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MEEKER COUNTY LITCHFIELD, MINNESOTA

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

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ORGANIZATION DECEMBER 31, 2012

			Term Expires
Elected			
Commissioners			
Chair	Jim Swenson	District 1	January 2013
Board Member	Dave Gabrielson	District 2	January 2013
Board Member	Tim Benoit	District 3	January 2013
Vice Chair	Wallace Strand	District 4	January 2013
Board Member	Roney Kutzke	District 5	January 2013
Attorney	Angella Erickson		January 2015
Auditor	Barbara Loch		January 2015
Treasurer	Sharon Euerle		January 2015
Recorder	Elaine Lenhard		January 2015
Sheriff	Jeff Norlin		January 2015
Appointed			
Assessor	Robert Anderson		January 2013
Court Administrator	Debra Mueske		Indefinite
Coroner	A. Quinn Strobl, M.D.		Indefinite
Examiner of Titles	Mark Wood		Indefinite
Highway Engineer	Ronald Mortensen		May 2014
Surveyor	Doug Huhn		December 2012
Veterans Service Officer	Donald Dufner		December 2013
Welfare Director	Clark Gustafson		Indefinite
Emergency Management Director	Jeff Norlin		Indefinite
Department of Motor Vehicles			
Registrar	Sharon Euerle		Indefinite
County Administrator	Paul Virnig		Indefinite
Planning and Zoning			
Administrator	Kristin Cote		Indefinite







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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of County Commissioners Meeker County

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Meeker County, Minnesota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, including the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of (1) the Meeker Memorial Hospital, which represent the amounts shown as the business-type activities and the major proprietary fund; and (2) the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, which represents 13 percent, 179 percent, and 30 percent, respectively, of the assets, net position, and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Meeker Memorial Hospital Enterprise Fund and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority component unit, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United

States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The financial statements of the Meeker Memorial Hospital were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

An audit includes performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the County'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 County'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, based on our audit and the reports of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Meeker County as of December 31, 2012, including the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority as of June 30, 2012, 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 Required Supplementary Information as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not 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.

Supplementary Information and Other Schedules

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Meeker County's basic financial statements. The supplementary information and other schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information and other schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 26, 2013, on our consideration of Meeker County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Meeker County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance. It does not include the Meeker Memorial Hospital or the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, which were audited by other auditors.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by OMB Circular A-133

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic

financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the SEFA is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

/s/Rebecca Otto

/s/Greg Hierlinger

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September 26, 2013





MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS DECEMBER 31, 2012 (Unaudited)

As management of Meeker County, Minnesota, we offer the readers of the Meeker County financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of its financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the County's basic financial statements that follow this section. All amounts, unless otherwise indicated, are expressed in whole dollars.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of Meeker County exceeded its liabilities on December 31, 2012, by \$99,101,724 (net position). Of this amount, \$41,847,285 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet Meeker County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- Meeker County's total net position increased by \$5,155,764 in 2012. This is attributed primarily to an increase in activity.
- As of the close of 2012, Meeker County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$23,433,961, an increase of \$6,451,870 in comparison with 2011 combined ending fund balances. Of this fund balance amount, \$17,294,523 was unrestricted by Meeker County, and thus available for spending at the government's discretion.
- At the end of 2012, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$6,933,938, or 74.15 percent, of the total General Fund expenditures for that year.
- Meeker County's total debt increased by \$2,462,725, or 7.09 percent. The key factor in the increase was the issuance of two refunding bonds. In February 2013, the debt will decrease by \$4,690,000 when the refunded bonds are defeased. This results in a \$2,227,275 or a 6.4 percent decrease in total outstanding debt of the County.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is intended to serve as an introduction to Meeker County's basic financial statements. Meeker County's basic financial statements are composed of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund level financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. The MD&A is required to accompany the basic financial statements and is included as required supplementary information. This report also contains other supplementary information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Meeker County's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of Meeker County's assets and liabilities, with the difference being reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Meeker County is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government'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 result in cash flows only in future fiscal periods (for example, uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Meeker County's government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the County that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from those intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of Meeker County include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, human services, health, culture and recreation, conservation of natural resources, economic development, and interest. The business-type activity for Meeker County represents the Meeker Memorial Hospital.

The government-wide statements include not only the financial data for Meeker County itself (known as the primary government), but also the legally separate component units of the Economic Development Authority and Housing and Redevelopment Authority for which Meeker County is legally accountable. Further financial information for these component units is audited and reported separately from the financial information provided herein for the primary government itself.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on Exhibits 1 and 2 of this report.

Fund Level 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. Meeker County, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with financial-related legal requirements. All of the funds of Meeker County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary fund, and fiduciary 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 financial requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare 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 government's near-term financial decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Meeker County reports 15 individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund, Human Services Special Revenue Fund, Debt Service Fund, and Capital Projects Fund--all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other ten governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements after the notes to the financial statements.

Governmental fund financial statements can be found on Exhibits 3 through 6 of this report.

The proprietary fund is maintained by Meeker County to account for the activities of the Meeker Memorial Hospital. The financial statements for this fund provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in detail.

Proprietary fund financial statements can be found on Exhibits 7 through 9 of this report.

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, or other funds. Meeker County's fiduciary funds consist of four funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. In addition, the agency funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because these resources are not available to support the County's programs.

Notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 38 through 87 of this report.

Other information regarding Meeker County's intergovernmental revenues is provided as supplementary information.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Over time, net position serves as a useful indicator of the County's financial position. Meeker County's assets exceeded liabilities by \$99,101,724 at the close of 2012. The largest portion of Meeker County's net position (50.18 percent) reflects the County's investment in capital assets (for example, land, buildings, equipment, and infrastructure such as roads and bridges), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. However, it should be noted that these assets are not available for future spending or for liquidating any remaining debt.

Net Position

	Governmer	ntal Acti	vities	Business-Type Activities				Total			
	2012		2011		2012		2011		2012		2011
Assets Current and other assets Capital assets	\$ 27,311,526 59,038,948	\$	20,167,533 59,253,566	\$	29,336,847 27,884,413	\$	27,085,230 29,189,167	\$	56,648,373 86,923,361	\$	47,252,763 88,442,733
Total Assets	\$ 86,350,474	\$	79,421,099	\$	57,221,260	\$	56,274,397	\$	143,571,734	\$	135,695,496
Liabilities Long-term liabilities Other liabilities	\$ 14,220,534 2,190,257	\$	11,212,696 1,890,063	\$	25,575,467 2,483,752	\$	26,056,676 2,590,101	\$	39,796,001 4,674,009	\$	37,269,372 4,480,164
Total Liabilities	\$ 16,410,791	\$	13,102,759	\$	28,059,219	\$	28,646,777	\$	44,470,010	\$	41,749,536
Net Position Net investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	\$ 47,421,699 5,437,875 17,080,109	\$	50,525,969 1,095,403 14,696,968	\$	2,308,946 2,085,919 24,767,176	\$	3,132,491 2,185,569 22,309,560	\$	49,730,645 7,523,794 41,847,285	\$	53,658,460 3,280,972 37,006,528
Total Net Position	\$ 69,939,683	\$	66,318,340	\$	29,162,041	\$	27,627,620	\$	99,101,724	\$	93,945,960

The unrestricted net position amount of \$41,847,285 as of December 31, 2012, may be used to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. Business-type activities reported in 2012 are Meeker Memorial Hospital, an enterprise fund of the primary government.

Changes in Net Position

		Governmen	tal Acti	vities	Business-Type Activities					Total			
		2012		2011		2012		2011		2012		2011	
Revenues													
Program revenues	\$	4.991.332	\$	4.899.497	\$	27.282.379	\$	27.875.562	\$	32,273,711	\$	32,775,059	
Charges for services	Ф	4,991,332	Ф	4,899,497	Ф	21,202,319	Ф	27,873,302	Ф	32,273,711	Ф	32,773,039	
Operating grants and contributions		7,759,071		6,512,139						7,759,071		6 512 120	
Capital grants and		7,739,071		0,312,139		-		-		7,739,071		6,512,139	
contributions		1,945,079		2,348,463						1,945,079		2,348,463	
General revenues		1,943,079		2,346,403		-		-		1,945,079		2,346,403	
Property taxes		12,321,003		11,319,295						12,321,003		11,319,295	
Gravel taxes		75,458				-		-		75,458			
Mortgage registry taxes		17,633		68,173 13,765		-		-		17,633		68,173 13,765	
Other taxes		117,400		98,445		-		-		117,400		98,445	
Grants and contributions		117,400		90,443		-		-		117,400		70,443	
not restricted to specific													
		004 129		1 406 197						004 129		1 406 197	
programs Gifts and contributions		994,138		1,496,187		18,204		13,500		994,138 18,204		1,496,187 13,500	
Investment income		158,904		145,177		273,714		277,171		432,618		422,348	
Gain on sale of capital		136,904		143,177		2/3,/14		2//,1/1		432,016		422,346	
assets		8,791		84,941		29,588		21 160		38,379		106,109	
Miscellaneous		2,980		3,185		29,366		21,168		2,980		3,185	
Miscenaneous		2,980		3,163				 _		2,980		3,163	
Total Revenues	\$	28,391,789	\$	26,989,267	\$	27,603,885	\$	28,187,401	\$	55,995,674	\$	55,176,668	
Expenses													
General government	\$	5.462.755	\$	5,468,426	\$	_	\$	_	\$	5,462,755	\$	5,468,426	
Public safety		5,122,433		5,079,451		_		_		5,122,433		5,079,451	
Highways and streets		4,700,520		4,832,197		_		_		4,700,520		4,832,197	
Sanitation		239,297		208,178		_		_		239,297		208,178	
Human services		6,313,358		6,311,140		_		_		6,313,358		6,311,140	
Hospital		-		-		26,069,464		25,145,346		26,069,464		25,145,346	
Health		1,510,542		1,412,363		-		-		1,510,542		1,412,363	
Culture and recreation		418,664		409,167		_		_		418,664		409,167	
Conservation of natural		-,		,						-,		,	
resources		596,272		348,588		_		_		596,272		348,588	
Economic development		137,500		712,552		_		_		137,500		712,552	
Interest		269,105		317,281		-				269,105		317,281	
Total Expenses	\$	24,770,446	\$	25,099,343	\$	26,069,464	\$	25,145,346	\$	50,839,910	\$	50,244,689	
Increase in Net Position	\$	3,621,343	\$	1,889,924	\$	1,534,421	\$	3,042,055	\$	5,155,764	\$	4,931,979	
Net Position - January 1		66,318,340		64,428,416		27,627,620		24,585,565		93,945,960		89,013,981	
Net Position - December 31	\$	69,939,683	\$	66,318,340	\$	29,162,041	\$	27,627,620	\$	99,101,724	\$	93,945,960	

Governmental Activities

Meeker County's governmental activities increased the County's net position during 2012 by \$3,621,343.

Business-Type Activities

Business-type activities of the Meeker Memorial Hospital increased Meeker County's net position by \$1,534,421, accounting for 29.76 percent of the total growth in the County's net position. Charges for services decreased \$593,183, or 2.13 percent, while expenses were up \$924,118, or 3.68 percent.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, Meeker County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on short-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the County's financing requirements. In particular, unrestricted fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Meeker County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$23,433,961, an increase of \$6,451,870 in comparison with the prior year. Of the ending fund balance, \$6,933,938 represents unassigned fund balance, which is available for spending at the County's discretion. The remainder of the fund balance is not available for new spending because it has already been committed, restricted, assigned, or in non-spendable form.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund for Meeker County. At the end of the current fiscal year, the General Fund had an unassigned fund balance of \$6,933,938, while total fund balance was \$7,873,571. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare the unassigned fund balance to total expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 74.15 percent of total General Fund expenditures. The ending fund balance for 2012 in the General Fund increased by \$1,034,895 as compared to 2011 ending balance.

The Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund's fund balance at the end of the current fiscal year was \$2,735,578. The ending fund balance in the Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund increased by \$698,033. This is primarily due to increased tax revenue.

The Human Services Special Revenue Fund's fund balance at the end of the current fiscal year was \$3,737,513. The ending fund balance in the Human Services Special Revenue Fund increased by \$169,741, primarily due to increase in tax revenue.

The Debt Service Special Revenue Fund's fund balance at the end of the current fiscal year was \$4,933,921. The ending fund balance in the Debt Service Special Revenue Fund increased \$4,316,533 due to issuance of refunding bonds when refinancing County debt.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There are no differences between the original expenditure budget and the final amended budget. (Meeker County did not amend the 2012 expenditure budget.)

Actual revenues in the General Fund were more than budgeted revenues by \$770,902, primarily due to an overall increase in intergovernmental and miscellaneous revenues over budgeted amounts.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

Meeker County's capital assets for its governmental activities at December 31, 2012, totaled \$59,038,948 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, equipment, and infrastructure. The County's governmental investment in capital assets decreased \$214,618, or .36 percent, from the previous year. The major capital asset events were infrastructure.

Governmental Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities				Business-Type Activities				Total			
	2012		2011		2012		2011		2012		2011	
Land	\$ 2,522,856	\$	2,522,856	\$	1,963,928	\$	1,963,928	\$	4,486,784	\$	4,486,784	
Land improvements	-		-		876,755		971,161		876,755		971,161	
Infrastructure	38,709,375		36,974,798		-		-		38,709,375		36,974,798	
Buildings	10,892,488		11,305,279		18,850,018		20,315,907		29,742,506		31,621,186	
Buildings improvements	2,886,105		2,641,632		-		-		2,886,105		2,641,632	
Machinery, equipment,												
and office furniture	4,007,759		4,628,999		6,193,712		5,938,171		10,201,471		10,567,170	
Construction in progress	 20,365		1,180,002						20,365		1,180,002	
Total Capital Assets	\$ 59,038,948	\$	59,253,566	\$	27,884,413	\$	29,189,167	\$	86,923,361	\$	88,442,733	

Additional information on the County's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

At the end of the current fiscal year, Meeker County had total outstanding debt of \$37,200,708. The governmental activities portion is backed by the full faith and credit of the government; the business-type activities portion is a limited obligation of Meeker County, payable solely from gross revenues of the Meeker Memorial Hospital.

		Governmental Activities				Business-Type Activities				Total		
	2012		2011		2012		2011		2012		2011	
General obligation bonds General obligation capital notes Gross revenue hospital	\$	9,615,000 1,930,000	\$	6,470,000 2,235,000	\$	-	\$	-		9,615,000 1,930,000		6,470,000 2,235,000
facilities bonds Loan payable		325,708		232,983		25,330,000		25,800,000	2	35,330,000 325,708		25,800,000 232 983
Total	\$	11,870,708	\$	8,937,983	\$	25,330,000	\$	25,800,000	\$ 3	7,200,708	\$	34,737,983

The County's debt related to general obligation bonds, gross revenue hospital facilities bonds, certificates of participation, capital notes, and loans increased by \$2,462,725, or 7.09 percent, during the fiscal year due to payment on principal and issuance of two refunding bonds. The refunded bonds will be defeased in February 2013. The net effect is that Meeker County had an actual decrease of \$2,227,275 or 6.4 percent, in total debt.

Meeker County was assigned a bond rating of "AA" by Standard & Poor's.

Minnesota statutes limit the amount of debt a county may levy to three percent of its total market value. At the end of 2012, Meeker County is well below the three percent debt limit imposed by state statutes.

Additional information on the County's long-term debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements of this report.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS

The unemployment rate for Meeker County at the end of 2012 was 6.9 percent. This compares with the state unemployment rate of 5.4 percent and shows Meeker County's decrease of 0.60 percent from the rate of one year ago.

By the end of 2012, Meeker County approved its balanced 2013 revenue and expenditure budgets.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Meeker County's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report, or requests for additional financial information, should be addressed to the Meeker County Auditor, 325 Sibley Avenue North, Litchfield, Minnesota 55355.







EXHIBIT 1

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2012

		Discretely		
		Primary Governme	nt	Presented
	Governmental	Business-Type		Component
	Activities	Activities	Total	Units
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 19,919,802	\$ 4,765,820	\$ 24,685,622	\$ 239,442
Petty cash and change funds	2,690	-	2,690	-
Cash with escrow agent	3,166,676	-	3,166,676	-
Investments	-	-	-	168,078
Taxes receivable				
Prior - net	381,108	-	381,108	-
Special assessments receivable				
Prior - net	6,371	_	6,371	_
Noncurrent - net	307,118	_	307,118	-
Accounts receivable - net	117,791	4,598,933	4,716,724	9,586
Accrued interest receivable	75,741	-	75,741	756
Due from other governments	1,930,537	-	1,930,537	-
Due from primary government	-	-	· · ·	27,500
Due from component unit	617	-	617	-
Notes receivable	300,000	_	300,000	-
Loans receivable	611,623	-	611,623	293,662
Estimated third-party payor	,		,	
settlements	_	117,520	117,520	-
Inventories	239,198	428,613	667,811	-
Prepaid items	92,033	454,643	546,676	14,323
Restricted assets	,,,,,,	- ,	,	,
Investments	_	15,687,539	15,687,539	-
Restricted by bond indenture	_	1,998,323	1,998,323	-
Restricted by donor	_	23,522	23,522	-
Deferred charges	160,221		160,221	50,624
Other assets	-	334,913	334,913	-
Investment in joint venture	_	927,021	927,021	-
Capital assets		· - · , · - ·	× = · , v = ·	
Non-depreciable	2,543,221	1,963,928	4,507,149	219,954
Depreciable - net of accumulated	2,0 .0,221	1,, 00,, 20	.,00,,117	=1,,,01
depreciation	56,495,727	25,920,485	82,416,212	3,429,067
Total Assets	\$ 86,350,474	\$ 57,221,260	\$ 143,571,734	\$ 4,452,992

EXHIBIT 1 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2012

			Pri	mary Governme	nf			Discretely Presented
	G	overnmental		usiness-Type	110			Component
	Ü	Activities		Activities		Total		Units
				,				
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Accounts payable	\$	680,766	\$	912,782	\$	1,593,548	\$	15,820
Salaries payable		597,914		1,331,779		1,929,693		4,953
Contracts payable		55,830		-		55,830		-
Due to other governments		99,779		-		99,779		6,333
Due to primary government		-		-		-		617
Due to component unit		27,500		-		27,500		-
Accrued interest payable		97,666		239,191		336,857		2,885
Unearned revenue		630,802		-		630,802		-
Deferred rent income		-		-		_		568
Payable from restricted assets								
Customer deposits		-		-		_		45,250
Tenant security deposits		-		-		_		8,763
Long-term liabilities								
Due within one year		6,394,121		495,000		6,889,121		160,665
Due in more than one year		7,826,413		25,080,467		32,906,880	_	3,898,992
Total Liabilities	\$	16,410,791	\$	28,059,219	\$	44,470,010	\$	4,144,846
Net Position								
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for	\$	47,421,699	\$	2,308,946	\$	49,730,645	\$	(407,813)
General government		390,917		_		390,917		_
Public safety		22,373		_		22,373		_
Sanitation		90,664		_		90,664		574,641
Debt service		4,933,921		_		4,933,921		-
Restricted by bond indenture		-		1,998,323		1,998,323		-
Restricted by donor		-		87,596		87,596		-
Other purposes		_		-		-		13,239
Unrestricted		17,080,109		24,767,176		41,847,285		128,079
Total Net Position	\$	69,939,683	\$	29,162,041	\$	99,101,724	\$	308,146

