



Audit Summary

December 31, 2015

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Auditors' Report on the Financial Statements

- Issued an "Unmodified" or "Clean Opinion"
 - Financial statements are presented fairly with generally accepted accounting principles
- Referenced other reports issued
 - Report on internal control and compliance in accordance to "*Government Auditing Standards*"
 - We tested internal controls to ensure controls are effective
 - We included findings related to internal controls in our report



What Is Included In The Financial Statement Audit?

- All departments, funds and elected officials
- Development Authority as of December 31, 2015
- Relied on another independent auditor's report for the Department of Public Health as of June 30, 2015





Comments on Income Statements General Fund

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- Revenues exceeded expenditures by \$589 thousand
- Revenues increased 13% from prior year
 - Capital lease proceeds increased \$565 thousand
 - Intergovernmental (Grants) increased \$1.2 million
 - Transfer from E911 \$578 thousand
- Overall revenues under final budget \$259 thousand
 - Intergovernmental (Grants)

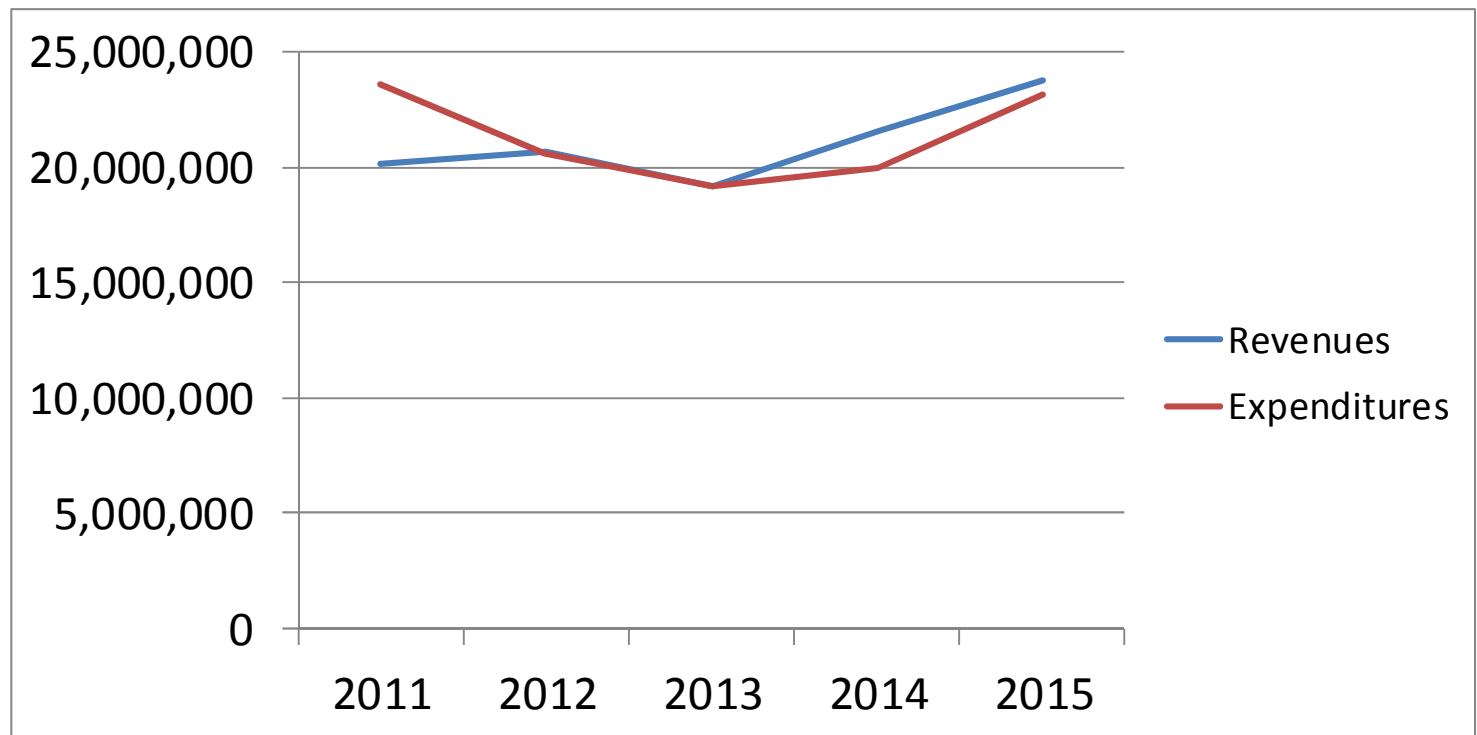


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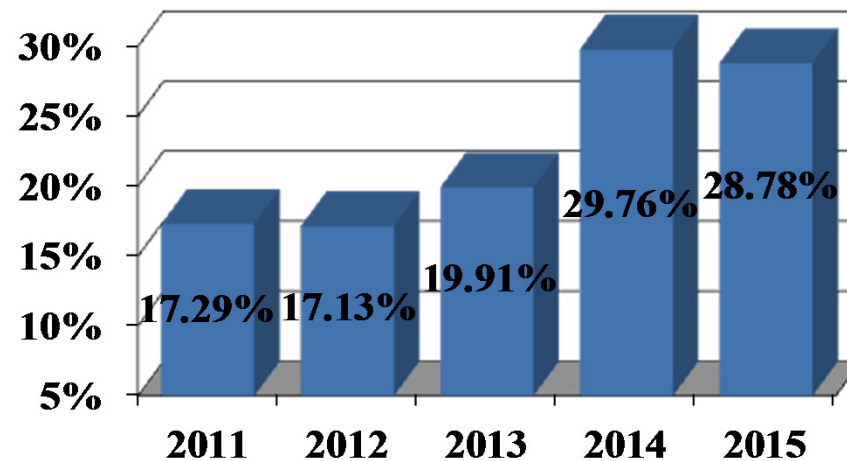
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- Expenditures remained in line compared to 2014 expenditures
- Overall expenditures were below final budget \$848 thousand
 - Contingencies budgeted in the amount of \$363 thousand, but not spent
 - Judicial under budget \$330 thousand primarily due to salaries recorded in other funds
 - Public works under budget \$133 thousand mainly due to gravel

Ratio of Revenues to Expenditures General Fund



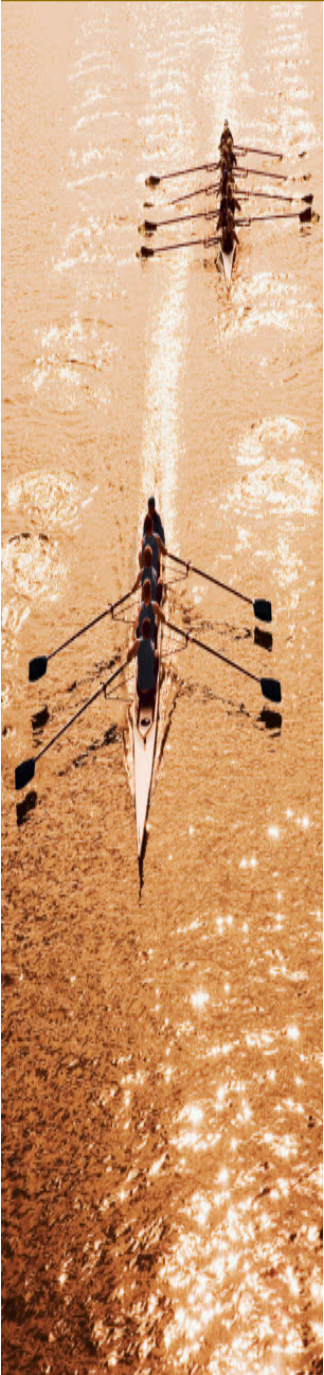
Unreserved, Unassigned Fund Balance/Prior Year Operating Expenditures



