#### FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED MARCH 19, 2024

**NEW ISSUE**Bank Qualified

S&P Rated "AA"/stable outlook (See "RATING" herein)

In the opinion of Quarles & Brady LLP, Bond Counsel, assuming continued compliance with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, under existing law interest on the Notes is excludable from gross income and is not an item of tax preference for federal income tax purposes; however, interest on the Notes is taken into account in determining "adjusted financial statement income" for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on Applicable Corporations (as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code). The Notes shall be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations". See "TAX EXEMPTION" herein for a more detailed discussion of some of the federal income tax consequences of owning the Notes. The interest on the Notes is not exempt from present Wisconsin income or franchise taxes.

# \$1,850,000 TOWN OF BUCHANAN Outagamie County, Wisconsin General Obligation Promissory Notes

Dated: April 9, 2024 Due: March 1, 2025 - 2034

The \$1,850,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes (the "Notes") will be dated April 9, 2024 and will be in the denomination of \$5,000 each or any multiple thereof. The Notes will mature serially on March 1 of the years 2025 through 2034. Interest on the Notes shall be payable commencing on March 1, 2025 and semi-annually thereafter on September 1 and March 1 of each year. Associated Trust Company, National Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin, will serve as paying agent for the Notes.

#### **MATURITY SCHEDULE**

				CUSIP (1)					CUSIP (1)
				Base					Base
(March 1)	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>	Yield	<u>11801P</u>	(March 1)	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Yield</u>	11801P
2025	\$145,000	4.00%	3.15%	BF8	2030	\$145,000	4.00%	2.80%	BL5
2026	500,000	4.00	2.90	BG6	2031	155,000	4.00	2.80	BM3
2027	130,000	4.00	2.85	BH4	2032	160,000	4.00	2.80	BN1
2028	135,000	4.00	2.80	BJ0	2033	165,000	4.00	2.85	BP6
2029	140,000	4.00	2.80	BK7	2034	175,000	4.00	2.90	BQ4

The Notes are being issued pursuant to Section 67.12(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes. The Notes will be general obligations of the Town of Buchanan, Wisconsin (the "Town") for which its full faith and credit and taxing powers are pledged which taxes may, under current law, be levied without limitation as to rate or amount. The proceeds from the sale of the Notes will be used for public purposes, including paying the cost of 2024 and 2025 capital projects listed in the Capital Improvement Plan and Budget. (See "THE FINANCING PLAN" herein.)

The Notes maturing on March 1, 2032 and thereafter are subject to call and prior redemption, at the option of the Town, on March 1, 2031 or on any date thereafter, in whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the Town and by lot within each maturity at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. (See "REDEMPTION PROVISIONS" herein.)

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The Financial Advisor to the Town is:

The Notes will be issued only as fully registered Notes and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as the securities depository of the Notes. Individual purchases will be made in book-entry form only in denominations of \$5,000 principal amount or any integral multiple thereof. Purchasers of the Notes will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Notes purchased. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.)

The Town's Notes are offered when, as and if issued subject to the approval of legality by Quarles & Brady LLP, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Bond Counsel. Quarles & Brady LLP will also act as Disclosure Counsel for the Town. The anticipated settlement date for the Notes is on or about April 9, 2024.

# BOK Financial Securities, Inc.

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# TOWN OF BUCHANAN (Outagamie County, Wisconsin)

# **TOWN BOARD**

Joe Coenen, Chairperson Karen Lawrence, Supervisor I Paul Knuppel, Supervisor II\* Chuck Kavanaugh, Supervisor III Tom Walsh, Supervisor IV\*\*

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Michael J.D. Brown, Town Administrator Cynthia Sieracki, Clerk/Treasurer Nichole Nielsen, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

# **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

**Town Attorney:** Ashley Lehocky, Town Counsel Law & Litigation, Kaukauna, Wisconsin

Financial Advisor: Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**Bond Counsel:** Quarles & Brady LLP, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**Disclosure Counsel:** Quarles & Brady LLP, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Paying Agent: Associated Trust Company, National Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin

<sup>\*</sup>Seeking re-election.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Not seeking re-election.

#### REGARDING USE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement is being distributed in connection with the sale of the Notes referred to in this Official Statement and may not be used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose. No dealer, broker, salesman or other person is authorized to make any representations concerning the Notes other than those contained in this Official Statement, and if given or made, such other information or representations may not be relied upon as statements of the Town of Buchanan, Wisconsin (the "Town"). This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Notes by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such an offer, solicitation or sale.

Unless otherwise indicated, the Town is the source of the information contained in this Official Statement. Certain information in this Official Statement has been obtained by the Town or on its behalf from The Depository Trust Company and other non-Town sources that the Town believes to be reliable. No representation or warranty is made, however, as to the accuracy or completeness of such information. Nothing contained in this Official Statement is a promise of or representation by Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated (the "Financial Advisor"). The Financial Advisor has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor and the Underwriter have reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, their responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor and the Underwriter do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information. The information and opinions expressed in this Official Statement are subject to change without notice. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made under this Official Statement shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the financial condition or operations of the Town or other information in this Official Statement, since the date of this Official Statement.

This Official Statement contains statements that are "forward-looking statements" as that term is defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. When used in this Official Statement, the words "estimate," "intend," "project" or "projection," "expect" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, some of which are discussed herein, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in such forward-looking statements. Investors and prospective investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this Official Statement.

This Official Statement should be considered in its entirety. No one factor should be considered more or less important than any other by reason of its position in this Official Statement. Where statutes, ordinances, reports or other documents are referred to in this Official Statement, reference should be made to those documents for more complete information regarding their subject matter.

The Notes will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the securities laws of any state of the United States, and will not be listed on any stock or other securities exchange. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, state, municipal or other governmental entity shall have passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Official Statement.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE NOTES, THE UNDERWRITER MAY OR MAY NOT OVERALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICES OF THE NOTES AT LEVELS ABOVE THOSE WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME WITHOUT NOTICE. THE PRICES AND OTHER TERMS RESPECTING THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE NOTES MAY BE CHANGED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE UNDERWRITER AFTER THE NOTES ARE RELEASED FOR SALE AND THE NOTES MAY BE OFFERED AND SOLD AT PRICES OTHER THAN THE INITIAL OFFERING PRICES, INCLUDING SALES TO DEALERS WHO MAY SELL THE NOTES INTO INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS.

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**SUMMARY** 

**Town:** Town of Buchanan, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

Issue: \$1,850,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes (the "Notes").

Dated Date: April 9, 2024.

**Principal Due:** March 1 of the years 2025 through 2034.

Interest Due: Commencing March 1, 2025 and on each September 1 and March 1

thereafter. Interest on the Notes will be computed on the basis of a 30-day

month and a 360-day year.

Redemption Provisions: The Notes maturing on March 1, 2032 and thereafter shall be subject to call

and prior payment, at the option of the Town, on March 1, 2031 or on any date thereafter at a price of par plus accrued interest. The amounts and maturities of the Notes to be redeemed shall be selected by the Town. If less than the entire principal amount of any maturity is to be redeemed, the Notes of that maturity which are to be redeemed shall be selected by lot. Notice of such call shall be given by sending a notice thereof by registered or certified mail, facsimile or electronic transmission, overnight express delivery, or in any other manner required by DTC not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owner of each Note to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books.

(See "REDEMPTION PROVISIONS" herein.)

Security: The full faith, credit and resources of the Town are pledged to the payment of

the principal of and the interest on the Notes as the same become due and, for said purposes, there are levied without limitation on all the taxable property in the Town, direct, annual irrepealable taxes in each year and in such amounts which will be sufficient to meet such principal and interest payments when due. Under current law, such taxes may be levied without limitation as

to rate or amount.

**Purpose:** The proceeds from the sale of the Notes will be used for public purposes,

including paying the cost of 2024 and 2025 capital projects listed in the Capital

Improvement Plan and Budget. (See "THE FINANCING PLAN" herein.)

Tax Status: Interest on the Notes is excludable from gross income for federal income tax

purposes. (See "TAX EXEMPTION" herein.)

Bank Qualification: The Notes shall be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations".

Credit Rating: The Notes have been assigned a "AA"/stable outlook by S&P Global Ratings,

a division of S&P Global. (See "RATING" herein.)

**Bond Years:** 9,049.72 years.

Average Life: 4.892 years.

**Record Date:** The 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment

date.

Information set forth on this page is qualified by the entire Official Statement. A full review of the entire Official Statement should be made by potential investors.

#### INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Official Statement presents certain information relating to the Town of Buchanan, Wisconsin (the "Town" and the "State" respectively) in connection with the sale of the Town's \$1,850,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes (the "Notes"). The Notes are issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State and the resolutions (the "Resolutions") adopted by the Town board (the "Town Board") and other proceedings and determinations related thereto.

All summaries of statutes, documents and the Resolutions contained in this Official Statement are subject to all the provisions of, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to such statutes, documents and the Resolutions, and references herein to the Notes are qualified in their entirety by reference to the form thereof included in the Award Resolution (defined herein). Copies of the Resolutions may be obtained from the Financial Advisor (defined herein) upon request.

#### REDEMPTION PROVISIONS

# **Optional Redemption**

The Notes maturing on March 1, 2032 and thereafter are subject to call and prior redemption, at the option of the Town, on March 1, 2031 or on any date thereafter, in whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the Town and by lot within each maturity at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

## **ESTIMATED SOURCES AND USES**

Sources of Funds	
Par Amount of Notes	\$1,850,000.00
Reoffering Premium	85,491.00
Total Sources of Funds:	\$1,935,491.00
Uses of Funds	
Deposit to Project Construction Fund	\$1,784,300.00
Bid Premium Available for Deposit to Debt Service Fund	68,453.50
Costs of Issuance (including Underwriter's Discount)	82,737.50
Total Uses of Funds:	\$1,935,491.00

# CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND LIMITATIONS CONCERNING THE TOWN'S POWER TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS

The Constitution and laws of the State limit the power of the Town (and other municipalities of the State) to issue obligations and to contract indebtedness. Such constitutional and legislative limitations include the following, in summary form and as generally applicable to the Town.

# **Purpose**

The Town may not borrow money or issue notes or bonds therefore for any purpose except those specified by statute, which include among others the purposes for which the Notes are being issued.

# **Bond or Note Anticipation Notes**

In anticipation of issuing general obligation notes, the Town is authorized to borrow money using bond or note anticipation notes. The bond or note anticipation notes shall in no event be a general obligation of the Town, and do not constitute an indebtedness of the Town, nor a charge against its general credit or taxing power. The bond or note anticipation notes are payable only from (a) proceeds of the bond or note anticipation notes set aside for payment of interest on the bond or note anticipation notes as they become due, and, (b) proceeds to be derived from the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or promissory notes which proceeds constitute a special trust fund to be held and expended solely for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bond or note anticipation notes. The maximum term of any bond or note anticipation notes (including any refunding) is five years.

#### **Promissory Notes**

The Town is authorized to borrow money using promissory notes for any public purpose. To evidence such indebtedness, the Town must issue to the lender its promissory notes (with interest) payable within a period not exceeding ten years following the date of said notes\*. Such notes constitute a general obligation of the Town. Notes may be issued to refinance or refund outstanding notes. However, such notes must be payable not later than twenty years following the original date of such notes.

\*On January 16, 2024, the Wisconsin Senate passed 2023 Senate Bill 773 ("SB 773") which would, among other things, amend the Wisconsin Statutes to allow general obligation promissory notes issued under Section 67.12(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes to be issued for a term of up to 20 years, rather than the current limit of 10 years. SB 773 was passed by the Wisconsin Assembly on January 18, 2024 and next will go to the Governor for signature.

## **Debt Limit**

The Town has the power to contract indebtedness for purposes specified by statute so long as the principal amount thereof does not exceed five percent of the equalized value of taxable property within the Town. For information with respect to the Town's percent of legal debt incurred, see the caption "INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN-Debt Limit," herein.

#### THE RESOLUTIONS

The following is a summary of certain provisions of the Resolutions adopted by the Town Board pursuant to the procedures prescribed by the Wisconsin Statutes. Reference is made to the Resolutions for a complete recital of their terms.

#### Set Sale Resolution

By way of a resolution adopted on February 27, 2024, the Town Board authorized the issuance of general obligation promissory notes in an amount of approximately \$1,850,000 for public purposes, including paying the cost of 2024 and 2025 capital projects listed in the Capital Improvement Plan and Budget.

Wisconsin Statutes permit general obligation promissory notes such as the Notes to be issued by the Town without a referendum.

## **Award Resolution**

By way of a resolution adopted on March 19, 2024 (the "Award Resolution"), the Town Board accepted the bid of the Underwriter (defined herein) for the purchase of the Notes, in accordance with bid specifications, provided the details and form of the Notes, and set out certain covenants with respect thereto. The Award Resolution pledges the full faith, credit and resources of the Town to payments of the principal of and interest on the Notes. Pursuant to the Award Resolution, the amount of direct, annual, irrepealable taxes levied for collection in the years 2025 through 2034 which will be sufficient to meet the principal and interest payments on the Notes when due will be specified (or monies to pay such debt service will otherwise be appropriated). The Award Resolution establishes separate and distinct from all other funds of the Town a debt service fund with respect to payment of principal of and interest on the Notes.

#### THE TOWN

## **Town Board**

The Town has a five-member board with a Chairperson and four Supervisors elected for staggered two-year terms. The present members of the Town Board and the expiration of their respective terms of office are as follows.

Name	Term Expiration
Joe Coenen, Chairperson	April, 2025
Karen Lawrence, Supervisor I	April, 2025
Paul Knuppel, Supervisor II*	April, 2024
Chuck Kavanaugh, Supervisor III	April, 2025
Tom Walsh, Supervisor IV**	April, 2024

Source: The Town.