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Functions/Programs		Expenses	ees, Charges, Fines, and Other	(gram Revenues Operating Grants and ontributions
Primary government					
Governmental activities					
General government	\$	5,462,755	\$ 1,571,971	\$	2,448
Public safety		5,122,433	1,058,659		1,308,947
Highways and streets		4,700,520	612,856		2,470,954
Sanitation		239,297	219,355		-
Human services		6,313,358	919,752		2,608,259
Health		1,510,542	375,410		1,134,570
Culture and recreation		418,664	49,897		-
Conservation of natural resources		596,272	78,748		233,893
Economic development		137,500	104,684		-
Interest		269,105	 <u>-</u>		=
Total governmental activities	\$	24,770,446	\$ 4,991,332	\$	7,759,071
Business-type activities					
Hospital		26,069,464	 27,282,379		-
Total Primary Government	\$	50,839,910	\$ 32,273,711	\$	7,759,071
Discretely Presented Component Units	\$	1,153,027	\$ 658,181	\$	328,924

General Revenues

Property taxes

Gravel taxes

Mortgage registry and deed tax

Payments in lieu of tax

Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs

Gifts and contributions

Investment income

Gain on disposal of capital assets

Miscellaneous

Total general revenues

Change in Net Position

Net Position - January 1, restated (see Note 8.A)

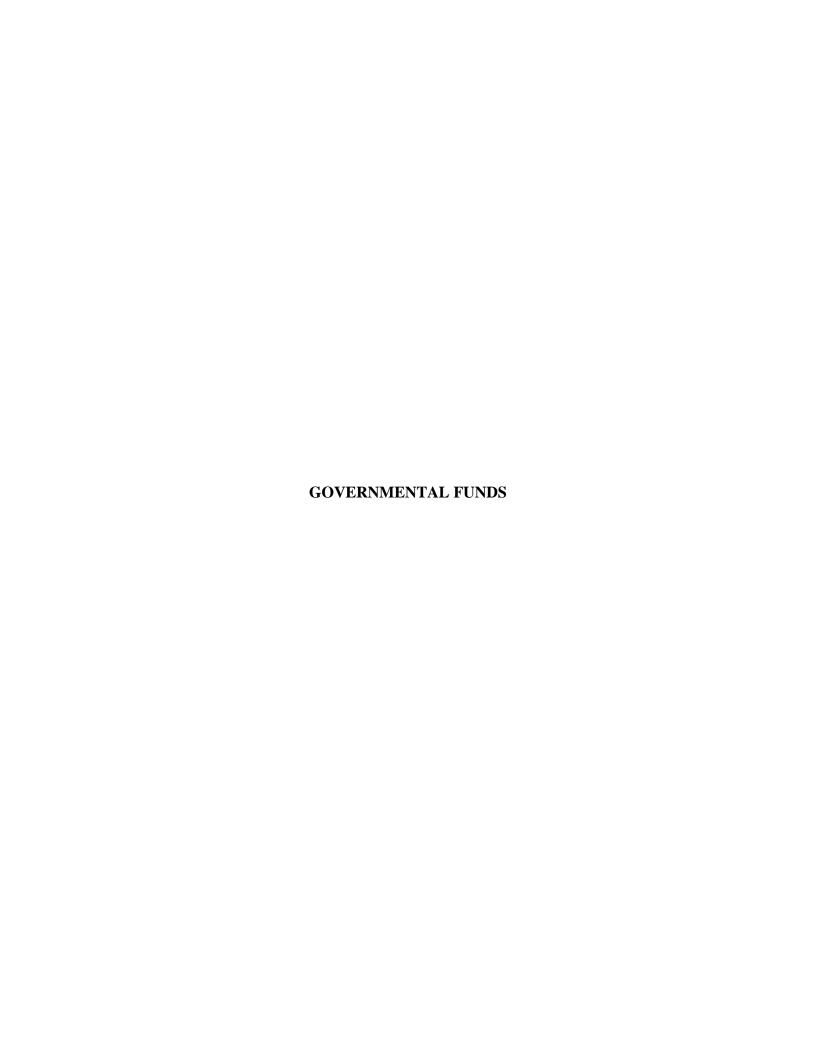
Net Position - December 31

						and Cha	nges in Net Assets		
	Capital				ary Government	Discretely			
	Grants and		overnmental	В	usiness-Type		resented		
<u>C</u>	<u>ontributions</u>		Activities		Activities		Total	Com	ponent Units
\$	- - 1,945,079 - - -	\$	(3,888,336) (2,754,827) 328,369 (19,942) (2,785,347) (562)	\$	- - - - -	\$	(3,888,336) (2,754,827) 328,369 (19,942) (2,785,347) (562)		
	-		(368,767)		-		(368,767)		
	-		(283,631)		-		(283,631)		
	-		(32,816)		-		(32,816)		
	-		(269,105)			-	(269,105)		
\$	1,945,079	\$	(10,074,964)	\$	-	\$	(10,074,964)		
			<u> </u>		1,212,915		1,212,915		
\$	1,945,079	\$	(10,074,964)	\$	1,212,915	\$	(8,862,049)		
\$	2,376							\$	(163,546)
		\$	12,321,003 75,458 17,633 117,400	\$	- - - -	\$	12,321,003 75,458 17,633 117,400	\$	- - -
			994,138		-		994,138		-
			159 004		18,204		18,204		1.052
			158,904 8,791		273,714 29,588		432,618 38,379		1,952
			2,980		-		2,980		-
		\$	13,696,307	\$	321,506	\$	14,017,813	\$	1,952
		\$	3,621,343	\$	1,534,421	\$	5,155,764	\$	(161,594)
			66,318,340		27,627,620		93,945,960		469,740
		\$	69,939,683	\$	29,162,041	\$	99,101,724	\$	308,146









BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2012

		General	 Road and Bridge
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and pooled investments	\$	7,520,682	\$ 2,841,065
Petty cash and change funds		2,690	-
Cash with escrow agent		-	-
Taxes receivable			
Delinquent		207,422	47,618
Special assessments receivable			
Delinquent		-	-
Noncurrent		-	-
Accounts receivable - net		30,115	386
Accrued interest receivable		75,741	-
Due from other funds		31,288	-
Due from other governments		267,491	956,698
Due from component unit		-	-
Notes receivable		300,000	-
Loans receivable		-	-
Inventories		-	239,198
Advances to other funds		13,778	-
Prepaid items		87,191	
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	8,536,398	\$ 4,084,965
<u>Liabilities and Fund Balances</u>			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	113,212	\$ 235,892
Salaries payable		304,600	76,829
Contracts payable		-	42,405
Due to other funds		1,446	1,974
Due to other governments		41,881	4,140
Due to component unit		-	-
Deferred revenue - unavailable		182,509	988,147
Advances from other funds - governmental		-	-
Deferred revenue - unearned		19,179	
Total Liabilities	\$	662,827	\$ 1,349,387

 Human Services	 Debt Service	 Capital Projects		Other Governmental Funds		Total overnmental Funds
\$ 3,645,047	\$ 1,763,396	\$ 1,110,691	\$	3,038,921	\$	19,919,802
-	· · · · -	-		-		2,690
-	3,166,676	-		-		3,166,676
84,121	33,271	62		8,614		381,108
-	-	-		6,371		6,371
-	-	-		307,118		307,118
58,092	-	-		29,198		117,791
-	-	-		-		75,741
712	-	-		10,039		42,039
447,256	-	-		259,092		1,930,537
-	-	-		617		617
-	-	-		-		300,000
-	-	-		611,623		611,623
-	-	-		-		239,198
-	-	-		-		13,778
 <u> </u>	 -	 -		4,842		92,033
\$ 4,235,228	\$ 4,963,343	\$ 1,110,753	\$	4,276,435	\$	27,207,122
\$ 204,423	\$ -	\$ 35,890	\$	91,349	\$	680,766
152,268	_	-		64,217		597,914
-	-	13,425		-		55,830
38,229	-	-		390		42,039
28,606	-	-		25,152		99,779
-	-	-		27,500		27,500
74,189	29,422	62		350,424		1,624,753
-	-	-		13,778		13,778
-	 -	 -		611,623		630,802
\$ 497,715	\$ 29,422	\$ 49,377	\$	1,184,433	\$	3,773,161

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2012

		General		Road and Bridge
<u>Liabilities and Fund Balances</u> (Continued)				
Fund Balances				
Nonspendable				
Inventories	\$	-	\$	239,198
Prepaid items		87,191		-
Advances to other funds		13,778		-
Notes receivable		300,000		-
Restricted for				
Debt service		-		-
Recorder's technology equipment		71,721		-
Missing heirs		3,684		-
Recorder's compliance		279,641		-
Attorney forfeiture		35,871		-
Gravel tax		90,664		-
Sheriff contingencies		-		-
Extension		883		-
Permit to carry		56,200		-
Committed for				
Regional library		-		-
Assigned to				
General government		-		-
Highways and streets		-		2,496,380
Sanitation		-		-
Human services		-		-
Health		-		-
Culture and recreation		-		-
Conservation of natural resouces		-		-
Economic development		-		-
Capital projects		-		-
Unassigned in				
General Fund		6,933,938		
Total Fund Balances	<u></u> \$	7,873,571	\$	2,735,578
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	8,536,398	\$	4,084,965

 Human Services	 Debt Service		Capital Projects		Other Governmental Funds		Total overnmental Funds
\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	239,198
-	_		-		4,313		91,504
-	_		-		-		13,778
-	-		-		-		300,000
-	4,933,921		-		-		4,933,921
-	-		-		-		71,721
-	-		-		-		3,684
-	-		-		-		279,641
-	-		-		-		35,871
-	-		-		-		90,664
-	-		-		22,373		22,373
-	-		-		-		883
-	-		-		-		56,200
-	-		-		59,528		59,528
-	-		-		394,454		394,454
-	-		-		-		2,496,380
-	-		-		1,091,693		1,091,693
3,737,513	-		-		-		3,737,513
-	-		-		370,396		370,396
-	-		-		133,385		133,385
-	-		-		74,431		74,431
-	-		-		941,429		941,429
-	-		1,061,376		-		1,061,376
 -	 -		-		-		6,933,938
\$ 3,737,513	\$ 4,933,921	\$	1,061,376	\$	3,092,002	\$	23,433,961
\$ 4,235,228	\$ 4,963,343	\$	1,110,753	\$	4,276,435	\$	27,207,122



EXHIBIT 4

RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION--GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 31, 2012

Fund balance - total governmental funds		\$ 23,433,961
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		59,038,948
Debt issuance costs are expended in the governmental funds, but are reported as an		
asset in the statement of net position and amortized to interest expense over the life of the debt.		160,221
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the governmental funds.		1,624,753
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		
General obligation bonds and any related unamortized discounts/premiums	\$ (9,687,249)	
Loan payable	(325,708)	
Capital notes payable	(1,930,000)	
Compensated absences	(1,889,822)	
Accrued interest payable	(97,666)	
Other postemployment benefits	 (387,755)	 (14,318,200)
Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 69,939,683

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	 General	Road and Bridge		
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 6,931,367	\$	1,619,861	
Special assessments	-		-	
Licenses and permits	86,796		-	
Intergovernmental	1,495,177		4,299,148	
Charges for services	1,636,860		545,473	
Fines and forfeits	24,785		_	
Gifts and contributions	1,417		-	
Investment earnings	156,838		-	
Miscellaneous	 597,466		77,033	
Total Revenues	\$ 10,930,706	\$	6,541,515	
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	\$ 4,448,634	\$	-	
Public safety	4,359,617		-	
Highways and streets	-		4,847,100	
Sanitation	123,277		-	
Human services	-		-	
Health	-		-	
Culture and recreation	-		-	
Conservation of natural resources	324,746		-	
Economic development	95,000		-	
Capital outlay	-		-	
Intergovernmental	-		377,775	
Debt service				
Principal	-		600,000	
Interest	-		34,500	
Administrative and fiscal charges	 		-	
Total Expenditures	\$ 9,351,274	\$	5,859,375	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 1,579,432	\$	682,140	

	Human Services		Debt Service	Capital Projects		Go	Other Governmental Funds		Total overnmental Funds
\$	2,648,585	\$	966,944	\$	3	\$	258,382	\$	12,425,142
Ф	2,040,363	Ф	900,944	Ф	3	Ф	105,003	Ф	105,003
	-		-		_		105,005		86,796
	3,000,086		81,596		836,392		836,628		10,549,027
	606,371		-		-		595,733		3,384,437
	-		_		_		69,927		94,712
	95		_		_		1,230		2,742
	-		_		_		2,066		158,904
	313,381		-		40,649		472,812		1,501,341
\$	6,568,518	\$	1,048,540	\$	877,044	\$	2,341,781	\$	28,308,104
\$	- - - 6,398,777 - - - - -	\$	- - - - - - -	\$	- - - - - - - 744,012	\$	490,819 - 101,538 - 1,565,884 419,839 146,768 42,500	\$	4,939,453 4,359,617 4,847,100 224,815 6,398,777 1,565,884 419,839 471,514 137,500 744,012 377,775
	- - -		885,000 236,986 85,063		- - -		- 701 -		1,485,000 272,187 85,063
\$	6,398,777	\$	1,207,049	\$	744,012	\$	2,768,049	\$	26,328,536
\$	169,741	\$	(158,509)	\$	133,032	\$	(426,268)	\$	1,979,568

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	 General	 Road and Bridge
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Transfers in	\$ -	\$ -
Transfers out	(544,537)	-
Loans issued	-	-
Refunding bonds issued	-	-
Discount on bonds/notes issued	-	-
Premium on bonds/notes issued	 	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ (544,537)	\$
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 1,034,895	\$ 682,140
Fund Balances - January 1	6,838,676	2,037,545
Increase (decrease) in inventories	 <u> </u>	 15,893
Fund Balances - December 31	\$ 7,873,571	\$ 2,735,578

 Human Services	Debt Service		 Capital Projects		Other Governmental Funds		Total overnmental Funds
\$ - - - - -	\$	100,000 - - 4,325,000 (3,853) 53,895	\$ 200,000 (100,000) - - - -	\$	544,537 (200,000) 81,367 - -	\$	844,537 (844,537) 81,367 4,325,000 (3,853) 53,895
\$ 	\$	4,475,042	\$ 100,000	\$	425,904	\$	4,456,409
\$ 169,741 3,567,772	\$	4,316,533 617,388	\$ 233,032 828,344	\$	(364) 3,092,366	\$	6,435,977 16,982,091 15,893
\$ 3,737,513	\$	4,933,921	\$ 1,061,376	\$	3,092,002	\$	23,433,961

EXHIBIT 6

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RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES--GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds (Exhibit 5)			\$ 6,435,977
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:			
In the funds, under the modified accrual basis, receivables not available for expenditure are deferred. In the statement of activities, those revenues are recognized when earned. The adjustment to revenues between the fund statements and statement of activities is the increase or decrease in revenues deferred as unavailable.			
Deferred revenue - December 31 Deferred revenue - January 1	\$	1,624,753 (1,320,579)	304,174
Governmental funds report capital outlay as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. In the statement of activities, only the gain or loss on the disposal of capital assets is reported; whereas, in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Therefore, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the net book value of the assets sold.			
Expenditures for general capital assets and infrastructure	\$	2,628,727	
Net book value of assets sold Current year depreciation		(12,668) (2,830,677)	(214,618)
Proceeds from debt issuances provide current financial resources to funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.			
Debt issued			
Refunding bonds	\$	(4,325,000)	
Loans		(92,725)	
Premium of bonds issued		(53,895)	
Discount of bonds issued		3,853	
Bond issuance cost		85,063	(4,382,704)
Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.			
Principal payments			
General obligation bonds	\$	1,180,000	
Capital notes		305,000	1,485,000
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.			
Changa in accrued interest payable	\$	15,628	
Change in accrued interest payable Amortization of discounts/premiums and deferred issuance charges	Ф	(12,546)	
Change in compensated absences		37,745	
Change in inventories		15,893	
Change in other postemployment benefits		(63,206)	 (6,486)
Net change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit 2)			\$ 3,621,343

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

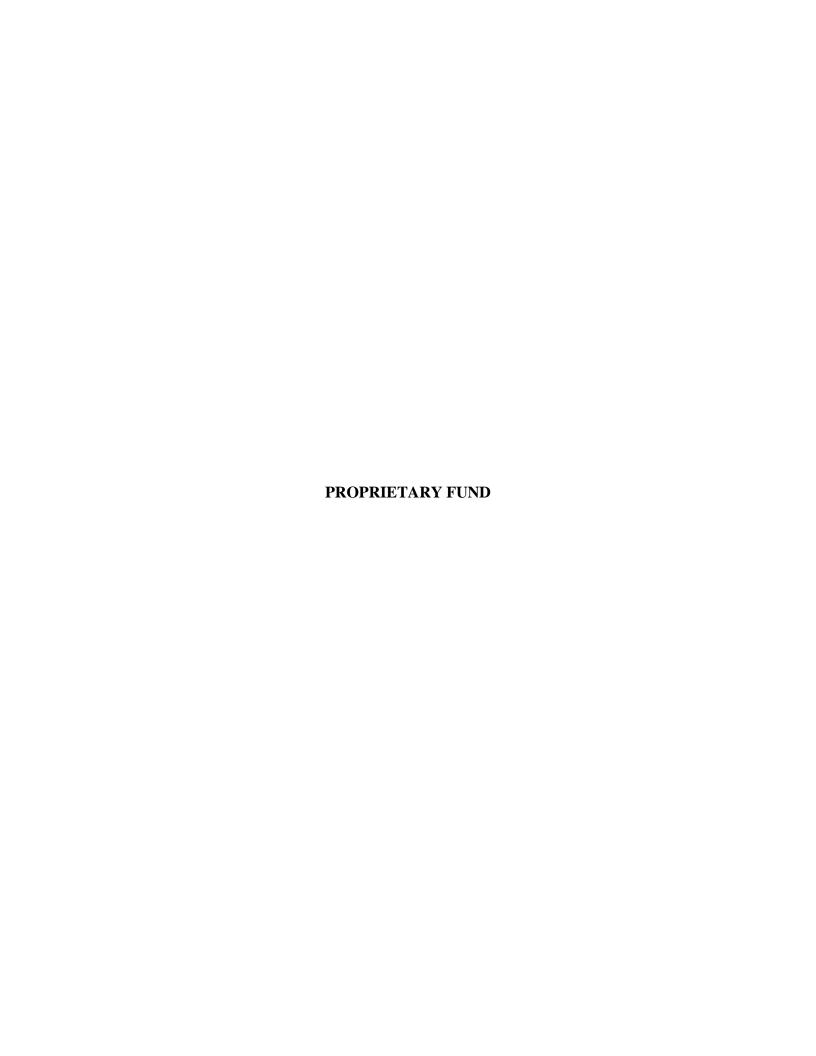




EXHIBIT 7

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION MEEKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE FUND DECEMBER 31, 2012

Assets

Current assets	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 4,765,820
Accounts receivable - net	4,598,933
Inventories	428,613
Prepaid items	454,643
Estimated third-party payor settlements	 117,520
Total current assets	\$ 10,365,529
Restricted assets	
Investments	\$ 15,687,539
Restricted by bond indenture	1,998,323
Restricted by donor	 23,522
Total restricted assets	\$ 17,709,384
Noncurrent assets	
Investment in joint venture	\$ 927,021
Other assets	334,913
Capital assets	
Nondepreciable	1,963,928
Depreciable - net	 25,920,485
Total noncurrent assets	\$ 29,146,347
Total Assets	\$ 57,221,260
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 912,782
Salaries payable	1,331,779
Accrued interest payable	239,191
Bonds payable	 495,000
Total current liabilities	\$ 2,978,752
Noncurrent liabilities	
Bonds payable	 25,080,467
Total Liabilities	\$ 28,059,219

EXHIBIT 7 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION MEEKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE FUND DECEMBER 31, 2012

Net Position

Total Net Position	\$ 29,162,041
Unrestricted	 24,767,176
Restricted by donor	87,596
Restricted by bond indenture	1,998,323
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 2,308,946

