238
Infrastructure	23,495,014	22,537,756
Equipment	<u>4,128,535</u>	<u>4,150,386</u>
Total	32,926,803	31,935,272
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(13,259,311)</u>	<u>(12,234,725)</u>
Net capital assets	<u>\$19,667,492</u>	<u>\$ 19,700,547</u>

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 6.

Long-term debt: At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town had total primary government debt outstanding of \$2,954,345, in addition to claims, judgments, and compensated absences of \$135,379. Of this amount, \$2,954,345 comprises debt backed by the full faith and credit of the Town.

In the Commonwealth of Virginia there is no State statute that limits the amount of general obligation debt a Town may issue.

During the current fiscal year, the Town's total primary government debt decreased by \$37,899.

Additional information on the Town of Wise, Virginia's long-term debt can be found in Note 8 of this report.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

- The June 2015 unemployment rate for the local area was 9.2% percent, which is an increase from a rate of 8.9% percent a year ago. This is higher than the state's average unemployment rate of 5.0 % percent by 4.2 percent and higher than the national average rate of 5.3% by 3.9 percent.

All of these factors were considered in preparing the Town's budget for the 2015 fiscal year.

Rates

The appropriate tax rates for the 2014-2015 year are as follows: .245 per \$100 value for real estate, mobile home taxes, and public utilities real estate, .63 per \$100 value for personal property, machinery and tools, and public service personal property.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Wise, Virginia's finances for all those with an interest in the Town's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Ms. Beverly Owens, Wise, Virginia 24293.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2015

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total Primary Governmental Activities
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,002,964	\$ 715,375	\$ 4,718,339
Receivables, Net			
Taxes	156,009	-	156,009
Accounts	69,093	435,263	504,356
Other	671	-	671
Due from Other Governmental Units	147,942	53,793	201,735
Restricted Cash	784,175	101,945	886,120
Total Current Assets	5,160,854	1,306,376	6,467,230
Noncurrent Assets:			
Restricted Cash	-	800,455	800,455
Capital Assets:			
Land, Non-Depreciable Improvements, and			
Construction in Progress	1,985,892	296,000	2,281,892
Other Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation	7,490,526	9,895,074	17,385,600
Total Capital Assets	9,476,418	10,991,529	19,667,492
Total Assets	14,637,272	12,297,905	26,935,177
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS			
Pension Plan	111,754	80,925	192,679
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	199,728	193,378	393,106
Accrued Liabilities and Wages	36,135	22,806	58,941
Compensated Absences	7,242	3,799	11,041
Customer Deposits	-	101,945	101,945
General Obligation Bonds Payable	-	39,269	39,269
Total Current Liabilities	243,105	361,197	604,302
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Compensated Absences-Noncurrent Portion	81,611	42,727	124,338
Other Post Employment Benefits	125,932	-	125,932
Net Pension Liability	317,338	229,796	547,134
Accrued Interest	-	6,492	6,492
Long-term Obligation-Noncurrent Portion	-	2,915,076	2,915,076
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	524,881	3,194,091	3,718,972
Total Liabilities	767,986	3,555,288	4,323,274
DEFERRED INFLOWS			
Pension Plan	316,380	229,103	545,483
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	9,476,418	7,236,729	16,713,147
Restricted-Cemetery Savings	398,780	-	398,780
Restricted-Debt Reserves	-	800,455	800,455
Restricted-Transportation	385,395	-	385,395
Unrestricted	3,404,067	557,255	3,961,322
Total Net Position	\$ 13,664,660	\$ 8,594,439	\$ 22,259,099

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Primary Government		
					Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Primary Government:							
Governmental Activities:							
General Government Administration	\$ 481,626	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,401	\$ (456,225)	\$ -	\$ (456,225)
Public Safety	1,138,905	-	91,460	-	(1,047,445)	-	(1,047,445)
Public Works	1,252,947	301,865	14,251	983,095	46,264	-	46,264
Health and Welfare	2,221	-	-	-	(2,221)	-	(2,221)
Parks, Recreation and Cultural	235,995	62,105	-	-	(173,890)	-	(173,890)
Community Development	181,964	-	4,000	-	(177,964)	-	(177,964)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	3,293,658	363,970	109,711	1,008,496	(1,811,481)	-	(1,811,481)
Business-Type Activities:							
Water and Sewer	2,878,000	2,750,865	-	108,555	-	(18,580)	(18,580)
Total Business-Type Activities	2,878,000	2,750,865	-	108,555	-	(18,580)	(18,580)
Total Primary Government	\$ 6,171,658	\$ 3,114,835	\$ 109,711	\$ 1,117,051	(1,811,481)	(18,580)	\$ (1,830,061)
General Revenues:							
Taxes:							
Property Taxes, levied for general purposes					710,274	-	710,274
Utility Taxes					88,799	-	88,799
Mineral Taxes					53,388	-	53,388
Franchise Taxes					4,831	-	4,831
Local Sales and Use Taxes					233,237	-	233,237
Other Local Taxes					1,770,656	-	1,770,656
Investment Income					27,567	4,631	32,198
Operating Transfers and Adjustments					(465,192)	465,192	-
Other					74,782	-	74,782
Total General Revenues and Transfers					2,498,342	469,823	2,968,165
Change in Net Position					686,861	451,243	1,138,104
Net Position - Beginning-as Restated					12,977,799	8,143,196	21,120,995
Net Position - Ending					\$ 13,664,660	\$ 8,594,439	\$ 22,259,099

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,002,964	\$ 4,002,964
Receivables, Net:		
Taxes	156,009	156,009
Accounts	69,093	69,093
Other	671	671
Due From Other Governments	147,942	147,942
Restricted Cash	784,175	784,175
Total Assets	<u>5,160,854</u>	<u>5,160,854</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	199,728	199,728
Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	36,135	36,135
Total Liabilities	<u>235,863</u>	<u>235,863</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Property Taxes Receivable	18,007	18,007
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>18,007</u>	<u>18,007</u>
FUND BALANCES		
Nonspendable for Cemetery	398,780	398,780
Restricted for Debt Service	-	-
Restricted for Transportation	385,395	385,395
Unassigned Funds	4,122,809	4,122,809
Total Fund Balances	<u>4,906,984</u>	<u>4,906,984</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 5,160,854</u>	<u>\$ 5,160,854</u>

**Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the
Statement of Net Assets are Different Because:**

Total Fund Balances \$ 4,906,984

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in the governmental funds. The cost of the assets is \$15,638,370 and the accumulated depreciation is \$6,161,952

9,476,418

Because the focus of governmental funds is on current resources, some inflows/outflows of resources are recognized in future periods and are not included in the governmental funds.

(186,619)

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the funds.

Long-term liabilities at year end consisted of the following:

 Other Post Employment Benefit (125,932)

 Compensated absences (88,853)

 Net pension liability (317,338)

(532,123)

Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ 13,664,660

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

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

EXHIBIT 4

	<u>General Fund 2015</u>	<u>General Fund 2014</u>
REVENUES		
General Property Taxes	\$ 659,443	\$ 637,575
Other Local Taxes	2,042,875	1,989,857
Permits, Privilege Fees and Regulatory Licenses	547	475
Fines and Forfeitures	17,340	15,097
Revenue from the Use of Money and Property	27,567	25,269
Charges for Services	363,970	356,719
Miscellaneous	80,249	80,001
Intergovernmental	<u>1,273,487</u>	<u>824,012</u>
Total Revenues	<u>4,465,478</u>	<u>3,929,005</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Current:		
General Government Administration	465,932	476,256
Public Safety	1,071,881	1,118,698
Public Works	1,747,530	1,193,520
Health and Welfare	2,221	4,939
Parks, Recreation and Cultural	161,155	120,040
Community Development	104,539	136,643
Debt Service:		
Principal Retirement	-	64,788
Interest	<u>-</u>	<u>1,957</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>3,553,258</u>	<u>3,116,841</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues		
Over Expenditures	<u>912,220</u>	<u>812,164</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		
Loan Proceeds	-	-
Operating Transfers	<u>(475,812)</u>	<u>(324,188)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(475,812)</u>	<u>(324,188)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	436,408	487,976
Fund Balance - Beginning	<u>4,470,576</u>	<u>3,982,600</u>
Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ 4,906,984</u>	<u>\$ 4,470,576</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

EXHIBIT 5

	<u>General Fund</u>
Amounts Presented for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Fund	\$ 436,408
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeds depreciation in the period.	211,641
Because some property taxes will not be collected for several months after the Town's year end, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the governmental funds. Deferred revenue decreased by this amount this year.	(6,561)
In the statement of activities, revenues that do not provide current financial resources and expenses that are not paid by current resources are not reported in the fund statements.	49,596
In the statement of activities, compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In governmental funds however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used. This amount represents the difference between the amount earned versus the amount used.	(4,223)
Total Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 686,861</u>