# Administration

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	Years of Service
Michael J.D. Brown	Town Administrator	1*
Cynthia Sieracki	Clerk/Treasurer	11
Nichole Nielsen	Deputy Clerk/Treasurer	4

<sup>\*</sup>Mr. Brown was previously the Community and Economic Development Director for the Village of Greenville.

Source: The Town.

# **Employment Relations**

Department	Number of Employees*
General Government	3
Fire Department	20
Public Works	5
Total	28

\*Headcount.

Source: The Town.

Currently the Town has no organized labor groups. The Town considers its relationship with its employees to be good.

All eligible Town personnel are covered by the Municipal Employment Relations Act ("MERA") of the Wisconsin Statutes. Pursuant to that law, employees have rights to organize and, after significant changes were made to the law in 2011, very limited rights to collectively bargain with municipal employers. MERA was amended by 2011 Wisconsin Act 10 (the "Act") and by 2011 Wisconsin Act 32.

As a result of the 2011 amendments to MERA, the Town is prohibited from bargaining collectively with municipal employees, other than public safety or transit employees, with respect to any factor or condition of employment except total base wages. Even then, the Town is limited to increasing total base wages beyond any increase in the consumer price index since 180 days before the expiration of the previous collective bargaining agreement (unless the Town were to seek approval for a higher increase through a referendum). Ultimately, the Town can unilaterally implement the wages for a collective bargaining unit.

Under the changes to MERA, impasse resolution procedures were removed from the law for municipal employees of the type employed by the Town, including binding interest arbitration. Strikes by any municipal employee or labor organization are expressly prohibited. As a practical matter, it is anticipated that strikes will be rare.

<sup>\*</sup>Seeking re-election.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Not seeking re-election

Furthermore, if strikes do occur, they may be enjoined by the courts. Additionally, because the only legal subject of bargaining is the base wage rates, all bargaining over items such as just cause, benefits, and terms of conditions of employment are prohibited and cannot be included in a collective bargaining agreement. Impasse resolution for public safety employees and transit employees is subject to final and binding arbitration procedures, which do not include a right to strike. Interest arbitration is available for transit employees if certain conditions are met.

# Pension Plan

All eligible employees in the Town are covered under the Wisconsin Retirement System ("WRS") established under Chapter 40 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The WRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. WRS benefits and other plan provisions are established by Chapter 40 of the Wisconsin Statutes ("Chapter 40"). The Department of Employee Trust Funds ("ETF") administers the WRS. Required contributions to the WRS are determined by the ETF Board pursuant to an annual actuarial valuation in accordance with Chapter 40 and the ETF's funding policies. The ETF Board has stated that its funding policy is to (i) ensure funds are adequate to pay benefits; (ii) maintain stable and predictable contribution rates for employers and employees; and (iii) maintain inter-generational equity to ensure the cost of the benefits is paid for by the generation that receives the benefits.

Town employees are generally required to contribute half of the actuarially determined contributions, and the Town generally may not pay the employees' required contribution. During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2020 ("Fiscal Year 2020"), December 31, 2021 ("Fiscal Year 2021") and December 31, 2022 ("Fiscal Year 2022") the Town's portion of the contributions to WRS (not including any employee contributions) totaled \$10,341, \$11,127 and \$13,853, respectively.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68 ("GASB 68") requires calculation of a net pension liability for the pension plan. The net pension liability is calculated as the difference between the pension plan's total pension liability and the pension plan's fiduciary net position. The pension plan's total pension liability is the present value of the amounts needed to pay pension benefits earned by each participant in the pension plan based on the service provided as of the date of the actuarial valuation. In other words, it is a measure of the present value of benefits owed as of a particular date based on what has been earned only up to that date, without taking into account any benefits earned after that date. The pension plan's fiduciary net position is the market value of plan assets formally set aside in a trust and restricted to paying pension plan benefits. If the pension plan's total pension liability exceeds the pension plan's fiduciary net position, then a net pension liability results. If the pension plan's fiduciary net position exceeds the pension plan's total pension liability, then a net pension asset results.

As of December 31, 2021, the total pension liability of the WRS was calculated as \$133.79 billion and the fiduciary net position of the WRS was calculated as \$141.85 billion, resulting in a net pension asset of \$8.06 billion. As of December 31, 2022, the total pension liability of the WRS was calculated as \$123.7 billion and the fiduciary net position of the WRS was calculated as \$118.4 billion, resulting in a net pension liability of \$5.3 billion. Accordingly, the WRS will apportion the Town a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the WRS for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

Under GASB 68, each participating employer in a cost-sharing pension plan must report the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability or net pension asset of the pension plan. The Town's financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (see "FINANCIAL INFORMATION" herein). Accordingly, while for Fiscal Year 2022, the Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset of the WRS was \$78,509, the Town's audited financial statements do not report any asset for such purpose. The net pension asset was measured as of December 31, 2021 based on the Town's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating employers. The Town's proportion was 0.00097404% of the aggregate WRS net pension asset as of December 31, 2021.

The calculation of the total pension liability and fiduciary net position are subject to a number of actuarial assumptions, which may change in future actuarial valuations. Such changes may have a significant impact on the calculation of the net pension liability of the WRS, which may also cause the ETF Board to change the contribution requirements for employers and employees.

The Town also offers a deferred compensation program. Participation in the program is voluntary and is 100% funded by the employee.

# Other Post-Employment Benefits

The Town does not provide any other post-employment benefits.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# **Location**

The Town, located in Outagamie County, is 11 miles east of the City of Appleton and 25 miles southwest of the City of Green Bay. The Town is easily accessible via U.S. Highway 41 and State Highway 55.

# **History**

The Town was established in 1858 and was originally settled by Irish, Dutch, French and German immigrants. Much of the Town is commonly known as Darboy USA, which is an unincorporated community within the Town. Today, the Town's rural areas are considered a dairy section.

The metropolitan area at the north end of Lake Winnebago is comprised of the cities of Neenah, Menasha, Appleton and Kaukauna; the villages of Kimberly, Combined Locks, Little Chute and Fox Crossing; and the towns of Neenah, Greenville, Grand Chute, Vandenbroek, Freedom, and Buchanan. Known as the "Fox Cities" these communities straddle the Fox River and (including Green Bay) provide a diverse mix of employment categories, with manufacturing, retail trade, service businesses and government all providing substantial employment opportunities.

# **Education**

The Town is served by the Kaukauna Area, Kimberly Area and Wrightstown Community School Districts, which offer comprehensive programs for students in grades pre-K-12.

# **Post-Secondary Education**

Opportunities for post-secondary and adult continuing education are offered by Fox Valley Technical College. In addition, Lawrence University, the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh, Fox Cities Campus, University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh and the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay are within easy commuting distance for Town residents. Marian University, located in Fond du Lac, is a four-year liberal arts college.

# **DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC INFORMATION**

## Population

	Outagamie	Town of
	County	Buchanan
Estimate, 2023	193,663	6,821
Estimate, 2022	192,938	6,865
Estimate, 2021	189,938	7,142
Census, 2020	190,705	6,857
Estimate, 2019	187,092	7,082

Source: Wisconsin Department of Administration, Demographic Services Center and U.S. Census Bureau.

#### Per Return Adjusted Gross Income

	State of	Outagamie	Town of
Year	Wisconsin	County	Buchanan
2022	\$70,548	\$74,271	\$90,584
2021	66,369	70,358	85,932
2020	61,518	65,696	82,707
2019	61,003	65,444	82,114
2018	59,423	63,894	77,729

Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue, Division of Research and Policy.

# **Unemployment Rate**

	State of	Outagamie
	<u>Wisconsin</u>	<u>County</u>
December, 2023*	2.7%	2.3%
December, 2022	2.2	1.9
Average, 2022	2.9%*	2.5%
Average, 2021	3.8	3.2
Average, 2020	6.4	5.6
Average, 2019	3.2	2.8
Average, 2018	3.0	2.8

Source: Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development WisConomy.

# **Building Permits**

Number of					
Year	Permits	Valuation			
2024*	12	\$1,499,407			
2023	193	6,717,405			
2022	199	10,346,498			
2021	229	8,883,667			
2020	218	10,525,775			

\*As of January 26, 2024.

Source: The Town.

# **Largest Employers**

Due to the Town's proximity to the Fox Cities, many residents commute for employment. The largest employers in the Fox Cities are listed below.

		Number of
Employer	Type of Business	Employees
ThedaCare	General medical and surgical hospitals	4,722
Kimberly-Clark Corporation	Consumer paper products	3,652
J.J. Keller & Associates	Regulatory compliance and safety training materials	2,215
Plexus Corp	Electronic circuit board manufacturing and assembly	2,177
Pierce Manufacturing	Fire truck manufacturing	1,500
Boldt Company	General contracting and construction	1,128
Amazon	Online retailer	1,100
Secura Insurance Companies	Insurance provider	1,091
West Business Services	Communication services	880
Miller Electric MFG	Welding and soldering equipment manufacturing	860

Source: Fox Cities Chamber Regional Partnership website.

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary.

#### Largest Taxpayers

		2023	2023
		Assessed	Equalized
Name of Business	Type of Business	Valuation	Valuation
Shade Tree Apartments LLC	Apartment complex	\$23,897,200	\$23,922,500
Clubhouse Development Group LLC	Grocery store (Festival Foods)	9,224,800	9,234,500
Individual	Home improvement store (Lowe's)	8,594,400	8,603,500
AEI Net Lease Portfolio IX DST	Insurance	7,533,900	7,541,900
Silverleaf LLC	Insurance	7,000,000	7,007,400
B&G Realty LLC	Mini storage	6,860,700	6,867,900
3169 Van Roy, LLC	Strip mall	5,378,000	5,383,700
Kohls Value Services Inc.	Department store	5,350,600	5,356,300
Brighton Greens LLC	Strip mall	4,825,000	4,830,100
Oasis Family Holding, LLC	Management company	3,975,600	3,979,800
	TOTAL	\$82,640,200	\$82,727,600

The above taxpayers represent 8.10% of the Town's 2023 Equalized Value (TID IN) (\$1,021,528,400).

Source: The Town.

## TAX LEVIES, RATES AND COLLECTIONS

Personal property taxes, special assessments, special charges and special taxes must be paid to the town, city or village treasurer in full by January 31. Real property taxes may be paid in full by January 31 or in two equal installments payable by January 31 and July 31. Municipalities also have the option of adopting payment plans which allow taxpayers to pay their real property taxes and special assessments in three or more installments, provided that the first installment is paid by January 31, one-half of the taxes are paid by April 30 and the remainder is paid by July 31. Amounts paid on or before January 31 are paid to the town, city or village treasurer. Amounts paid after January 31 are paid to the county treasurer unless the municipality has authorized payment in three or more installments in which case payment is made to the town, city or village treasurer. Any amounts paid after July 31 are paid to the county treasurer. For municipalities which have not adopted an installment payment plan, the town, city or village treasurer settles with other taxing jurisdictions for collections through the preceding month on January 15 and February 20. For municipalities which have adopted an installment payment plan, the town, city or village treasurer settles with other taxing jurisdictions for collections through the preceding month on January 15, February 20 and the 15th day of each month following a month in which an installment payment is due. On or before August 20, the county treasurer must settle in full with the underlying taxing districts for all real property taxes and special taxes. The County Board may authorize its County Treasurer to also settle in full with the underlying taxing districts for all special assessments and special charges. The county may then recover any tax delinquencies by enforcing the lien on the property and retain any penalties or interest on the delinquencies for which it has settled. Uncollected personal property taxes owed by an entity that has ceased operations or filed a petition for bankruptcy, or are due on personal property that has been removed from the next assessment roll are collected from each taxing entity in the year following the levy year. The personal property tax has been repealed, starting with the property tax assessments as of January 1, 2024, Beginning in 2025, the personal property tax has been replaced with a payment from the State intended to replace the amount of property taxes imposed on personal property for the property tax assessments as of January 1, 2023. Since, in practice, all delinquent real property taxes are withheld from the county's share of taxes, the Town receives 100 percent of the real property taxes it levies for real property taxes. See "Levy Limits" herein for information on additional limitations on Town tax levies.

Set forth below are the taxes levied, the tax rate per \$1,000 assessed value and the collections on all taxable property within the Town. The rates set forth are for the collection years 2020 through 2024.

				Uncollected	
				Personal Property	Percent
		Town		Taxes as of	of Levy
Levy Year	Collection Year	Tax Rate	Town Levy	August 20th	Collected
2023	2024	\$2.75	\$2,801,820	-In Process of	Collection-
2022	2023	2.91	2,652,911	-0-	100.00%
2021	2022	3.09	2,490,680	-0-	100.00
2020	2021	3.14	2,374,348	-0-	100.00
2019	2020	3.18	2,254,755	-0-	100.00

Source: The Town.

#### **REVENUE FROM THE STATE**

In addition to local property taxes described above, a number of state programs exist which provide revenue to the Town. One such program is commonly known as shared revenue which, pursuant to sec. 79.036, Wis. Stats., provides funding to the Town that can be used for any public purpose. 2023 Wisconsin Act 12 ("Act 12") created a supplement to shared revenue, with payments to the Town to begin in 2024. This supplemental shared revenue may be used only for the purposes specified in section 79.037, Wis. Stats. In 2024, the Town is expected to receive approximately \$237,000 in shared revenue and supplemental shared revenue from the State, an increase from the approximately \$56,500 received in 2023. In future years, the amount of supplemental shared revenue could grow if state sales tax collections grow.