EXHIBIT 8

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION MEEKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Operating Revenues		
Patient services revenues	\$	26,467,708
Miscellaneous		814,671
Total Operating Revenues	\$	27,282,379
Operating Expenses		
Professional care of patients	\$	15,716,321
Administration and fiscal services		4,433,142
Property, housekeeping, and laundry		1,365,707
Dietary		431,230
Depreciation and amortization		2,675,884
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$</u>	24,622,284
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>\$</u>	2,660,095
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Noncapital contributions	\$	18,204
Interest income		295,280
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments		(21,566)
Interest expense		(1,447,180)
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets and other		29,588
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	<u>\$</u>	(1,125,674)
Change in Net Position	\$	1,534,421
Total Net Position - January 1		27,627,620
Total Net Position - December 31	\$	29,162,041

EXHIBIT 9

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS MEEKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts from third-party payors and patients	\$ 25,120,415
Other receipts	892,704
Payments to suppliers	(10,445,644)
Payments to employees	 (11,489,464)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 4,078,011
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities	
Purchases of capital assets	\$ (1,276,766)
Contributions received restricted for capital assets	80,630
Principal payments on long-term debt	(471,389)
Interest paid	 (1,460,916)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	\$ (3,128,441)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	\$ 9,715,894
Purchase of investments	(9,981,670)
Investment earnings received	 343,072
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$ 77,296
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,026,866
Cash and Cash Equivalents, January 1	 3,738,954
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31	\$ 4,765,820

EXHIBIT 9 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS MEEKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

(used in) operating activities		
Operating income (loss)	<u>\$</u>	2,660,095
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash		
provided by (used in) operating activities		
Depreciation expense	\$	2,675,884
Equity in joint venture		(252,727
Distributions received from joint venture		330,760
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(1,347,293
(Increase) decrease in inventories		31,782
(Increase) decrease in prepaid items		(17,315
(Increase) decrease in accounts payable		(45,470
(Increase) decrease in salaries payable		42,295
Total adjustments	\$	1,417,916
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	\$	4,078,011
Noncash Investing, Capital, and Financing Activities		
Equipment acquisitions included in accounts payable	\$	80,872
Unrealized losses on investments		(21,566



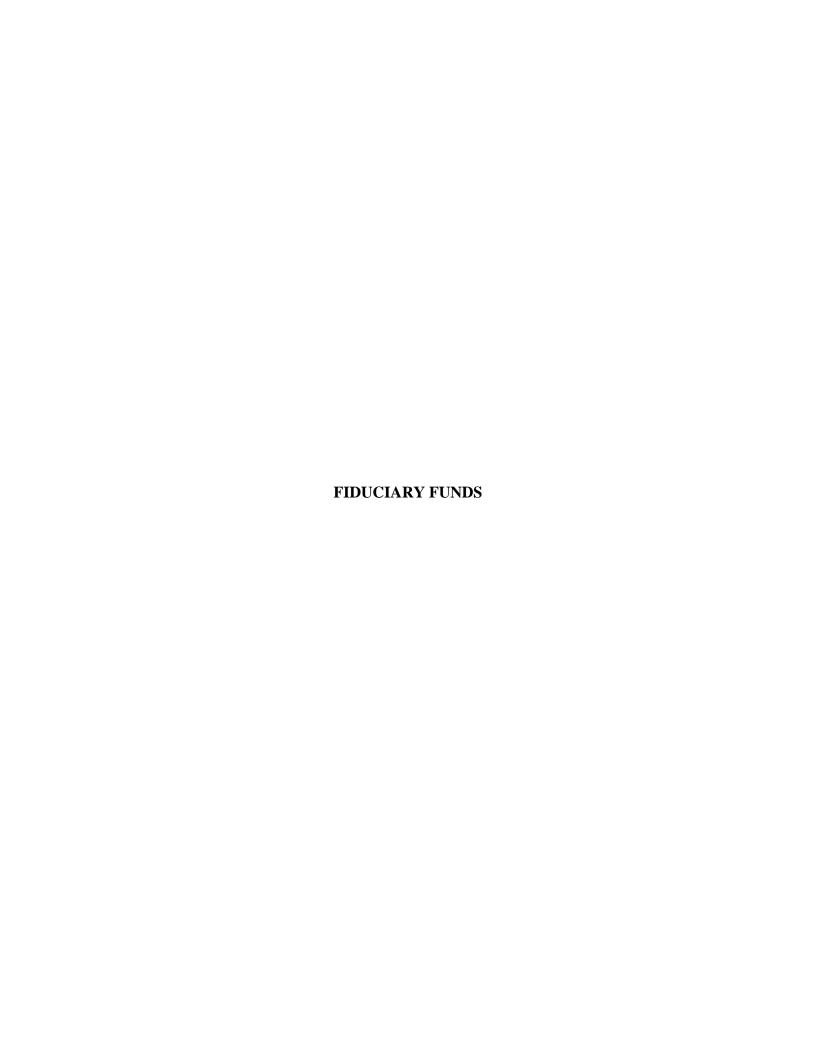




EXHIBIT 10

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2012

	 Agency
<u>Assets</u>	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 561,488
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Due to other governments	\$ 561,488



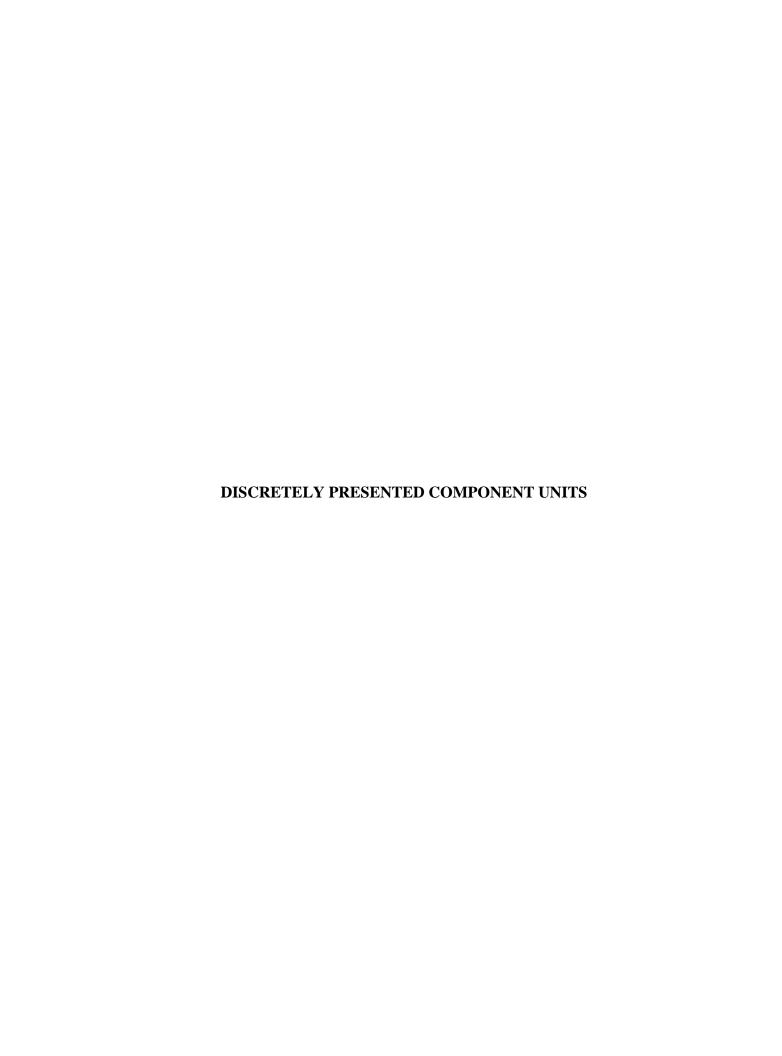


EXHIBIT 11

COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS DECEMBER 31, 2012

	De	Economic evelopment Authority	Red	ousing and levelopment Authority	 Total
<u>Assets</u>					
Current assets					
Cash and pooled investments	\$	117,595	\$	121,847	\$ 239,442
Investments		141,000		27,078	168,078
Accounts receivable - net		4,401		5,185	9,586
Accrued interest receivable		756		-	756
Loan receivable		293,662		-	293,662
Due from primary government		27,500		-	27,500
Prepaid items		7,156		7,167	 14,323
Total current assets	\$	592,070	\$	161,277	\$ 753,347
Noncurrent assets					
Deferred debt issuance costs	\$	50,624	\$	-	\$ 50,624
Capital assets					
Nondepreciable		155,988		63,966	219,954
Depreciable - net		3,082,371		346,696	 3,429,067
Total noncurrent assets	\$	3,288,983	\$	410,662	\$ 3,699,645
Total Assets	\$	3,881,053	\$	571,939	\$ 4,452,992
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	11,525	\$	4,295	\$ 15,820
Salaries payable		4,953		-	4,953
Due to primary government		617		-	617
Due to other governments		-		6,333	6,333
Deferred rent income		-		568	568
Accrued interest payable		2,885		-	2,885
Customer deposits		45,250		-	45,250
Tenant security deposits		-		8,763	8,763
Compensated absences payable - current		1,157		-	1,157
Revenue bonds payable - current		159,508		-	 159,508
Total current liabilities	\$	225,895	\$	19,959	\$ 245,854

EXHIBIT 11 (Continued)

COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS DECEMBER 31, 2012

	D	Economic evelopment Authority	Red	ousing and evelopment uthority	Total
<u>Liabilities</u> (Continued)					
Noncurrent liabilities					
Compensated absences payable - long-term	\$	1,666	\$	-	\$ 1,666
Revenue bonds payable - long-term		3,897,326			 3,897,326
Total noncurrent liabilities	\$	3,898,992	\$		\$ 3,898,992
Total Liabilities	\$	4,124,887	\$	19,959	\$ 4,144,846
Net Position					
Net investment in capital assets	\$	(818,475)	\$	410,662	\$ (407,813)
Restricted for other purposes		-		13,239	13,239
Unrestricted		574,641		128,079	 702,720
Total Net Position	\$	(243,834)	\$	551,980	\$ 308,146

COMBINING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Functions/Programs	Expenses		Fees, Charges, Fines, and Other		
Economic Development Authority (EDA) Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA)	\$	751,895 401,132	\$	593,430 64,751	
Total Component Units	<u>\$</u>	1,153,027	\$	658,181	
	Inves	al Revenues tment income ge in Net Position sition - January 1		(see Note 8.A)	

Net Position - December 31

Program Revenues Operating Capital Grants and Grants and Contributions Contributions		 Net (Expens	e) Reveni	ue and Changes in HRA	ı Net Posi	tion Total	
	itt ibutions	 uributions	 EDA		IIKA		Total
\$	95,000 233,924	\$ 2,376	\$ (63,465)	\$	- (100,081)	\$	(63,465) (100,081)
\$	328,924	\$ 2,376	\$ (63,465)	\$	(100,081)	\$	(163,546)
			 1,268		684		1,952
			\$ (62,197)	\$	(99,397)	\$	(161,594)
			 (181,637)		651,377		469,740
			\$ (243,834)	\$	551,980	\$	308,146



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Meeker County's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (statements and interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the County are discussed below.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

Meeker County was established February 23, 1856, and is an organized county having the powers, duties, and privileges granted to counties by Minn. Stat. ch. 373. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements present Meeker County (primary government) and its component units for which the County is financially accountable. The County is governed by a five-member Board of Commissioners elected from districts within the County. The Board is organized with a chair and vice chair elected at the annual meeting in January of each year.

Discretely Presented Component Units

While part of the reporting entity, discretely presented component units are presented in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the County. The following component units of Meeker County are discretely presented:

Component Unit	Component Unit of Reporting Entity Because	Separate Financial Statements
Meeker County Economic Development Authority (EDA)	The Board of Directors consists of two County Commissioners and six members appointed by the County Commissioners. Meeker County is obligated for the debt and any operating deficits of the EDA.	The Meeker County EDA does not issue separate financial statements.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

A. Financial Reporting Entity

<u>Discretely Presented Component Units</u> (Continued)

Component Unit	Component Unit of Reporting Entity Because	Separate Financial Statements
Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA)	The Board of Directors consists of five members who are appointed by the County Commissioners. Meeker County is obligated for the debt and any operating deficits of the HRA.	Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority 840 North Third Street P. O. Box 277 Dassel, Minnesota 55325

B. <u>Basic Financial Statements</u>

1. Government-Wide Statements

The government-wide financial statements (the statement of net position and the statement of activities) display information about Meeker County (the primary government) and its component units. These statements include the financial activities of the overall County government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external parties for support.

In the government-wide statement of net position, both the governmental activities and business-type activities columns: (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column; and (b) are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations.

Meeker County's net position is reported in three parts: (1) net investment in capital assets; (2) restricted net position; and (3) unrestricted net position. Meeker County first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

B. Basic Financial Statements

1. <u>Government-Wide Statements</u> (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of each function of the County's governmental activities and business-type activities are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function or activity. Program revenues include: (1) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or activity; and (2) grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or activity. Revenues not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

2. Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the County's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category-governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary--are presented. The emphasis of governmental and proprietary fund financial statements is on major individual governmental and enterprise funds, with each displayed as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or incidental activities.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

B. Basic Financial Statements

2. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The <u>General Fund</u> is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those accounted for in another fund.

The <u>Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund</u> is used to account for restricted revenues from the federal and state government and expenditures of the County Highway Department, which is responsible for the construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, and other projects affecting County roadways.

The <u>Human Services Special Revenue Fund</u> is used to account for restricted revenue resources from federal, state, and other oversight agencies used for economic assistance and community social services programs.

The <u>Debt Service Fund</u> accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, principal, interest, and related costs of the County's long-term debt.

The <u>Capital Projects Fund</u> accounts for financial resources to be used for anticipated capital projects.

The County reports the following major enterprise fund:

The <u>Meeker Memorial Hospital Fund</u> is used to account for the operations of the Meeker Memorial Hospital.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. These funds account for assets that the County holds for others in an agent capacity.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary fund, and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Meeker County considers all revenues as available if collected within 60 days after the end of the current period. Property and other taxes, licenses, and interest are all considered susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, compensated absences, and claims and judgments, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent that they have matured. Proceeds of general long-term debt are reported as other financing sources.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the County's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources as needed. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in one of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

1. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Meeker County has defined cash and cash equivalents to include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Additionally, each fund's equity in the County's investment pool is treated as a cash equivalent because the funds can deposit or effectively withdraw cash at any time without prior notice or penalty.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity (Continued)

2. Deposits and Investments

The cash balances of substantially all funds are pooled and invested by the County Treasurer for the purpose of increasing earnings through investment activities. Pooled and fund investments are reported at their fair value at December 31, 2012, based on market prices. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 385.07, investment earnings on cash and pooled investments of governmental and fiduciary funds are credited to the General Fund. Investment earnings on business-type activities are credited to the Meeker Memorial Hospital Fund. Other funds received investment earnings based on other state statutes, grant agreements, contracts, and bond covenants. Investment earnings for 2012 were \$156,838.

Meeker County invests in an external investment pool, the Minnesota Association of Governments Investing for Counties (MAGIC) Fund, which is created under a joint powers agreement pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The MAGIC Fund is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule 2a-7 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 C.F.R. § 270.2a-7). The investment in the pool is measured at the net asset value per share provided by the pool.

3. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (the noncurrent portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances." Any residual balances outstanding between the primary government and the component units are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "due to/from primary government and due to/due from component unit."

Advances to other funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a nonspendable fund balance account in applicable governmental funds to indicate they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

3. <u>Receivables and Payables</u> (Continued)

All receivables, including those of the discretely presented component units, are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles.

Property taxes are levied as of January 1 on property values assessed as of the same date. The tax levy notice is mailed in March with the first half payment due May 15 and the second half payment due October 15. Unpaid taxes at December 31 become liens on the respective property and are classified in the financial statements as delinquent taxes receivable.

The Meeker Memorial Hospital Enterprise Fund grants credit to its patients, most of whom are local residents or are employed by the businesses of Litchfield and the surrounding area. The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors, which provide for reimbursement to the Hospital at amounts different from its established rates.

Patient accounts receivable, where a third-party payor is responsible for paying the amount, are carried at a net amount determined by the original charge for the services provided, less an estimate made for contractual adjustments or discounts provided to third-party payors.

Patient accounts receivable due directly from the patients are carried at the original charge for the services provided less amounts covered by third-party payors and less an estimated allowance for doubtful receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts on a monthly basis. Management determines the allowance for doubtful accounts by identifying troubled accounts, by using historical experience applied to an aging of accounts, and by considering a patient's financial history, credit history, and current economic conditions. Patient accounts receivable are written off when deemed uncollectible. Recoveries of receivables previously written off are recorded as a reduction of the provision for bad debts when received.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity (Continued)

4. <u>Inventories and Prepaid Items</u>

All inventories are valued at cost using the first in/first out method. Inventories in governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed. Inventories in proprietary funds and at the government-wide level are recorded as expenses when consumed.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

5. Restricted Assets

Certain funds of the County are classified as restricted assets on the statement of net position because the restriction is either imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or imposed externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Therefore, their use is limited by applicable laws and regulations.

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by Meeker County as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

6. <u>Capital Assets</u> (Continued)

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. During the current period, the County did not have any capitalized interest.

Property, plant, and equipment of the primary government, as well as the component units, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings	25 - 75
Building improvements	20 - 30
Public domain infrastructure	25 - 75
Furniture, equipment, and vehicles	3 - 15

7. Compensated Absences

The liability for compensated absences reported in the financial statements consists of unpaid, accumulated annual vacation and sick leave balances. The liability has been calculated using the vesting method, in which leave amounts for both employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments and other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments upon termination are included. Compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

8. Deferred Revenue

All County funds and government-wide financial statements defer revenue for resources that have been received but not yet earned. Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenues not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. <u>Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity</u> (Continued)

9. <u>Long-Term Obligations</u>

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund type in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of the debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources, while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

10. Classification of Net Position

Net position in the government-wide statements is classified in the following categories:

<u>Net investment in capital assets</u> - the amount of net position representing capital assets, net of accumulated, depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the assets.

<u>Restricted net position</u> - the amount of net position for which external restrictions have been imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Unrestricted net position</u> - the amount of net position that do not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net position or Equity (Continued)

11. Classification of Fund Balances

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which Meeker County is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u> - amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash.

<u>Restricted</u> - amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Committed</u> - amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by formal action (ordinance or resolution) of the County Board. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts.

<u>Assigned</u> - amounts the County intends to use for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the General Fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by the County Board or the County Administrator who has been delegated that authority by Board resolution.

<u>Unassigned</u> - the residual classification for the General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other fund balance classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted or committed.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net position or Equity

11. <u>Classification of Fund Balances</u> (Continued)

Meeker County applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

12. Minimum Fund Balance

Meeker County has adopted a minimum fund balance policy for the General Fund. The General Fund is heavily reliant on property tax revenues to fund current operations. However, current property tax revenues are not available for distribution until June. Therefore, the County Board has determined they need to maintain a minimum unrestricted fund balance in the General Fund (committed, assigned, and unassigned) of no less than five months of operating expenditures based on the previous year, or approximately 35 to 50 percent of fund operating revenues. The fund balance policy was adopted by the County Board on December 8, 2011. At December 31, 2012, unrestricted fund balance for the General Fund was at or above the minimum fund balance level.

13. <u>Use of Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

E. <u>Hospital Enterprise Fund - Net Patient and Resident Service Revenue</u>

As services are rendered at the Hospital, patient service revenue is recorded at the Hospital's established rates, with contractual adjustments and charity care allowance deducted to arrive at net patient service revenue. Because the Hospital does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue.