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

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>2015</u> <u>Enterprise Fund</u> <u>Water &</u> <u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 715,375	\$ 715,375
Receivables, Net	435,263	435,263
Due From Other Governmental Units	53,793	53,793
Restricted Cash	101,945	101,945
Total Current Assets	<u>1,306,376</u>	<u>1,306,376</u>
Noncurrent Assets:		
Restricted Cash	800,455	800,455
Capital Assets, Depreciable, Net	9,895,074	9,895,074
Capital Assets, Non-Depreciable	296,000	296,000
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>10,991,529</u>	<u>10,991,529</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 12,297,905</u>	<u>\$ 12,297,905</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS		
Pension Plan	<u>80,925</u>	<u>80,925</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	193,378	193,378
Accrued Wages and Liabilities	22,806	22,806
Customer Deposits	101,945	101,945
Compensated Absences-Current	3,799	3,799
General Obligation Bonds Payable-Current	39,269	39,269
Total Current Liabilities	<u>361,197</u>	<u>361,197</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Compensated Absences-Noncurrent	42,727	42,727
Net Pension Liability	229,796	229,796
Accrued Interest	6,492	6,492
General Obligation Bonds Payable-Noncurrent	2,915,076	2,915,076
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>3,194,091</u>	<u>3,194,091</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>3,555,288</u>	<u>3,555,288</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS		
Pension Plan	<u>229,103</u>	<u>229,103</u>
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	7,236,729	7,236,729
Restricted-Debt Reserves	800,455	800,455
Unrestricted	557,255	557,255
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 8,594,439</u>	<u>\$ 8,594,439</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>2015</u> <u>Enterprise Fund</u> <u>Water &</u> <u>Sewer</u>	<u>2014</u> <u>Enterprise Fund</u> <u>Water &</u> <u>Sewer</u>
OPERATING REVENUES		
Charges for Services	\$ 2,535,616	\$ 2,398,670
Connection Charges	124,974	77,688
Miscellaneous	90,275	72,140
Total Operating Revenues	<u>2,750,865</u>	<u>2,548,498</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Personnel Services	891,491	928,667
Fringe Benefits	364,813	436,212
Contractual Services	52,164	40,348
Utilities and Telephone	69,390	70,728
Materials and Supplies	194,437	173,024
Other Charges	740,141	651,113
Depreciation	452,055	446,385
Total Operating Expenses	<u>2,764,491</u>	<u>2,746,477</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>(13,626)</u>	<u>(197,979)</u>
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Miscellaneous Income	-	-
Interest Income/(Expense)	(108,878)	(102,755)
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets	-	-
Total Nonoperating Revenue (Expenses)	<u>(108,878)</u>	<u>(102,755)</u>
Income (Loss) Before Contributions and Transfers	(122,504)	(300,734)
Operating Transfer	465,192	324,188
Contribution from Other Governmental Units	<u>108,555</u>	<u>497,148</u>
Change in Net Position	451,243	520,602
Total Net Position, Beginning as Restated	<u>8,143,196</u>	<u>8,055,986</u>
Total Net Position, Ending	<u>\$ 8,594,439</u>	<u>\$ 8,576,588</u>

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TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>2015</u> <u>Enterprise Fund</u> <u>Water & Sewer</u>	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 2,560,669	
Cash Payments to Suppliers	(1,034,826)	
Cash Payments to Employees	(1,255,579)	
Other Operating Revenues	<u>90,275</u>	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		360,539
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Penalties and Interest Charges	-	
Increase (Decrease) in Customer Deposits	<u>940</u>	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities		940
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(217,979)	
Operating Transfers from Other Funds	475,812	
Loan Proceeds	-	
Principal Paid on Revenue Bond	(37,898)	
Interest Paid on Revenue Bonds	(113,589)	
Contributions and Grants	108,555	
Gain from Sale of Capital Assets	<u>-</u>	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities		214,901
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest and Dividends on Investments	<u>4,631</u>	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		<u>4,631</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		581,011
Cash Balances, Beginning		<u>1,036,764</u>
Cash Balances, Ending		<u>\$ 1,617,775</u>

Disclosure of Accounting Policy

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Water and Sewer Fund considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

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

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

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2015
Enterprise Fund
Water & Sewer

Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by
Operating Activities:

Operating Income (Loss)	\$ <u>(13,626)</u>
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Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided
by Operating Activities:

Depreciation	452,055
Change in Accounting Principle	(433,392)

Change in Assets and Liabilities:

(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(99,921)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	76,724
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Wages and Liabilities	4,156
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Vacation	(3,431)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Pension Liability	229,796
Increase (Decrease) in Pension Plan Deferrals	<u>148,178</u>

Total Adjustments	<u>374,165</u>
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Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 360,539</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Town have been prepared in conformity with the specifications promulgated by the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA) of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States as specified by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The Town of Wise is a municipal corporation that is governed by an elected mayor and a five-member council. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town as a primary government. Upon consideration of potential component units, it was determined that there were no component units for the Town.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government and its component units, if any. 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 (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) 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 any fiduciary funds. Separate statements are presented for the *governmental and proprietary* fund categories; however, there were no *fiduciary* funds to be presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column.

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 revenues are ancillary activities such as investment earnings.

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

(1) Governmental Funds account for the expendable financial resources, other than those accounted for in Fiduciary Funds. The Governmental Fund measurement focus is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position, rather than upon net income determination as would apply to a commercial enterprise. The individual Governmental Fund is:

General Fund - The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Town. This fund is used to account for all financial transactions and resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Revenues are derived primarily from property and other local taxes, state and federal distributions, licenses, permits, charges for service, and interest income.

(2) Proprietary Funds account for activities similar to those found in the private sector. The measurement focus is upon determination of net income. Proprietary Funds consist of Enterprise and Internal Service Funds.

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The intent of the Town of Wise is that the cost of providing services to the general public be financed or recovered through user charges. The Enterprise Fund consists of the Water and Sewer Fund.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Government-Wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements, if any, are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide, proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using 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, 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 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.

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

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
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JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

operations. The principal operating revenues of the Town enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. 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 45 days after year-end.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The following procedures are used by the Town in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- (1) The Town Manager submits to the Town Council a proposed operating and capital budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating and capital budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- (2) Public hearings are conducted to obtain citizen comments.
- (3) Prior to June 30, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an Appropriations Resolution.
- (4) The Appropriations Resolution places legal restrictions on expenditures at the department level or category level. The appropriation for each department or category can be revised only by the Council. The Town Manager is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts within general government departments.
- (5) Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund.
- (6) All budgets are adopted on a cash basis, but variances from modified accrual basis budgets are not considered to be material.
- (7) Appropriations lapse on June 30 for all Town units.
- (8) All budget data presented in the accompanying financial statements is the original budget, as no amendments were made during the year.

Budgetary Comparison Schedules: Demonstrating compliance with the adopted budget is an important component of a government's accountability to the public. Many citizens participate in one way or another in the process of establishing the annual operating budgets of state and local governments, and have a keen interest in following the actual

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

financial progress of their governments over the course of the year. Many governments revise their original budgets over the course of the year for a variety of reasons. Under this reporting model, governments will continue to provide budgetary comparison information in their annual reports. An important change, however, is a requirement to add the government's original budget to the current comparison of final budget and actual results.

E. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriations, is employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the General Fund. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reported as reservations of fund balances since they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment purchased is stated at cost. Donated property is recorded at market value prevailing at date of donation. Depreciation has been provided in the proprietary fund over the following estimated useful lives using the Straight-Line Method:

	<u>Water and Sewer Fund</u>
Water/Sewer System	30 years
Improvements Other Than Buildings	30 – 40 years
Equipment	3 – 10 years

G. Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

The Town calculates its allowance for uncollectible accounts using historical collection data and, in certain cases, specific account analysis. The allowance amounted to approximately \$71,464 at June 30, 2015, and is composed of the following:

	<u>Amount</u>
<u>General Fund:</u>	
Property Tax Receivable	\$ 8,331
Garbage Receivable	8,101
<u>Water and Sewer Fund:</u>	
Accounts Receivable	<u>55,032</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 71,464</u>

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits: All cash of the Town of Wise, Virginia is maintained in accounts collateralized in accordance with the Virginia Security for Public Deposits Act, Section 2.2-4400et.seq. of the Code of Virginia or covered by federal depository insurance.

Investments: Statutes authorize the Town to invest in obligations of the United States or agencies thereof, obligations of the Commonwealth of Virginia or political subdivisions thereof, obligations of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank) the Asian Development Bank, the African Development Bank, commercial paper rated A-1 by Standard and Poor's Corporation or P-1 by Moody's Commercial Paper Record, bankers acceptances, repurchase agreements and the State Treasurer's Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP)

The Town had no investments required to be categorized in accordance with standards. All funds were on deposit.

NOTE 3: PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE

Property is assessed at its value on January 1. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. Taxes are payable in one installment on December 5th. The Town bills and collects its own property taxes.

NOTE 4: DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Treasurer of Wise County:</u>		
Sales Tax	\$ 21,536	
Court Fines	5,026	
Coal Road Improvement	<u>9,104</u>	
Total Treasurer of Wise County		\$ 35,666
 <u>Commonwealth of Virginia:</u>		
Department of Transportation	94,252	
Department of Motor Vehicles	5,088	
Department of Health	34,346	
Dept. of Conservation & Recreation	11,200	
Miscellaneous Taxes	<u>12,936</u>	
Total Commonwealth of Virginia		<u>157,822</u>
 <u>U.S. Department of Agriculture:</u>		
Reservoir Improvements Project	<u>8,247</u>	
Total Commonwealth of Virginia		<u>8,247</u>
 TOTAL DUE		 <u>\$ 201,735</u>

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 5: DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *Deferred Outflows of Resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an expense or expenditure until then. The Town currently has deferred outflows totaling \$192,679 as of June 30, 2015 which is comprised of employer contributions for pension that will be recognized in a future period.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial 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 deferred inflows totaling \$563,490 as of June 30, 2015. \$18,007 of that amount includes uncollected tax billings not available for funding of current expenditures, and \$545,483 represents the difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments for pension.