## ASSESSED TAX RATES

	Levy Years / Collection Years							
	2023/2024	2022/2023	2021/2022	2020/2021	2019/2020			
Outagamie County	\$3.03	\$3.39	\$3.77	\$3.91	\$4.09			
The Town	2.75	2.91	3.09	3.14	3.18			
Kimberly Area School District <sup>1</sup>	5.73	5.63	6.19	7.68	7.73			
Fox Valley Technical College District	0.74	0.81	0.92	1.01	1.04			
Darboy Sanitary District <sup>2</sup>	0.15	0.18	0.20	0.21	0.22			
Gross Tax Rate	12.40	12.92	14.17	15.95	16.26			
Less: State Tax Credit	(1.18)	(1.08)	(1.27)	(1.36)	(1.48)			
2000. State Tax Great	(1.10)	(1.00)	(1.21)	(1.00)	(1.40)			
Net Tax Rate	11.22	11.84	12.90	14.59	14.78			
Ratio of Assessed to Equalized Valuation	99.89%	99.29%	97.54%	98.36%	98.24%			
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Equalized Tax Rate	\$11.21	\$11.76	\$12.58	\$14.35	\$14.52			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Based on 2023 Equalized Valuations, approximately 76% of the Town is located in the Kimberly Area School District. The remaining portions of the Town are located in the Kaukauna Area School District (23%) and Wrightstown Community School District (1%) with 2023 tax rates of \$5.92 and \$9.02, respectively.

Source: The Town.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Applies only to properties in the sanitary district. Based on 2023 Equalized Valuations, approximately 79% of the Town is located in the Darboy Sanitary District.

#### **LEVY LIMITS**

Section 66.0602 of the Wisconsin Statutes, imposes a limit on property tax levies by cities, villages, towns and counties. No city, village, town or county is permitted to increase its tax levy by a percentage that exceeds its valuation factor (which is defined as a percentage equal to the greater of either the percentage change in the political subdivision's January 1 equalized value due to new construction less improvements removed between the previous year and the current or zero percent; for a tax incremental district created after December 31, 2024, the valuation factor includes 90% of the equalized value increase due to new construction that is located in a tax incremental district, but does not include any improvements removed in a tax incremental district). The base amount in any year to which the levy limit applies is the actual levy for the immediately preceding year. In 2018, and in each year thereafter, the base amount is the actual levy for the immediately preceding year plus the amount of the payment from the State under Section 79.096 of the Wisconsin Statutes (an amount equal to the property taxes formerly levied on certain items of personal property), and the levy limit is the base amount multiplied by the valuation factor, minus the amount of the payment from the State under Section 79.096 of the Wisconsin Statutes. This levy limitation is an overall limit, applying to levies for operations as well as for other purposes.

A political subdivision that did not levy its full allowable levy in the prior year can carry forward the difference between the allowable levy and the actual levy, up to a maximum of 1.5% of the prior year's actual levy. The use of the carry forward levy adjustment needs to be approved by a majority vote of the political subdivision's governing body (except in the case of towns) if the amount of carry forward levy adjustment is less than or equal to 0.5% and by a super majority vote of the political subdivision's governing body (three-quarters vote if the governing body is comprised of five or more members, two-thirds vote if the governing body is comprised of fewer than five members) (except in the case of towns) if the amount of the carry forward levy adjustment is greater than 0.5% up to the maximum increase of 1.5%. For towns, the use of the carry forward levy adjustment needs to be approved by a majority vote of the annual town meeting or special town meeting after the town board has adopted a resolution in favor of the adjustment by a majority vote if the amount of carry forward levy adjustment is less than or equal to 0.5% or by two-thirds vote or more if the amount of carry forward levy adjustment is greater than 0.5% up to the maximum of 1.5%.

Beginning with levies imposed in 2015, if a political subdivision does not make an adjustment in its levy as described in the above paragraph in the current year, the political subdivision may increase its levy by the aggregate amount of the differences between the political subdivision's valuation factor in the previous year and the actual percent increase in a political subdivision's levy attributable to the political subdivision's valuation factor in the previous year, for the five years before the current year, less any amount of such aggregate amount already claimed as an adjustment in any of the previous five years. The calculation of the aggregate amount available for such adjustment may not include any year before 2014, and the maximum adjustment allowed may not exceed 5%. The use of the adjustment described in this paragraph requires approval by a two-thirds vote of the political subdivision's governing body, and the adjustment may only be used if the political subdivision's level of outstanding general obligation debt in the current year is less than or equal to the political subdivision's level of outstanding general obligation debt in the previous year.

Special provisions are made with respect to property taxes levied to pay general obligation debt service. Those are described below. In addition, the statute provides for certain other adjustments to and exclusions from the tax levy limit. Among the exclusions, Section 66.0602(3)(e)5. of the Wisconsin Statutes provides that the levy limit does not apply to "the amount that a political subdivision levies in that year to make up any revenue shortfall for the debt service on a revenue bond issued under Section 66.0621 by that political subdivision." Recent positions taken by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue ("DOR") call into question the availability of this exception if the revenue shortfall is planned or ongoing. To date, such DOR positions have not been expressed formally in a declaratory ruling under Section 227.41(5)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes, nor have they been the subject of any court challenge or resulting court ruling.

With respect to general obligation debt service, the following provisions are made:

- (a) If a political subdivision's levy for the payment of general obligation debt service, including debt service on debt issued or reissued to fund or refund outstanding obligations of the political subdivision and interest on outstanding obligations of the political subdivision, on debt originally issued before July 1, 2005, is less in the current year than in the previous year, the political subdivision is required to reduce its levy limit in the current year by the amount of the difference between the previous year's levy and the current year's levy.
- (b) For obligations authorized before July 1, 2005, if the amount of debt service in the preceding year is less than the amount of debt service needed in the current year, the levy limit is increased by the difference between the two amounts. This adjustment is based on scheduled debt service rather than the amount actually

levied for debt service (after taking into account offsetting revenues such as sales tax revenues, special assessments, utility revenues, tax increment revenues or surplus funds). Therefore, the levy limit could negatively impact political subdivisions that experience a reduction in offsetting revenues.

(c) The levy limits do not apply to property taxes levied to pay debt service on general obligation debt authorized on or after July 1, 2005.

The Notes will be authorized after July 1, 2005 and therefore the levy limits do not apply to taxes levied to pay debt service on the Notes.

## **ASSESSED AND EQUALIZED VALUATIONS**

All equalized valuations of property in the State of Wisconsin are determined by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Revenue, Supervisor of Assessments Office. Equalized valuations are the State's estimate of full market value. The State determines assessed valuations of all manufacturing property in the State. Assessed valuations of residential and commercial property are determined by local assessors.

Set forth in the table below are the assessed and equalized valuations of property located within the Town for the years 2019 through 2023. The Town's equalized valuation (TID IN) has increased by 41.27 percent since 2019 with an average annual increase of 9.02 percent.

		Equalized	Equalized
	Assessed	Valuation	Valuation
Year	Valuation	(TID-IN)	(TID-OUT)
2023	\$1,020,240,800	\$1,021,528,400	\$1,021,528,400
2022	910,833,000	917,787,100	917,787,100
2021	806,864,450	824,643,700	824,643,700
2020	755,744,350	767,254,600	767,254,600
2019	709,018,008	723,121,600	723,121,600

Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

Equalized Value (TID-IN) by class of property for 2023 is as follows:

	Amount	Percent of Total
Real Estate		
Residential	\$795,093,300	77.83%
Commercial	192,446,200	18.84
Manufacturing	9,787,400	0.96
Agricultural, Undeveloped,		
Ag Forest, Forest, Other	15,710,900	1.54
Total Real Estate	\$1,013,037,800	99.17%
Total Personal Property	8,490,600	0.83
Total	\$1,021,528,400	100.00%

Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

#### Tax Increment Districts

The Town does not currently have any Tax Increment Districts ("TIDs") created under Wisconsin Statutes Section 66.1105.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

#### INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN

# **Direct Indebtedness**

Set forth below is the direct general obligation indebtedness of the Town, including principal and interest payments due on existing debt, as well as debt service on the Notes. Interest on the Notes has been calculated using an average rate of 4.00 percent. The bond years are 9,049.72 years and the average life is 4.892 years.

	Outsta	inding			Total
	Bonds ar	nd Notes	New Issu	ue-Notes	Debt Service
Year	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Requirements
2024	\$845,000	\$133,285			\$978,285
2025	820,000	106,435	\$145,000	\$100,289	1,171,724
2026	590,000	83,610	500,000	58,200	1,231,810
2027	605,000	63,935	130,000	45,600	844,535
2028	535,000	45,010	135,000	40,300	755,310
2029	465,000	29,460	140,000	34,800	669,260
2030	410,000	17,760	145,000	29,100	601,860
2031	205,000	9,585	155,000	23,100	392,685
2032	210,000	3,255	160,000	16,800	390,055
2033	0	0	165,000	10,300	175,300
2034	0	0	175,000	3,500	178,500
	4,685,000	492,335	1,850,000	361,989	7,389,324
Less: 2024					
Sinking Funds	(845,000)	(133,285)	0	0	(978,285)
TOTAL	\$3,840,000	\$359,050	\$1,850,000	\$361,989	\$6,411,039

# Future Financing

Over the next twelve months, the Town does not intend to issue any additional debt.

# **Default Record**

The Town has no record of default on any prior debt repayment obligations.

# Overlapping and Underlying Indebtedness

Set forth below is information relating to the outstanding overlapping and underlying indebtedness of the Town.

Entity	Amount of Debt (Less 2024 Principal Amounts)	Percent Applicable to Town	Outstanding Debt Chargeable To Town
Fox Valley Technical College District	\$63,110,000	1.70%	\$1,072,870
Outagamie County <sup>1</sup>	90,430,000	4.14	3,743,802
Kaukauna Area School District	15,535,000	5.95	924,333
Kimberly Area School District	4,550,000	22.33	1,016,015
Wrightstown Community School District	17,215,000	0.89	153,214
Total Sanitary Districts	20,741,613	Varies	3,817,611
TOTAL	\$211,581,613		\$10,727,845

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes contingent general obligation debt in the amount of \$24,000,000.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Revenue. Information provided by each municipal entity through publicly available disclosure documents available on EMMA.msrb.org and direct inquiries.

NOTE: This summary may not reflect all of the Town's outstanding overlapping and underlying indebtedness.

# **Statistical Summary**

The table below reflects direct, overlapping and underlying bonded indebtedness net of all 2024 principal payments.

2023 Equalized Valuation as certified by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue	\$1,021,528,400
Direct Bonded Indebtedness (Including the Notes)	\$5,690,000
Direct, Overlapping and Underlying Indebtedness (Including the Notes)	\$16,417,845
Direct Bonded Indebtedness as a Percentage of Equalized Valuation	0.56%
Direct, Overlapping and Underlying Bonded Indebtedness as a Percentage of Equalized Valuation	1.61%
Population of Town (2023 Estimate)*	6,821
Direct Bonded Indebtedness Per Capita	\$834.19
Direct, Overlapping and Underlying Bonded Indebtedness Per Capita	\$2,406.96

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Wisconsin Department of Administration, Demographic Services Center.

# **Debt Limit**

As described under the caption "CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND LIMITATIONS CONCERNING THE TOWN'S POWER TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS--Debt Limit," the total indebtedness of the Town may not exceed five percent of the equalized value of property in the Town. Set forth in the table below is a comparison of the outstanding indebtedness of the Town, as of the closing date of the Notes as a percentage of the applicable debt limit.

Equalized Valuation (2023) as certified by Wisconsin Department of Revenue	\$1,021,528,400
Legal Debt Percentage Allowed	5.00%
Legal Debt Limit*	\$51,076,420
General Obligation Debt Outstanding (Including the Notes)	\$5,690,000
Unused Margin of Indebtedness	\$45,386,420
Percent of Legal Debt Incurred	11.14%
Percentage of Legal Debt Available	88.86%

<sup>\*</sup>The Town Board has adopted Budget and Financial Policies that provide that the Town shall set a self-imposed limit of 75% of the statutory debt limit for general obligation debt.

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial operations of the Town are conducted primarily through its general fund. Most taxes and non-tax revenues (such as license fees, fines and costs and user's fees) are paid into the general fund and current operating expenditures are made from the general fund pursuant to appropriations made by the Town Board. Taxes levied for debt service are paid directly into the debt service fund and debt service expenditures are made from that fund.

## **Budgeting Process**

The Town is required by State law to annually formulate a budget and to hold public hearings thereon prior to the determination of the amounts to be financed, in whole or in part, by general property taxes, funds on hand or estimated revenues from other sources. The budget must list all existing indebtedness of the Town and all anticipated revenues from all sources during the ensuing year and must also list all proposed appropriations for each department, activity and reserve account of the Town during the ensuing year. The budget must show actual revenues and expenditures for the preceding year, actual revenues and expenditures for not less than the first six months of the current year and estimated revenues and expenditures for the balance of the current year.

As part of the budgeting process, public hearings are held on the proposed budget, at which time any resident or taxpayer in the Town may be heard. At a board meeting in November of each year, the Town Board adopts the final budget for the succeeding year and levies taxes based on assessed valuations of property less any increment attributable to TIDs. The amount of taxes so levied and the amounts of the various appropriations in the final budget (after any alterations made pursuant to public hearings) may not be changed unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the Town Board. Failure to publish notice of any such alteration within ten days thereafter shall preclude any change in the budget.

# **Financial Information**

A copy of the Town's Basic Financial Statements and Related Notes for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, including the accompanying independent auditor's report, is included as Appendix A to this Official Statement. Potential purchasers should read such financial statements in their entirety for more complete information concerning the Town's financial position. Such financial statements have been audited by the Auditor (defined herein), to the extent and for the periods indicated thereon. The Town has not requested or engaged the Auditor to perform, and the Auditor has not performed, any additional examination, assessment, procedures or evaluation with respect to such financial statements since the date thereof, or relating to this Official Statement, nor has the Town requested that the Auditor consent to the use of such financial statements in this Official Statement. Although the inclusion of the financial statements in this Official Statement is not intended to demonstrate the fiscal condition of the Town since the date of the financial statements, in connection with the issuance of the Notes, the Town represents that there has been no material adverse change in the financial position or results of operations of the Town, nor has the Town incurred any material liabilities, which would make such financial statements misleading.

As described in the Independent Auditors' Report, the Town's financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. For more information, see Note 1 in "Appendix A – Basic Financial Statements and Related Notes for the year ended December 31, 2022" attached hereto.