The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors that provide for reimbursement at amounts different from its established rates. Blue Cross Blue Shield reimbursements are based on the lower of the Hospital's established rates or a prospectively established rate for most inpatient and outpatient services. The Hospital has also entered into reimbursement agreements with certain other commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations. The basis for reimbursement under these agreements is primarily based on fee schedules and discounts from established charges.

The Hospital has elected Critical Access Hospital (CAH) designation. As a CAH, inpatient acute-care services and outpatient services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid based on a cost-reimbursement method. The Hospital is reimbursed for cost-reimbursable items at a tentative rate, with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports and audits thereof by the fiscal intermediary.

Retroactive contractual adjustments arising under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors are recognized on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined. The Hospital utilizes a process to identify and appeal settlements by Medicare and other payors. Additional reimbursement is recorded in the year the appeal is successful.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

E. Hospital Enterprise Fund - Net Patient and Resident Service Revenue (Continued)

The laws and regulations under which the Medicare program operates are complex, subject to frequent change, and subject to interpretation. As part of operating under the Medicare program, there is a possibility that governmental authorities may review the Hospital's compliance with these laws and regulations. Such review may result in adjustments to Medicare reimbursement previously received and subject the Hospital to fines and penalties. Although the outcome of pending reviews cannot be ascertained, management believes the Hospital is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and has complied with the requirements of the Medicare program.

F. <u>Hospital Enterprise Fund - Operating Revenues and Expenses</u>

The Hospital's statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net position distinguishes between operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses. Operating revenues and expenses result from exchange transactions associated with providing health care services (the Hospital's principal activity) and supporting the activities of the Hospital. Nonexchange revenues, including interest income, grants, and contributions, are reported as nonoperating revenues.

2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

A. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all major governmental funds and most nonmajor governmental funds. All appropriations lapse at year-end. On or before mid-August of each year, all departments submit requests for appropriations to the County Auditor so that a budget can be prepared. Before October 31, the proposed budget is presented to the County Board for review. The Board holds public hearings, and a final budget must be prepared and adopted no later than December 31.

2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

A. Budgetary Information (Continued)

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function, and department. Transfers of appropriations within a department and between departments require approval of the County Board. The legal level of budgetary control--the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriation--is the departmental level. The Board made some supplemental budgetary appropriations throughout the year. One adjustment was material; transferring \$100,000 from the Capital Projects fund to the Debt Service fund.

B. <u>Deficit Fund Equity</u>

The Ditch Special Revenue Fund had a positive balance of \$74,431 as of December 31, 2012, although fourteen ditches had deficit balances. The deficits will be eliminated with future special assessment levies against the benefited properties. The following is a summary of the individual ditch systems:

34 ditches with positive balances 14 ditches with deficit balances	\$ 144,341 (69,910)
Net Fund Balance	\$ 74,431

C. Excess of Expenditures Over Budget

The following funds and departments had expenditures in excess of budget for the year ended December 31, 2012:

	Exp	xpenditures Budget		Excess		
Major governmental fund Debt Service Fund Debt Service						
Administrative and fiscal charges	\$	85,063	\$	2,402	\$	82,661
Other governmental funds						
Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund						
Sanitation						
Solid Waste		101,538		90,000		11,538

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

Reconciliations of the County's total deposits, cash on hand, and investments to the basic financial statements follows:

Government-wide statement of net position	
Governmental activities	
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 19,919,802
Petty cash and change funds	2,690
Cash with escrow agent	3,166,676
Business-type activities	
Cash and pooled investments	4,765,820
Investments, restricted	17,709,384
Statement of fiduciary net position	
Cash and pooled investments	561,488
Total Cash and Investments	\$ 46,125,860
Deposits	\$ 21,943,363
Petty cash and change funds	2,690
Cash with escrow agent	3,166,676
Investments	21,013,131
Total Deposits, Cash on Hand, and Investments	\$ 46,125,860

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> (Continued)

a. <u>Deposits</u>

The County is authorized by Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.02 and 118A.04 to designate a depository for public funds and to invest in certificates of deposit. The County is required by Minn. Stat. § 118A.03 to protect deposits with insurance, surety bond, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged shall be at least ten percent more than the amount on deposit at the close of the financial institution's banking day, not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes treasury bills, notes and bonds; issues of U.S. government agencies; state and local general obligations rated "A" or better and revenue obligations rated "AA" or better; irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank; and certificates of deposit. Minnesota statutes require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping in a restricted account at the Federal Reserve Bank or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution not owned or controlled by the financial institution furnishing the collateral.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a financial institution failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. The County does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. However, the County complies with Minnesota statutes in establishing authorized collateral for its deposits. As of December 31, 2012, the County's deposits were not exposed to custodial credit risk.

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> (Continued)

b. Investments

The County may invest in the following types of investments as authorized by Minn. Stat. §§ 118A.04 and 118A.05:

- (1) securities which are direct obligations or are guaranteed or insured issues of the United States, it instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of Congress, except mortgage-backed securities defined as "high risk" by Minn. Stat. § 118A.04, subd. 6;
- (2) mutual funds through shares of registered investment companies provided the mutual fund receives certain ratings depending on its investments;
- (3) general obligations of the State of Minnesota and its municipalities, and in certain state agency and local obligations of Minnesota and other states provided such obligations have certain specified bond ratings by a national bond rating service;
- (4) bankers' acceptance of United States banks;
- (5) commercial paper issued by United States corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries that is rated in the highest quality category by two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in 270 days or less; and
- (6) with certain restrictions, in repurchase agreements, securities lending agreements, joint powers investment trusts, and guaranteed investment contracts.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The County's investment policy is to invest in both short-term and long-term investments to limit exposure to interest rate risk.

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

b. <u>Investments</u>

Interest Rate Risk (Continued)

At December 31, 2012, the County had the following investments:

	 Fair Value	I	Less Than 1 Year	 1 - 5 Years	 5+ Years
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$ 753,499	\$	-	\$ 753,499	\$ -
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Securities	935,748		-	513,073	422,675
Federal Home Loan Bank Securities	4,446,749		-	-	4,446,749
Federal Farm Credit Bank Securities	292,818		-	292,818	-
Federal National Mortgage Association Securities	291,283		-	291,283	-
MAGIC Fund	5,895,233		5,895,233	-	-
Negotiable CDs	4,513,702		-	4,010,100	503,602
Money markets	3,884,099		3,884,099	-	-
Total Investments	\$ 21,013,131	\$	9,779,332	\$ 5,860,773	\$ 5,373,026

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. It is the County's policy to invest only in securities that meet the ratings requirements set by state statute.

The County's exposure to credit risk as of December 31, 2012, is as follows:

	S & P Rating	- <u></u>	Fair Value
U.S. Treasury Notes	AA+	\$	753,499
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Securities	AA+		935,748
Federal Home Loan Bank Securities	AA+		4,446,749
Federal Farm Credit Bank Securities	AA+		292,818
Federal National Mortgage Association Securities	AA+		291,283
MAGIC Fund	N/R		5,895,233
Negotiable CDs	N/A		4,513,702
Money markets	AA+		3,884,099
Total		\$	21,013,131

N/R - Not rated, N/A - Not applicable

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

- 1. Deposits and Investments
 - b. <u>Investments</u> (Continued)

Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. The County does not have a specific policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2012, \$10,136,625 of U.S. government securities and Treasury notes in the County's investment balance of \$21,013,131 were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and collateral held by the pledging institution's trust department not in the County's name

\$ 10,136,625

Concentration of Credit Risk

The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be caused by the County's investment in a single issuer. It is the County's policy that investments in the MAGIC Fund, U.S. Treasury securities, U.S. agency securities, and obligations backed by U.S. Treasury and/or U.S. agency securities may be held without limit.

Investments in any one issuer that represent five percent or more of the County's investments are:

Issuer	% of Total	 Amount
Federal Home Loan Bank	21.16 %	\$ 4,446,749

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3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

A. Assets (Continued)

2. Receivables

Receivables at December 31, 2012, for the County's governmental activities and business-type activities, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	R	Total Receivables		nounts Not reduled for ion During the equent Year
Governmental Activities				
Taxes	\$	381,108	\$	-
Special assessments		313,489		307,118
Accounts		117,791		-
Accrued interest		75,741		-
Due from other governments		1,930,537		-
Due from component unit		617		-
Notes		300,000		-
Loans		611,623		557,454
Total Governmental Activities	\$	3,730,906	\$	864,572
Business-Type Activities Accounts receivable - net	\$	4,598,933	\$	50,031
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3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets (Continued)

3. <u>Capital Assets</u>

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2012, was as follows:

Governmental Activities

	 Beginning Balance	Increase/ djustments	 Decrease	 Ending Balance
Capital assets not depreciated Land Construction in progress	\$ 2,522,856 1,180,002	\$ 1,215	\$ 1,160,852	\$ 2,522,856 20,365
Total capital assets not depreciated	\$ 3,702,858	\$ 1,215	\$ 1,160,852	\$ 2,543,221
Capital assets depreciated Buildings Building improvements Office furniture and equipment Machinery and equipment Infrastructure	\$ 18,478,228 3,488,157 5,993,126 6,914,845 48,843,980	\$ 15,000 427,004 93,457 490,625 2,762,278	\$ 78,648 63,895	\$ 18,493,228 3,915,161 6,007,935 7,341,575 51,606,258
Total capital assets depreciated	\$ 83,718,336	\$ 3,788,364	\$ 142,543	\$ 87,364,157
Less: accumulated depreciation for Buildings Building improvements Office furniture and equipment Machinery and equipment Infrastructure	\$ 7,172,949 846,525 3,256,722 5,022,250 11,869,182	\$ 427,791 182,531 719,610 473,044 1,027,701	\$ 73,389 56,486	\$ 7,600,740 1,029,056 3,902,943 5,438,808 12,896,883
Total accumulated depreciation	\$ 28,167,628	\$ 2,830,677	\$ 129,875	\$ 30,868,430
Total capital assets depreciated, net	\$ 55,550,708	\$ 957,687	\$ 12,668	\$ 56,495,727
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 59,253,566	\$ 958,902	\$ 1,173,520	\$ 59,038,948

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

3. <u>Capital Assets</u> (Continued)

Business-Type Activities

	 Beginning Balance	 Increase	D	ecrease	Ending Balance
Capital assets not depreciated					
Land	\$ 1,963,928	\$ 	\$		\$ 1,963,928
Capital assets depreciated					
Land improvements	\$ 1,465,195	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 1,465,195
Buildings	27,576,529	-		-	27,576,529
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	17,618,950	 1,357,638		61,535	 18,915,053
Total capital assets depreciated	\$ 46,660,674	\$ 1,357,638	\$	61,535	\$ 47,956,777
Less: accumulated depreciation for					
Land improvements	\$ 494,034	\$ 94,406	\$	-	\$ 588,440
Buildings	7,260,622	1,465,889		-	8,726,511
Machinery, furniture, and equipment	 11,680,779	 1,102,097		61,535	 12,721,341
Total accumulated depreciation	\$ 19,435,435	\$ 2,662,392	\$	61,535	\$ 22,036,292
Total capital assets depreciated, net	\$ 27,225,239	\$ (1,304,754)	\$	<u>-</u>	\$ 25,920,485
Business-Type Activities					
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 29,189,167	\$ (1,304,754)	\$		\$ 27,884,413

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

Governmental Activities	
General government	\$ 576,177
Public safety	731,920
Highways and streets, including depreciation of infrastructure assets	1,451,253
Human services	18,728
Health	4,502
Culture and recreation	32,215
Sanitation	14,482
Other - extension	 1,400
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ 2,830,677
Business-Type Activities Hospital	\$ 2,662,392

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u> (Continued)

B. <u>Interfund Receivables</u>, Payables, and Transfers

The composition of interfund balances as of December 31, 2012, is as follows:

1. <u>Due To/From Other Funds</u>

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount		
General	Road and Bridge Human Services Other Governmental Funds	\$	1,296 29,836 156	
Total due to General Fund		\$	31,288	
Human Services	General Other Governmental Funds	\$	478 234	
Total due to Human Services		\$	712	
Other Governmental Funds	General Human Services Road and Bridge	\$	968 8,393 678	
Total due to Other Governmental Funds	J	\$	10,039	
Total Due To/From Other Funds		\$	42,039	

2. Advances From/To Other Funds

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	A	Amount		
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$	13,778		

Advance from the General Fund to the Ditch Special Revenue Fund is to cover negative cash balances.

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

B. <u>Interfund Receivables, Payables, and Transfers</u> (Continued)

3. <u>Interfund Transfers</u>

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2012, consisted of the following:

Transfer to Debt Service Fund from Capital Projects Fund	\$ 100,000	Debt service requirements
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund from Other Governmental Funds	\$ 200,000	Contribution to project
Transfers to Other Governmental Funds from General Fund	\$ 544,537	Annual appropriation
Total Interfund Transfers	\$ 844,537	

C. Liabilities

1. Payables

Payables at December 31, 2012, were as follows:

	Governmental Activities		siness-Type Activities
Accounts	\$	680,766	\$ 912,782
Salaries		597,914	1,331,779
Contracts		55,830	-
Due to other governments		99,779	-
Due to component unit		27,500	
Total Payables	\$	1,461,789	\$ 2,244,561

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

C. <u>Liabilities</u> (Continued)

2. <u>Construction Commitments</u>

The County has active construction projects as of December 31, 2012. The projects include the following:

Governmental Activities

			Re	maining
	Spe	nt-to-Date_	Con	nmitment
Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund				
Roads and bridges	\$	2,350,969	\$	69,487

3. <u>Long-Term Debt</u>

The County issues long-term debt obligations to provide for the acquisition, construction, and betterment of major capital facilities and infrastructure.

Bonds and Notes

Governmental Activities

Type of Indebtedness	Final Maturity	Installment Amounts	Interest Rate (%)	 Original Issue Amount	Balance ecember 31, 2012
General obligation bonds 2005 Refunding G.O. Law Enforcement Bonds	2018	\$165,000 - \$245,000	3.00 - 3.65	\$ 2,210,000	\$ 1,320,000
2006 G.O. Improvement Bonds	2026	\$105,000 - \$295,000	3.875 - 4.05	4,600,000	3,370,000
2008 G.O. State Aid Highway Bonds	2013	\$600,000	2.25 - 3.00	3,000,000	600,000
2012 G.O. Capital Improvement Refunding Bonds	2026	\$200,000 - \$310,000	2.00 - 2.50	3,175,000	3,175,000
2012B G.O. Law Enforcement Center Refunding Bonds	2018	\$220,000 - \$240,000	0.30 - 0.75	 1,150,000	 1,150,000
Total General Obligation Bonds				\$ 14,135,000	\$ 9,615,000

Detailed Notes on All Funds

C. Liabilities

3. Long Term Debt

Bonds and Notes

Governmental Activities (Continued)

Type of Indebtedness	Final Maturity	Installment Amounts	Rate (%)	Issue Amount	December 31, 2012
2010 G.O. Capital Notes	2018	\$265,000 - \$340,000	2.00 - 2.75	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 1,930,000
Business-T	ype Activitie	<u>s</u>			
Type of Indebtedness	Final Maturity	Installment Amounts	Interest Rate (%)	Original Issue Amount	Outstanding Balance December 31, 2012
2007 Gross Revenue Hospital Facilities Bonds	2037	\$425,000 - \$1,825,000	5.00 - 5.75	\$ 26,675,000	\$ 25,330,000

Loans Payable

In 2010, the County entered into loan agreements with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for financing of the Minnesota Clean Water Partnership Project. The loans are secured by special assessments placed on the individual parcels requesting repair of a failing septic system. According to the agreement, the County can borrow as much as \$200,000. The total amount disbursed through December 31, 2012, was \$200,000; accumulated interest is \$11,358. Repayment is will begin in 2013.

In 2011, the County entered into another loan agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for financing of the Minnesota Clean Water Partnership These loans are also secured by special assessments placed on the individual parcels requesting repair of a failing septic system. According to the

Outstanding

Balance

Original

Interest

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

C. Liabilities

3. <u>Long Term Debt</u>

Loans Payable (Continued)

agreement, the County can borrow as much as \$300,000. The agreement was later amended in 2011 to increase the total to \$600,000. However, only \$300,000 may be borrowed without further authorization from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. The total amount disbursed through December 31, 2012, was \$114,350. Repayment is estimated to begin in 2014.

In 2012, the County entered into another loan agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for financing of the Minnesota Clean Water Partnership Project. These loans are also secured by special assessments placed on the individual parcels requesting repair of a failing septic system. According to the agreement, the County can borrow as much as \$200,000. As of December 31, 2012, no money had been disbursed. Repayment is estimated to begin in 2015.

Repayment schedules are not currently available for the 2011 and 2012 loans.

4. <u>Debt Service Requirements</u>

Debt service requirements at December 31, 2012, were as follows:

Governmental Activities

Year Ending	 General Obli	gation E	Bonds		Capital	Notes	S	
December 31	Principal	Interest			Principal		Interest	
2013	\$ 5,290,000	\$	195,901	\$	310,000	\$	40,513	
2014	510,000		69,710		310,000		34,313	
2015	525,000		63,070		315,000		28,062	
2016	530,000		56,048		325,000		21,256	
2017	545,000		48,630		330,000		13,475	
2018 - 2022	1,285,000		164,575		340,000		4,675	
2023 - 2026	 930,000		46,364				-	
Total	\$ 9,615,000	\$	644,298	\$	1,930,000	\$	142,294	

3. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

C. <u>Liabilities</u>

4. <u>Debt Service Requirements</u>

Governmental Activities (Continued)

Year Ending		2010 Septic System Loan							
December 31	F	Principal	I	nterest					
2013	\$	19,294	\$	4,131					
2014		19,682		3,743					
2015		20,077		3,348					
2016		20,481		2,944					
2017		20,892		2,533					
2018 - 2022		110,932		6,192					
Total	\$	211,358	\$	22,891					

Business-Type Activities

Year Ending	Gross Hospital Facilities Bonds						
December 31		Principal		Interest			
2013	\$	495,000	\$	1,435,144			
2014		520,000		1,410,394			
2015		545,000		1,384,394			
2016		570,000		1,356,463			
2017		605,000		1,326,538			
2018 - 2022		3,550,000		6,096,156			
2023 - 2027		4,675,000		4,968,001			
2028 - 2032		6,190,000		3,459,201			
2033 - 2037		8,180,000		1,463,663			
Total	\$	25,330,000	\$	22,899,954			

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

C. <u>Liabilities</u>

5. Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2012, was as follows:

Governmental Activities

	 Beginning Balance	Additions		I	Reductions		Ending Balance		Due Within One Year	
Governmental activities Long-term liabilities Bonds payable General obligation bonds Capital notes Add: unamortized premium Less: deferred discounts	\$ 6,470,000 2,235,000 27,517 (4,920)	\$	4,325,000 - 53,895 (3,853)	\$	1,180,000 305,000 2,850 (2,460)	\$	9,615,000 1,930,000 78,562 (6,313)	\$	5,290,000 310,000 - -	
Total bonds payable	\$ 8,727,597	\$	4,375,042	\$	1,485,390	\$	11,617,249	\$	5,600,000	
Loans payable Other postemployment	232,983		92,725		-		325,708		19,294	
benefits	324,549		63,206		_		387,755		_	
Compensated absences	 1,927,567		874,050		911,795		1,889,822		774,827	
Governmental Activities Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 11,212,696	\$	5,405,023	\$	2,397,185	\$	14,220,534	\$	6,394,121	

Business-Type Activities

	 Beginning Balance	Additions		Reductions		Ending Balance		Due Within One Year	
Business-type activities Long-term liabilities Bonds payable Gross revenue hospital facilities bonds Add: unamortized premium	\$ 25,800,000 255,287	\$	-	\$	470,000 9,820	\$	25,330,000 245,467	\$	495,000
Add: unamortized premium	 233,281				9,820		243,467		
Total bonds payable	\$ 26,055,287	\$	-	\$	479,820	\$	25,575,467	\$	495,000
Capital lease payable	 1,389		-		1,389				
Business-Type Activities Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 26,056,676	\$	-	\$	481,209	\$	25,575,467	\$	495,000

3. Detailed Notes on All Funds

C. Liabilities

6. <u>Refunding Bonds</u>

On May 1, 2012, the County issued \$3,175,000 2012 G.O. Capital Improvement Refunding Bonds to refund the 2006 G.O. Capital Improvement Bonds. This is a crossover refunding with the proceeds deposited with an escrow agent. The 2006 Series will be called on February 1, 2013, and redeemed with proceeds from the escrow account. The County will start making semiannual interest payments on the 2012 Series on February 1, 2013, and will start making annual principal payments on February 1, 2014. The County refunded the 2006 Series to reduce its total debt service payments by \$342,777 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present value of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$298,756.