NOTE 6: CHANGES IN GENERAL CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	<u>BEGINNING</u>	<u>ADDITIONS</u>	<u>DELETIONS</u>	<u>ENDING</u>
Land, Non-Depreciable	\$ 1,985,892	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,985,892
Buildings	2,693,421	56,124	-	2,749,545
Infrastructure	7,218,289	739,485	-	7,957,774
Equipment	2,956,035	80,384	91,259	2,945,160
TOTAL	\$ 14,853,637	\$ 875,993	\$ 91,259	\$ 15,638,371
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				(6,161,953)
NET				\$ 9,476,418

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

	<u>Amount</u>
General Government	\$ 3,183
Public Safety	103,509
Public Works	364,076
Parks, Recreation, and Cultural	82,908
Community Development	82,270
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 635,946

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 7: PROPRIETARY CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of proprietary fund property, plant and equipment at June 30, 2015 follows:

	<u>Water & Sewer</u>
Land	\$ 296,000
Buildings	271,817
Improvements Other Than Buildings	15,537,240
Equipment	<u>1,183,375</u>
TOTAL	17,288,432
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(7,097,358)</u>
NET	<u><u>\$ 10,191,074</u></u>

NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT

Details of Long-Term Indebtedness:

	<u>AMOUNT OUTSTANDING</u>
GOVERNMENTAL FUND:	
Total Compensated Absences	<u>\$ 88,853</u>
Total Governmental Long-term Obligation Debt	<u><u>\$ 88,853</u></u>
ENTERPRISE FUND:	
General Obligation Bonds:	
A \$2,274,000 General Obligation Water Bond was issued April 26, 2011, through Rural Development Authority at a rate of 4.25% per year. Interest only shall be payable on August 9, 2012, and August 9, 2013. Monthly installments of combined principal and interest in the amount of \$10,074 shall be payable beginning on September 9, 2013.	\$ 2,226,592
A \$750,000 General Obligation Water Bond was issued April 26, 2011, through Rural Development Authority at a rate of 2.50% per year. Interest only shall be payable on August 9, 2012, and August 9, 2013. Monthly installments of combined principal and interest in the amount of \$2,550 shall be payable beginning on September 9, 2013.	<u>727,753</u>
Total General Obligation Bonds	2,954,345
Total Compensated Absences	<u>46,526</u>
Total Enterprise Long-term obligation Debt	<u><u>\$ 3,000,871</u></u>

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT (continued)

Annual requirements to amortize long-term debt and related interest are as follows:

Bonds and Notes Payable			
Year Ended			
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$ 39,269	\$ 112,219	\$ 151,488
2017	40,744	110,744	\$ 151,488
2018	42,278	109,210	\$ 151,488
2019	43,872	107,616	\$ 151,488
2020	45,529	105,959	\$ 151,488
2021-2025	254,896	502,544	\$ 757,440
2026-2030	307,405	450,035	\$ 757,440
2031-2035	371,293	386,147	\$ 757,440
2036-2040	449,115	308,325	\$ 757,440
2041-2045	544,008	213,432	\$ 757,440
2046-2050	659,829	97,611	\$ 757,440
2051-2053	156,107	3,491	\$ 159,598
TOTALS	\$ 2,954,345	\$ 2,507,333	\$ 5,461,678

Changes in Long-Term Debt:

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the Town for the Year ended June 30, 2015:

	Balance			Balance	Due
Primary Government	7/1/2014	Additions	Reductions	6/30/2015	Within One Year
<u>Governmental Activities:</u>					
N/A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Governmental Activities	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>					
General Obligation Bond-Series 2011A	2,252,251	-	25,659	2,226,592	26,720
General Obligation Bond-Series 2011B	739,992	-	12,239	727,753	12,549
Total Business-Type Activities	2,992,243	-	37,898	2,954,345	39,269
Total Primary Government	\$ 2,992,243	\$ -	\$ 37,898	\$ 2,954,345	\$ 39,269

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE 9: PENSION PLAN

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Town of Wise, Virginia's (Town) Retirement Plan and the additions to/deductions from net position of the Town's net fiduciary position have been determined on the same basis as they were reported by the Virginia Retirement System (VRS). For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Plan Description – All full-time, salaried permanent employees of the Town are automatically covered by VRS Retirement Plan upon employment. This plan is administered by the Virginia Retirement System (the System) along with plans for other employer groups in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Members earn one month of service credit for each month they are employed and for which they and their employer are paying contributions to VRS. Members are eligible to purchase prior service, based on specific criteria as defined in the *Code of Virginia*, as amended. Eligible prior service that may be purchased includes prior public service, active military service, certain periods of leave, and previously refunded service.

The System administers three different benefit structures for covered employees – Plan 1, Plan 2, and Hybrid. Each of these benefit structures has a different eligibility criteria. The specific information for each plan and the eligibility for covered groups within each plan are set out in the table below:

RETIREMENT PLAN PROVISIONS		
PLAN 1	PLAN 2	HYBRID RETIREMENT PLAN
<p>About Plan 1 Plan 1 is a defined benefit plan. The retirement benefit is based on a member's age, creditable service and average final compensation at retirement using a formula. Employees are eligible for Plan 1 if their membership date is before July 1, 2010, and they were vested as of January 1, 2013.</p>	<p>About Plan 2 Plan 2 is a defined benefit plan. The retirement benefit is based on a member's age, creditable service and average final compensation at retirement using a formula. Employees are eligible for Plan 2 if their membership date is on or after July 1, 2010, or their membership date is before July 1, 2010, and they were not vested as of January 1, 2013.</p>	<p>About the Hybrid Retirement Plan The Hybrid Retirement Plan combines the features of a defined benefit plan and a defined contribution plan. Most members hired on or after January 1, 2014 are in this plan as well as Plan 1 and Plan 2 members who were eligible and opted into the plan during a special election window. (see "Eligible Members")</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The defined benefit is based on a member's age, creditable service and average final compensation at retirement using a formula. • The benefit from the

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		<p>defined contribution component of the plan depends on the member and employer contributions made to the plan and the investment performance of those contributions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition to the monthly benefit payment payable from the defined benefit plan at retirement, a member may start receiving distributions from the balance in the defined contribution account, reflecting the contributions, investment gains or losses, and any required fees.
<p>Eligible Members Employees are in Plan 1 if their membership date is before July 1, 2010, and they were vested as of January 1, 2013</p> <p>Hybrid Opt-In Election VRS non-hazardous duty covered Plan 1 members were allowed to make an irrevocable decision to opt into the Hybrid Retirement Plan during a special election window held January 1 through April 30, 2014</p> <p>If eligible deferred members returned to work during the election window, they were also eligible to opt into the Hybrid Retirement Plan.</p> <p>Members who were eligible for an optional retirement plan (ORP) and had prior service under Plan 1 were not eligible to elect the Hybrid Retirement Plan and remain as Plan 1 or</p>	<p>Eligible Members Employees are in Plan 2 if their membership date is on or after July 1, 2010, or their membership date is before July 1, 2010, and they were not vested as of January 1, 2013.</p> <p>Hybrid Opt-In Election Eligible Plan 2 members were allowed to make an irrevocable decision to opt into the Hybrid Retirement Plan during a special election window held January 1 through April 30, 2014.</p> <p>If eligible deferred members returned to work during the election window, they were also eligible to opt into the Hybrid Retirement Plan.</p> <p>Members who were eligible for an optional retirement plan (ORP) and have prior service under Plan 2 were not eligible to elect the Hybrid Retirement Plan and remain as Plan 2 or ORP.</p>	<p>Eligible Members Employees are in the Hybrid Retirement Plan if their membership date is on or after January 1, 2014. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Wise, Virginia employees • Members in Plan 1 or Plan 2 who elected to opt into the plan during the election window held January 1-April 30, 2014; the plan's effective date for opt-in members was July 1, 2014 <p>*Non-Eligible Members Some employees are not eligible to participate in the Hybrid Retirement Plan. They include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political subdivision employees who are covered by enhanced benefits for hazardous duty employees <p>Those employees eligible for an optional retirement plan (ORP)</p>

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ORP.		must elect the ORP plan or the Hybrid Retirement Plan. If these members have prior service under Plan 1 or Plan 2, they are not eligible to elect the Hybrid Retirement Plan and must select Plan 1 or Plan 2 (as applicable) or ORP.
<p>Retirement Contributions Employees contribute 5% of their compensation each month to their member contribution account through a pre-tax salary reduction. The Library elected to phase in the required 5% member contribution but all employees will be paying the full 5% by July 1, 2016. Member contributions are tax-deferred until they are withdrawn as part of a retirement benefit or as a refund. The employer makes a separate actuarially determined contribution to VRS for all covered employees. VRS invests both member and employer contributions to provide funding for the future benefit payment.</p>	<p>Retirement Contributions Employees contribute 5% of their compensation each month to their member contribution account through a pre-tax salary reduction. Some political subdivisions elected to phase in the required 5% member contribution but all employees will be paying the full 5% by July 1, 2016.</p>	<p>Retirement Contributions A member's retirement benefit is funded through mandatory and voluntary contributions made by the member and the employer to both the defined benefit and the defined contribution components of the plan. Mandatory contributions are based on a percentage of the employee's creditable compensation and are required from both the member and the employer. Additionally, members may choose to make voluntary contributions to the defined contribution component of the plan, and the employer is required to match those voluntary contributions according to specified percentages.</p>
<p>Creditable Service Creditable service includes active service. Members earn creditable service for each month they are employed in a covered position. It also may include credit for prior service the member has purchased or additional creditable service the member was granted. A member's total creditable service is one of the factors used to determine their eligibility for retirement benefit. It also may count toward eligibility for retirement and to calculate their retirement benefits. It also may count toward eligibility for the health insurance credit in retirement, if</p>	<p>Creditable Service Same as Plan 1</p>	<p>Creditable Service <u>Defined Benefit Component:</u> Under the defined benefit component of the plan, creditable service includes active service. Members earn creditable service for each month they are employed in a covered position. It also may include credit for prior service the member has purchased or additional creditable service the member was granted. A member's total creditable service is one of the factors used to determine their eligibility for retirement and to calculate their retirement benefit. It also may count toward eligibility for the health</p>

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the employer offers the health insurance credit.		<p>insurance credit in retirement, if the employer offers the health insurance credit.</p> <p><u>Defined Contributions Component:</u> Under the defined contribution component, creditable service is used to determine vesting for the employer contribution portion of the plan.</p>
<p>Vesting Vesting is the minimum length of service a member needs to qualify for a future retirement benefit. Members become vested when they have at least five years (60 months) of creditable service. Vesting means members are eligible to qualify for retirement if they meet the age and service requirements for their plan. Members also must be vested to receive a full refund of their member contribution account balance if they leave employment and request a refund.</p> <p>Members are always 100% vested in the contributions that they make.</p>	<p>Vesting Same as Plan 1</p>	<p>Vesting <u>Defined Benefit Component:</u> Defined benefit vesting is the minimum length of service a member needs to qualify for a future retirement benefit. Members are vested under the defined benefit component of the Hybrid Retirement Plan when they reach five years (60 months) of creditable service. Plan 1 or Plan 2 members with at least five years (60 months) of creditable service who opted into the Hybrid Retirement Plan remain vested in the defined benefit component.</p> <p><u>Defined Contributions Component:</u> Defined contribution vesting refers to the minimum length of service a member needs to be eligible to withdraw the employer contributions from the defined contribution component of the plan.</p> <p>Members are always 100% vested in the contributions that they make.</p> <p>Upon retirement or leaving covered employment, a member is eligible to withdraw a percentage of employer contributions to the defined contribution component of the plan, based on service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After two years, a member