# GENERAL FUND SUMMARY YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31

	2024 Budget	2023 Estimate	2022 Actual	2021 Audit	2020 Actual
Revenues					
Taxes	\$1,817,533	\$1,583,478	\$1,572,427	\$1,581,543	\$1,488,691
Intergovernmental	780,196	563,479	567,641	491,031	554,272
Licenses and permits	63,050	82,317	103,518	101,040	89,934
Fines, forfeits and penalties	6,100	6,150	33,959	9,155	9,414
Public charges for services	377,268	437,986	481,428	456,964	388,179
Intergovernmental charges for services	1,800	61,846	1,739	0	1,303
Miscellaneous	101,500	252,389	18,304	15,195	63,569
Total revenues	3,147,447	2,987,645	2,779,016	2,654,928	2,595,362
Expenditures Current:					
General government	601,974	542,271	591,192	501,897	594,916
Public safety	736,804	698,026	548,584	548,502	558,107
Public works	937,474	894,442	814,116	680,296	619,179
Culture and recreation	9,000	5,897	8,135	5,685	10,543
Conservation and development	12,968	8,583	21,879	10,905	14,092
Capital outlay	121,300	68,398	355,274	98,993	298,166
Total Expenditures	2,419,520	2,217,617	2,339,180	1,846,278	2,095,003
Excess of revenues over					
(under) expenditures	727,927	770,028	439,836	808,650	500,359
Other financing sources (uses)					
Transfers In	0	0	0	0	85,161
Transfers Out	(450,000)	0	(179,743)	(339,142)	(315,000)
Net other financing sources (uses)	(450,000)	0	(179,743)	(339,142)	(229,839)
Revenues and other sources over					
(under) expenditures and other uses	277,927	770,028	260,093	469,508	270,520
Fund balances - beginning of year	2,786,103	2,016,075	1,755,982	1,286,474	1,015,954
Fund balances - end of year	\$3,064,030	\$2,786,103	\$2,016,075	\$1,755,982	\$1,286,474

The amounts shown for the years ended December 31, 2020 through 2022 are excerpts from the Town's audit reports which have been prepared by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, Sheboygan, Wisconsin (the "Auditor"). The amounts shown for the year ended December 31, 2023 are shown on an estimated basis and the amounts shown for the year ending December 31, 2024 are shown on a budgetary basis, as provided by the Town. The comparative statement of revenues and expenditures should be read in conjunction with the other financial statements and notes thereto appearing at Appendix A to this Official Statement.

#### **UNDERWRITING**

The Notes have been purchased at a public sale by a group of Underwriters for whom BOK Financial Securities, Inc., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma is acting as Managing Underwriter (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter intends to offer the Notes to the public initially at the prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement plus accrued interest from April 9, 2024, if any, which prices may subsequently change without any requirement of prior notice. The Underwriter reserves the right to join with dealers and other underwriters in offering the Notes to the public. The Underwriter may offer and sell the Notes to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Notes into investment trusts) at prices lower than the public offering prices. In connection with this offering, the Underwriter may over allocate or effect transactions which stabilize or maintain the market price of the Notes at a level above that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. Such stabilizing, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

The reoffering premiums shown on the cover of the Official Statement have been provided by the Underwriter, and not by the Town.

## **RATING**

This Notes have been assigned a "AA"/stable outlook rating by S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global. Such rating reflects only the views of such organization and explanations of the significance of such rating may be obtained from the rating agency furnishing the same. Generally, a rating agency bases its rating on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigations, studies and assumptions of its own. There is no assurance that such rating will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by such rating agency, if in the judgment of such rating agency circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such ratings may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Notes.

Such rating is not to be construed as a recommendation of the rating agency to buy, sell or hold the Notes, and the ratings assigned by the rating agency should be evaluated independently. Except as may be required by the Undertaking described under the heading "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" neither the Town nor the Underwriter undertakes responsibility to bring to the attention of the owners of the Notes any proposed change in or withdrawal of such rating or to oppose any such revision or withdrawal.

# **FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has been retained as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor" or "Baird") in connection with the issuance of the Notes. In preparing this Official Statement, the Financial Advisor has relied upon the Town, and other sources, having access to relevant data to provide accurate information for this Official Statement. To the best of the Financial Advisor's knowledge, the information contained in this Official Statement is true and accurate. However, the Financial Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy of such information.

The Financial Advisor's duties, responsibilities, and fees in connection with this issuance arise solely from the services for which it is engaged to perform as financial advisor on the Notes. Baird's compensation for serving as financial advisor on the Notes is conditional on the successful closing of the Notes.

## TAX EXEMPTION

Quarles & Brady LLP, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Bond Counsel, will deliver a legal opinion with respect to the federal income tax exemption applicable to the interest on the Notes under existing law substantially in the following form:

"The interest on the Notes is excludable for federal income tax purposes from the gross income of the owners of the Notes. The interest on the Notes is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") on individuals; however, interest on the Notes is taken into account in determining "adjusted financial statement income" for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on Applicable Corporations (as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code). The Code contains requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Notes in order for interest on the Notes to be or continue to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax

purposes. Failure to comply with certain of those requirements could cause the interest on the Notes to be included in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Notes. The Town has agreed to comply with all of those requirements. The opinion set forth in the first sentence of this paragraph is subject to the condition that the Town comply with those requirements. We express no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Notes."

The interest on the Notes is not exempt from present Wisconsin income or franchise taxes.

Prospective purchasers of the Notes should be aware that ownership of the Notes may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers. Bond Counsel will not express any opinion as to such collateral tax consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their tax advisors as to collateral federal income tax consequences.

From time to time legislation is proposed, and there are or may be legislative proposals pending in the Congress of the United States that, if enacted, could alter or amend the federal tax matters referred to above or adversely affect the market value of the Notes. It cannot be predicted whether, or in what form, any proposal that could alter one or more of the federal tax matters referred to above or adversely affect the market value of the Notes may be enacted. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal tax legislation. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any pending or proposed federal tax legislation.

## **Bond Premium**

To the extent that the initial offering price of certain of the Notes is more than the principal amount payable at maturity, such Notes ("Premium Bonds") will be considered to have bond premium.

Any Premium Bond purchased in the initial offering at the issue price will have "amortizable bond premium" within the meaning of Section 171 of the Code. The amortizable bond premium of each Premium Bond is calculated on a daily basis from the issue date of such Premium Bond until its stated maturity date (or call date, if any) on the basis of a constant interest rate compounded at each accrual period (with straight line interpolation between the compounding dates). An owner of a Premium Bond that has amortizable bond premium is not allowed any deduction for the amortizable bond premium; rather the amortizable bond premium attributable to a taxable year is applied against (and operates to reduce) the amount of tax-exempt interest payments on the Premium Bonds. During each taxable year, such an owner must reduce his or her tax basis in such Premium Bond by the amount of the amortizable bond premium that is allocable to the portion of such taxable year during which the holder held such Premium Bond. The adjusted tax basis in a Premium Bond will be used to determine taxable gain or loss upon a disposition (including the sale, exchange, redemption, or payment at maturity) of such Premium Bond.

Owners of Premium Bonds who did not purchase such Premium Bonds in the initial offering at the issue price should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of owning such Premium Bonds. Owners of Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning the Premium Bonds.

#### **DESIGNATION AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS**

The Notes shall be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265 of the Code relating to the ability of financial institutions to deduct from income for federal income tax purposes, interest expense that is allocable to carrying and acquiring tax-exempt obligations.

#### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

In order to assist the Underwriter in complying with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"), the Town shall covenant pursuant to the Award Resolution adopted by the Town Board to enter into an undertaking (the "Undertaking") for the benefit of holders including beneficial holders of the Notes to provide certain customarily prepared and publicly available financial information and operating data relating to the Town annually to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"), and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain events enumerated in the Rule electronically or in the manner otherwise prescribed by the MSRB to the MSRB. The Undertaking provides that the annual report will be filed not later than 270 days after the end of each fiscal year. The Town's fiscal year ends December 31st. The details and terms of the Undertaking, as well as the information to be contained in the annual report or the notices of material events, are set forth in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate to be executed and delivered by the Town at the time the Notes are delivered. Such Certificate will be in substantially the form attached hereto as Appendix B. A failure by the Town to comply with the Undertaking will not constitute an event of default on the Notes (although holders will have the right to obtain specific performance of the obligations under the Undertaking). Nevertheless, such a failure must be reported in accordance with the Rule and must be considered by any broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer before recommending the purchase or sale of the Notes in the secondary market. Consequently, such a failure may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Notes and their market price.

The Town is required to file its continuing disclosure information using the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system. Investors will be able to access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB at <a href="https://www.emma.msrb.org">www.emma.msrb.org</a>.

In the previous five years, the Town has not failed to comply in all material respects with any previous undertakings under the Rule.

## **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM**

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Notes. The Notes will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Note certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Notes, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has an S&P Global rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Notes on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Note ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect

Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Notes deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of the Notes may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Notes, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Note documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Notes may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Notes for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Notes within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Notes unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Town as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments on the Notes will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Town or the Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Agent, or the Town, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Town or the Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of DTC, and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Town or the Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Note certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Town may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Note certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Town believes to be reliable, but the Town takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

#### **LITIGATION**

There is no controversy or litigation of any nature now pending or, to the knowledge of the Town, threatened, restraining or enjoining the issuance, sale, execution or delivery of the Notes, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity of the Notes or any proceedings of the Town taken with respect to the issuance or sale thereof.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

Legal matters incident to the authorization and issuance of the Notes are subject to the unqualified approving legal opinion of Quarles & Brady LLP, Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel"). Such opinion will be issued on the basis of the law existing at the time of the issuance of the Notes. A copy of such opinion will be available at the time of the delivery of the Notes.

Quarles & Brady LLP has also been retained by the Town to serve as Disclosure Counsel to the Town with respect to the Notes. Although, as Disclosure Counsel to the Town, Quarles & Brady LLP has assisted the Town with certain disclosure matters, Quarles & Brady LLP has not undertaken to independently verify the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of this Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Notes and assumes no responsibility whatsoever nor shall have any liability to any other party for the statements or information contained or incorporated by reference in this Official Statement. Further, Quarles & Brady LLP makes no representation as to the suitability of the Notes for any investor.

Quarles & Brady LLP from time to time serves as counsel to the Financial Advisor with respect to issuers other than the Town and transactions other than the issuance of the Notes.

#### MUNICIPAL BANKRUPTCY

Municipalities are prohibited from filing for bankruptcy under Chapter 11 (reorganization) or Chapter 7 (liquidation) of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1532) (the "Bankruptcy Code"). Instead, the Bankruptcy Code permits municipalities to file a petition under Chapter 9 of the Bankruptcy Code, but only if certain requirements are met. These requirements include that the municipality must be "specifically authorized" under State law to file for relief under Chapter 9. For these purposes, "State law" may include, without limitation, statutes of general applicability enacted by the State legislature, special legislation applicable to a particular municipality, and/or executive orders issued by an appropriate officer of the State's executive branch.

As of the date hereof, Wisconsin law contains no express authority for municipalities to file for bankruptcy relief under Chapter 9 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Nevertheless, there can be no assurance (a) that State law will not change in the future, while the Notes are outstanding, in a way that would allow the Town to file for bankruptcy relief under Chapter 9 of the Bankruptcy Code; or (b) even absent such a change in State law, that an executive order or other executive action could not effectively authorize the Town to file for relief under Chapter 9. If, in the future, the Town were to file a bankruptcy case under Chapter 9, the relevant bankruptcy court would need to consider whether the Town could properly do so, which would involve questions regarding State law authority as well as other questions such as whether the Town is a municipality for bankruptcy purposes. If the relevant bankruptcy court concluded that the Town could properly file a bankruptcy case, and that determination was not reversed, vacated, or otherwise substantially altered on appeal, then the rights of holders of the Notes could be modified in bankruptcy proceedings. Such modifications could be adverse to holders of the Notes, and there could ultimately be no assurance that holders of the Notes would be paid in full or in part on the Notes. Further, under such circumstances, there could be no assurance that the Notes would not be treated as general, unsecured debt by a bankruptcy court, meaning that claims of holders of the Notes could be viewed as having no priority (a) over claims of other creditors of the Town; (b) to any particular assets of the Town, or (c) to revenues otherwise designated for payment to holders of the Notes.

Moreover, if the Town were determined not to be a "municipality" for the purposes of the Bankruptcy Code, no representations can be made regarding whether it would still be eligible for voluntary or involuntary relief under Chapters of the Bankruptcy Code other than Chapter 9 or under similar federal or state law or equitable proceeding regarding insolvency or providing for protection from creditors. In any such case, there can be no assurance that the consequences described above for the holders of the Notes would not occur.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Any statement made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or of estimates, whether or not so expressly stated, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the estimates will be realized.

The execution and delivery of this Official Statement by the Clerk/Treasurer has been duly authorized by the Town.

#### **AUTHORIZATION**

This Official Statement has been approved for distribution to prospective purchasers and the Underwriter. The Town, acting through its Chairperson and Clerk/Treasurer, will provide to the Underwriter of the Notes at the time of delivery of the Notes, a certificate confirming that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the Official Statement with respect to the Notes, together with any supplements thereto, at the time of the adoption of the Award Resolution and at the time of delivery of the Notes, was true and correct in all material respects and did not at any time contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated, where necessary to make the statements in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

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By /s/ Cynthia Sieracki
Town Clerk/Treasurer

# **APPENDIX A**

# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND RELATED NOTES

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Sheboygan, Wisconsin

A copy of the Town's Basic Financial Statements and Related Notes for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, including the accompanying independent auditor's report, is included as Appendix A to this Official Statement. Potential purchasers should read such financial statements in their entirety for more complete information concerning the Town's financial position. Such financial statements have been audited by the Auditor (defined herein), to the extent and for the periods indicated thereon. The Town has not requested or engaged the Auditor to perform, and the Auditor has not performed, any additional examination, assessment, procedures or evaluation with respect to such financial statements since the date thereof, or relating to this Official Statement, nor has the Town requested that the Auditor consent to the use of such financial statements in this Official Statement. Although the inclusion of the financial statements in this Official Statement is not intended to demonstrate the fiscal condition of the Town since the date of the financial statements, in connection with the issuance of the Notes, the Town represents that there has been no material adverse change in the financial position or results of operations of the Town, nor has the Town incurred any material liabilities, which would make such financial statements misleading. As described in the Independent Auditors' Report, the Town's financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. For more information, see Note 1.