On November 7, 2012, the County issued \$1,150,000 2012B G.O. Law Enforcement Center Refunding Bonds to refund the 2005 G.O. Law Enforcement Refunding Bonds. This is an advance refunding; however, the proceeds were not paid out until January 18, 2013. As a result, this debt is not considered to be defeased and is still outstanding at year end. The 2005 Series will be called on February 1, 2013, when the final payment will be made. The County will start making semiannual interest payments on the 2012B Series on August 1, 2013 and will start making annual principal payments on February 1, 2014. The County refunded the 2005 Series to reduce its total debt service payments by \$74,290 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present value of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$73,155.

4. Pension Plans

A. <u>Defined Benefit Plans</u>

1. Plan Description

All full-time and certain part-time employees of Meeker County are covered by defined benefit pension plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). PERA administers the General Employees Retirement Fund, the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund, and the Local Government Correctional Service Retirement Fund (the Public Employees Correctional Fund), which are cost-sharing, multiple-employer retirement plans.

4. Pension Plans

A. Defined Benefit Plans

1. <u>Plan Description</u> (Continued)

These plans are established and administered in accordance with Minn. Stat. chs. 353 and 356.

General Employees Retirement Fund members belong to either the Coordinated Plan or the Basic Plan. Coordinated Plan members are covered by Social Security, and Basic Plan members are not. All new members must participate in the Coordinated Plan, and benefits vest after three years of credited service (five years for those first eligible for membership after June 30, 2010).

All police officers, firefighters, and peace officers who qualify for membership by statute are covered by the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund. Members who are employed in a county correctional institution as a correctional guard or officer, a joint jailer/dispatcher, or as a supervisor of correctional guards or officers or of joint jailer/dispatchers and are directly responsible for the direct security, custody, and control of the county correctional institution and its inmates, are covered by the Public Employees Correctional Fund. For members first eligible for membership after June 30, 2010, benefits vest on a graduated schedule starting with 50 percent after five years and increasing 10 percent for each year of service until fully vested after ten years. Members eligible for membership before July 1, 2010, are fully vested after three years of service.

PERA provides retirement benefits as well as disability benefits to members and benefits to survivors upon death of eligible members. Benefits are established by state statute. Defined retirement benefits are based on a member's average yearly salary for the five highest-paid consecutive years of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service.

Two methods are used to compute benefits for General Employees Retirement Fund Coordinated and Basic Plan members. The retiring member receives the higher of a step-rate benefit accrual formula (Method 1) or a level accrual formula (Method 2). Under Method 1, the annuity accrual rate for a Basic Plan member is 2.2 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years of service and 2.7 percent for each year thereafter. For a Coordinated Plan member, the annuity accrual rate is 1.2 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years and

4. Pension Plans

A. Defined Benefit Plans

1. Plan Description (Continued)

1.7 percent for each successive year. Under Method 2, the annuity accrual rate is 2.7 percent of average salary for Basic Plan members and 1.7 percent for Coordinated Plan members for each year of service. For Public Employees Police and Fire Fund members, the annuity accrual rate is 3.0 percent of average salary for each year of service. For Public Employees Correctional Fund members, the annuity accrual rate is 1.9 percent of average salary for each year of service.

For all General Employees Retirement Fund members hired prior to July 1, 1989, whose annuity is calculated using Method 1, and for all Public Employees Police and Fire Fund and Public Employees Correctional Fund members, a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal 90. Normal retirement age is 55 for Public Employees Police and Fire Fund members and Public Employees Correctional Fund members, and either 65 or 66 (depending on date hired) for General Employees Retirement Fund members. A reduced retirement annuity is also available to eligible members seeking early retirement.

The benefit provisions stated in the previous paragraphs of this section are current provisions and apply to active plan participants. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits but are not yet receiving them are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated public service.

PERA issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the General Employees Retirement Fund, the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund, and the Public Employees Correctional Fund. That report may be obtained on the internet at www.mnpera.org; by writing to PERA at 60 Empire Drive, Suite 200, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55103-2088; or by calling 651-296-7460 or 1-800-652-9026.

2. <u>Funding Policy</u>

Pension benefits are funded from member and employer contributions and income from the investment of fund assets. Rates for employer and employee contributions are set by Minn. Stat. ch. 353. These statutes are established and amended by the State Legislature. The County makes annual contributions to the

4. Pension Plans

A. Defined Benefit Plans

2. Funding Policy (Continued)

pension plans equal to the amount required by state statutes. General Employees Retirement Fund Basic Plan members and Coordinated Plan members are required to contribute 9.10 and 6.25 percent, respectively, of their annual covered salary. Public Employees Police and Fire Fund members are required to contribute 9.60 percent. Public Employees Correctional Fund members are required to contribute 5.83 percent of their annual covered salary.

The County is required to contribute the following percentages of annual covered payroll in 2012:

General Employees Retirement Fund	
Basic Plan members	11.78%
Coordinated Plan members	7.25
Public Employees Police and Fire Fund	14.40
Public Employees Correctional Fund	8.75

The County's contributions for the years ending December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010, for the General Employees Retirement Fund, the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund, and the Public Employees Correctional Fund were:

	2012		2011		 2010	
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General Employees Retirement Fund	\$	555,848	\$	547,066	\$	514,132
Public Employees Police and Fire Fund		155,942		159,424		154,865
Public Employees Correctional Fund		41,356		42,219		45,759

These contribution amounts are equal to the contractually required contributions for each year as set by state statute.

B. Defined Contribution Plan

Four County Commissioners of Meeker County are covered by the Public Employees Defined Contribution Plan, a multiple-employer, deferred compensation plan administered by PERA. The plan is established and administered in accordance with Minn. Stat. ch. 353D, which may be amended by the State Legislature. The plan is a tax qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, and all contributions by or on behalf of employees are tax deferred until time of withdrawal.

4. Pension Plans

B. Defined Contribution Plan (Continued)

Plan benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings, less administrative expenses. For those qualified personnel who elect to participate, Minn. Stat. § 353D.03 specifies plan provisions, including the employee and employer contribution rates. An eligible elected official who decides to participate contributes 5.00 percent of salary, which is matched by the employer. Employees may elect to make member contributions in an amount not to exceed the employer share. Employee and employer contributions are combined and used to purchase shares in one or more of the seven accounts of the Minnesota Supplemental Investment Fund. For administering the plan, PERA receives 2.00 percent of employer contributions and 0.25 percent of the assets in each member account annually.

Total contributions by dollar amount and percentage of covered payroll made by the County during the year ended December 31, 2012, were:

	En	nployee	Employer		
Contribution amount	\$	4,070	\$	4,070	
Percentage of covered payroll		5%		5%	

Required contribution rates were 5.00 percent.

5. Postemployment Health Care Plan

A. Plan Description

The County provides a single-employer defined benefit health care plan to eligible retirees and their spouses. The plan offers medical coverage. Medical coverage is administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield. The County provides benefits for retirees, in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 471.61, subd. 2b. It is the County's policy to periodically review its medical coverage and to obtain requests for proposals in order to provide the most favorable benefits and premiums for County employees and retirees.

5. <u>Postemployment Health Care Plan</u> (Continued)

B. Funding Policy

Retirees and their spouses contribute to the health care plan at the same rate as County employees. This results in the retirees receiving an implicit rate subsidy. Contribution requirements are established by the County based on the contract terms with Blue Cross Blue Shield. The required contributions are based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements. For fiscal year 2012, the County contributed \$44,877. As of January 1, 2012, there were approximately eight retirees receiving health benefits from the County's health plan.

C. Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The County's annual other postemployment benefits (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC) of the County, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years. The following table shows the components of the County's annual OPEB cost of the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the County's net obligation to the plan.

ARC Interest on net OPEB obligation Adjustment to ARC	\$ 113,387 14,605 (19,909)
Annual OPEB cost (expense) Contributions made	\$ 108,083 (44,877)
Increase in net OPEB obligation Net OPEB Obligation - Beginning of Year	\$ 63,206 324,549
Net OPEB Obligation - End of Year	\$ 387,755

5. Postemployment Health Care Plan

C. Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation (Continued)

The County's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2010, 2011, and 2012 was as follows:

Fiscal		Annual	E	mployer	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost	N	Net OPEB	
Year Ended	Ol	PEB Cost	Contribution		Contributed	Obligation		
	-							
December 31, 2010	\$	110,919	\$	24,894	22.4%	\$	249,955	
December 31, 2011		109,463		34,869	31.9		324,549	
December 31, 2012		108,083		44,877	41.5		387,755	

D. <u>Funded Status and Funding Progress</u>

As of January 1, 2010, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the County has no assets deposited to fund the plan. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$776,300, and the actuarial value of assets was zero, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$776,300. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$8,692,073, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 8.9 percent.

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the health care cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The Schedule of Funding Progress - Other Postemployment Benefits, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, will present multi-year trend information as it becomes available about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

5. <u>Postemployment Health Care Plan</u> (Continued)

E. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the January 1, 2010, actuarial valuation, the entry age normal cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.5 percent discount rate, which is based on the investment yield expected to finance benefits depending on whether the plan is funded in a separate trust (6.5 percent, long-term, similar to a pension plan) or unfunded (4.5 percent, shorter term, based on County's general assets). The County currently does not plan to prefund for this benefit. At the actuarial valuation date, the annual health care cost trend rate was calculated to be 8.5 percent initially, reduced incrementally to 5.0 percent after 7 years. The UAAL is being amortized as a level dollar amount on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period at January 1, 2012, was 26 years.

6. Risk Management

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters. The County has entered into a joint powers agreement with other Minnesota counties to form the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT). The County is a member of both the MCIT Workers' Compensation and Property and Casualty Divisions. For other risk, the County carries commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance from the prior year. The amount of settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

The Workers' Compensation Division of MCIT is self-sustaining based on the contributions charged, so that total contributions plus compounded earnings on these contributions will equal the amount needed to satisfy claims liabilities and other expenses. MCIT participates in the Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Association with coverage at \$460,000 and \$470,000 per claim in 2012 and 2013, respectively. Should the MCIT Workers' Compensation Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess the County in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

6. Risk Management (Continued)

The Property and Casualty Division of MCIT is self-sustaining, and the County pays an annual premium to cover current and future losses. MCIT carries reinsurance for its property lines to protect against catastrophic losses. Should the MCIT Property and Casualty Division liabilities exceed assets, MCIT may assess the County in a method and amount to be determined by MCIT.

The Hospital is covered by professional liability insurance on a claims-made basis. Individual and aggregate claims coverage is \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000, respectively. Hospital management is of the opinion that insurance coverage is adequate to cover anticipated losses, if any. Settled claims have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

7. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

A. Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of the expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the County expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The County is a defendant in various lawsuits. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, in the opinion of the County Attorney, the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the County.

The Hospital is involved in various claims, litigations and judgments. Hospital management believes the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have an adverse effect on the financial position of the Hospital.

7. <u>Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items</u> (Continued)

B. Joint Ventures

Southwestern Minnesota Adult Mental Health Consortium Board

In November 1997, the County entered into a joint powers agreement with Big Stone, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lac qui Parle, McLeod, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Renville, Rock, Swift, and Yellow Medicine Counties; and Lincoln, Lyon, and Murray Counties, represented by the Lincoln, Lyon, & Murray Human Services Board; creating and operating the Southwestern Minnesota Adult Mental Health Consortium Board under the authority of Minn. Stat. § 471.59. The Board takes actions and enters into such agreements as necessary to plan and develop, within the Board's geographic jurisdiction, a system of care that will serve the needs of adults with serious and persistent mental illness. The governing board is composed of one Board member from each of the participating counties.

Financing is provided by state proceeds or appropriations for the development of the system of care. Current financial statements are available at the Cottonwood County Family Services Agency, Windom, Minnesota 56101.

Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Community Health Services Board

The Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Community Health Services Board was established pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 145A.09 to 145A.14, Minn. Stat. § 471.59, and a joint powers agreement, effective April 19, 1990. The Community Health Services Board consists of 15 members, 5 each from McLeod, Meeker, and Sibley Counties. The primary function of the joint venture is to provide health services and to promote efficiency and economy in the delivery of health services.

The joint venture is financed primarily from state and federal grants. McLeod County is the fiscal agent. Current financial statements are available at the McLeod County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, 2391 Hennepin Ave N., Glencoe, Minnesota 55336.

7. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

B. Joint Ventures (Continued)

Prime West Central County-Based Purchasing Initiative

In December 1998, Meeker County became a member of the Prime West Central County-Based Purchasing Initiative Joint Powers Board with Big Stone, Douglas, Grant, McLeod, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Stevens, and Traverse Counties. Meeker County, in partnership with these nine counties, is organized to directly purchase health care services for county residents who are eligible for Medical Assistance and General Assistance Medical Care. County-based purchasing is the local control alternative favored for improved coordination of services to prepaid Medical Assistance programs in complying with Minnesota Department of Health requirements as set forth in Minn. Stat. chs. 62D and 62N.

Funding from the state is the revenue source for this program.

Douglas County acts as fiscal agent for the Prime West Central County-Based Purchasing Initiative and reports the cash transactions as an investment trust fund on its financial statements. Complete financial information can be obtained from its administrative office at Prime West Health Systems, Douglas County Courthouse, 305 - 8th Avenue West, Alexandria, Minnesota 56308.

Crow River Joint Powers Agreement

In April 1999, the County entered into a joint powers agreement with Carver, Hennepin, Kandiyohi, McLeod, Pope, Renville, Sibley, Stearns, and Wright Counties, creating the Crow River Joint Powers Agreement. The Agreement is authorized by Minn. Stat. §§ 103B.311 and 103B.315. The Prairie County Resource Conservation and Development Council is the fiscal agent for this joint powers agreement.

The Board of Directors meets at least two times per year, or more often if needed, at the location to be set by the chair of the Joint Powers Board. The purpose of this agreement is the joint exercise of powers by the counties to promote the orderly water quality improvement and management of the Crow River Watershed through information sharing, education, coordination, and related support to the member counties by assisting in the implementation and goal achievement of comprehensive water plans which counties may develop and implement.

7. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

B. Joint Ventures

<u>Crow River Joint Powers Agreement</u> (Continued)

The governing board comprises one County Commissioner from each member county. Financing is provided by state proceeds. Current financial statements are not available.

Supporting Hands Nurse Family Partnership

The Supporting Hands Nurse Family Partnership was established pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 145A.17 and 471.59 and a joint powers agreement, effective June 5, 2007. The Board is composed of 17 members, which consist of an appointed Commissioner from each participating county. McLeod County is the fiscal agent. The primary purpose of the joint venture is to improve the health and life course of low-income, first-time mothers and their children.

The joint venture is financed primarily by contributions from participating counties. Audited financial statements are available at the McLeod County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, 2391 Hennepin Avenue North, Glencoe, Minnesota 55336.

Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board

The Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board was established in 2007, under the authority conferred upon the member parties by Minn. Stat. §§ 471.59 and 403.39, and includes the City of St. Cloud and the Counties of Benton, Big Stone, Douglas, Grant, Kandiyohi, Meeker, Morrison, Otter Tail, Pope, Sherburne, Stearns, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wadena, Wilkin, and Wright.

The purpose of the Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board is to provide for regional administration of enhancements to the Statewide Public Safety Radio and Communication System (ARMER) owned and operated by the State of Minnesota. The Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board is composed of one Commissioner of each county appointed by the respective County Board and one City Council member from each city appointed by the respective City Council, as provided in the Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board's by-laws.

7. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

B. Joint Ventures

Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board (Continued)

In the event of dissolution of the Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board, all property, assets, and funds of the Board shall be distributed to the parties of the agreement upon termination in direct proportion to their participation and contribution. Any city or county that has withdrawn from the agreement prior to termination of the Board shall share in the distribution of property, assets, and funds of the Board only to the extent they shared in the original expense.

The Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board has no long-term debt. Financing is provided by the appropriations from member parties and by state and federal grants. Complete financial information can be obtained from Central Minnesota Regional Radio Board, City of St. Cloud, Office of the Mayor, City Hall, 400 Second Street South, St. Cloud, Minnesota 56303.

Central Minnesota Diagnostics, Inc

The Meeker Memorial Hospital and other hospitals (all unrelated parties to the Hospital) formed a non-profit corporation known as Central Minnesota Diagnostic, Inc. (CMDI). CMDI was organized to provide certain agreed-upon shared services to those hospitals who are members of this corporation. CMDI operates as a non-profit cooperative and allocates income to its member hospitals based on the services the member hospitals purchase from CMDI. The Hospital records its investment in CMDI on the equity method of accounting, which approximates the Hospital's equity in the underlying book value of CMDI.

Putting All Communities Together for Families Collaborative

Putting All Communities Together for Families Collaborative (PACT) was established in 1996 by a joint powers agreement among Kandiyohi, Meeker, Renville, and Yellow Medicine Counties. Effective January 1, 2011 an additional joint powers agreement was entered into to add McLeod County as a fifth county partner to PACT. As a result, the name was changed from PACT 4 Families Collaborative to PACT for Families Collaborative. The joint powers agreements were established to provide coordinated services to children and families.

7. Summary of Significant Contingencies and Other Items

B. Joint Ventures

Putting All Communities Together for Families Collaborative (Continued)

Management of PACT is vested in an Executive Board composed of nine members representing all counties. The Board includes an administrative representative of social services, public health services, community corrections, school districts, two parents (one parent of a child diagnosed with a serious emotional disturbance), and three members at large, one of whom is of a mental health background. The Board appoints a fiscal agent to handle and be responsible for safekeeping the funds of PACT.

Renville County Human Services has acted as fiscal agent for PACT since January 1, 2006.

8. Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

In addition to those identified in Note 1, the County's discretely presented component units have the following significant accounting policies.

Reporting Entities

The Meeker County Economic Development Authority (EDA) is governed by a nine-member Board of Directors: two are County Commissioners, and seven are appointed by the Commissioners.

The Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) is governed by a five-member Board appointed by the County Commissioners. The HRA has a year-end of June 30, 2012. Meeker County is obligated for the debt and any operating deficits of the HRA.

Because of the significance of their financial relationship, Meeker County considers these entities major component units.

8. Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures

A. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Continued)

Basis of Presentation

The Meeker County HRA and the Meeker County EDA are discrete component units of Meeker County. The EDA does not prepare separate audited financial statements.

The Meeker County HRA and the Meeker County EDA are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting.

Cash and Pooled Investments

All cash and investments of the Meeker County EDA are on deposit with the County and so are cash and cash equivalents for the purposes of cash flows. The EDA's investments consist of certificates of deposit which are not subject to custodial credit risk.