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		<p>is 50% vested and may withdraw 50% of employer contributions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After three years, a member is 75% vested and may withdraw 75% of employer contributions. • After four or more years, a member is 100% vested and may withdraw 100% of employer contributions. <p>Distribution is not required by law until age 70½.</p>
<p>Calculating the Benefit The Basic Benefit is calculated based on a formula using the member's average final compensation, a retirement multiplier and total service credit at retirement. It is one of the benefit payout options available to a member at retirement</p> <p>An early retirement reduction factor is applied to the Basic Benefit if the member retires with a reduced retirement benefit or selects a benefit payout option other than the Basic Benefit.</p>	<p>Calculating the Benefit See definition under Plan 1</p>	<p>Calculating the Benefit <u>Defined Benefit Component:</u> See definition under Plan 1</p> <p><u>Defined Contribution component:</u> The benefit is based on contributions made by the member and any matching contributions made by the employer, plus net investment earnings on those contributions.</p>
<p>Average Final Compensation A member's average final compensation is the average of the 36 consecutive months of highest compensation as a covered employee.</p>	<p>Average Final Compensation A member's average final compensation is the average of their 60 consecutive months of highest compensation as a covered employee.</p>	<p>Average Final Compensation Same as Plan 2. It is used in the retirement formula for the defined benefit component of the plan.</p>
<p>Service Retirement Multiplier VRS: The retirement multiplier is a factor used in the formula to determine a final retirement benefit. The retirement multiplier for non-hazardous duty members is 1.70%</p>	<p>Service Retirement Multiplier VRS: The same as Plan 1 for service earned, purchased or granted prior to January 1, 2013. For non-hazardous duty members the retirement multiplier is 1.65% for</p>	<p>Service Retirement Multiplier <u>Defined Benefit Component:</u> VRS: The retirement multiplier for the defined benefit component is 1.00%.</p> <p>For members who opted into the</p>

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	creditable service earned, purchased or granted on or after January 1, 2013.	Hybrid Retirement Plan from Plan 1 or Plan 2, the applicable multipliers for those plans will be used to calculate the retirement benefit for service credited in those plans.
Sheriffs and regional jail superintendents: Not Applicable	Sheriffs and regional jail superintendents: Not Applicable	Sheriffs and regional jail superintendents: Not Applicable
Political Subdivision hazardous duty employees: The retirement multiplier of eligible political subdivision hazardous duty employees other than sheriffs and regional jail superintendents is 1.70% or 1.85% as elected by the employer.	Political Subdivision hazardous duty employees: Same as Plan 1.	Political Subdivision hazardous duty employees: Not Applicable
Normal Retirement Age VRS: Age 65	Normal Retirement Age VRS: Normal Social Security retirement age.	Normal Retirement Age <u>Defined Benefit Component:</u> VRS: Same as Plan 2.
Political subdivision hazardous duty employees: Age 60.	Political subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Same as Plan 1.	Political subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Not applicable <u>Defined Contribution Component:</u> Members are eligible to receive distributions upon leaving employment, subject to restrictions.
Earliest Unreduced Retirement Eligibility VRS: Age 65 with at least five years (60 months) of creditable service or at age 50 with at least 30 years of creditable service.	Earliest Unreduced Retirement Eligibility VRS: Normal Social Security retirement age with at least five years (60 months) of creditable service or when their age and service equal 90.	Earliest Unreduced Retirement Eligibility <u>Defined Benefit Component:</u> VRS: Normal Social Security retirement age and have at least five years (60 months) of creditable service or when their age and service equal 90.
Political Subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Age 60 with at least five years of creditable service or age 50 with at least 25 years of creditable service.	Political Subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Same as Plan 1	Political Subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Not Applicable <u>Defined Contribution Component:</u> Members are eligible to receive

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<p>Earliest Reduced Retirement Eligibility VRS: Age 55 with at least five years (60 months) of creditable service or age 50 with at least 10 years of creditable service.</p> <p>Political subdivisions hazardous duty employees: 50 with at least five years of creditable service</p>	<p>Earliest Reduced Retirement Eligibility VRS: Age 60 with at least five years (60 months) of creditable service.</p> <p>Political subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Same as Plan 1</p>	<p>distributions upon leaving employment, subject to restrictions.</p> <p>Earliest Reduced Retirement Eligibility Defined Benefit Component: VRS: Age Members may retire with a reduced benefit is as early as age 60 with at least five years (60 months) of creditable service.</p> <p>Political subdivisions hazardous duty employees: Not Applicable</p> <p>Defined Contribution Component: Members are eligible to receive distributions upon leaving employment, subject to restrictions.</p>
<p>Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) in Retirement The Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) matches the first 3% increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and half of any additional increase (up to 4%) up to a maximum COLA of 5%.</p> <p>Eligibility: For members who retire with an unreduced benefit or with a reduced benefit with at least 20 years of creditable service, the COLA will go into effect on July 1 after one full calendar year from the retirement date.</p> <p>For members who retire with a reduced benefit and who have less than 20 years of creditable service, the COLA will go into effect on July 1 after one calendar year following the unreduced retirement eligibility date.</p>	<p>Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) in Retirement The Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) matches the first 2% increase in the CPI-U and half of any additional increase (up to 2%), for a maximum COLA of 3%.</p> <p>Eligibility: Same as Plan 1</p>	<p>Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) in Retirement Defined Benefit Component: Same as Plan 2</p> <p>Defined Contribution Component: Not applicable</p> <p>Eligibility: Same as Plan 1 and Plan 2</p>

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<p><u>Exceptions to COLA Effective Dates:</u> The COLA is effective July 1 following one full calendar year (January 1 to December 31) under any of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The member is within five years of qualifying for an unreduced retirement benefit as of January 1, 2013. • The member retires on disability. • The member retires directly from short-term or long-term disability under the Virginia Sickness and Disability Program (VSDP). • The member is involuntarily separated from employment for causes other than job performance or misconduct and is eligible to retire under the Workforce Transition Act or the Transitional Benefits Program. • The member dies in service and the member's survivor or beneficiary is eligible for a monthly death-in-service benefit. The COLA will go into effect on July 1 following one full calendar year (January 1 to December 31) from the date the monthly benefit begins. 	<p><u>Exceptions to COLA Effective Dates:</u> Same as Plan 1</p>	<p><u>Exceptions to COLA Effective Dates:</u> Same as Plan 1 and Plan 2</p>
<p>Disability Coverage Members who are eligible to be considered for disability retirement and retire on disability, the retirement multiplier is 1.7% on all service, Regardless of when it was</p>	<p>Disability Coverage Members who are eligible to be considered for disability retirement and retire on disability, the retirement multiplier is 1.65% on all service, regardless of when it</p>	<p>Disability Coverage Employees of political subdivisions (Including Plan 1 and Plan 2 opt-ins) participate in the Virginia Local Disability Program (VLDP) unless their local governing body provides</p>

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<p>earned, purchased or granted.</p> <p>VSDP members are subject to a one-year waiting period before becoming eligible for non-work related disability benefits.</p>	<p>was earned, purchased or granted.</p> <p>VSDP Members are subject to a one-year waiting period before becoming eligible for non-work related disability benefits.</p>	<p>an employer-paid comparable program for its members.</p> <p>Hybrid members (including Plan 1 and Plan 2 opt-ins) covered under VLDP are subject to a one-year waiting period before becoming eligible for non-work related disability benefits.</p>
<p>Purchase of Prior Service</p> <p>Members may be eligible to purchase service from previous public employment, active duty military service, an eligible period of leave or VRS refunded service as creditable service in their plan. Prior creditable service counts toward vesting, eligibility for retirement and the health insurance credit. Only active members are eligible to purchase prior service. When buying service, members must purchase their most recent period of service first. Members also may be eligible to purchase periods of leave without pay.</p>	<p>Purchase of Prior Service</p> <p>Same as Plan 1</p>	<p>Purchase of Prior Service</p> <p><u>Defined Benefit Component:</u></p> <p>Same as Plan 1, with the following exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hybrid Retirement Plan members are ineligible for ported service. • The cost for purchasing refunded service is the higher of 4% of creditable compensation or average final compensation. • Plan members have one year from their date of hire or return from leave to purchase all but refunded prior service at approximate normal cost. After that one year period, the rate for most categories of service will change to actuarial cost. <p><u>Defined Contribution Component:</u></p> <p>Not applicable</p>

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NOTE 9: PENSION PLAN (continued)

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms – As of June 30, 2013 actuarial valuation, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms of the pension plan:

	Number
Inactive members or their beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	<u>19</u>
Inactive Members:	
Vested Inactive Members	6
Non-vested Inactive Members	5
Active Elsewhere in VRS	<u>15</u>
Total Inactive Members	<u>26</u>
Active Members	<u>53</u>
Total Covered Employees	<u><u>98</u></u>

Contributions – The contribution requirement for active employees is governed by §51.1-145 of the *Code of Virginia*, as amended, but may be impacted as a result of funding options provided to the Town by the Virginia General Assembly. Employees are required to contribute 5.00% of their compensation toward their retirement. Prior to July 1, 2012, all or part of the 5.00% member contribution may have been assumed by the employer. Beginning July 1, 2012 new employees were required to pay the 5% member contribution. In addition, for existing employees, employers were required to begin making the employee pay the 5.00% member contribution. This could be phased in over a period of up to 5 years and the employer is required to provide a salary increase equal to the amount of the increase in the employee-paid member contribution. For the year ended June 30, 2015 the Town paid 0% of the member contribution.

The Town's contractually required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2015 was 9.30% of covered employee compensation. This rate was based on an actuarially determined rate from an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2013.

This rate, when combined with the employee contributions, was expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Contributions to the pension plan from the Town were \$192,679 and \$184,911 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

Net Pension Liability – The Town's net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2013, using updated actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement and rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2014.