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Town Board Town of Buchanan Outagamie County, Wisconsin

# Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements *Opinions*

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Buchanan, Outagamie County, Wisconsin (the Town), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town, as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position, and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.C.

## **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

# Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1.C. of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.C., and for determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
  to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
  procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
  in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

# Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements as a whole that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The schedule of general fund budgeted and actual revenues collected and schedule of general fund budgeted and actual expenditures paid are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are 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 GAAS. In our opinion, the schedule of general fund budgeted and actual revenues collected and schedule of general fund budgeted and actual expenditures paid are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

# Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 20, 2023, on our consideration of the Town'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 solely 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 effectiveness of the Town's 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 Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton/arsonAllen LLP

Sheboygan, Wisconsin March 20, 2023

# **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals	
ASSETS				
Cash and Investments	\$ 3,610,389	\$ 747,203	\$ 4,357,592	
Restricted Cash and Investments	1,574,210	-	1,574,210	
Total Assets	5,184,599	747,203	5,931,802	
LIABILITIES				
Accrued and Other Current Liabilities	5,013	-	5,013	
Property Taxes and Special Charges Collected				
for Subsequent Year	1,375,860	166,952	1,542,812	
Special Deposits	8,622		8,622	
Unearned Revenues	692,559	-	692,559	
Total Liabilities	2,082,054	166,952	2,249,006	
NET POSITION				
Restricted				
Park Improvements	16,604	-	16,604	
Fire Department	13,578	-	13,578	
Debt Service	1,942	-	1,942	
Capital Projects	1,084,528	-	1,084,528	
Unrestricted	1,985,893		2,566,144	
Total Net Position	\$ 3,102,545	\$ 580,251	\$ 3,682,796	

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

		Program Revenues					
				Operating		Capital Grants	
	_	C	harges for		rants and	_	and
Functions/Programs	 Expenses	Services		Contributions		Contributions	
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES							
General Government	\$ 615,587	\$	89,313	\$	14,722	\$	-
Public Safety	574,571		38,686		34,403		-
Public Works	4,902,263		678,262		364,039		-
Culture and Recreation	8,135		-		750		4,800
Conservation and Development	21,879		10,795		-		-
Principal, Interest and Fiscal Charges							
on Long-Term Debt	 765,240		_				
Total Governmental Activities	6,887,675		817,056		413,914		4,800
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES							
Stormwater Utility	510,547		358,878		-		-
Transportation Utility District	62,422		871,467		-		-
Total Business-Type Activities	572,969		1,230,345		_		-
Total	\$ 7,460,644	\$	2,047,401	\$	413,914	\$	4,800

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position

	Changes in Net Position					
Functions/Programs	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals			
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  General Government Public Safety Public Works Culture and Recreation Conservation and Development Principal, Interest and Fiscal Charges on Long-Term Debt Total Governmental Activities	\$ (511,552) (501,482) (3,859,962) (2,585) (11,084) (765,240) (5,651,905)	\$ - - - - - -	\$ (511,552) (501,482) (3,859,962) (2,585) (11,084) (765,240) (5,651,905)			
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES Stormwater Utility Transportation Utility District Total Business-Type Activities  Total	(5,651,905)	(151,669) 809,045 657,376	(151,669) 809,045 657,376 (4,994,529)			
General Revenues and Transfers: Taxes: Property Taxes Other Taxes Federal and State Grants and Other Contributions Not Restricted to Specific Functions Interest and Investment Earnings Miscellaneous Proceeds from Long-Term Debt Transfers Total General Revenues	2,488,490 130,612 154,477 32,099 55,340 1,855,157 1,238,947	- - - - - (1,238,947)	2,488,490 130,612 154,477 32,099 55,340 1,855,157			
and Transfers  CHANGE IN NET POSITION	<u>5,955,122</u> 303,217	(1,238,947) (581,571)	4,716,175 (278,354)			
Net Position - Beginning of Year	2,799,328	1,161,822	3,961,150			
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$ 3,102,545	\$ 580,251	\$ 3,682,796			

## TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2022

ASSETS	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals
AGGETG				
Cash and Investments	\$ 3,610,389	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,610,389
Restricted Cash and Investments	30,182	273,512	1,270,516	1,574,210
Total Assets	\$ 3,640,571	\$ 273,512	\$ 1,270,516	\$ 5,184,599
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
LIABILITIES				
Accrued and Other Current Liabilities	\$ 5,013	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,013
Property Taxes and Special Charges				
Collected for Subsequent Year	918,302	271,570	185,988	1,375,860
Special Deposits	8,622	-	-	8,622
Unearned Revenues	692,559			692,559
Total Liabilities	1,624,496	271,570	185,988	2,082,054
FUND BALANCE				
Restricted	30,182	1,942	1,084,528	1,116,652
Committed	272,550	, -	, , , <u>-</u>	272,550
Unassigned	1,713,343	-	-	1,713,343
Total Fund Balance	2,016,075	1,942	1,084,528	3,102,545
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 3,640,571	\$ 273,512	\$ 1,270,516	\$ 5,184,599
RECONCILIATION TO STATEMENT OF NET PO	SITION			
Total Fund Balance	JI I I I I I I			\$ 3,102,545
rotai i unu Dalance				Ψ 3,102,343
Net Position of Governmental Activities as Repo	rted on the Statem	ent of Net Position	l	\$ 3,102,545

## TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals
REVENUES	<b>.</b>			
Taxes	\$ 1,572,427	\$ 696,675	\$ 350,000	\$ 2,619,102
Special Assessments		-	270,316	270,316
Intergovernmental	567,641	-	-	567,641
Licenses and Permits	103,518	-	-	103,518
Fines and Forfeits	33,959	-	-	33,959
Public Charges for Services	481,428	-	-	481,428
Intergovernmental Charges for Services	1,739	-	<del>-</del>	1,739
Miscellaneous	18,304		781	19,085
Total Revenues	2,779,016	696,675	621,097	4,096,788
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General Government	591,192	-	-	591,192
Public Safety	548,584	-	-	548,584
Public Works	814,116	-	-	814,116
Culture and Recreation	8,135	-	-	8,135
Conservation and Development	21,879	-	-	21,879
Debt Service:				
Principal	-	585,000	-	585,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	-	112,150	68,090	180,240
Capital Outlay	355,274		3,783,255	4,138,529
Total Expenditures	2,339,180	697,150	3,851,345	6,887,675
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
Over (Under) Expenditures	439,836	(475)	(3,230,248)	(2,790,887)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Long-Term Debt Issued	-	_	1,800,000	1,800,000
Premium on Debt Issued	_	_	55,157	55,157
Transfers In	-	_	1,418,690	1,418,690
Transfers Out	(179,743)	_	-	(179,743)
Total Other Financing Sources	(110,110)			(110,110)
(Uses)	(179,743)		3,273,847	3,094,104
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	260,093	(475)	43,599	303,217
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	1,755,982	2,417	1,040,929	2,799,328
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,016,075	\$ 1,942	\$ 1,084,528	\$ 3,102,545
RECONCILIATION TO THE STATEMENT OF AC Net Change in Fund Balance	TIVITIES			\$ 303,217
Change in Net Postion of Governmental Activitie	es as Reported in th	ne Statement of Ad	ctivities	\$ 303,217

## TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Buc	lget		Variance Final Budget - Positive (Negative)		
	Original	Final	Actual			
REVENUES				<u> </u>		
Taxes	\$ 1,555,473	\$ 1,555,473	\$ 1,572,427	\$ 16,954		
Intergovernmental	512,001	512,001	567,641	55,640		
Licenses and Permits	82,984	82,984	103,518	20,534		
Fines and Forfeits	9,150	9,150	33,959	24,809		
Public Charges for Services	409,970	409,970	481,428	71,458		
Intergovernmental Charges for Services	1,885	1,885	1,739	(146)		
Miscellaneous	24,520	24,520	18,304	(6,216)		
Total Revenues	2,595,983	2,595,983	2,779,016	183,033		
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General Government	546,599	546,599	591,192	(44,593)		
Public Safety	636,401	636,401	548,584	87,817		
Public Works	799,835	799,835	814,116	(14,281)		
Culture and Recreation	10,000	10,000	8,135	1,865		
Conservation and Development	25,148	25,148	21,879	3,269		
Capital Outlay	754,000	754,000	355,274	398,726		
Total Expenditures	2,771,983	2,771,983	2,339,180	432,803		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(176,000)	(176,000)	439,836	615,836		
OTHER FINANCING USES						
Transfers Out	(194,743)	(194,743)	(179,743)	15,000		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(370,743)	(370,743)	260,093	630,836		
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	1,755,982	1,755,982	1,755,982			
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 1,385,239	\$ 1,385,239	\$ 2,016,075	\$ 630,836		

## TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2022

	 ormwater lity District	nsportation ity District	Totals
ASSETS Cash and Investments	\$ 717,423	\$ 29,780	\$ 747,203
<b>LIABILITIES</b> Special Charges Collected for Subsequent Year	 166,952	 	 166,952
NET POSITION Unrestricted	\$ 550,471	\$ 29,780	\$ 580,251

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	 ormwater lity District	ansportation ility District	Totals		
OPERATING REVENUES Charges for Services	\$ 358,878	\$ 871,467	\$	1,230,345	
OPERATING EXPENSES Operation and Maintenance Administration and General	54,253 25,282	20,210 8,372 33,840		74,463 33,654	
Capital outlay  Total Operating Expenses	431,012 510,547	 62,422		464,852 572,969	
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(151,669)	809,045		657,376	
Transfers Out	 (79,500)	 (1,159,447)		(1,238,947)	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(231,169)	(350,402)		(581,571)	
Net Position - Beginning of Year	 781,640	 380,182		1,161,822	
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$ 550,471	\$ 29,780	\$	580,251	

## TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Stormwater Utility District		ansportation tility District	Totals
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Cash Received from Customers	\$	390,520	\$ 450,685	\$ 841,205
Cash Paid for Employee Wages and Benefits		(15,775)	-	(15,775)
Cash Paid to Suppliers		(494,772)	(62,422)	(557,194)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		(120,027)	388,263	268,236
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Transfers Out		(79,500)	 (1,159,447)	 (1,238,947)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(199,527)	(771,184)	(970,711)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		916,950	800,964	 1,717,914
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$	717,423	\$ 29,780	\$ 747,203
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(151,669)	\$ 809,045	\$ 657,376
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:				
Specials Collected for Subsequent Year		31,642	(420,782)	(389,140)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$	(120,027)	\$ 388,263	\$ 268,236
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION				
Cash and Cash Equivalents in Current Assets	\$	717,423	\$ 29,780	\$ 747,203

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NONCASH CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES

None

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUND DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Cus	stodial Fund
ASSETS Cash and Investments	\$	3,829,588
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES  Due to Other Governments		3,829,588
NET POSITION Fiduciary Net Position - Restricted for Other Governments	\$	<u> </u>

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Cu	stodial Fund
ADDITIONS Taxes and Special Charges Collected	\$	7,422,450
DEDUCTIONS Payments to Other Taxing Districts		7,422,450
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		-
Net Position - Beginning of Year		-
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$	

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the Town of Buchanan, Outagamie County, Wisconsin (the Town), have been prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The significant accounting principles and policies utilized by the Town are described below:

### A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation governed by an elected five member board. In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the basic financial statements are required to include the Town and any separate component units that have a significant operational or financial relationship with the Town. The Town has not identified any component units that are required to be included in the basic financial statements in accordance with standards.

#### B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town. *Governmental activities*, which are primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Governmental funds include the general, debt service and capital project funds. Proprietary funds include enterprise funds. The Town has no internal service funds. The major individual governmental fund and major individual proprietary funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

#### General Fund

This is the Town's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government.

### **Debt Service Fund**

This fund accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of government funds.

### Capital Projects Fund

This fund accounts for financial resources accumulated for the acquisition or construction of major capital improvements not accounted for in another fund.

The Town reports the following major enterprise funds:

### Stormwater Utility Fund

This fund accounts for the operations of the Town's stormwater utility. The Town established the stormwater utility in 2018, to develop, finance, construct, operate, maintain, manage and regulate stormwater and surface water facilities in the Town. The Town approved establishing special charges on the Town's tax roll to finance the operations.

### Transportation Utility Fund

This fund accounts for the operations of the Town's transportation utility. The Town established the transportation utility in 2019 to finance transportation system maintenance and improvements in the Town. The Town exercised its authority to establish a transportation utility fee, which is assessed to developed properties in the Town to fund transportation expenses.

The Town also reports the following fiduciary fund:

#### **Custodial Fund**

The custodial fund accounts for property taxes and special charges collected on behalf of other governments.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide and governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified cash basis of accounting*. The modified cash basis recognizes assets, liabilities, net position/fund balance, revenues, and expenditures when they result from cash transactions. This basis is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Under the modified cash basis of accounting, the Town recognizes revenues when received. As a result, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) are not recorded in the Town's basic financial statements. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues when received if all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Property taxes and grants received in advance of being earned or meeting eligibility requirements are reported as liabilities. Debt proceeds are recognized as other financing sources and general revenue when received. Additionally, capital assets such as property, equipment, and infrastructure are not capitalized or reported in the government-wide financial statements.