Cash of the Meeker County HRA is in the custody of the HRA. All checking, savings, certificates of deposit, and cash on hand are cash and cash equivalents. State statutes authorize the HRA to invest in obligations of the US Treasury, agencies and instrumentalities, shares of investment companies whose only investments are in the aforementioned securities, obligation of the State or its municipalities, bankers' acceptances, future contracts, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, and commercial paper of the highest quality with a maturity of no longer than 270 days. All investments held by the HRA at December 31, 2012, were insured or registered, or securities held by the HRA agent in the HRA's name and therefore, not subject to custodial credit risk.

Compensated Absences

The liability for compensated absences reported in the financial statements consists of unpaid, accumulated paid time off. The liability has been calculated using the vesting method, in which leave amounts for both employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments. Compensated absences are accrued when incurred.

8. <u>Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures</u>

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Classification of Net Position

Net position in the government-wide statements for the Meeker County HRA and Meeker County EDA is classified in the following categories:

<u>Net investment in capital assets</u> - the amount of net position representing capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding debt attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the assets.

<u>Restricted net position</u> - the amount of net assets for which external restrictions have been imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

<u>Unrestricted net position</u> - the amount of net position that does not meet the definition of restricted or net investment in capital assets.

The HRA's beginning net position was restated by \$2,245.

B. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

1. Assets

Receivables

Receivables at December 31, 2012, for the EDA, and at June 30, 2012, for the HRA, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	 EDA]	HRA	Re	Total eceivables
Accounts	\$ 4,401	\$	5,185	\$	9,586
Accrued interest	756		-		756
Loan	293,662		-		293,662
Due from primary government	 27,500		-		27,500
Total Component Units	\$ 326,319	\$	5,185	\$	331,504

8. <u>Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures</u>

B. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

1. <u>Assets</u> (Continued)

Loan Receivable

Loans receivable represent amounts owing from businesses within the County for redevelopment purposes. Funding for these loans was contributed from Meeker County, other local governments, and private organizations.

Capital Assets

Component unit capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2012, for the EDA and for the year ended June 30, 2012, for the HRA, was as follows:

	I	Beginning Balance	•		Decrease			Ending Balance
Capital assets not depreciated Land								
EDA HRA	\$	155,988 63,966	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	-	\$	155,988 63,966
Total capital assets not depreciated	\$	219,954	\$		\$		\$	219,954
Capital assets depreciated Buildings and equipment								
EDA HRA	\$	5,197,454 1,333,817	\$	639 29,288	\$	4,800	\$	5,193,293 1,363,105
Total capital assets depreciated -	ď	C 521 271	¢	20.027	¢	4.000	¢	C 55 C 200
buildings and equipment		6,531,271	\$	29,927	\$	4,800	\$_	6,556,398
Less: accumulated depreciation for Buildings and equipment								
EDA HRA	\$	1,936,836 966,255	\$	174,086 50,154	\$	- -	\$	2,110,922 1,016,409
Total accumulated depreciation	\$	2,903,091	\$	224,240	\$	-	\$	3,127,331
Total capital assets depreciated, net	\$	3,628,180	\$	(194,313)	\$	4,800	\$	3,429,067
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$	3,848,134	\$	(194,313)	\$	4,800	\$	3,649,021

8. <u>Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures</u>

B. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

1. Assets

<u>Capital Assets</u> (Continued)

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the discretely presented component units as follows:

EDA	\$	174,086
HRA		50,154
	'	
Total Depreciation Expense	\$	224,240

2. <u>Liabilities</u>

Payables

Payables at December 31, 2012, for the EDA, and at June 30, 2012 for the HRA were as follows:

	EDA	 HRA	Total Payables		
Accounts	\$ 11,525	\$ 4,295	\$	15,820	
Salaries	4,953	-		4,953	
Due to other governments	-	6,333		6,333	
Due to primary government	617	 <u> </u>		617	
Total Payables	\$ 17,095	\$ 10,628	\$	27,723	

8. Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures

B. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

2. <u>Liabilities</u> (Continued)

Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt outstanding at December 31, 2012, for the EDA consists of the following:

Type of Indebtedness	Final Maturity	Monthly Installment Amounts	Interest Rate (%)	Original Issue Amount	Remaining Commitment
1998 Essential Function Housing Development Revenue Bonds	2029	\$ 8,852	3.80	\$ 1,810,000	\$ 1,291,106
1999 Essential Function Housing Development Revenue Bonds	2030	6,822	3.80	1,400,000	1,055,699
2001 Essential Function Housing Development Revenue Bonds	2032	5,770	3.80	1,200,000	958,116
2002 Essential Function Housing Development Revenue Bonds	2033	4,465	3.80	930,000	751,913
Totals				\$ 5,340,000	\$ 4,056,834

<u>Debt Service Requirements</u>

Revenue bonds' debt service requirements to maturity for the EDA are as follows:

Year Ending				
December 31	Principal	Interest		
2013	\$ 159,508	\$	151,401	
2014	165,676		145,233	
2015	172,083		138,826	
2016	178,737		132,171	
2017	185,648		125,260	
2018 - 2022	1,041,636		512,905	
2023 - 2027	1,259,219		295,321	
2028 - 2032	889,876		67,915	
2033	4,451		14	
Total	\$ 4,056,834	\$	1,569,046	

8. Discretely Presented Component Unit Disclosures

B. <u>Detailed Notes on All Funds</u>

2. <u>Liabilities</u> (Continued)

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

The following is a summary of the long-term debt transactions of the EDA for the year ended December 31, 2012.

	Beginning Balance		Additions		Reductions		Ending Balance		Due Within One Year	
Essential Function Housing Development Revenue Bonds for 1998 1999 2001 2002	\$	1,346,300 1,095,958 989,726 775,981	\$	- - - -	\$	55,193 40,260 31,610 24,068	\$	1,291,107 1,055,698 958,116 751,913	\$	58,165 42,481 33,412 25,450
Total Essential Function Housing Development Revenue Bonds Compensated absences	\$	4,207,965 5,509	\$	- -	\$	151,131 2,686	\$	4,056,834 2,823	\$	159,508 1,157
EDA Long-Term Liabilities	\$	4,213,474	\$	-	\$	153,817	\$	4,059,657	\$	160,665





EXHIBIT A-1

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted Amounts			Actual		Variance with	
	 Original		Final		Amounts	Fir	nal Budget
Revenues							
Taxes	\$ 6,686,962	\$	6,686,962	\$	6,931,367	\$	244,405
Licenses and permits	13,200		13,200		86,796		73,596
Intergovernmental	1,326,082		1,326,082		1,495,177		169,095
Charges for services	1,591,970		1,591,970		1,636,860		44,890
Fines and forfeits	26,600		26,600		24,785		(1,815)
Gifts and contributions	600		600		1,417		817
Investment earnings	200,000		200,000		156,838		(43,162)
Miscellaneous	314,390		314,390		597,466		283,076
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Total Revenues	\$ 10,159,804	\$	10,159,804	\$	10,930,706	\$	770,902
Expenditures							
Current							
General government							
Commissioners	\$ 225,838	\$	225,838	\$	206,429	\$	19,409
Courts	25,000		25,000		46,455		(21,455)
Court services	441,572		441,572		420,093		21,479
Law library	26,550		26,550		33,888		(7,338)
County administration	180,097		180,097		155,929		24,168
County auditor	355,314		355,314		336,585		18,729
County treasurer	335,959		335,959		340,775		(4,816)
County assessor	354,500		354,500		339,462		15,038
Accounting and auditing	72,000		72,000		45,145		26,855
Data processing	282,588		282,588		287,719		(5,131)
Central services	50,500		50,500		15,362		35,138
Attorney	646,028		646,028		631,119		14,909
Recorder	190,446		190,446		176,974		13,472
Surveyor	7,500		7,500		-		7,500
Planning and zoning	327,881		327,881		312,157		15,724
Maintenance	424,639		424,639		379,628		45,011
Veterans service officer	149,449		149,449		163,373		(13,924)
Appropriations	232,790		232,790		232,688		102
Other	 288,100		288,100		324,853		(36,753)
Total general government	\$ 4,616,751	\$	4,616,751	\$	4,448,634	\$	168,117

EXHIBIT A-1 (Continued)

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted	l Amou	ınts		Actual		Variance with		
	Original		Final		Amounts	F	inal Budget		
Expenditures									
Current (Continued)									
Public safety									
Sheriff	\$ 4,098,429	\$	4,098,429	\$	3,993,604	\$	104,825		
Coroner	69,000		69,000		65,495		3,505		
E-911 system	145,435		145,435		141,549		3,886		
Wireless communication	118,753		118,753		110,924		7,829		
Emergency management	 74,446		74,446		48,045		26,401		
Total public safety	\$ 4,506,063	\$	4,506,063	\$	4,359,617	\$	146,446		
Sanitation									
Solid waste	\$ 113,763	\$	113,763	\$	123,277	\$	(9,514)		
Conservation of natural resources									
Planning and zoning	\$ 109,500	\$	109,500	\$	119,799	\$	(10,299)		
County extension	166,045		166,045		161,651		4,394		
Extension committee	3,145		3,145		2,115		1,030		
Agricultural inspections	5,000		5,000		5,000		-		
Snowmobile grant	 -		-	-	36,181	-	(36,181)		
Total conservation of natural resources	\$ 283,690	\$	283,690	\$	324,746	\$	(41,056)		
Economic development									
Community development	\$ 95,000	\$	95,000	\$	95,000	\$	-		
Total Expenditures	\$ 9,615,267	\$	9,615,267	\$	9,351,274	\$	263,993		
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 544,537	\$	544,537	\$	1,579,432	\$	1,034,895		
Other Financing Sources (Uses)									
Transfers out	 (544,537)		(544,537)		(544,537)		-		
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$	-	\$	1,034,895	\$	1,034,895		
Fund Balance - January 1	 6,838,676		6,838,676		6,838,676		-		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 6,838,676	\$	6,838,676	\$	7,873,571	\$	1,034,895		

EXHIBIT A-2

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE ROAD AND BRIDGE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual		Variance with	
		Original	Final	 Amounts	Fi	nal Budget
Revenues						
Taxes	\$	1,595,246	\$ 1,595,246	\$ 1,619,861	\$	24,615
Intergovernmental		3,556,121	3,556,121	4,299,148		743,027
Charges for services		585,225	585,225	545,473		(39,752)
Miscellaneous		62,000	 62,000	 77,033		15,033
Total Revenues	\$	5,798,592	\$ 5,798,592	\$ 6,541,515	\$	742,923
Expenditures						
Current						
Highways and streets						
Administration	\$	380,731	\$ 380,731	\$ 324,221	\$	56,510
Maintenance		1,437,745	1,437,745	1,569,565		(131,820)
Engineering/construction		1,854,569	1,854,569	1,925,265		(70,696)
Equipment, maintenance, and shop		1,131,047	 1,131,047	 1,028,049		102,998
Total highways and streets	\$	4,804,092	\$ 4,804,092	\$ 4,847,100	\$	(43,008)
Intergovernmental						
Highways and streets	\$	360,000	\$ 360,000	\$ 377,775	\$	(17,775)
Debt service						
Principal	\$	600,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	\$	-
Interest		34,500	 34,500	 34,500		
Total debt service	\$	634,500	\$ 634,500	\$ 634,500	\$	
Total Expenditures	\$	5,798,592	\$ 5,798,592	\$ 5,859,375	\$	(60,783)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 682,140	\$	682,140
Fund Balance - January 1		2,037,545	2,037,545	2,037,545		_
Increase (decrease) in inventories		-	 -	 15,893		15,893
Fund Balance - December 31	\$	2,037,545	\$ 2,037,545	\$ 2,735,578	\$	698,033

EXHIBIT A-3

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE HUMAN SERVICES SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgetee	ints	Actual		Variance with		
	Original		Final		Amounts	Final Budget	
Revenues							
Taxes	\$ 2,685,250	\$	2,685,250	\$	2,648,585	\$	(36,665)
Intergovernmental	2,865,227		2,865,227		3,000,086		134,859
Charges for services	503,553		503,553		606,371		102,818
Gifts and contributions	-		-		95		95
Miscellaneous	 411,809		411,809		313,381		(98,428)
Total Revenues	\$ 6,465,839	\$	6,465,839	\$	6,568,518	\$	102,679
Expenditures							
Current							
Human services							
Income maintenance	\$ 1,738,814	\$	1,738,814	\$	1,767,722	\$	(28,908)
Social services	 4,727,025		4,727,025		4,631,055		95,970
Total Expenditures	\$ 6,465,839	\$	6,465,839	\$	6,398,777	\$	67,062
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$	-	\$	169,741	\$	169,741
Fund Balance - January 1	 3,567,772		3,567,772		3,567,772		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 3,567,772	\$	3,567,772	\$	3,737,513	\$	169,741

EXHIBIT A-4

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS DECEMBER 31, 2012

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b - a)/c)
January 1, 2008	\$ -	\$ 747,876	\$ 747,876	0.00%	\$ 8,158,691	9.2%
January 1, 2010	-	776,300	776,300	0.00	8,692,073	8.9



NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

1. Other Postemployment Benefits

Beginning in 2008, Meeker County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.

2. Excess of Expenditures Over Budget

The following funds and departments had expenditures in excess of budget for the year ended December 31, 2012:

	Ex	penditures	 Budget	 Excess		
Major governmental funds						
General Fund						
General government						
Courts	\$	46,455	\$ 25,000	\$ 21,455		
Law Library		33,888	26,550	7,338		
County treasurer		340,775	335,959	4,816		
Data processing		287,719	282,588	5,131		
Veterans service officer		163,373	149,449	13,924		
Other		324,853	288,100	36,753		
Conservation of natural resources						
Planning and zoning		119,799	109,500	10,299		
Snowmobile grant		36,181	-	36,181		
Road and Bridge Special Revenue Fund						
Highways and streets						
Maintenance		1,569,565	1,437,745	131,820		
Engineering/construction		1,925,265	1,854,569	70,696		
Human Services Special Revenue Fund						
Human services						
Income Maintenance		1,767,722	1,738,814	28,908		







EXHIBIT B-1

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE DEBT SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted	l Amou	ints	Actual	Va	riance with
	Original		Final	 Amounts	Fi	inal Budget
Revenues						
Taxes	\$ 948,142	\$	948,142	\$ 966,944	\$	18,802
Intergovernmental	 76,450		76,450	 81,596		5,146
Total Revenues	\$ 1,024,592	\$	1,024,592	\$ 1,048,540	\$	23,948
Expenditures						
Debt service						
Principal	\$ 885,000	\$	885,000	\$ 885,000	\$	-
Interest	237,190		237,190	236,986		204
Administrative and fiscal charges	 2,402		2,402	 85,063		(82,661)
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,124,592	\$	1,124,592	\$ 1,207,049	\$	(82,457)
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)						
Expenditures	\$ (100,000)	\$	(100,000)	\$ (158,509)	\$	(58,509)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Transfers in	\$ -	\$	100,000	\$ 100,000	\$	-
Refunding bonds issued	-		-	4,325,000		4,325,000
Premium on bonds/notes issued	-		-	53,895		53,895
Discount on bonds/notes issued	 			 (3,853)		(3,853)
Total Other Financing Sources						
(Uses)	\$ -	\$	100,000	\$ 4,475,042	\$	4,375,042
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ (100,000)	\$	-	\$ 4,316,533	\$	4,316,533
Fund Balance - January 1	 617,388		617,388	 617,388		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 517,388	\$	617,388	\$ 4,933,921	\$	4,316,533

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

The special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally or administratively used for specified purposes. The Ditch Fund, the Septic System Loan Program Fund, the Forfeit Property Fund, and the Sheriff's Contingent Fund do not have legally adopted budgets.

The <u>County Parks Fund</u> accounts for funds used to maintain the County's parks. Financing is provided by transfers from the General Fund, intergovernmental grants, and the rental of facilities.

The <u>Regional Library Fund</u> accounts for the County's contribution to the Crow River Regional Library. Financing is provided by property taxes authorized by the County Board.

The <u>County Nurse Fund</u> accounts for funds used by the County Nurse. Financing is provided by transfers from the General Fund, intergovernmental grants, and charges for services.

The <u>Ditch Fund</u> accounts for funds used to maintain County ditches. Financing is provided by special assessments against the benefited properties.

The <u>Transfer Station Fund</u> accounts for the construction and operation of the County's solid waste transfer station facility. Financing is provided by transfers from the General Fund and charges for services.

The <u>Family Services Building Fund</u> accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with the County's Family Services Building.

The <u>Septic System Loan Program Fund</u> accounts for activity associated with the Lake Minnie Belle Restoration Clean Water Partnership Project. Financing is provided by a loan from the State of Minnesota.

The <u>Forfeit Property Fund</u> accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with tax-forfeited property. Financing is provided by County Board authorization and the sale of property.

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Continued)

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (Continued)

The <u>Sheriff's Contingent Fund</u> accounts for funds used in special investigations by the County Sheriff. Financing is provided by forfeitures.

The <u>Revolving Loan Fund</u> accounts for the restricted revenues and expenditures associated with the County's economic development loan program. Financing is provided by repayment of existing loans.