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- Collected \$4 million in revenues
- \$3.4 million spent during 2015
 - Paid for various County Projects





Long-Term Debt Governmental Activities

- Long-term debt of \$2 million
 - Notes Payable \$1.2 million
 - Community Center – interest 3.0%
 - \$1.2 million at 12/31/2015
 - Matures FY 2019
 - State Patrol Headquarters – interest 5.79%
 - Paid off during 2015
 - Matures FY 2015
 - Capital leases \$893 thousand
 - Matures FY 2019



Long-Term Debt Governmental Activities

- \$9.6 million is average G.O. debt for counties of similar size:
 - 2014 Fiscal Planning Guide prepared by DCA
 - Similar size based upon populations from 25,000 to 49,999
 - Counties included in this group:
 - Chattooga County
 - Habersham County
 - Gilmer County
 - Lumpkin County
 - Murray County
 - White County



Business-Type Activities Water Fund

- Operating income of \$47 thousand
 - Includes depreciation costs of \$606 thousand
 - Does not include debt service payments of \$650 thousand
- Long Term Debt \$7 million
 - Bonds payable \$7.7 million
 - Water-line infrastructure acquisition and construction
 - Interest rate 2.35%
 - Matures 2029



Business-Type Activities Airport Authority

- Operating loss of \$63 thousand
 - Includes depreciation costs of \$83 thousand
 - Does not include debt service payments of \$131 thousand
- Long Term Debt \$4 million
 - Bonds payable \$4 million
 - Airport taxiway construction
 - Interest rate 3.25%.
 - Matures 2029

Other Issues

- GASB Statement No. 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*
 - Effective for fiscal year 2015
- Pension liability accrued at the entity wide level for the first time
- Net pension liability as of 12/31/2015 was \$2.7 million



Questions???



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