Under the modified cash basis of accounting, the Town generally records expenditures when paid, except for certain payroll withholdings. As a result, certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in the Town's basic financial statements. Additionally, long-term liabilities such as debt payable and compensated absences are not reported. Additional information on outstanding long-term debt is shown in Note 3.D.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, and fees and fines, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating revenues* and expenses from *nonoperating items*. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Town's proprietary funds are charges to customers for services. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the costs of services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources, as they are needed.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance

### 1. Cash and Investments

Cash and investments are combined in the financial statements. Cash deposits consist of demand and time deposits with financial institutions. Investments are stated at cost in accordance with the modified cash basis of acocunting. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all cash deposits and highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less from date of acquisition are considered to be cash equivalents.

### 2. Property Taxes and Special Charges Receivable

Property taxes and special charges consist of taxes on real estate and personal property and user charges assessed against Town properties. They are levied during December of the prior year and become an enforceable lien on property the following January 1. Property taxes are payable in various options depending on the type and amount. Personal property taxes and special charges are payable on or before January 31 in full. Real estate taxes are payable in full by January 31 or in two equal installments on or before January 31 and July 31. Real estate taxes not paid by January 31 are purchased by the County as part of the February tax settlement. Delinquent personal property taxes remain the collection responsibility of the Town.

In addition to its levy, the Town also levies and collects taxes for the Kaukauna Area, Kimberly Area, and Wrightstown Community School Districts, Outagamie County, Fox Valley Technical College, and Darboy Joint Sanitary District No. 1. Property taxes and special charges collected on behalf of other taxing entities as of December 31, 2022 are reported as liabilities and paid in the subsequent year as part of the January tax settlement.

### 3. Interfund Receivables and Payables

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" and "due to other funds" in the fund financial statements.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Fund Balance (Continued)

### 4. Long-Term Obligations

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize debt premiums and discounts, as well as debt issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of 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. Because the Town uses the modified cash basis of accounting, principal payments are reported as expenditures in the statement of activities and no liability is reported on the statement of net position.

### 5. Fund Equity

### **Governmental Fund Financial Statements**

Fund balance of the Town's general fund is reported in various categories based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- Nonspendable Fund Balance. Amounts that are not in spendable form (such as prepaid items or long-term receivables) or are legally or contractually required to remain intact.
- Restricted Fund Balance. Amounts that are constrained for specific purposes by external parties (such as grantor or bondholders), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.
- Committed Fund Balance. Amounts that are constrained for specific purposes by action of the Town Board. These constraints can only be removed or changed by the Town Board using the same action that was used to create them.

### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Fund Balance (Continued)

### 5. Fund Equity (Continued)

### Governmental Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

- Assigned Fund Balance. Amounts that are constrained for specific purposes by action of Town management. The Town Board has not authorized an employee to assign fund balance.
- **Unassigned Fund Balance.** Amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive unassigned amounts are only reported in the General Fund.

The Town has not adopted a fund balance spend-down policy regarding the order in which fund balance will be utilized. When a policy does not specify the spend-down policy, GASB Statement No. 54 indicates that restricted funds would be spent first, followed by committed funds, and then assigned funds. Unassigned funds would be spent last.

### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in two components:

- Restricted Net Position. Amount of net position that is subject to restrictions
  that are imposed by 1) external groups, such as creditors, grantors, contributors
  or laws or regulations of other governments or 2) law through constitutional
  provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted Net Position. Net position that is neither classified as restricted nor as net investment in capital assets.

### NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP AND COMPLIANCE

#### A. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The Town follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the basic financial statements:

1. During November, the Town Board and officials prepare a proposed operating budget for the calendar year commencing the following January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. After submission to the governing body, public hearings are held to obtain taxpayer comments. Following the public hearings, the proposed budget, including authorized additions and deletions, is legally enacted by Town Board action.

### NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP AND COMPLIANCE (CONTINUED)

### A. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (Continued)

- 2. Budgets are adopted on a modified cash basis of accounting for all the general funds. Budget is defined as the originally approved budget plus or minus approved amendments. Individual amendments throughout the year were not material in relation to the original budget. Budget appropriations not expended during the year are closed to fund balance unless authorized by the governing body to be forwarded into the succeeding year's budget.
- 3. During the year, formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device for the general fund.
- 4. Expenditures may not exceed appropriations provided in budget accounts maintained for each functional area of the Town. Amendments to the budget during the year require initial approval by management and are subsequently authorized by the Town Board.
- 5. Encumbrance accounting is not used by the Town to record commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services.

The Town did not have any material violation of legal or contractual provisions for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022.

### **B. Property Tax Levy Limit**

Wisconsin state statutes provide for a limit on the property tax levies for all Wisconsin cities, Towns, towns, and counties. For the 2022 and 2023 budget years, Wisconsin Statutes limit the increase in the maximum allowable tax levy to the change in the Town's January 1 equalized value as a result of net new construction. The actual limit for the Town for the 2022 budget was 0.33%. The actual limit for the Town for the 2023 budget was 0.46%. Debt service for debt authorized after July 1, 2005 is exempt from the levy limit. In addition, Wisconsin statutes allow the limit to be adjusted for the increase in debt service authorized prior to July 1, 2005 and in certain other situations.

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

#### A. Cash and Investments

The Town maintains various cash and investment accounts, including pooled funds that are available for use by all funds. Each fund's portion of these accounts is displayed on the financial statements as "Cash and investments".

Invested cash consists of deposits and investments that are restricted by Wisconsin Statutes to the following:

Time deposits; repurchase agreements; securities issued by federal, state and local governmental entities; statutorily authorized commercial paper and corporate securities; and the Wisconsin local government investment pool.

3,829,588

9.761.390

The carrying amount of the Town's cash and investments totaled \$9,761,390 on December 31, 2022 as summarized below:

\$ 200
8,653,233
180,885
926,319
 753
\$ 9,761,390
\$ 4,357,592
1.574.210
\$

Fiduciary Fund Statement of Net Position:

Cash and Investments

Total

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

#### A. Cash and Investments (Continued)

Deposits and investments of the Town are subject to various risks. Presented below is a discussion of the Town's deposits and investments and the related risks.

### Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for *deposits* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for *investments* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. Wisconsin statutes require repurchase agreements to be fully collateralized by bonds or securities issued or guaranteed by the federal government or its instrumentalities. The Town has a custodial credit risk policy to minimize custodial risk maintaining a list of public depositories, financial institutions and brokers/dealers authorized to provide deposit and investment services and all public depositories, financial institutions, and broker/dealers authorized to provide deposit and investment services must supply as appropriate audited financial statements demonstrating compliance with state and federal capital adequacy guidelines.

Deposits with financial institutions within the state of Wisconsin are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) in the amount of \$250,000 for the combined amount of all time and savings deposits and \$250,000 for interest-bearing and noninterest-bearing demand deposits per official custodian per insured depository institution. Deposits with financial institutions located outside the state of Wisconsin are insured by the FDIC in the amount of \$250,000 for the combined amount of all deposit accounts per official custodian per depository institution. Also, the state of Wisconsin has a State Guarantee Fund which provides a maximum of \$400,000 per public depository above the amount provided by an agency of the U.S. Government. However, due to the relatively small size of the State Guarantee Fund in relation to the Fund's total coverage, total recovery of insured losses may not be available. This coverage has been considered in determining custodial credit risk.

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

#### A. Cash and Investments (Continued)

### Custodial Credit Risk (Continued)

As of December 31, 2022, \$8,483,738 of the Town's deposits with financial institutions were in excess of federal and state depository insurance limits and were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution or its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.

### 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. Wisconsin statutes limit investment in securities to the top two ratings assigned by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. Presented below is the actual rating as of the year-end for each investment type.

			E	cempt				
			f	rom				Not
Investment Type	Amount Disclosure			 AAA	Aa	Rated		
U.S. Treasuries	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Negotiable Certificates of								
Deposit		926,319		-	-	-		926,319
Totals	\$	926,319	\$	-	\$ 	\$ -	\$	926,319

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Town has a credit risk policy to minimize risk by limiting investments to the types of securities permitted under Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 66.0603, allowing only public depositories approved by resolution and diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or any one individual issuer will be minimized.

At December 31, 2022, the Town had no investments in any one issuer (other than U.S. Treasury securities, mutual funds, and external investment pools) that represent 5% or more of total Town investments.

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### A. Cash and Investments (Continued)

### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The Town has a formal policy to minimize interest rate risk by structuring the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity. Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Town's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is provided by the following table that shows the distribution of the Town's investments by maturity:

		Remaining Maturity (in Months)							
		1:	2 Months		13 to 24		25 to 60	More	Than
Investment Type	 Amount	or Less		Months		Months		60 Mor	
U.S. Treasuries	\$ 180,885	\$	180,885	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Negotiable Certificates of									
Deposit	926,319		243,289		558,495		124,535		-
Totals	\$ 1,107,204	\$	424,174	\$	558,495	\$	124,535	\$	

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### **B.** Restricted Assets

Restricted assets on December 31, 2022 totaled \$1,582,170 and consisted of cash and investments held for the following purposes:

Fund	 Amount	Purpose
General Fund		
Park Improvements	\$ 16,604	To account for park impact fees collected for park improvements
Fire Department	13,578	To account for fire department fundraisers and donations to be used fire department expenditures
Total General Fund	30,182	
Debt Service Fund		
Debt Repayments	273,512	To account for property taxes levied for future debt service payments
Capital Projects Fund		
Capital Outlay	 1,270,516	To account for unused debt proceeds to be used for road projects
Total	\$ 1,574,210	

### C. Interfund Transfers

Interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Fund	Transfer In	Transfer Out		
Governmental Funds			_	
General	\$ -	\$ 179,743	3	
Capital Projects	1,418,690		-	
Proprietary Funds				
Stormwater Utility District	-	79,500	)	
Transportation Utility District	-	1,159,447	7	
Totals	\$ 1,418,690	\$ 1,418,690	)	
Governmental Activities	\$ 1,238,947	\$	_	
Business-Type Activities	-	1,238,947	7	
Totals	\$ 1,238,947	\$ 1,238,947	7	

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### C. Interfund Transfers (Continued)

Interfund transfers were recorded for the following purposes:

Transfer from General Fund to Capital Projects Fund	
for Road Improvements	\$ 179,743
Transfer from Stormwater Utility District to Capital	
Projects for Stormwater Capital Outlay Expenditures	79,500
Transfer from Transportation Utility District to Capital	
Projects for Road Improvements	1,159,447
Total	\$ 1,418,690

### D. Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of changes in long-term obligations of the Town for the year ended December 31, 2022:

		Beginning Balance		Issued		Retired		Ending Balance	_	ue Within One Year
Governmental Activities: General Obligation Debt:		4.475.000	•	1 000 000	_	505.000	_	5,000,000	_	705.000
Direct Borrowing - Notes Debt Premium Governmental Activities	<b>*</b>	4,175,000 186,638	<del></del>	1,800,000 55,157	<u> </u>	585,000 43,599	\$	5,390,000 198,196	\$ 	705,000
Long-Term Obligations	\$	4,361,638	\$	1,855,157	\$	628,599	\$	5,588,196	\$	705,000

Total interest paid during the year on long-term debt totaled \$112,150.

### General Obligation Debt

General obligation direct borrowings outstanding on December 31, 2022 is detailed as follows:

	Date of	Final	Interest		Original	Balance
	Issue	Maturity	Rates	In	debtedness	 12/31/22
2020 GO Promissory Notes	06/01/20	03/01/30	2.0-3.0%	\$	4,630,000	\$ 3,590,000
2023 GO Promissory Notes	06/01/22	03/01/32	3.0-4.0%		1,800,000	1,800,000
Total Outstanding						
General Obligation						
Debt						\$ 5,390,000

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### D. Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

### General Obligation Debt (Continued)

Annual principal and interest maturities of the outstanding general obligation debt of \$5,390,000 on December 31, 2022 are detailed below:

	Governmental Activities					
		Direct Borrov	wings	- General Obl	igati	on Notes
Year Ended December 31,		Principal		Interest		Total
2023	\$	705,000	\$	174,500	\$	879,500
2024		845,000	133,285			978,285
2025		820,000		106,435		926,435
2026		590,000		83,610		673,610
2027		605,000		63,935		668,935
2028-2032		1,825,000		105,070		1,930,070
Total	\$	5,390,000	\$	666,835	\$	6,056,835

### **Legal Margin for New Debt**

The Town's legal margin for creation of additional general obligation debt on December 31, 2022 was \$40,499,355 as follows:

Equalized Valuation of the Town	\$ 917,787,100
Statutory Limitation Percentage	(x) 5%
General Obligation Debt Limitation, per	
Section 67.03 of the Wisconsin Statutes	45,889,355
Outstanding General Obligation Debt Applicable	
to Debt Limitation	5,390,000
Legal Margin for New Debt	\$ 40,499,355

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### E. Fund Equity

### Restricted Fund Balance and Net Position

In the fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements, portions of fund balance and net position are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted for use for a specific purpose. At December 31, 2022, restricted fund balance and net position was as follows:

General	l Fund	ŀ

Res	tricte	ed fo	r

Park Improvements Fire Department	\$ 16,604 13,578
Total General Fund Restricted Fund Balance	30,182
Debt Service Fund:	1,942
Capital Projects Fund:	 1,084,528
Total Restricted Fund Balance	\$ 1,116,652

### Committed Fund Balance

In the fund financial statements, portions of general fund balance is committed by Town Board action. At December 31, 2022, fund balance was committed as follows:

#### General Fund:

Building improvements	\$ 35,679
Fire Apparatus	90,744
Trail Development	30,066
Hickory Park Trail	69,979
Office / Administration / Election	20,082
Fire Signs	12,000
Zoning / Ordinance	14,000
Total Committed Fund Balance	\$ 272,550

### NOTE 3 DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### E. Fund Equity (Continued)

### Minimum General Fund Balance Policy

The Town Board has adopted a policy that fund balance in the amount of 30% of current annual general fund operating expenditures, excluding capital outlay and debt service be maintained to preserve working funds for cash flow purposes and to adequately prepare for unforeseen events which require ready access to funds. The minimum fund balance amount is calculated as follows:

2022 General Fund Operating Expenditures as Defined
by Policy \$ 1,983,906
Minimum Fund Balance % (x) 30%
Minimum Fund Balance Amount \$ 595,172

The Town's unassigned general fund balance of \$1,713,343 is above the minimum fund balance amount.