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NOTE 9: PENSION PLAN (continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – General Employees – The total pension liability for General Employees in the Town's Retirement Plan was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2013, using the Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method and the following assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement and rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2014.

Inflation	2.5 percent
Salary increases, including inflation	3.5 percent – 5.35 percent
Investment rate of return	7.0 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation*

*Administrative expenses as a percent of market value of assets for the last experience study we found to be approximately 0.06% of the market assets for all of the VRS plans. This would provide an assumed investment return rate for GASB purposes of slightly more than the assumed 7.0%. However, since the difference was minimal, and a more conservative 7.0% investment return assumption provided a projected plan net position that exceeded the projected benefit payments, the long-term expected rate of return on investments was assumed to be 7.0% to simplify preparation of pension liabilities.

Mortality rates: 14% of deaths are assumed to be service related.

Largest 10 – Non-LEOS:

Pre-Retirement:

RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set forward 4 years and females were set back 2 years.

Post-Retirement:

RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set forward 1 year.

Post-Disablement:

RP-2000 Disability Life Mortality Table Projected to 2020 with males set back 3 years and no provision for future mortality improvement.

All Others (Non 10 Largest) – Non-LEOS:

Pre-Retirement:

RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set forward 4 years and females were set back 2 years.

Post-Retirement:

RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set forward 1 year.

Post-Disablement:

RP-2000 Disability Life Mortality Table Projected to 2020 with males set back 3 years and no provision for future mortality improvement.

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The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2013 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2012. Changes to the actuarial assumptions as a result of the experience study are as follows:

Largest 10 – Non-LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Decrease in rates of service retirement
- Decrease in rates of disability retirement
- Reduce rates of salary increase by 0.25% per year

All Others (Non 10 Largest) – Non-LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Decrease in rates of service retirement
- Decrease in rates of disability retirement
- Reduce rates of salary increase by 0.25% per year

Actuarial Assumptions – Public Safety Employees – The total pension liability for Public Safety Employees in the Town's Retirement Plan was based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2013, using the Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method and the following assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement and rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2014.

Inflation	2.5 percent
Salary increases, including inflation	3.5 percent – 4.75 percent
Investment rate of return	7.0 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation*

*Administrative expenses as a percent of market value of assets for the last experience study we found to be approximately 0.06% of the market assets for all of the VRS plans. This would provide an assumed investment return rate for GASB purposes of slightly more than the assumed 7.0%. However, since the difference was minimal, and a more conservative 7.0% investment return assumption provided a projected plan net position that exceeded the projected benefit payments, the long-term expected rate of return on investments was assumed to be 7.0% to simplify preparation of pension liabilities.

Mortality rates: 60% of deaths are assumed to be service related.

Largest 10 – Non-LEOS:

Pre-Retirement:

RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set Back 2 years years and females set back 2 years.

Post-Retirement:

RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set forward 1 year.

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NOTE 9: PENSION PLAN (continued)

Post-Disablement:

RP-2000 Disability Life Mortality Table Projected to 2020 with males set back 3 years and no provision for future mortality improvement.

All Others (Non 10 Largest) – Non-LEOS:

Pre-Retirement:

RP-2000 Employee Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set back 2 years and females set back 2 years.

Post-Retirement:

RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table Projected with Scale AA to 2020 with males set forward 1 year.

Post-Disablement:

RP-2000 Disability Life Mortality Table Projected to 2020 with males set back 3 years and no provision for future mortality improvement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2013 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2012. Changes to the actuarial assumptions as a result of the experience study are as follows:

Largest 10 – Non-LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Decrease in male rates of disability

All Others (Non 10 Largest) – Non-LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Adjustments to rates of service retirement for females
- Increase in rates of withdrawal
- Decrease in male and female rates of disability

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return – The long-term expected rate of return on pension System investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension System investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimate of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

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Asset Class (Strategy)	Target Allocation	Arithmetic Long-Term Expected Rate of Return	Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	19.50%	6.46%	1.26%
Developed Non U.S. Equity	16.50%	6.28%	1.04%
Emerging Market Equity	6.00%	10.00%	0.60%
Fixed Income	15.00%	0.09%	0.01%
Emerging Date	3.00%	3.51%	0.11%
Rate Sensitive Credit	4.50%	3.51%	0.16%
Non Rate Sensitive Credit	4.50%	5.00%	0.23%
Convertibles	3.00%	4.81%	0.14%
Public Real Estate	2.25%	6.12%	0.14%
Private Real Estate	12.75%	7.10%	0.91%
Private Equity	12.00%	10.41%	1.25%
Cash	1.00%	-1.50%	-0.02%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>5.83%</u>
	Inflation		<u>2.50%</u>
	*Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return		<u>8.33%</u>

*Using stochastic projection results provides an expected range of real rates of return over various time horizons. Looking at one year results produces an expected real return of 8.33% but also has a high standard deviation, which means there is high volatility. Over larger time horizons the volatility declines significantly and provides a median return of 7.44%, including expected inflation of 2.50%.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that System member contributions will be made per the VRS Statutes and the employer contributions will be made in accordance with the VRS funding policy at rate equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates adopted by the VRS Board of Trustees and the member rate. Through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the rate contributed by the employer for the Town's Retirement Plan will be subject to the portion of the VRS Board-certified rates that are funded by the Virginia General Assembly. From July 1, 2018 on, participating employers are assumed to contribute 100% of the actuarially determined contribution rates. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore the long-term expected rate of return was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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NOTE 9: PENSION PLAN (continued)

Changes in Net Pension Liability

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a) – (b)
Balances at June 30, 2013	\$8,863,262	\$7,646,466	\$1,216,796
Changes for the year:			
Service Cost	227,300	-	227,300
Interest	611,870	-	611,870
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	-	-
Contributions – Employer	-	184,911	(184,911)
Contributions – Employee	-	111,612	(111,612)
Net Investment Income	-	1,218,703	(1,218,703)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(244,530)	(244,530)	-
Administrative Expenses	-	(6,458)	6,458
Other Changes	-	64	(64)
Net Changes	594,640	1,264,302	(669,662)
Balances at June 30, 2014	\$9,457,902	\$8,910,768	\$547,134

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the net pension liability of the Town using the discount rate of 7.00% as well as what the political subdivision's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Town of Wise, Virginia's Net Pension Liability	\$1,954,598	\$547,134	\$(609,166)

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – For the year ended June 30, 2015, the Town recognized pension expense of \$60,732. At June 30, 2015, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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NOTE 9: PENSION PLAN (continued)

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ -
Changes in assumptions	-	-
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	545,483
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	192,679	-
Total	<u>\$ 192,679</u>	<u>\$ 545,483</u>

Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Town's contributions subsequent to the measurement date in the amount of \$192,679 will be recognized as a reduction of the Net Pension Liability in the year ended June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2016	\$ (136,371)
2017	(136,371)
2018	(136,371)
2019	(136,370)
Total	<u>\$ 545,483</u>

NOTE 10: CLAIMS, JUDGMENTS AND COMPENSATED ABSENCES

In accordance with NCGA Statement 4 "Accounting and Financial Reporting Principles for Claims and Judgments and Compensated Absences", the Town has accrued the liability arising from outstanding claims and judgments and compensated absences. Town employees earn sick leave at the rate of one day per month and vacation time is accrued based on length of service. No benefits or pay are received for unused sick leave upon termination. Accumulated vacation, up to the specified maximum, is paid upon termination. The Town has outstanding accrued vacation pay totaling \$88,853 in the General Long-Term Obligation Account Group and \$46,526 in the Water and Sewer Fund, with \$7,242 and \$3,799, respectively, expected to be paid within one year.

NOTE 11: LITIGATION

According to the Town's Legal Counsel, there are no outstanding claims concerning the Town of Wise, Virginia.

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NOTE 12: SURETY BONDS

Position Fidelity Schedule Bond:

	<u>Amount</u>
Mayor	\$ 200,000
Treasurer	200,000
Town Manager	200,000
Assistant Treasurer	200,000
Utility Clerk	200,000
Cashier	200,000

NOTE 13: SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Interest Paid-Proprietary Fund – Cash paid interest expense relating to debt for the year ended June 30, 2015 amounted to \$113,589.

The Town considers all short-term investments with an original maturity date of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

NOTE 14: GASB 54 FUND BALANCE REPORTING AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE DEFINITIONS

Purpose

The Town Council of the Town of Wise is dedicated to maintaining an appropriate level of fund balance sufficient to mitigate current and future financial risks and to ensure stable tax rates; and, therefore, formally establishes this policy for the Town's Fund Balance. This policy also authorizes and directs the Treasurer to prepare financial reports which accurately categorize fund balance as required by GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

Components of Fund Balance

Fund balance is the difference between the assets and liabilities reported in a governmental fund. The following five fund balance classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which the resources can be used:

- Non-spendable fund balance – amounts that are not in spendable form (such as inventory and prepaids) or are required to be maintained intact (corpus of a permanent fund);
- Restricted fund balance – amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation;
- Committed fund balance – amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint;

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NOTE 14: GASB 54 FUND BALANCE REPORTING AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE DEFINITIONS (continued)

- Assigned fund balance – amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority; for all funds except the general fund, assigned fund balance is the residual fund balance classification;
- Unassigned fund balance – amounts that are available for any purpose; positive amounts are only reported in the general fund.

Committed Fund Balance Policy

The Town Council is the Town's highest level of decision-making authority and the formal action that is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment is a resolution approved by the Town Council. The resolution must either be approved or rescinded, as applicable, prior to the last day of the fiscal year for which the commitment is made. The amount subject to the constraint may be determined in the subsequent period.

Assigned Fund Balance Policy

The Town Manager in consultation with the Town Treasurer and discussions with the Town Council shall determine funds to be classified as assigned.

Minimum Unassigned Fund Balance Policy

The Town will maintain an unassigned fund balance in the general fund equal to an amount established by the Town Council for expenditures/operating revenues. The Town considers a balance of less than the amount established by the Town Council to be cause for concern, barring unusual or deliberate circumstances. The balance of "unassigned funds" shall be at least equal to 10% of the General Fund's Total Revenues measured during the budget process as Total General Fund Revenue net of any appropriation from prior year fund balance. Except in extraordinary circumstances, Unassigned Fund Balance should not be used to fund any portion of the ongoing and routine year-to-year operating expenditures of the Town. It should be used primarily to ensure adequate reserves, to respond to unforeseen emergencies, to provide cash flow, and to provide overall financial stability.