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2012

	 County Parks	egional Library	County Nurse	Ditch
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 139,308	\$ 58,807	\$ 240,857	\$ 122,872
Taxes receivable				
Delinquent	-	5,283	-	-
Special assessments receivable				
Delinquent	-	-	-	6,371
Noncurrent	-	-	-	57,944
Accounts receivable - net	34	-	909	17,354
Due from other funds	-	-	9,361	678
Due from other governments	-	-	211,305	14,351
Due from component unit	-	-	-	-
Loans receivable	-	-	-	-
Prepaid items	 	 	 4,313	 -
Total Assets	\$ 139,342	\$ 64,090	\$ 466,745	\$ 219,570
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,667	\$ -	\$ 6,068	\$ 64,879
Salaries payable	2,598	-	54,159	-
Due to other funds	4	-	230	156
Due to other governments	1,688	-	2,258	2,011
Due to component unit	-	-	-	-
Deferred revenue - unavailable	-	4,562	29,321	64,315
Advance from other funds	-	-	-	13,778
Deferred revenue - unearned	 	 -	 	 -
Total Liabilities	\$ 5,957	\$ 4,562	\$ 92,036	\$ 145,139

Spec		venue Funds	S					
Transfer Station	;	Family Services Building	-	Septic stem Loan Program	Forfeit Property	heriff's ontingent	 Revolving Loan	Total
\$ 1,080,851	\$	292,537	\$	52,075	\$ 61,054	\$ 22,248	\$ 968,312	\$ 3,038,921
-		3,331		_	-	_	-	8,614
					-		-	
-		-		-	-	-	-	6,371
-		-		249,174	-	-	-	307,118
10,901		-		-	-	-	-	29,198
-		-		-	-	-	-	10,039
-		33,311		-	-	125	-	259,092
-		-		-	-	-	617	61′
-		- 520		-	-	-	611,623	611,623
		529			 	 	 	 4,842
\$ 1,091,752	\$	329,708	\$	301,249	\$ 61,054	\$ 22,373	\$ 1,580,552	\$ 4,276,435
\$ 59	\$	18,676 7,460	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 91,349 64,217
_		-		_	_	_	_	390
_		5,238		_	13,957	_	_	25,15
-		-		-		-	27,500	27,500
-		3,052		249,174	_	-	-	350,42
-		-		-	-	-	-	13,77
						 	 611,623	 611,62
\$ 59	\$	34,426	\$	249,174	\$ 13,957	\$ _	\$ 639,123	\$ 1,184,433

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2012

	 County Parks	Regional Library	 County Nurse	Ditch	
<u>Liabilities and Fund Balances</u> (Continued)					
Fund Balances					
Nonspendable					
Prepaid items	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,313	\$	-
Restricted for					
Sheriff contingencies	-	-	-		-
Committed for					
Regional library	-	59,528	-		-
Assigned to					
General government	-	-	-		-
Sanitation	-	-	-		-
Health	-	-	370,396		-
Culture and recreation	133,385	-	-		-
Conservation of natural resources	-	-	-		74,431
Economic development	 	 	 		-
Total Fund Balances	\$ 133,385	\$ 59,528	\$ 374,709	\$	74,431
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 139,342	\$ 64,090	\$ 466,745	\$	219,570

	Spec	ial Re	venue Funds	S										
	Transfer Station		Family Services Building		Septic stem Loan Program		Forfeit Property	Sheriff's Contingent		Revolving Loan			Total	
\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	4,313	
Ψ		Ψ		Ψ		Ψ		Ψ		Ψ		Ψ	4,515	
	-		-		-		-		22,373		-		22,373	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		59,528	
	_		295,282		52,075		- 47,097		_		_		394,454	
	1,091,693		-		-		-		_		_		1,091,693	
	-		-		_		_		_		-		370,396	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		133,385	
	-		-		-		-		-		-		74,431	
					-						941,429		941,429	
\$	1,091,693	\$	295,282	\$	52,075	\$	47,097	\$	22,373	\$	941,429	\$	3,092,002	
\$	1.091,752	\$	329,708	\$	301,249	\$	61,054	\$	22,373	\$	1.580.552	\$	4,276,435	

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	County Parks		0		County Nurse		Ditch
\$	-	\$	191,342	\$	-	\$	-
	-		-		-		77,309
	17,924		16,336		796,665		-
	49,387		-		374,664		-
	-		-		-		-
	-		-		1,230		-
	-		-		-		-
	3,490				746		15,615
\$	70,801	\$	207,678	\$	1,173,305	\$	92,924
\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	-		-		-		-
	-		-		1,565,884		-
	213,007		206,832		-		-
	-		-		-		146,768
	-		-		-		-
							701
\$	213,007	\$	206,832	\$	1,565,884	\$	147,469
\$	(142,206)	\$	846	\$	(392,579)	\$	(54,545)
\$	157.097	\$	_	\$	387.440	\$	_
	-	·	-		-		-
			-				
\$	157,097	\$		\$	387,440	\$	
\$	14,891	\$	846	\$	(5,139)	\$	(54,545)
	118,494		58,682		379,848		128,976
\$	133,385	\$	59,528	\$	374,709	\$	74,431
	\$ \$ \$ \$	\$ - 17,924 49,387 - 3,490 \$ 70,801 \$ - 213,007 - 4 213,007 \$ (142,206) \$ 157,097 - 4 14,891 118,494	\$ - \$ 17,924 49,387 3,490 \$ 70,801 \$ \$ - \$ 213,007 \$ 213,007 \$ \$ (142,206) \$ \$ 157,097 \$ \$ 14,891 \$ 118,494	Parks Library \$ - \$ 191,342 17,924 16,336 49,387 - - - 3,490 - \$ 70,801 \$ 207,678 \$ - - 213,007 206,832 - - \$ (142,206) \$ 846 \$ 157,097 \$ - \$ 14,891 \$ 846 118,494 58,682	Parks Library	Parks Library Nurse \$ - \$ 191,342 \$	Parks Library Nurse \$ - \$ 191,342 \$ - \$ 17,924 16,336 796,665 49,387 - 374,664 1,230 3,490 - 746 1,230 746 \$ 70,801 \$ 207,678 \$ 1,173,305 \$ \$ 1,173,305 \$ \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ - \$ 1,565,884 213,007 206,832

Transfer Station	Family Services Building	Septic stem Loan Program	Forfeit Property	heriff's ontingent	F	Revolving Loan	 Total
\$ -	\$ 67,040	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 258,382
-	-	27,694	-	-		-	105,003
-	5,703	-	-	-		-	836,628
171,682	-	-	-	-		-	595,733
-	-	-	68,672	1,255		-	69,927
-	-	-	-	-		-	1,230
-	-	-	-	-		2,066	2,066
	 346,444	 	 1,833	 		104,684	 472,812
\$ 171,682	\$ 419,187	\$ 27,694	\$ 70,505	\$ 1,255	\$	106,750	\$ 2,341,781
\$ -	\$ 384,623	\$ 81,365	\$ 24,831	\$ _	\$	-	\$ 490,819
101,538	-	-	-	-		-	101,538
-	-	-	-	-		-	1,565,884
-	-	-	-	-		-	419,839
-	-	-	-	-		-	146,768
-	-	-	-	-		42,500	42,500
	 	 	 	 -			 701
\$ 101,538	\$ 384,623	\$ 81,365	\$ 24,831	\$ 	\$	42,500	\$ 2,768,049
\$ 70,144	\$ 34,564	\$ (53,671)	\$ 45,674	\$ 1,255	\$	64,250	\$ (426,268)
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 544,537
-	(200,000)	-	-	-		-	(200,000)
	 -	 81,367	 	 			 81,367
\$ -	\$ (200,000)	\$ 81,367	\$ 	\$ -	\$		\$ 425,904
\$ 70,144	\$ (165,436)	\$ 27,696	\$ 45,674	\$ 1,255	\$	64,250	\$ (364)
1,021,549	 460,718	 24,379	 1,423	 21,118		877,179	 3,092,366
\$ 1,091,693	\$ 295,282	\$ 52,075	\$ 47,097	\$ 22,373	\$	941,429	\$ 3,092,002

EXHIBIT C-3

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE COUNTY PARKS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

		Budgeted	Amou	nts		Actual	Vai	riance with
		Original		Final		Amounts	Fir	nal Budget
Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$	-	\$	-	\$	17,924	\$	17,924
Charges for services		80,240		80,240		49,387		(30,853)
Miscellaneous		3,000		3,000		3,490		490
Total Revenues	\$	83,240	\$	83,240	\$	70,801	\$	(12,439)
Expenditures								
Current								
Culture and recreation								
Parks		240,337		240,337		213,007		27,330
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)								
Expenditures	\$	(157,097)	\$	(157,097)	\$	(142,206)	\$	14,891
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Transfers in		157,097		157,097		157,097		-
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	_	\$	_	\$	14,891	\$	14,891
Ties ominge in I ama Balance	Ψ		Ψ		Ψ.	11,021	Ψ	1.,071
Fund Balance - January 1		118,494		118,494		118,494		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$	118,494	\$	118,494	\$	133,385	\$	14,891

EXHIBIT C-4

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE REGIONAL LIBRARY SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted	l Amoui	nts	Actual	Vari	iance with
	Original		Final	 Amounts	Fin	al Budget
Revenues						
Taxes	\$ 187,664	\$	187,664	\$ 191,342	\$	3,678
Intergovernmental	 19,168		19,168	 16,336		(2,832)
Total Revenues	\$ 206,832	\$	206,832	\$ 207,678	\$	846
Expenditures Current						
Culture and recreation	 206,832		206,832	 206,832		-
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 846	\$	846
Fund Balance - January 1	58,682		58,682	 58,682		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 58,682	\$	58,682	\$ 59,528	\$	846

EXHIBIT C-5

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE COUNTY NURSE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted	l Amou	ints	Actual	Variance with		
	 Original		Final	 Amounts	Fi	nal Budget	
Revenues							
Intergovernmental	\$ 792,000	\$	792,000	\$ 796,665	\$	4,665	
Charges for services	397,500		397,500	374,664		(22,836)	
Gifts and contributions	-		-	1,230		1,230	
Miscellaneous	 3,000		3,000	 746		(2,254)	
Total Revenues	\$ 1,192,500	\$	1,192,500	\$ 1,173,305	\$	(19,195)	
Expenditures							
Current							
Health							
Nursing service	 1,579,940		1,579,940	 1,565,884		14,056	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)							
Expenditures	\$ (387,440)	\$	(387,440)	\$ (392,579)	\$	(5,139)	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
Transfers in	 387,440		387,440	 387,440		-	
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$	-	\$ (5,139)	\$	(5,139)	
Fund Balance - January 1	 379,848		379,848	379,848		-	
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 379,848	\$	379,848	\$ 374,709	\$	(5,139)	

EXHIBIT C-6

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE TRANSFER STATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted	d Amou	ints	Actual	Var	iance with
	 Original		Final	 Amounts	Final Budget	
Revenues						
Charges for services	\$ 90,000	\$	90,000	\$ 171,682	\$	81,682
Expenditures						
Current						
Sanitation						
Solid waste	 90,000		90,000	 101,538		(11,538)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 70,144	\$	70,144
Fund Balance - January 1	 1,021,549		1,021,549	 1,021,549		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$ 1,021,549	\$	1,021,549	\$ 1,091,693	\$	70,144

EXHIBIT C-7

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FAMILY SERVICES BUILDING SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted Amounts				Actual		Variance with	
	Original		Final		Amounts		Final Budget	
Revenues								
Taxes	\$	70,963	\$	70,963	\$	67,040	\$	(3,923)
Intergovernmental		375		375		5,703		5,328
Miscellaneous		340,926		340,926		346,444		5,518
Total Revenues	\$	412,264	\$	412,264	\$	419,187	\$	6,923
Expenditures								
Current								
General government								
Central services		412,264		412,264		384,623		27,641
Excess of Revenues Over (Under)								
Expenditures	\$	-	\$	-	\$	34,564	\$	34,564
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Transfers out						(200,000)		(200,000)
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(165,436)	\$	(165,436)
Fund Balance - January 1		460,718		460,718		460,718		
Fund Balance - December 31	\$	460,718	\$	460,718	\$	295,282	\$	(165,436)

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

AGENCY FUNDS

The <u>Taxes and Penalties Fund</u> accounts for the collection of taxes and penalties and their payment to the various taxing districts.

The State Fund accounts for the collection and distribution of funds for the State of Minnesota.

The Other Agency Fund accounts for plat contractor fees pertaining to compliance of new developments.

The Select Account Fund accounts for employees' Select Account deposits and withdrawals.



EXHIBIT D-1

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ALL AGENCY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Balance January 1	Additions	Deductions	Balance December 31
TAXES AND PENALTIES				
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 342,712	\$ 33,257,761	\$ 33,321,105	\$ 279,368
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Due to other governments	\$ 342,712	\$ 33,257,761	\$ 33,321,105	\$ 279,368
STATE				
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 120,032	\$ 2,658,054	\$ 2,623,572	\$ 154,514
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Due to other governments	\$ 120,032	\$ 2,658,054	\$ 2,623,572	\$ 154,514
OTHER AGENCY				
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 22,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,688
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Due to other governments	\$ 22,688	\$ -	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 22,688

EXHIBIT D-1 (Continued)

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ALL AGENCY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Balance anuary 1	Additions]	Deductions	Balance cember 31
SELECT ACCOUNT					
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 102,260	\$ 173,359	\$	170,701	\$ 104,918
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Due to other governments	\$ 102,260	\$ 173,359	\$	170,701	\$ 104,918
TOTAL ALL AGENCY FUNDS					
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 587,692	\$ 36,089,174	\$	36,115,378	\$ 561,488
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Due to other governments	\$ 587,692	\$ 36,089,174	\$	36,115,378	\$ 561,488

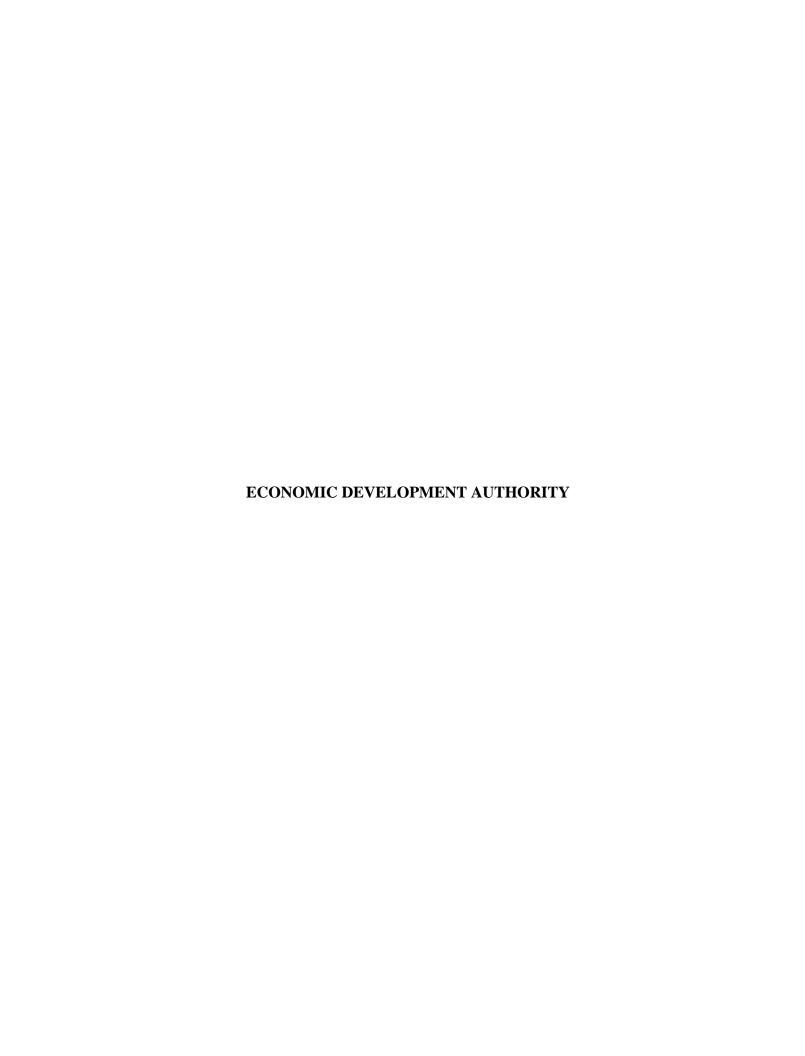




EXHIBIT E-1

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DECEMBER 31, 2012

Assets

Current assets		
Cash and pooled investments	\$	117,595
Investments		141,000
Accounts receivable - net		4,401
Accrued interest receivable		756
Loan receivable		293,662
Due from primary government		27,500
Prepaid items		7,156
Total current assets	\$	592,070
Noncurrent assets		
Deferred debt issuance costs	\$	50,624
Capital assets		
Nondepreciable		155,988
Depreciable - net		3,082,371
Total noncurrent assets	<u> </u> \$	3,288,983
Total Assets	<u></u> \$	3,881,053
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$	11,525
Salaries payable		4,953
Due to primary government		617
Accrued interest payable		2,885
Customer deposits		45,250
Compensated absences payable - current		1,157
Revenue bonds payable - current		159,508
Total current liabilities	\$	225,895
Noncurrent liabilities		
Compensated absences payable - long-term	\$	1,666
Revenue bonds payable - long-term		3,897,326
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u> </u> \$	3,898,992
Total Liabilities	\$	4,124,887

EXHIBIT E-1 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DECEMBER 31, 2012

Net Position

Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted	\$ (818,475) 574,641
Total Net Position	\$ (243,834)

EXHIBIT E-2

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Operating Revenues		
Administrative fees	\$	27,500
Tenant rents		565,098
Intergovernmental revenue		95,000
Miscellaneous		152
Total Operating Revenues	\$	687,750
On another Fermanses		
Operating Expenses Personal services	¢	104,970
	\$	
Employee benefits and payroll taxes		30,066
General services - repairs and maintenance		81,014
Administration and fiscal services		9,026
Supplies Management and appropriate		1,702
Management and caretaking Real estate taxes		24,242 28,193
		11,175
Snowplowing		
Telephone		1,163
Utilities Western with the control of the control o		3,619
Water reimbursement		6,757
Advertising		4,530
Background checks		686 34,934
Insurance		*
Staff training		50
Licenses and dues		1,720
Bad debts		227
Interest Miscellaneous		441
Web site and internet		215 131
		174,086
Depreciation		174,000
Total Operating Expenses	\$	518,947
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	168,803
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Interest income	\$	1,268
Management fees		680
Intergovernmental - Meeker County		(15,170)
Repayment to contributors		(13,973)
Interest expense		(163,981)
Bond issue expense		(39,824)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	\$	(231,000)
Change in Net Position	\$	(62,197)
Net Position - January 1		(181,637)
Net Position - December 31	<u>\$</u>	(243,834)

EXHIBIT E-3

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts from customers and users	\$	693,683
Payments to suppliers		(186,668)
Payments to employees		(137,592)
Other nonoperating revenue		680
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	370,103
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities		
Repayment to Contributors	\$	(13,973)
Intergovernmental expense - Meeker County		(15,170)
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital financing activities	\$	(29,143)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Principal paid on long-term debt	\$	(151,131)
Interest paid on long-term debt		(214,662)
Rebate received on prior year purchase of capital asset		4,800
Purchases of capital assets		(639)
Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	\$	(361,632)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Investment earnings received	<u>\$</u>	1,107
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	(19,565)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, January 1		278,160
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31	\$	258,595
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Exhibit D-1		
Cash and pooled investments	\$	117,595
Investments		141,000
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$</u>	258,595

EXHIBIT E-3 (Continued)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents

\$	
\$	
\$	
	174,086
	680
	2,754
	16,199
	30,339
	(27,500)
	340
	6,341
	130
	617
	(2,686)
<u>\$</u>	201,300
\$	370,103
	<u>\$</u> <u>\$</u>







EXHIBIT F-1

SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Shared Revenue		
State		
Highway users tax	\$	3,462,671
County program aid		778,496
Market value credit - agricultural		171,945
PERA rate reimbursement		24,144
Disparity reduction aid		15,256
Police aid		129,451
Performance aid		3,262
E-911		98,333
Total shared revenue	<u>\$</u>	4,683,558
Reimbursement for Services		
State		
Minnesota Department of Human Services	\$	631,930
Local		
Local contributions	\$	45,235
Payments in lieu of taxes		117,400
Total local	<u>\$</u>	162,635
Grants		
State		
Minnesota Department/Board of		
Corrections	\$	130,680
Public Safety		864,510
Health		120,279
Natural Resources		56,868
Human Services		997,941
Water and Soil Resources		177,025
Veteran's Affairs		2,298
Pollution Control Agency		59,593
Total state	\$	2,409,194

EXHIBIT F-1 (Continued)

SCHEDULE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Grants (Continued)	
Federal	
Department of	
Agriculture	\$ 252,238
Justice	8,105
Transportation	695,707
Health and Human Services	1,615,704
Homeland Security	 89,956
Total federal	\$ 2,661,710
Total state and federal grants	\$ 5,070,904
Total Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 10,549,027

EXHIBIT F-2

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Federal Grantor Pass-Through Agency	Federal CFDA		
Grant Program Title	Number	Ex	penditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture			
Passed Through Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Community Health Services			
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children	10.557	\$	144,700
Special Supplemental Nutrition Frogram for Women, infants, and Children	10.557	Ψ	144,700
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services			
State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutrition			
Assistance Program	10.561		107,538
Ç			
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		\$	252,238
U.S. Department of Justice			
Direct			
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program	16.607	\$	8,105
U.S. Department of Transportation			
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Transportation			
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	\$	689,166
Passed Through McLeod County			
State and Community Highway Safety	20.600		6,541
Total U.S. Department of Transportation		\$	695,707
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			
Passed Through Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Community Health Services			
Environmental Public Health and Emergency Response	93.070	\$	13,847
Universal Newborn Hearing Screening	93.251		700
Drug-Free Communities Support Program Grants	93.276		10,631
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Investigations and Technical Assistance	93.283		32,563
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Cluster			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558		26,118
(Total Temporary Assistance for Needy Families 93.558 \$201,197)			
Medical Assistance Program	93.778		47,433
(Total Medical Assistance Program 93.778 \$541,867)			
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959		43,714
(Total Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse 93.959 \$224,621)			
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.994		21,956
Passed Through National Association of County and City Health Officials			
Medical Reserve Corps Small Grant Program	93.008		5,000

EXHIBIT F-2 (Continued)

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Federal Grantor	Federal		
Pass-Through Agency	CFDA		
Grant Program Title	Number	Ex	penditures
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Continued)			
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Human Services			
Promoting Safe and Stable Families	93.556		3,381
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Cluster			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558		175,079
(Total Temporary Assistance for Needy Families 93.558 \$201,197)			
Emergency Contingency Fund for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)			
State Programs - ARRA	93.714		12,577
Child Support Enforcement	93.563		344,325
Refugee and Entrant Assistance - State-Administered Programs	93.566		267
Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575		6,175
Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants	93.590		2,393
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program	93.645		1,820
Foster Care - Title IV-E	93.658		85,755
Social Services Block Grant	93.667		124,115
Chafee Foster Care Independence Program	93.674		2,097
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767		36
Medical Assistance Program	93.778		494,434
(Total Medical Assistance Program 93.778 \$541,867)			
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959		180,907
(Total Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse 93.959 \$224,621)			
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services		\$	1,635,323
U.S. Department of Homeland Security			
Passed Through Minnesota Department of Public Safety			
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	\$	18,097
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Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042		20,103
Passed Through West Central Minnesota Emergency Medical Services			
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067		31,860
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security		\$	70,060
Total Federal Awards		\$	2,661,433

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

1. Reporting Entity

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activities of federal award programs expended by Meeker County. The County's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the financial statements. Meeker County's financial statements include the operations of the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority component unit, which expended \$236,300 in federal awards during the year ended June 30, 2012, which are not included in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards because it was audited by other auditors.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of Meeker County under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2012. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Meeker County, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of Meeker County.