#### NOTE 4 OTHER INFORMATION

#### A. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the government carries commercial insurance. The Town completes an annual review of its insurance coverage to ensure adequate coverage. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in the past three years.

### **B.** Contingencies

From time to time, the Town is party to other various pending claims and legal proceedings. Although the outcome of such matters cannot be forecast with certainty, it is the opinion of management and legal counsel that the likelihood is remote that any such claims or proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the Town's financial position or results of operations.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL REVENUES COLLECTED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

TAXES         Positive (Negative)           General Property         \$ 1,444,005         \$ 1,442,005         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,555,473         \$ 1,455,475         \$ 1,442,485         \$ 1,442,485         \$ 1,455,475         \$ 1,455,475         \$ 1,455,475         \$ 1,455,475					Variance Final Budget -
Seneral Property		Bu	dget		•
Seminar   Property   \$1,444,005   \$1,444,005   \$1,441,815   \$1,200     Land Taxes   268   268   217   (51)     Interest on Taxes   100   100   100   16   (94)     Other Taxes   111,100   111,100   130,389   19,289     Total Taxes   1,555,473   1,555,473   1,572,427   16,954      INTERCOVERNMENTAL   Federal:   Fire Department   61,159   61,159     State:   State Shared Taxes   87,268   87,268   87,344   76     Fire Insurance Dues   32,950   32,950   34,403   1,453     Tax Exempt Computer Aid   3,389   3,398   3,398       Transportation   2236,363   236,363   236,363   2     Forest Croplands   4,300   4,300   12   (4,288     Other   17,722   17,722   17,286   (436)     Other Local Aids:   Valley Transit   62,000   62,000   56,570   (5,430     Recycling   68,000   68,000   71,106   3,106     Total Intergovernmental   43,634   43,634   64,687   21,053     Dog   1,800   1,800   1,516   (284     Permits:   Building   28,900   28,900   29,820   920     Zoning and Permit Fees   7,100   7,100   7,495   395     Other Permits   1,550   1,550   -   (1,550     Total Licenses and Permits   2,984   82,984   103,518   20,534    FINES AND FORFEITS   Court Fines and Penalties   9,150   9,150   33,959   24,809    PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES   General Government   3,600   3,600   67,778   64,178     Fire Protection Fees   1,300   1,300   904   (396)     Transportation   24,370   24,370   44,320   19,950     Sanitation and Utilities   371,700   371,700   363,626   (8,074)     Fire Protection Fees   1,300   371,700   363,626   (8,074)     Taxing		Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Land Taxes		<b>.</b>	<b>.</b>	<b>.</b>	4 (2 (22)
Interest on Taxes		+ .,,		, ,	• •
Other Taxes         111,100         111,100         130,389         19,289           Total Taxes         1,555,473         1,555,473         1,572,427         16,954           INTERGOVERNMENTAL           Federal:         ***         ***         ***         61,159         61,159           State:         ***         ***         61,159         61,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         61,159         61,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         61,159         61,159         61,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         51,159         61,159         51,159					
Total Taxes					` '
INTERGOVERNMENTAL   Federal:   Fire Department   Federal:   Fire Department   Fire					
Federal:   Fire Department	Total Taxes	1,555,473	1,555,473	1,572,427	16,954
Fire Department         -         -         61,159         61,159           States:         State Shared Taxes         87,268         87,268         87,344         76           Fire Insurance Dues         32,950         32,950         34,403         1,453           Tax Exempt Computer Aid         3,398         3,398         3,398         -           Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         -           Forest Croplands         4,300         4,300         12         (4,288)           Other         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)           Other Local Aids:         Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses:           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         8         28,900         28,900         29,820         92           Z	INTERGOVERNMENTAL				
State:         State Shared Taxes         87,268         87,268         87,344         76           Fire Insurance Dues         32,950         32,950         34,403         1,453           Tax Exempt Computer Aid         3,398         3,398         3,398         -           Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         -           Forest Croplands         4,300         4,300         12         (4,288)           Other         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)           Other Local Aids:         Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses:           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Per	Federal:				
State Shared Taxes         87,268         87,268         87,344         76           Fire Insurance Dues         32,950         32,950         34,403         1,453           Tax Exempt Computer Aid         3,398         33,98         3,398         -           Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         -           Forest Croplands         4,300         4,300         12         (4,288)           Other         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)           Other Local Aids:         **** Valley Transit**         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses:           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         ***         ***         ***         9,20         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395         0ther Pe	Fire Department	-	-	61,159	61,159
Fire Insurance Dues         32,950         32,950         34,403         1,453           Tax Exempt Computer Aid         3,398         3,398         3,398         -           Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         -           Forest Croplands         4,300         4,300         12         (4,288)           Other         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)           Other Local Aids:         -         -         -         -           Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         8uilding         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         82,984         82,98	State:				
Tax Exempt Computer Aid         3,398         3,398         3,398         - Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         - Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         - Transportation         - Transportation         236,363         236,363         - Transportation         - Transportation         12         (4,288)         - (4,288)         - (436)         - Transportation         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)         - (540)<	State Shared Taxes	87,268	,	,	76
Transportation         236,363         236,363         236,363         236,363         -           Forest Croplands         4,300         4,300         12         (4,288)           Other         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)           Other Local Aids:         Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses:           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         Building         28,900         28,900         29,820         90           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS           Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERV			32,950	34,403	1,453
Forest Croplands Other         4,300 17,722         4,300 17,222         17,286 17,286         (4,288) (436)           Other Local Aids: Valley Transit         62,000 68,000         56,570 56,570         (5,430)           Recycling Total Intergovernmental         68,000 512,001         68,000 512,001         71,106 567,641         3,106           Licenses: Business and Occupational         43,634 43,634         43,634 43,634         64,687 64,687         21,053           Dog Permits: Building         28,900 28,900         29,820 29,820         920 29,820           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100 7,100         7,495 395 0ther Permits         395 4,550         -         (1,550) -           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626 <td< td=""><td>Tax Exempt Computer Aid</td><td></td><td>3,398</td><td></td><td>-</td></td<>	Tax Exempt Computer Aid		3,398		-
Other Local Aids:         17,722         17,722         17,286         (436)           Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           LICENSES AND PERMITS           Licenses:         8         8         8         8         8         8         8         8         8         1,550         1,516         (284)         1,553         1,560         1,516         (284)         1,550         1,560         1,550 <td></td> <td>236,363</td> <td>236,363</td> <td>236,363</td> <td>-</td>		236,363	236,363	236,363	-
Other Local Aids:         Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses:           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         80,000         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS           Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transporta	Forest Croplands		4,300		(4,288)
Valley Transit         62,000         62,000         56,570         (5,430)           Recycling         68,000         68,000         71,106         3,106           Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           Licenses Sand Dermits           Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         80         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS           Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportatio	Other	17,722	17,722	17,286	(436)
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Total Intergovernmental         512,001         512,001         567,641         55,640           LICENSES AND PERMITS           Licenses:         8 Usiness and Occupational Dog (28,000) (28,000) (28,000) (28,000) (28,000) (29		62,000	62,000	56,570	(5,430)
LICENSES AND PERMITS         Licenses:       8usiness and Occupational       43,634       43,634       64,687       21,053         Dog       1,800       1,800       1,516       (284)         Permits:       Building       28,900       28,900       29,820       920         Zoning and Permit Fees       7,100       7,100       7,495       395         Other Permits       1,550       1,550       -       (1,550)         Total Licenses and Permits       82,984       82,984       103,518       20,534         FINES AND FORFEITS         Court Fines and Penalties       9,150       9,150       33,959       24,809         PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES         General Government       3,600       3,600       67,778       64,178         Fire Protection Fees       1,300       1,300       904       (396)         Transportation       24,370       24,370       44,320       19,950         Sanitation and Utilities       371,700       371,700       363,626       (8,074)				71,106	3,106
Licenses:       Business and Occupational       43,634       43,634       64,687       21,053         Dog       1,800       1,800       1,516       (284)         Permits:       Building       28,900       28,900       29,820       920         Zoning and Permit Fees       7,100       7,100       7,495       395         Other Permits       1,550       1,550       -       (1,550)         Total Licenses and Permits       82,984       82,984       103,518       20,534         FINES AND FORFEITS         Court Fines and Penalties       9,150       9,150       33,959       24,809         PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES         General Government       3,600       3,600       67,778       64,178         Fire Protection Fees       1,300       1,300       904       (396)         Transportation       24,370       24,370       44,320       19,950         Sanitation and Utilities       371,700       371,700       363,626       (8,074)	Total Intergovernmental	512,001	512,001	567,641	55,640
Business and Occupational         43,634         43,634         64,687         21,053           Dog         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Permits:         Building         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS         Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES         General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)	LICENSES AND PERMITS				
Dog Permits:         1,800         1,800         1,516         (284)           Building Zoning and Permit Fees         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)	Licenses:				
Permits:         Building         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS         Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)	Business and Occupational	43,634	43,634	64,687	21,053
Building         28,900         28,900         29,820         920           Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS           Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)	Dog	1,800	1,800	1,516	(284)
Zoning and Permit Fees         7,100         7,100         7,495         395           Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS            Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)	Permits:				
Other Permits         1,550         1,550         -         (1,550)           Total Licenses and Permits         82,984         82,984         103,518         20,534           FINES AND FORFEITS         Court Fines and Penalties         9,150         9,150         33,959         24,809           PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES           General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)		28,900	28,900	29,820	920
FINES AND FORFEITS         Second Penalties         Second Penaltie	Zoning and Permit Fees	7,100	7,100	7,495	
FINES AND FORFEITS Court Fines and Penalties 9,150 9,150 33,959 24,809  PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES General Government 3,600 3,600 67,778 64,178 Fire Protection Fees 1,300 1,300 904 (396) Transportation 24,370 24,370 44,320 19,950 Sanitation and Utilities 371,700 371,700 363,626 (8,074)	Other Permits	1,550	1,550		(1,550)
Court Fines and Penalties       9,150       9,150       33,959       24,809         PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES         General Government       3,600       3,600       67,778       64,178         Fire Protection Fees       1,300       1,300       904       (396)         Transportation       24,370       24,370       44,320       19,950         Sanitation and Utilities       371,700       371,700       363,626       (8,074)	Total Licenses and Permits	82,984	82,984	103,518	20,534
PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES         General Government       3,600       3,600       67,778       64,178         Fire Protection Fees       1,300       1,300       904       (396)         Transportation       24,370       24,370       44,320       19,950         Sanitation and Utilities       371,700       371,700       363,626       (8,074)	FINES AND FORFEITS				
General Government       3,600       3,600       67,778       64,178         Fire Protection Fees       1,300       1,300       904       (396)         Transportation       24,370       24,370       44,320       19,950         Sanitation and Utilities       371,700       371,700       363,626       (8,074)	Court Fines and Penalties	9,150	9,150	33,959	24,809
General Government         3,600         3,600         67,778         64,178           Fire Protection Fees         1,300         1,300         904         (396)           Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)	PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Fire Protection Fees       1,300       1,300       904       (396)         Transportation       24,370       24,370       44,320       19,950         Sanitation and Utilities       371,700       371,700       363,626       (8,074)		3.600	3.600	67.778	64.178
Transportation         24,370         24,370         44,320         19,950           Sanitation and Utilities         371,700         371,700         363,626         (8,074)		,	,	,	
Sanitation and Utilities 371,700 371,700 363,626 (8,074)					, ,
	•	•			·
Drainage 5.000 5.000 - (5.000)	Drainage	5,000	5,000	-	(5,000)
Park Impact Fees 4,000 4,000 4,800 800	•			4.800	, ,
Total Public Charges for Services 409,970 409,970 481,428 71,458					

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL REVENUES COLLECTED (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Budget						Variance Final Budget - Positive		
	Original		Final		Actual		(Negative)		
INTERGOVERNMENTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES							'		
Crossing Guards	\$	1,885	\$	1,885	\$	1,739	\$	(146)	
MISCELLANEOUS									
Interest on Investments		23,020		23,020		15,594		(7,426)	
Hall Rental		1,500		1,500		1,950		450	
Sale of Other Property		-		-		10		10	
Donations		-		-		750		750	
Total Miscellaneous		24,520		24,520		18,304		(6,216)	
Total Revenues	\$ 2	,595,983	\$	2,595,983	\$	2,779,016	\$	183,033	

# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES PAID YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