Resource Flow Policy

When fund balance resources are available for a specific purpose in more than one classification, it is the Town's policy to use the most restrictive funds first in the following order: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned as they are needed.

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NOTE 15: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

PLAN DESCRIPTION

Name of Plan: Town of Wise Plan
Identification of Plan: Sole-employer
Administering Entity: Town of Wise, Virginia

Health Plan Eligibility

Participants in the Town of Wise Plan must meet the eligibility requirements based on service earned with the Town to be eligible to receive benefits upon retirement. Participants who do not retire directly from active service are not eligible for the benefit.

- General Town-Participants must have attained age 50 with a minimum of 30 years of service including 20 years of continuous service with the Town.
- Public Safety Officers-Participants must have attained age 50 with a minimum of 25 years of service including 20 years of continuous service with the Town.

Health benefits include medical, dental, and vision. Retirees may elect the Key Advantage Expanded or Key Advantage 250 medical option. Benefits end at age 65.

A. Health Plan Benefits

Coverage is for the retiree and eligible spouses/dependents. Monthly premiums include dental and vision coverage

B. Retiree and Employer Contributions

- Non-Medicare eligible retirees and spouses (Under Age 65)-The Town contributes 100% of the retiree only premiums for a maximum of 18 months following retirement or until the retiree reaches age 65, whichever is earlier. After the 18-month period following retirement, retiree contributes 100% of the premium cost for retiree coverage. The retiree must contribute 100% of the premium cost for spouse/dependent coverage at all times.
- Medicare eligible retirees and spouses (Age 65+) – No Coverage.

C. Disability Retirement Benefit

The Plan does not include any disability retirement benefits.

D. Death Benefit

The Plan does not include any pre-retirement death benefits. If a participant dies while employed and was eligible for benefits, the surviving spouse or family member would not be able to continue health coverage, except as provided by COBRA.

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NOTE 15: OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (continued)

E. Withdrawal Benefit

The Plan does not include a withdrawal benefit.

F. Benefit Service

Benefit service is credited from the date of hire with the Town of Wise.

ANNUAL COST

<u>SCHEDULES OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS</u>				
FISCAL YEAR	ANNUAL	ACTUAL	PERCENT	
ENDING 6/30	OPEB COST	CONTRIBUTION	FUNDED	
2011	\$ 19,908	\$ 15,282	76.76%	
2012	26,427	8,330	31.52%	
2013	27,802	6,180	22.23%	
2014	29,379	1,050	3.57%	
2015	30,804	3,871	12.57%	

The FY 2015 required contribution was determined as part of the January 1, 2015 actuarial valuation using the Projected Unit Credit actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions at January 1, 2015 included an investment rate of return of 3.5%, and a projected salary increase of 3.00% per year. The annual required contribution (ARC) was calculated as the normal cost plus the 30-year amortization of any unfunded portion of actuarial accrued liability. The actuarial accrued liability is the portion of the total present value of benefits that is attributable to service up to the date of the valuation. The amount of the actuarial accrued liability in excess of the Plan's assets is the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) which is amortized over a period not to exceed 30 years. The Town has selected an open amortization method and an amortization period of 30 years. The amortization amount was determined as a level percent of payroll. The Medical Cost Trend Assumption was based on the Getzen Trend Model – 5.2% graded to 4.50% over 66 years. The Schedule of Funding Progress, and the Calculation of Net OPEB Obligation (NOO) are located in Schedule 9 after the notes to the financial statements.

NOTE 16: CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

Accounting Changes

GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, replaces the requirements of Statement No. 27 and No. 50 as they relate to pensions that are provided through pension plans administered as trusts or equivalent

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NOTE 16: CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE (continued)

arrangements that meet certain criteria. This Statement establishes standards for measuring and recognizing liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. For defined benefit pensions, this Statement identifies the methods and assumptions that should be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. Note disclosure and required supplementary information requirements about pensions are also addressed. In addition, this Statement details the recognition and disclosure requirements for employers with liabilities to a defined benefit pension plan and for employers whose employees are provided with defined contribution pensions. This Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014.

Net position as of July 1, 2014 has been restated as follows for the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, as amended by GASB Statement No. 71.

Net Position as Previously Reported at June 30, 2014:	\$ 22,152,880
Prior Period Adjustment:	
Net Pension Liability (measurement date as of June 30, 2013)	1,216,796
Deferred Outflows: Employer Contributions made during fiscal year 2014	<u>(184,911)</u>
Total prior period adjustment	<u>1,031,885</u>
Net Position as restated, July 1, 2014	<u>\$ 21,120,995</u>

NOTE 17: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In September 2015, the Town entered into a financing agreement with the Virginia Resource Authority, Administrator of the Virginia Water Supply Revolving Fund, for funding of a Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Project comprised of federal and state funds in the form of loan and grant proceeds totaling \$1,113,050.

In September 2015, the Town entered into a financing agreement with the Virginia Resource Authority, Administrator of the Virginia Water Supply Revolving Fund, for funding of the Modoc Water Tank Rehabilitation Project comprised of federal and state funds in the form of loan and grant proceeds totaling \$291,834.

SCHEDULES OF CAPITAL ASSETS

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS BY SOURCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

EXHIBIT 9

	<u>TOTAL</u>
CAPITAL ASSETS	
Land	\$ 2,281,892
Building and Building Improvements	3,021,362
Infrastructure	23,495,014
Equipment	<u>4,128,535</u>
Total Capital Assets	<u><u>\$ 32,926,803</u></u>

INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS BY SOURCE

Enterprise Fund Revenues	\$ 14,334,088
Enterprise Fund Indebtedness	2,954,345
General Fund Revenues	15,638,370
General Fund Indebtedness	<u>-</u>
Total Investment in Capital Assets	<u><u>\$ 32,926,803</u></u>

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS BY FUNCTION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

EXHIBIT 10

	<u>LAND</u>	<u>BUILDING and BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS</u>	<u>INFRA- STRUCTURE</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT					
Governmental:					
General Government Adm	\$ 1,985,892	\$ 1,661,508	\$ -	\$ 64,450	\$ 3,711,850
Judicial Administration	-	-	-	-	-
Public Safety	-	911,457	-	1,475,882	2,387,339
Public Works	-	169,503	4,235,989	1,264,513	5,670,005
Health & Welfare	-	-	-	-	-
Education	-	-	-	-	-
Parks, Recreation & Cultural	-	7,077	1,859,935	85,693	1,952,705
Community Development	-	-	1,861,850	54,622	1,916,472
	<u>1,985,892</u>	<u>2,749,545</u>	<u>7,957,774</u>	<u>2,945,160</u>	<u>15,638,371</u>
Business-Type:					
Water and Sewer	<u>296,000</u>	<u>271,817</u>	<u>15,537,240</u>	<u>1,183,375</u>	<u>17,288,432</u>
 TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS BY FUNCTION (excluding depreciation)	 <u><u>\$ 2,281,892</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 3,021,362</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 23,495,014</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 4,128,535</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 32,926,803</u></u>



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SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
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FUND, MAJOR AND MINOR REVENUE SOURCE	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AS AMENDED	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
General Fund:				
Revenue From Local Sources:				
General Property Taxes:				
Real Property Taxes	\$ 465,000	\$ 465,000	\$ 494,309	\$ 29,309
Real & Personal Public Service				
Corporation Property Taxes	12,000	12,000	14,217	2,217
Personal Property Taxes	137,200	137,200	132,281	(4,919)
Penalties and Interest	9,000	9,000	18,636	9,636
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES	623,200	623,200	659,443	36,243
Other Local Taxes:				
Local Sales and Use Taxes	95,000	95,000	125,201	30,201
Consumer Utility Taxes	65,000	65,000	88,799	23,799
Consumption Tax	10,000	10,000	16,471	6,471
Business License Taxes	383,810	383,810	401,673	17,863
Franchise License Taxes	4,800	4,800	4,831	31
Motor Vehicle Licenses	-	-	150	150
Bank Stock Taxes	122,000	122,000	172,327	50,327
Transient Lodging Taxes	60,000	60,000	63,823	3,823
Coal Road Improvement Taxes	48,000	48,000	53,388	5,388
Cigarette Tax	70,000	70,000	60,625	(9,375)
Meal Tax	810,000	810,000	1,055,587	245,587
TOTAL OTHER LOCAL TAXES	1,668,610	1,668,610	2,042,875	374,265
Permits, Privilege Fees and				
Regulatory Licenses:				
Animal License	-	-	-	-
Permits	100	100	547	447
TOTAL REGULATORY LICENSES	100	100	547	447
Fines and Forfeitures	10,100	10,100	17,340	7,240
Revenue From Use of Money and Property:				
Interest and Rent Revenue	10,000	10,000	27,567	17,567
TOTAL REVENUE FROM USE OF MONEY AND PROPERTY	10,000	10,000	27,567	17,567