3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through grant numbers were not assigned by the pass-through agencies.

4. Clusters

Clusters of programs are groupings of closely related programs that share common compliance requirements. Total expenditures by cluster are:

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Cluster

\$ 213,774

5. Subrecipients

During 2012, the County did not pass any federal money to subrecipients.

6. Reconciliation

Federal grant revenue per Schedule of Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 2,661,710
Grants received more than 60 days after year-end, deferred in 2012	
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	29,321
Deferred in 2011, recognized as revenue in 2012	
Medical Assistance Program	(9,702)
Emergency Management Performance Grants	 (19,896)
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Expenditures Per Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	\$ 2,661,433

7. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) requires recipients to clearly distinguish ARRA funds from non-ARRA funding. In the schedule, ARRA funds are denoted by the addition of ARRA to the program name.



SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal Controls over financial reporting:

- Material weaknesses identified? No
- Significant deficiencies identified? Yes

Noncompliance material to the financial statements noted? No

Federal Awards

Internal controls over major programs:

- Material weaknesses identified? **No**
- Significant deficiencies identified? Yes

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs? Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133? **Yes**

The major programs are:

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Cluster	
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	CFDA No. 93.558
Emergency Contingency Fund for Temporary Assistance	
for Needy Families (TANF) State Programs - ARRA	CFDA No. 93.714
Medical Assistance Program	CFDA No. 93.778

The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was \$300,000.

Meeker County qualified as a low-risk auditee? Yes

II. FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDITED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

INTERNAL CONTROL

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEMS NOT RESOLVED

96-2 <u>Segregation of Duties</u>

Criteria: A good system of internal control provides for adequate segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to completion.

Condition: Several of Meeker County's departments that collect fees and record financial transactions lack proper segregation of duties. These departments generally have one staff person who is responsible for billing, collecting, recording, as well as depositing receipts; and recording journal entries without review of those journal entries before they are posted to the system.

Context: Due to the limited number of office personnel within Meeker County, segregation of the accounting functions necessary to ensure adequate internal accounting control is not possible. This is not unusual in operations the size of Meeker County; however, the County's management should constantly be aware of this condition and realize that the concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desirable from an accounting point of view.

Effect: Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the County's ability to detect misstatements to the financial statements in a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Cause: The County informed us that due to the available resources it would not be able to hire additional qualified accounting staff to segregate duties in every department.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County's elected officials and management be aware of the lack of segregation of duties to the accounting functions and, where possible, implement oversight procedures to ensure that the internal control policies and procedures are implemented by staff to the extent possible.

Client's Response:

Meeker County's management is aware that various county offices may lack segregation of accounting duties and responsibilities. Recognizing the workload of various departments, economic resources, and the size of the county are all important factors to consider. The county utilizes staff to accommodate internal controls as much as possible and continues to implement updated procedures.

06-1 Accounting Policies and Procedures

Criteria: Management is responsible for establishing and implementing internal controls over the accounting cycles and the system used for financial reporting. Management is also responsible for assessing risks related to internal controls and monitoring the internal controls for compliance.

Condition: The County does not have Board-approved written procedures covering receipt and deposit of funds; approval and payment of bills; payroll activities; accounting for capital assets including the inventory process; and annual financial reporting. In addition, no formal risk assessment of the County's internal controls or monitoring of the internal controls is being performed.

Context: Written policies and procedures over significant financial operations help in providing consistency over time and guidance to new officials and staff. A formal risk assessment and monitoring of the established internal controls will help determine if controls are still effective or if changes are needed to maintain a sound internal control structure.

Effect: The County's practices may not be followed as intended by management, employees may not understand the purpose of internal controls, and circumstances may have changed within the organization structure that requires changes to the controls.

Cause: The County has documented some processes in draft form, but has not finalized the policies and presented them to the County Board for approval. The County has also not developed a formal internal control risk assessment plan to monitor the controls.

Recommendation: We recommend the County continue to formalize the documentation of its policies and procedures related to receipt and deposit of funds; approval and payment of bills; payroll activities; accounting for capital assets including the inventory process; and annual financial reporting for inclusion in their comprehensive manual. We also recommend the County develop a formal risk assessment process over internal controls and begin to document their monitoring of those internal controls.

Client's Response:

The County continues to make significant progress to achieve their goal to formalize a Comprehensive Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual. This manual will include a formal risk assessment process.

ITEMS ARISING THIS YEAR

12-1 Audit Adjustments

Criteria: A deficiency in internal control over financial reporting 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 of the financial statements on a timely basis.

Condition: During our audit of the Debt Service Fund, we proposed an audit adjustment which was reviewed and approved by the appropriate staff and is reflected in the financial statements. By definition, however, independent external auditors cannot be considered part of the County's internal control.

Context: Meeker County prepares modified accrual financial statements, but does not regularly issue refunding bonds. The inability to detect significant misstatements in the financial statements increases the likelihood that the financial statements would not be fairly presented.

Effect: An audit adjustment was necessary to record the proceeds and related cash held with escrow agent, premium, and administrative and fiscal charges from the issuance of the \$3,175,000 2012 G.O. Capital Improvement Refunding Bonds.

Cause: Proceeds from the issuance of the refunding bonds went directly to an escrow agent. Since the County did not receive any cash from the bond issue, a cash receipt was not recorded, nor was a subsequent journal entry prepared to record this transaction.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County review internal controls currently in place and design and implement procedures to improve internal controls over financial reporting which will prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements in the financial statements. The updated controls should include review of the balances and supporting documentation by a qualified individual to identify potential misstatements.

Client's Response:

The County is aware of the deficiency caused by the issuance of refunding bonds as stated above. This issue involved a unique and unusual situation with the use of an escrow agent. The county inadvertently missed preparing the subsequent journal entries that were necessary to record the transaction when the county did not receive cash from the bond issue.

12-2 Reconciliation of Inmate Accounts

Criteria: Controls should be in place to complete reconciliations of inmate accounts.

Condition: Deposits made and checks written against the inmate account were being compared between the bank statement and the Jail's electronic check register, but no reconciliation between the check register and the inmate system's total of account balances was being performed. In addition, there is no review of the bank reconciliation.

Context: Performing inmate account reconciliations is a control designed to detect errors and irregularities in a timely manner.

Effect: Failure to monitor inmate account activity on a monthly basis increases the risk that fraud or errors will go undetected and that financial reporting will not be accurate.

Cause: The duties relating to the inmate account reconciliation were transferred to a different staff member in 2012. Difficulties in balancing the check register to the system's total of inmate accounts were present before the duties were transferred.

Recommendation: We recommend the inmate accounts be reconciled with the check register monthly. Any differences should be immediately investigated and resolved. Someone independent of the bank statement reconciliation and inmate account reconciliation processes should review the reconciliations and document their review.

Client's Response:

The Sheriff's Office will continue to work with its vendor to resolve the problem and to ensure the jail inmate account is balanced. Once remedied, a procedure will be developed for a checks and balance system to make sure that the reconciliations are completed in a timely manner.

III. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

ITEM ARISING THIS YEAR

12-3 Supervisory Review over Eligibility - Intake Function

Programs: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Medical Assistance Program (CFDA No. 93.778); Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Cluster: Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (CFDA No. 93.558) and Emergency Contingency Fund for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families State Programs - ARRA (CFDA No. 93.714)

Pass-Through Agencies: Minnesota Department of Human Services and Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Community Health Services

Criteria: OMB Circular A-133 § .300(b) states that the auditee shall maintain internal control over federal programs that provides reasonable assurance that the auditee is managing federal awards in compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements that could have a material effect on each of its federal programs. These controls should include a review process for case files to ensure the intake function related to eligibility requirements is met.

Condition: The state maintains the MAXIS computer system, which is used by the County to support the eligibility determination process. During our testing of controls over the Medical Assistance and Temporary Assistance to Needy Family case files, we noted no documented review process of case files by a supervisor.

Questioned Costs: None.

Context: The State of Minnesota contracts with the County Social Services Department to perform the "intake function" (meeting with the social services client to determine income and categorical eligibility), while the state maintains MAXIS, which supports the eligibility determination process and actually pays the benefits to the participants.

Effect: The lack of case file reviews increases the risk that a client will receive benefits when they are not eligible.

Cause: The County informed us they do not consider a review of case files for the Medical Assistance Program or the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program necessary because these programs are typically audited as part of the County's single audit; however, independent, external auditors cannot be considered part of the County's internal control.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County establish and implement procedures for periodic supervisor case file reviews and documentation of those reviews.

Corrective Action Plan:

Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action:

Jan Schlack

Corrective Action Planned:

Meeker County Social Services does not consider reviews of case files for the Medical Assistance Program or the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program as unnecessary. These cases are reviewed by the supervisor whenever a client calls questioning the eligibility results of the application, whenever a worker is absent and the case needs to have an action taken, or whenever the case is transferred to another worker these cases are "reviewed" by the supervisor or a peer. In reality, approximately 10 percent of a worker's MA/TANF cases are "reviewed" throughout any given year. In addition, formal targeted reviews are completed annually by the supervisor on approximately 10 percent of each worker's cases for the SNAP program. Because over 90 percent of the cases that receive SNAP also have MA and could have TANF, by reviewing such things as income, household composition, etc. for SNAP, it would also be reviewing those things for MA and TANF. In the future we will note whenever a case is being reviewed either formally or informally.

Bi-weekly unit meetings are held for the Financial Workers in which policy and procedures are gone over to ensure worker compliance. We review sections of the Combined Manual and the Health Care Manual often targeting specific areas that seem confusing or troublesome. We discuss difficult cases and where to find appropriate answers. The supervisor and the mentor both attend their respective state monthly meetings and share information gained at those meetings at the unit meetings. Workers are encouraged to "brush up" on their knowledge by taking the available on-line courses offered through the Train Link and attend the yearly Financial Worker conference.

Anticipated Completion Date:

Since reviews and training is an ongoing process, we will continue doing as we have been. Effective immediately we will note whenever a case has been reviewed by either the supervisor or a peer.

IV. OTHER FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

MINNESOTA LEGAL COMPLIANCE

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ITEM NOT RESOLVED

96-1 <u>Ditch Special Revenue Fund - Cash and Equity Balances</u>

Criteria: As stated in Minn. Stat. § 385.04, in part, "...every warrant shall be paid only from the cash on hand in the fund from which it may be properly payable." As allowed by Minn. Stat. § 103E.655, subd. 2, loans may be made from ditch systems with surplus

funds or from the General Fund to a ditch with insufficient cash to pay expenditures. The loan must be repaid with interest. Also, a fund balance to be used for repairs may be established under Minn. Stat. § 103E.735, subd. 1, for any drainage system, not to exceed 20 percent of the assessed benefits of the ditch system or \$100,000, whichever is larger.

Condition: Nine of the 48 individual drainage systems had deficit cash balances totaling (\$22,345); an increase of \$7,904 from the (\$14,441) reported in the prior year. Fourteen of the 48 individual drainage systems had deficit equity balances totaling (\$69,910); an increase of \$41,193 from the (\$28,717) reported in the prior year.

Context: If the County transfers money from one account or fund to a drainage system account, the money plus accrued interest must be reimbursed from the proceeds of the drainage system that received the transfer.

Effect: Allowing a ditch system to maintain a deficit cash balance, in effect, constitutes an interest-free loan from other County funds and, as such, is in noncompliance with Minnesota law.

Cause: Ditch expenditures were necessary; the ditch levies were not sufficient, and no loans were formally made between ditches or other County funds.

Recommendation: We recommend that the County re-evaluate its efforts in eliminating the ditch system cash balance deficits by borrowing from an eligible fund with a surplus cash balance, as they have done for other ditch systems, and by levying assessments pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 103E.735, subd. 1, which permits an accumulation of a surplus balance to provide for the repair and maintenance costs of a ditch system.

Client's Response:

Meeker County's management is aware of this issue and has become more aggressive in establishing repair fund balances for each ditch system as outlined in Minn. Stat. § 103E.735.

ITEM ARISING THIS YEAR

12-4 Driver Awareness Class

Criteria: As stated in Minn. Stat. § 169.022, in part, "... Local authorities may adopt traffic regulations which are not in conflict with the provisions of this chapter; provided, that when any local ordinance regulating traffic covers the same subject for which a penalty is provided for in this chapter, then the penalty provided for violation of said local ordinance shall be identical with the penalties provided for in this chapter for the same offense."

In 2009, the Minnesota Legislature enacted a new statute, Minn. Stat. § 169.999, to authorize the issuance of administrative citations and prescribe criteria for them. *See* 2009 Minn. Laws, ch. 158. Among other provisions, the statute states that a governing body resolution must be passed to authorize issuance of administrative citations. The resolution must bar peace officers from issuing administrative citations in violation of Minn. Stat. § 169.999. The statute specifies the offenses for which an administrative citation may be used. The authority requires the use of a uniform administrative citation prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Safety and specifies that the fine for an administrative violation must be \$60, two-thirds of which must be credited to the general revenue fund of the local unit of government, and one-third of which must be transferred to the Commissioner of Minnesota Management & Budget for deposit in the state's General Fund. A local unit of government receiving administrative fine proceeds must use one-half of the funds for law enforcement purposes. Each local unit of government must follow these and other criteria specified in the statute.

Condition: Meeker County has established a Driver Awareness Class option in lieu of issuance or court filing of a state uniform traffic ticket. Sheriff's Deputies have the discretion to offer traffic violators the option of attending the Driver Awareness Class in lieu of a citation. The course is two hours long and costs \$75, which is payable to the Meeker County Sheriff.

Context: In a letter to State Representative Steve Smith on December 1, 2003, the Minnesota Attorney General specifically addressed the issue of a driver improvement course or clinic in lieu of a ticket or other penalty. After reviewing the state law, the Attorney General concluded: "All such programs, however, require that a *trial court* make the determination as to whether attendance at such a [driver's] clinic is appropriate. We are aware of no express authority for local officials to create a *pretrial* diversion program." (Emphasis is that of the Attorney General.)

The Minnesota Supreme Court has stated, "[a]s a creature of the state deriving its sovereignty from the state, the county should play a leadership role in carrying out legislative policy." *Kasch v. Clearwater County*, 289 N.W. 2d 148, 152 (Minn. 1980), *quoting County of Freeborn v. Bryson*, 243 N.W. 2d 316, 321 (Minn. 1976).

Effect: The County's Driver Awareness Class is unauthorized and in violation of Minn. Stat. § 169.022.

Cause: We were informed by the County Sheriff that this diversion program was approved by both the former County Attorney and former District Court Judge.

Recommendation: We recommend the County comply with Minn. Stat. ch. 169, including Minn. Stat. § 169.999 (2009) or any subsequent legislation, by not offering a Driver Awareness Class in lieu of issuance or court filing of a state uniform traffic ticket.

Client's Response:

It is the opinion of the County Sheriff and the County Attorney that the State Auditor's Office misconstrues the facts and policies of the Meeker County Driver Awareness Class.

Since 2005, the Meeker County Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with the Meeker County Attorney's Office and with the approval of the Meeker County Board of Commissioners and Meeker County District Court, has operated a Driver Awareness Class. The impetus was to create a truly pre-court diversion program that addresses low level, minor driving behavior offenders, thereby freeing valuable court time for the more serious offenses and offenders.

The Meeker County Driver Awareness Class is not based upon the issuance of an administrative citation or an administrative citation program. The authority for this class is rooted in law enforcement and prosecutorial discretion as well as the County Attorney's decision - where appropriate - to prefer driver education over in-court prosecution. The County Sheriff's Office and the County Attorney's Office do not require permission from the State Auditor to direct a traffic matter to this Class. Whether or not to pursue criminal charges is entirely within the County Attorney's discretion.

The Meeker County Driver Awareness Class has proven to be popular with participants as well as our criminal justice partners. The Class operates without the use of state or local funding. The objective of this program is to educate drivers on traffic safety and traffic laws with the overall goal of enhancing public safety on our roadways.

The Meeker County Sheriff's Office, the Meeker County Attorney's Office and the District Court in Meeker County have reviewed the Driver Awareness Class and the parameters under which it is held. Our conclusions differ from those reached in the State Auditor's report, and we respectfully disagree with the report's findings and recommendations.



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of County Commissioners Meeker County

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Meeker County as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, including the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 26, 2013.

Our report includes a reference to other auditors. Other auditors audited the financial statements of the Meeker Memorial Hospital, an enterprise fund of Meeker County, and the Meeker County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, a discretely presented component unit of Meeker County, as described in our report on Meeker County's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors. The financial statements of the Meeker Memorial Hospital were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Meeker County's internal control over financial reporting 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 County's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control over financial reporting exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the County's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit the attention of those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 96-2, 06-1, 12-1, and 12-2 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Meeker County's financial statements are free of 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*.

Minnesota Legal Compliance

The Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 6.65, contains seven categories of compliance to be tested: contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, miscellaneous provisions, and tax increment financing. Our audit considered all of the listed categories, except that we did not test for compliance in tax increment financing because the County does not have any tax increment financing districts of its own.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that Meeker County failed to comply with the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions*, except as described in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as items 96-1 and 12-4. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward obtaining knowledge of such noncompliance. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding the County's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions.

Other Matters

Meeker County's responses to the internal control and legal compliance findings identified in our audit have been included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The County's responses were not subject to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting, compliance, and the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Political Subdivisions* and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

/s/Rebecca Otto

/s/Greg Hierlinger

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of County Commissioners Meeker County

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Meeker County's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the County's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2012. Meeker County's major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Meeker County's basic financial statements include the operations of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA), a discretely presented component unit, which expended \$236,300 in federal awards during the year ended June 30, 2012, which are not included in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. Our audit, described below, did not include the operations of the Meeker County HRA because it was audited by other auditors.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Meeker County's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*.

Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Meeker County's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the County's compliance with those requirements.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Meeker County complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Meeker County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the County's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit the attention of those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we identified a deficiency in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 12-3 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

Meeker County's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as a Corrective Action Plan. Meeker County's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on other requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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/s/Greg Hierlinger

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