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	Original	dget Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Legislative (Town Board)	\$ 35,526	\$ 35,526	\$ 35,074	\$ 452	
Legal Fees	35,000	35,000	41,880	(6,880)	
Administration:					
Town Administrator	128,117	128,117	93,086	35,031	
Office Salaries and Benefits	133,670	133,670	140,526	(6,856)	
Elections	24,259	24,259	16,612	7,647	
Office Technology	18,580	18,580	19,433	(853)	
Other General Administration	25,390	25,390	35,035	(9,645)	
Accounting and Auditing	7,200	7,200	7,200	(554)	
Assessment	48,500	48,500	49,051	(551)	
General Buildings, Town Hall:	24.054	24.054	20.407	0.407	
Hall Supplies and Expenses	34,854	34,854	32,427	2,427	
Maintenance Workers Other General Government:	28,153	28,153	28,820	(667)	
	26,600	26 600	20.022	(2.222)	
Insurance Other General Government	26,600 750	26,600 750	29,932 62,116	(3,332) (61,366)	
Total General Government	546,599	546,599	591,192	(44,593)	
Total General Government	340,333	340,399	391,192	(44,090)	
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Law Enforcement	380,833	380,833	363,141	17,692	
Fire Protection	194,252	194,252	142,361	51,891	
Emergency Medical Services	32,500	32,500	18,254	14,246	
Emergency Management Services	3,800	3,800	640	3,160	
Building Inspection	21,246	21,246	20,603	643	
Other Public Safety	3,770	3,770	3,585	185	
Total Public Safety	636,401	636,401	548,584	87,817	
DUDI IC WODKS					
PUBLIC WORKS Highway and Street Maintenance	219,893	219,893	113,053	106,840	
Road Related Facilities	73,536	73,536	88,070	(14,534)	
Stormwater	1,210	73,536 1,210	00,070	(14,534) 1,210	
Sanitation	435,500	435,500	543,295	(107,795)	
Mass Transit	69,696	69,696	69,698	(2)	
Total Public Works	799,835	799,835	814,116	(14,281)	
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CULTURE AND RECREATION					
Parks	9,000	9,000	8,135	865	
Recreation Programs and Events	1,000	1,000		1,000	
Total Culture and Recreation	10,000	10,000	8,135	1,865	
CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT					
Planning and Zoning	9,448	9,448	18,272	(8,824)	
Economic Development	5,700	5,700	3,607	2,093	
Stormwater, Erosion, and Drainage	10,000	10,000	-	10,000	
Total Conservation and	10,000	10,000		10,000	
Development	25,148	25,148	21,879	3,269	
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# TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN GENERAL FUND SCHEDULE OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES PAID (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

		Budget						Variance Final Budget - Positive	
	Original		Final		Actual		(Negative)		
CAPITAL OUTLAY									
General Government	\$	34,000	\$	34,000	\$	24,395	\$	9,605	
Fire Protection		106,000		106,000		25,987		80,013	
Highway Equipment		464,000		464,000		304,892		159,108	
Parks		150,000		150,000		-		150,000	
Total Capital Outlay		754,000		754,000		355,274		398,726	
Total Expenditures	\$ :	2,771,983	\$	2,771,983	\$	2,339,180	\$	432,803	

### ADDITIONAL INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT FOR BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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

Town Board
Town of Buchanan
Outagamie County, Wisconsin

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Buchanan, Outagamie County, Wisconsin (the Town) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 20, 2023.

### Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2022-001 and 2022-002 that we consider to be material weaknesses.

### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. 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 instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### Town of Buchanan's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Town's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Town's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

### Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Sheboygan, Wisconsin March 20, 2023

### TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

### Section I – Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

### 2022-001

Control Deficiencies
Preparation of Annual Financial Report
Material Weakness Over Financial Reporting
Repeat of Finding 2021-001

#### Condition

Current Town staff maintains accounting records which reflect the Town's financial transactions; however, preparing the Town's annual financial report, including note disclosures, involves the selection and application of specific accounting principles which would require additional experience and knowledge. The Town contracts with us and our knowledge of applicable accounting principles, financial statement format, and note disclosures to assist in the preparation of the annual financial report in an efficient manner. However, as independent auditors, CLA cannot be considered part of the Town's internal control system. As part of its internal control over preparation of its financial statements, including disclosures, the Town had implemented a comprehensive review procedure to ensure that the financial statements, including not disclosures, are complete and accurate.

### **Criteria or Specific Requirements**

The preparation and review of the annual financial report by staff with expertise in financial reporting is an internal control intended to prevent, detect and correct a potential omission or misstatement in the financial statements or notes.

#### Cause

Town management has determined that the additional costs associated with training staff to become experienced in applicable accounting principles and note disclosures outweigh the derived benefits.

### **Effect**

The Town may not be able to completely prepare an annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the Town continue reviewing the annual financial report. Such review procedures should be performed by an individual possessing a thorough understanding of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and knowledge of the Town's activities and operations. While it may not be cost beneficial to train additional staff to completely prepare the report, a thorough review of this information by appropriate staff of the Town is necessary to obtain a complete and adequate understanding of the Town's annual financial report.

### **Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action**

The Town Clerk/Treasurer and Town Administrator will continue to review and approve the annual financial report prior to issuance. Management concurs with the finding.

### TOWN OF BUCHANAN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WISCONSIN SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

### Section I – Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)

### 2022-002

Control Deficiencies Adjustments to the Town's Financial Records Material Weakness Over Financial Reporting Repeat of Finding 2021-002

#### Condition

As part of our audit, we proposed adjusting journal entries that were material to the Town's financial statements.

### **Criteria or Specific Requirements**

Material adjusting journal entries proposed by the auditors are considered to be an internal control deficiency.

### Cause

While Town staff maintains financial records which accurately report revenues and expenditures throughout the year, preparing year-end adjusting and closing entries requires additional expertise that would entail additional training and staff time to develop.

### **Effect**

Year-end financial records prepared by the Town may contain material misstatements.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the Town designate an individual to obtain additional training in order to prepare the adjusting and closing entries. We are available to assist the individual in obtaining the understanding to prepare these entries.

### **Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action**

The Town Administrator reviews and approves the material journal entries, along with the supporting documentation. Management concurs with the finding.



### **APPENDIX B**

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Disclosure Certificate") is executed and delivered by the Town of Buchanan, Outagamie County, Wisconsin (the "Issuer") in connection with the issuance of \$1,850,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, dated April 9, 2024 (the "Securities"). The Securities are being issued pursuant to a resolution adopted on March 19, 2024 (the "Resolution") and delivered to BOK Financial Securities, Inc. (the "Purchaser") on the date hereof. Pursuant to the Resolution, the Issuer has covenanted and agreed to provide continuing disclosure of certain financial information and operating data annually and timely notices of the occurrence of certain events. In addition, the Issuer hereby specifically covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1(a). Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Issuer for the benefit of the holders of the Securities in order to assist the Participating Underwriters within the meaning of the Rule (defined herein) in complying with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5). The Issuer is an obligated person with respect to not more than \$10,000,000 in aggregate amount of outstanding municipal securities (including the Securities but excluding obligations exempt from the Rule). References in this Disclosure Certificate to holders of the Securities shall include the beneficial owners of the Securities. This Disclosure Certificate constitutes the written Undertaking required by the Rule.

Section 1(b). Filing Requirements. Any filing under this Disclosure Certificate must be made solely by transmitting such filing to the MSRB (defined herein) through the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") System at <a href="www.emma.msrb.org">www.emma.msrb.org</a> in the format prescribed by the MSRB. All documents provided to the MSRB shall be accompanied by the identifying information prescribed by the MSRB.

<u>Section 2. Definitions</u>. In addition to the defined terms set forth in the Resolution, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Report" means any annual report provided by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Audited Financial Statements" means the Issuer's annual financial statements, which are currently prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for governmental units as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and which the Issuer intends to continue to prepare in substantially the same form.

"Final Official Statement" means the Final Official Statement dated March 19, 2024 delivered in connection with the Securities, which is available from the MSRB.

"Financial Obligation" means a (i) debt obligation; (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii). The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

"Fiscal Year" means the fiscal year of the Issuer.

"Governing Body" means the Town Board of the Issuer or such other body as may hereafter be the chief legislative body of the Issuer.

"Issuer" means the Town of Buchanan, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, which is the obligated person with respect to the Securities.

"Issuer Contact" means the Town Clerk-Treasurer of the Issuer who can be contacted at N178 County Road N, Appleton, Wisconsin 54915, phone (920) 734-8599, fax (920) 734-9733.

"Listed Event" means any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Certificate.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Participating Underwriter" means any of the original underwriter(s) of the Securities (including the Purchaser) required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of the Securities.

"Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) promulgated by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time, and official interpretations thereof.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

### Section 3. Provision of Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements.

(a) The Issuer shall, not later than 270 days after the end of the Fiscal Year, commencing with the year ending December 31, 2023, provide the MSRB with an Annual Report filed in accordance with Section 1(b) of this Disclosure Certificate and which is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate. The Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided that the Audited Financial Statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report and that, if Audited Financial Statements are not available within 270 days after the end of the Fiscal Year, unaudited financial information will be provided, and Audited Financial Statements will be submitted to the MSRB when and if available.

Section 4. Content of Annual Report. The Issuer's Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference financial information and operating data that is customarily prepared and publicly available, to wit:

- 1. Audited Financial Statements; and
- 2. adopted annual budget and/or current general fund budget summary.

Any or all of the items listed above may be incorporated by reference from other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the Issuer or related public entities, which are available to the public on the MSRB's Internet website or filed with the SEC. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

### Section 5. Reporting of Listed Events.

- (a) This Section 5 shall govern the giving of notices of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Securities:
  - 1. Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - 2. Non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - 3. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - 4. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - 5. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - 6. Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Securities, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Securities;
  - 7. Modification to rights of holders of the Securities, if material;
  - 8. Securities calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - 9. Defeasances;
  - 10. Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Securities, if material;
  - 11. Rating changes;
  - 12. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;
  - 13. The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
  - 14. Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;

- 15. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect holders of the Securities, if material; and
- 16. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

For the purposes of the event identified in subsection (a)12. above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Issuer in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer.

- (b) When a Listed Event occurs, the Issuer shall, in a timely manner not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the Listed Event, file a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notice of Listed Events described in subsections (a) (8) and (9) need not be given under this subsection any earlier than the notice (if any) of the underlying event is given to holders of affected Securities pursuant to the Resolution.
- (c) Unless otherwise required by law, the Issuer shall submit the information in the format prescribed by the MSRB, as described in Section 1(b) of this Disclosure Certificate.
- <u>Section 6. Termination of Reporting Obligation</u>. The Issuer's obligations under the Resolution and this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all the Securities.
- Section 7. Issuer Contact; Agent. Information may be obtained from the Issuer Contact. Additionally, the Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a dissemination agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under the Resolution and this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such agent, with or without appointing a successor dissemination agent.
- Section 8. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Resolution or this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer may amend this Disclosure Certificate, and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, if the following conditions are met:
- (a)(i) The amendment or waiver is made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature, or status of the Issuer, or the type of business conducted; or

- (ii) This Disclosure Certificate, as amended or waived, would have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the primary offering, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and
- (b) The amendment or waiver does not materially impair the interests of beneficial owners of the Securities, as determined and certified to the Issuer by an underwriter, financial advisor, bond counsel or trustee.

In the event this Disclosure Certificate is amended for any reason other than to cure any ambiguities, inconsistencies, or typographical errors that may be contained herein, the Issuer agrees the next Annual Report it submits after such amendment shall include an explanation of the reasons for the amendment and the impact of the change, if any, on the type of financial statements or operating data being provided.

If the amendment concerns the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, then the Issuer agrees that it will give an event notice and that the next Annual Report it submits after such amendment will include a comparison between financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Disclosure Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 10. Default. (a) Except as described in the Final Official Statement, in the previous five years, the Issuer has not failed to comply in all material respects with any previous undertakings under the Rule to provide annual reports or notices of events.

(b) In the event of a failure of the Issuer to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate any holder of the Securities may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer to comply with its obligations under the Resolution and this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default with respect to the Securities and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Issuer to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

<u>Section 11. Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Participating Underwriters and holders from time to time of the Securities, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this Certificate in our official capacities effective the 9th day of April, 2024.

	Joseph D. Coenen Chairperson
(SEAL)	
	Cynthia Sieracki
	Town Clerk-Treasurer

### **APPENDIX C**

**FORM OF LEGAL OPINION** 

### Quarles & Brady LLP 411 East Wisconsin Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53202

April 9, 2024

Re: Town of Buchanan, Wisconsin ("Issuer") \$1,850,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, dated April 9, 2024 ("Notes")

We have acted as bond counsel to the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Notes. In such capacity, we have examined such law and such certified proceedings, certifications, and other documents as we have deemed necessary to render this opinion.

Regarding questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied on the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials and others furnished to us without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

The Notes are numbered from R-1 and upward; bear interest at the rates set forth below; and mature on March 1 of each year, in the years and principal amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	Principal Amount	Interest Rate
2025	\$145,000	4.00%
2026	500,000	4.00
2027	130,000	4.00
2028	135,000	4.00
2029	140,000	4.00
2030	145,000	4.00
2031	155,000	4.00
2032	160,000	4.00
2033	165,000	4.00
2034	175,000	4.00

Interest is payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 of each year commencing on March 1, 2025.

The Notes maturing on March 1, 2032 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Issuer, on March 1, 2031 or on any date thereafter. Said Notes are redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the Issuer, and within each maturity, by lot, at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

We further certify that we have examined a sample of the Notes and find the same to be in proper form.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, it is our opinion under existing law that:

- 1. The Notes have been duly authorized and executed by the Issuer and are valid and binding general obligations of the Issuer.
- 2. All the taxable property in the territory of the Issuer is subject to the levy of <u>ad valorem</u> taxes to pay principal of, and interest on, the Notes, without limitation as to rate or amount. The Issuer is required by law to include in its annual tax levy the principal and interest coming due on the Notes except to the extent that necessary funds have been irrevocably deposited into the debt service fund account established for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes.
- 3. The interest on the Notes is excludable for federal income tax purposes from the gross income of the owners of the Notes. The interest on the Notes is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") on individuals; however, interest on the Notes is taken into account in determining "adjusted financial statement income" for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on Applicable Corporations (as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code). The Code contains requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Notes in order for interest on the Notes to be or continue to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with certain of those requirements could cause the interest on the Notes to be included in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Notes. The Issuer has agreed to comply with all of those requirements. The opinion set forth in the first sentence of this paragraph is subject to the condition that the Issuer comply with those requirements. We express no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Notes.

We express no opinion regarding the accuracy, adequacy, or completeness of the Official Statement or any other offering material relating to the Notes. Further, we express no opinion regarding tax consequences arising with respect to the Notes other than as expressly set forth herein.

The rights of the owners of the Notes and the enforceability thereof may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws affecting creditors' rights and may be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity, whether considered at law or in equity.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may hereafter come to our attention, or any changes in law that may hereafter occur.

QUARLES & BRADY LLP