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**SCHEDULE 1
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FUND, MAJOR AND MINOR REVENUE SOURCE	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AS AMENDED	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
General Fund: (continued)				
Charges For Services:				
Charges For Parks and Recreation	\$ 63,000	\$ 63,000	\$ 62,105	\$ (895)
Charges For Sanitation and Waste Removal	300,200	300,200	301,865	1,665
TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES	363,200	363,200	363,970	770
Miscellaneous Revenue:				
Sale of Cemetery Plots	3,500	3,500	6,000	2,500
Sale of Property	100	100	4,115	4,015
County of Wise-Payment in Lieu of Taxes	-	-	-	-
Coal Severance Committee Appropriation	28,000	28,000	25,401	(2,599)
Miscellaneous	8,370	8,370	44,733	36,363
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	39,970	39,970	80,249	40,279
TOTAL REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES	2,715,180	2,715,180	3,191,991	476,811
Revenue From The Commonwealth:				
Non-Categorical Aid:				
Mobile Home Titling Tax	8,000	8,000	13,327	5,327
Rolling Stock Tax	10	10	3	(7)
Car Rental Tax	150	150	1,923	1,773
Financial Assistance To Police Dept.	76,000	76,000	76,980	980
PPTRA Tax Relief	57,000	57,000	57,392	392
Communications Sales and Use Tax	100,000	100,000	108,036	8,036
TOTAL NON-CATEGORICAL AID	241,160	241,160	257,661	16,501
Categorical Aid:				
Other Categorical Aid:				
Street and Highway Maintenance	540,000	540,000	514,867	(25,133)
Litter Grant	1,500	1,500	1,914	414
Fire Programs	10,500	10,500	10,411	(89)
Virginia Commission of Arts	5,000	5,000	4,000	(1,000)
Byrnes Justice Grants	-	-	-	-
VDOT Enhancement Grant	-	-	-	-
VDOT Revenue Sharing	110,000	110,000	61,921	(48,079)
VDEM Disaster Assistance	-	-	-	-
DMV Highway Safety Grant	-	-	-	-
TOTAL CATEGORICAL AID	667,000	667,000	593,113	(73,887)
TOTAL REVENUE FROM THE COMMONWEALTH	908,160	908,160	850,774	(57,386)

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FUND, MAJOR AND MINOR REVENUE SOURCE	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AS AMENDED	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
General Fund: (continued)				
Revenue From The Federal Government:				
Categorical Aid:				
Byrnes Justice Grants	\$ 1,740	\$ 1,740	\$ 1,727	\$ (13)
DMV Highway Safety Grant	1,000	1,000	10,610	9,610
Dept. of Transportation Enhancement Grant	463,000	463,000	406,307	(56,693)
Selective Enforcement Grant	13,000	13,000	4,069	(8,931)
Ground Transportation Systems	-	-	-	-
TOTAL CATEGORICAL AID	478,740	478,740	422,713	(56,027)
TOTAL REVENUE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVT.	478,740	478,740	422,713	(56,027)
Suppl. Approp. From Prior Year Fund Bal.	571,185	571,185	-	(571,185)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$ 4,673,265</u>	<u>\$ 4,673,265</u>	<u>\$ 4,465,478</u>	<u>\$ (207,787)</u>

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FUND, MAJOR AND MINOR EXPENDITURE SOURCE	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AS AMENDED	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
General Government Administration:				
Legislative:				
Town Council	\$ 37,640	\$ 37,640	\$ 40,754	\$ (3,114)
Reserve for Contengicies	40,000	40,000	13,993	26,007
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE	77,640	77,640	54,747	22,893
General and Financial Administration:				
Employee Benefits	31,850	31,850	9,530	22,320
Manager	98,800	98,800	96,470	2,330
Professional Services	39,835	39,835	27,716	12,119
Treasurer	172,540	172,540	139,049	33,491
Risk Management	90,650	90,650	86,024	4,626
Data Processing	63,910	63,910	52,396	11,514
TOTAL GENERAL AND FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	497,585	497,585	411,185	86,400
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION	575,225	575,225	465,932	109,293
Public Safety:				
Law Enforcement and Traffic Control:				
Police Department	1,048,215	1,048,215	935,316	112,899
TOTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND TRAFFIC CONTROL	1,048,215	1,048,215	935,316	112,899
Fire and Rescue Services:				
Volunteer Fire Department	138,645	138,645	126,565	12,080
Ambulance and Rescue Service	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
TOTAL FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE	148,645	148,645	136,565	12,080
Correction and Detention:				
Court Expense	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
TOTAL COURT EXPENSE	1,000	1,000	-	1,000

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FUND, MAJOR AND MINOR EXPENDITURE SOURCE	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AS AMENDED	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
Public Safety: (continued)				
Animal Control:				
Animal Control	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,197,860	1,197,860	1,071,881	125,979
Public Works:				
Maintenance of Highways, Streets, Bridges, and Sidewalks:				
General Administration	37,560	37,560	35,576	1,984
Storm Drainage	8,000	8,000	5,545	2,455
Street Maintenance	1,610,420	1,610,420	1,176,766	433,654
Street Lights	61,000	61,000	57,446	3,554
Snow and Ice Removal	87,225	87,225	59,967	27,258
TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES, AND SIDEWALKS	1,804,205	1,804,205	1,335,300	468,905
Sanitation and Waste Removal:				
General Engineering/Administration:				
Solid Waste Removal	337,000	337,000	293,232	43,768
TOTAL SANITATION AND WASTE REMOVAL	337,000	337,000	293,232	43,768
Maintenance of General Buildings and Grounds:				
General Engineering/Administration:				
General Properties	99,000	99,000	118,998	(19,998)
TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF GENERAL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	99,000	99,000	118,998	(19,998)
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	2,240,205	2,240,205	1,747,530	492,675
Health and Welfare:				
Welfare Social Service:				
Property Tax Relief for Elderly	8,000	8,000	2,221	5,779
TOTAL HEALTH AND WELFARE	8,000	8,000	2,221	5,779

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FUND, MAJOR AND MINOR EXPENDITURE SOURCE	ORIGINAL BUDGET	BUDGET AS AMENDED	ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
Parks, Recreation and Cultural:				
Parks and Recreation:				
Parks and Play Grounds	\$ 57,490	\$ 57,490	\$ 50,312	\$ 7,178
Swimming Pool	103,450	103,450	61,227	42,223
Cemeteries	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PARKS AND RECREATION	160,940	160,940	111,539	49,401
Cultural Enrichment:				
Pro Art Association	8,000	8,000	8,000	-
Library Art Gallery	-	-	-	-
Friends of South West Virginia	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Regional Library	9,000	9,000	9,000	-
Planning	38,000	38,000	31,616	6,384
TOTAL CULTURAL ENRICHMENT	56,000	56,000	49,616	6,384
TOTAL PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL	216,940	216,940	161,155	55,785
Community Development:				
Planning and Community Development:				
Planning	101,650	101,650	96,539	5,111
Cumberland Airport Commission	3,000	3,000	3,000	-
WBA-Fall Fling	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
TOTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	109,650	109,650	104,539	5,111
Debt Service:				
Principal Curtailments	-	-	-	-
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	-	-	-
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Water/Sewer Fund	325,385	325,385	475,812	(150,427)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ 4,673,265	\$ 4,673,265	\$ 4,029,069	\$ 644,196

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

SCHEDULE 3

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
GENERAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES BY SOURCE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	OTHER LOCAL TAXES	PERMITS, PRIVILEGE			FINES AND FORFEITURES	REGULATORY LICENSES	FEES & CHARGES FOR SERVICES	MISCELLANEOUS	REVENUE FROM USE OF MONEY AND PROPERTY			INTER- GOVERN- MENTAL	TOTAL
2015	\$ 659,443	\$ 2,042,875	\$ 17,340	\$ 547	\$ 363,970	\$ 80,249	\$ 27,567	\$ 1,273,487	\$ 4,465,478					
2014	637,575	1,989,857	15,097	475	357,512	80,002	25,269	753,219	3,859,006					
2013	637,442	2,196,320	17,386	1,562	283,810	188,027	23,813	919,813	4,268,173					
2012	638,392	1,965,533	16,637	1,674	292,545	141,993	29,979	1,107,713	4,194,466					
2011	612,985	2,103,473	17,586	2,304	296,925	214,324	50,296	1,466,638	4,764,531					
2010	593,612	2,120,307	19,207	1,289	290,139	152,901	72,512	769,721	4,019,688					
2009	545,798	2,047,941	25,528	2,344	252,195	114,685	113,235	618,075	3,719,801					
2008	533,967	1,958,075	32,215	1,548	257,055	93,129	206,913	645,909	3,728,811					
2007	513,447	1,926,114	34,213	914	251,487	65,825	232,318	616,262	3,640,580					
2006	511,017	1,942,507	30,013	1,281	236,402	125,933	124,091	693,506	3,664,750					

SCHEDULE 4

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	GENERAL ADMINI- STRATION	PUBLIC SAFETY	PUBLIC WORKS	PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL			HEALTH AND WELFARE	COMMUNITY DEVELOP- MENT	NON DEPART- MENTAL	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL
				CULTURAL	RECREATION	AND					
2015	\$ 465,932	\$ 1,071,881	\$ 1,747,530	\$ 161,155	\$ 2,221	\$ 104,539	\$ 475,812	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,029,070	
2014	481,195	1,118,698	1,193,519	120,040	4,939	135,093	320,800	66,745	66,745	3,441,029	
2013	518,891	1,174,226	1,289,243	156,531	5,678	131,408	-	66,745	66,745	3,342,722	
2012	490,230	1,592,775	1,326,770	213,748	9,920	354,995	-	66,745	66,745	4,055,183	
2011	481,126	1,216,251	1,353,447	186,666	6,398	1,447,764	-	66,745	66,745	4,758,397	
2010	460,570	1,173,552	1,436,894	236,987	7,881	236,029	-	66,745	66,745	3,618,658	
2009	424,020	1,182,865	1,680,823	259,604	6,230	264,672	-	66,745	66,745	3,884,959	
2008	406,137	1,176,522	1,475,337	182,841	7,339	265,433	-	66,712	66,712	3,580,321	
2007	420,161	1,106,967	1,360,055	173,650	6,864	90,225	-	66,703	66,703	3,224,625	
2006	398,018	1,096,462	1,179,230	133,086	11,221	81,665	-	66,681	66,681	2,966,363	

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
ASSESSED VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

SCHEDULE 5

FISCAL YEARS	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	MOBILE HOMES	PUBLIC UTILITY	TOTAL
2015	\$ 202,017,551	\$ 36,203,962	\$ 1,756,226	\$ 5,915,448	245,893,188
2014	202,083,590	31,598,169	4,830,910	6,001,305	244,513,974
2013	200,577,948	32,019,501	4,356,590	5,711,257	242,665,296
2012	199,270,789	34,311,994	1,940,981	3,977,500	239,501,264
2011	196,135,891	30,363,988	4,106,290	4,603,246	235,209,415
2010	194,439,215	29,851,736	4,050,805	4,884,009	233,225,765
2009	160,596,939	32,721,952	4,319,930	3,098,502	200,737,323
2008	159,834,215	30,233,687	3,869,023	4,739,996	198,676,921
2007	156,553,081	30,622,337	3,988,457	4,595,882	195,759,757
2006	153,358,767	28,699,923	3,907,424	5,186,500	191,152,614

PROPERTY TAX RATES
LAST TEN YEARS

FISCAL YEARS	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	MOBILE HOMES	PUBLIC UTILITY
2015	0.245	0.630	0.245	Various
2014	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2013	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2012	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2011	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2010	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2009	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2008	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2007	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various
2006	0.245	0.530	0.245	Various

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

SCHEDULE 6

FISCAL YEAR	TOTAL (1) TAX LEVY	CURRENT TAX (1) COLLECTIONS	PERCENT OF LEVY COLLECTED	DELINQUENT (1) TAX (2) COLLECTIONS	TOTAL TAX COLLECTIONS	PERCENT OF TOTAL TAX COLLECTIONS OF TAX LEVY	OUTSTANDING (1) DELINQUENT TAXES	PERCENT OF DELINQUENT TAXES TO TAX LEVY
2015	\$ 696,132	\$ 610,699	87.73%	\$ 35,436	646,135	92.82%	\$ 23,526	3.38%
2014	681,582	601,143	88.20%	13,389	614,532	90.16%	39,594	5.81%
2013	612,258	604,307	98.70%	13,936	618,243	100.98%	43,702	7.14%
2012	664,052	600,317	90.40%	21,834	622,151	93.69%	44,850	6.75%
2011	658,603	576,569	87.54%	20,140	596,709	90.60%	44,189	6.71%
2010	670,880	634,711	94.61%	8,757	643,468	95.91%	29,712	4.43%
2009	576,329	565,569	98.13%	10,760	589,694	102.32%	25,506	4.43%
2008	574,232	558,855	97.32%	13,163	578,732	100.78%	41,160	7.17%
2007	558,498	548,144	98.15%	12,556	560,700	100.39%	38,927	6.97%
2006	557,210	535,995	96.19%	6,797	554,941	99.59%	34,462	6.18%

Notes:

- (1) Exclusive of penalties and interest.
- (2) Does not include land redemptions.

SCHEDULE 7

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
RATIO OF NET GENERAL BONDED DEBT
TO ASSESSED VALUE AND NET BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

FISCAL YEAR	POPULATION (1)	ASSESSED VALUE (IN THOUSANDS)	GROSS BONDED DEBT (2)	LESS:			RATIO OF NET BONDED DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE	NET BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA
				DEBT SERVICE MONIES AVAILABLE	DEBT PAYABLE FROM ENTERPRISE REVENUES	NET BONDED DEBT		
2015	3,286	\$ 245,893	\$ 2,954,345	-	\$ 2,954,345	-	-	\$ -
2014	3,286	244,514	2,992,243	-	2,992,243	-	-	-
2013	3,286	242,665	3,083,616	-	3,018,828	64,788	0.0003	19.72
2012	3,286	239,501	2,278,457	-	2,150,963	127,494	0.0005	38.80
2011	3,255	235,209	204,547	-	16,273	188,274	0.0008	57.84
2010	3,255	233,226	279,232	-	32,046	247,186	0.0011	75.94
2009	3,255	200,737	351,622	-	47,335	304,287	0.0015	93.48
2008	3,255	198,676	421,789	-	62,154	359,635	0.0018	110.49
2007	3,255	195,760	489,798	-	76,517	413,281	0.0021	126.97
2006	3,255	191,153	555,718	-	90,439	465,279	0.0024	142.94

Notes:

- (1) Bureau of Census.
(2) Includes all long-term general obligation debt.

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
TOWN OF WISE PLAN
OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS-GASB 45
JUNE 30, 2015

A. SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS

VALUATION DATE	ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS (AVA)	ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY (AAL)	UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY		FUNDING RATIO (2) / (3)	ANNUAL COVERED PAYROLL	UNFUNDING RATIO AS % OF PAYROLL (4) / (6)
			(1)	(2)			
January 1, 2009	\$0	\$176,800	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
January 1, 2012	\$0	\$269,400		\$176,800	0.00%	\$1,893,800	9.34%
January 1, 2015	\$0	\$358,900		\$269,400	0.00%	\$2,036,700	13.23%
				\$358,900	0.00%	\$2,075,000	17.30%

B. SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

FISCAL YEAR ENDING 6/30	ANNUAL OPEB COST	ACTUAL CONTRIBUTION	PERCENT FUNDED
2009	\$ 18,200	\$ -	0.00%
2010	\$ 19,175	\$ 11,050	57.63%
2011	\$ 19,908	\$ 15,282	76.76%
2012	\$ 26,427	\$ 8,330	31.52%
2013	\$ 27,802	\$ 6,180	22.23%
2014	\$ 29,379	\$ 1,050	3.57%
2015	\$ 30,804	\$ 3,871	12.57%

C. CALCULATION OF NET OPEB OBLIGATION (NOO)

FISCAL YEAR ENDING	ANNUAL REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION	INTEREST ON OPEB OBLIGATION	ADJUSTMENT TO THE ARC	NET OPEB COST	ACTUAL CONTRIBUTION	CHANGE IN NET OPEB OBLIGATION	NET OPEB OBLIGATION AT END OF FY
6/30/2010	19,100	728	(653)	19,175	11,050	8,125	26,325
6/30/2011	19,800	1,053	(945)	19,908	15,282	4,626	30,951
6/30/2012	26,300	1,238	(1,111)	26,427	8,330	18,097	49,048
6/30/2013	27,600	1,962	(1,760)	27,802	6,180	21,622	70,670
6/30/2014	29,100	2,714	(2,435)	29,379	1,050	28,329	98,999
6/30/2015	31,000	3,465	(3,661)	30,804	3,871	26,933	125,932

**TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
SCHEDULE OF LEGAL DEBT MARGIN
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

SCHEDULE 9

Legal Debt Limit

10% of Assessed Value Of Taxable Real Estate
(Including Public Utility Real Estate)
(\$207,932,999 x .10)

\$ 20,793,300

Deduct

Bonds Payable

(2,954,345)

Legal Margin For Creation Of Additional Debt

\$ 17,838,955

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
SCHEDULE OF FUND BALANCES - GASB 54
JUNE 30, 2015

SCHEDULE 10

General Fund Balances:

Nonspendable:

Cemetery Saving	\$ 398,780
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Restricted for:

Transportation	385,395
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Unassigned:	<u>4,122,809</u>
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General Fund Balance June 30, 2015	<u><u>\$4,906,984</u></u>
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TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
VIRGINIA RETIREMENT SYSTEM
RETIREMENT PLAN
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

SCHEDULE 11

**Schedule of Changes in the Town of Wise, Virginia's Net Pension Liability
and Related Ratios**

Total Pension Liability	2014
Service Cost	\$ 227,300
Interest	611,870
Changes of Benefit Terms	-
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	-
Changes in Assumptions	-
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds of Employee Contributions	(244,530)
Net Change in Total Pension Liability	594,640
Total Pension Liability – Beginning	8,863,262
Total Pension Liability – Ending (a)	\$ 9,457,902
 Plan Fiduciary Net Position	
Contributions – Employer	\$ 184,911
Contributions – Employee	111,612
Net Investment Income	1,218,703
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds of Employee Contributions	(244,530)
Administrative Expense	(6,458)
Other	64
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	1,264,302
Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Beginning	7,646,466
Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Ending (b)	\$ 8,910,768
 Town of Wise, Virginia's	
Net Pension Liability – Ending (a) – (b)	\$ 547,134
 Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	 94.2%
 Covered-employee Payroll	 \$ 2,071,642
 Town of Wise, Virginia's Net Pension Liability As a Percentage of Covered-employee Payroll	 26.4%

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
VIRGINIA RETIREMENT SYSTEM
RETIREMENT PLAN
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

SCHEDULE 11

Schedule of Employer Contributions
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Date	Contractually Required Contribution (1)	Contributions in Relation to Contractually Required Contribution (2)	Contribution Deficiency (Excess) (3)	Employer's Covered Employee Payroll (4)	Contributions as a % of Covered Employee Payroll (5)
2015	\$192,679	\$192,679	\$0	\$2,071,642	9.3%

The schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Since 2015 is the first year for this presentation, no other data is available. However, additional years will be included as they become available.

TOWN OF WISE, VIRGINIA
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
VRS RETIREMENT PLAN
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Changes of benefit terms – There have been no significant changes to the System benefit provisions since the prior actuarial valuation. A hybrid plan with changes to the defined benefit plan structure and a new defined contribution component were adopted in 2012. The hybrid plan applies to most new employees hired on or after January 1, 2014. The liabilities presented do not reflect the hybrid plan since it covers new members joining the System after the valuation date of June 30, 2013 and the impact on the liabilities as of the measurement date of June 30, 2014 are minimal.

Changes of assumptions – The following changes in actuarial assumptions were made effective June 30, 2013 based on the most recent experience study of the System for the four-year period ending June 30, 2012.

Largest 10 – Non-LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Decrease in rates of service retirement
- Decrease in rates of disability retirement
- Reduce rates of salary increase by 0.25% per year

Largest 10 – LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Decrease in male rates of disability

All Others (Non 10 Largest) – Non-LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Decrease in rates of service retirement
- Decrease in rates of disability retirement
- Reduce rates of salary increase by 0.25% per year

All Others (Non 10 Largest) – LEOS:

- Update mortality table
- Adjustments to rates of service retirement for females
- Increase in rates of withdrawal
- Decrease in male and female rates of disability

COMPLIANCE

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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

The Honorable Council Members of the
Town of Wise
Wise, VA 24293

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, and with the *Specifications for Audits of Counties, Cities and Towns* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the Town of Wise, Virginia, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 13, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town'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 a 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

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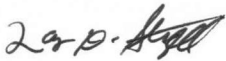
deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Wise, Virginia's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance 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 noncompliance 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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



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Wise, VA
November 13, 2015

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