

**TOWN OF BANNER ELK
NORTH CAROLINA**

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Mayor and
Members of the Town Council
Town of Banner Elk, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Banner Elk, North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Banner Elk's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Town of Banner Elk Tourism Development Authority. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Town of Banner Elk Tourism Development Authority, is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The financial statements for the Town of Banner Elk Tourism Development Authority were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit and the report of the other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, based upon our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Banner Elk, North Carolina, as of June 30, 2010, the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable thereof, and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 12, 2010, on our consideration of the Town of Banner Elk's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over final reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and Other Post-Employment Benefit Required Supplementary Information are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion thereon.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Town of Banner Elk, North Carolina. The budget to actual comparison statements for major funds, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A.

Martin Starnes & Associates, CPAs, P.A.
November 22, 2010

Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town of Banner Elk, we offer readers of the Town of Banner Elk's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Banner Elk for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. We encourage readers to read the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the Town's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

Financial Highlights

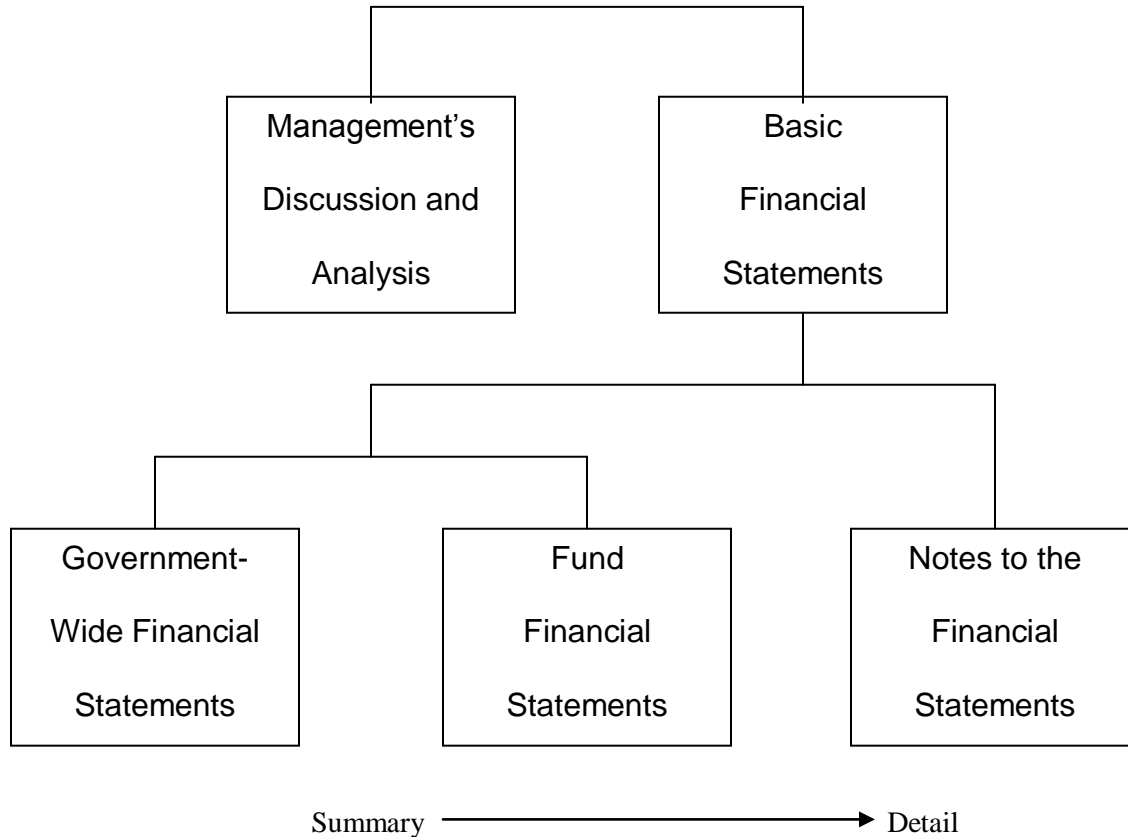
- The assets of the Town of Banner Elk exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by \$6,914,370 (*net assets*).
- The government's total net assets increased by \$23,141, primarily due to governmental related activities.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town of Banner Elk's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,522,750 an increase of \$32,567 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 89 percent of this total amount, or \$1,362,630, is available for spending at the government's discretion (*unreserved fund balance*). The majority of this amount \$882,206, is reported in a capital project fund.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$417,093, or 30 percent of total General Fund expenditures and transfers out for the fiscal year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to Town of Banner Elk's basic financial statements. The Town's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements (see Figure 1). The basic financial statements present two different views of the Town through the use of government-wide statements and fund financial statements. In addition to the basic financial statements, this report contains other supplemental information that will enhance the reader's understanding of the financial condition of the Town of Banner Elk.

Required Components of Annual Financial Report

Figure 1



Basic Financial Statements

The first two statements (Exhibits A and B) in the basic financial statements are the **Government-Wide Financial Statements**. They provide both short and long-term information about the Town's financial status.

The next statements (Exhibits C through H) are **Fund Financial Statements**. These statements focus on the activities of the individual parts of the Town's government. These statements provide more detail than the government-wide statements. There are three parts to the Fund Financial Statements: 1) the governmental funds statements; 2) the budgetary comparison statements; and 3) the proprietary fund statements.

The next section of the basic financial statements is the **notes**. The notes to the financial statements explain in detail some of the data contained in those statements. After the notes, **supplemental information** is provided to show details about the Town's individual funds. Budgetary information required by the General Statutes also can be found in this part of the statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the Town's finances, similar in format to a financial statement of a private-sector business. The government-wide statements provide short and long-term information about the Town's financial status as a whole.

The two government-wide statements report the Town's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets are the difference between the Town's total assets and total liabilities. Measuring net assets is one way to gauge the Town's financial condition.

The government-wide statements are divided into three categories: 1) governmental activities; 2) business-type activities; and 3) component units. The governmental activities include most of the Town's basic services such as public safety, parks and recreation, and general administration. Property taxes and federal and State grant funds finance most of these activities. The business-type activities are those that the Town charges customers to provide. These include the water and sewer services offered by the Town of Banner Elk. The final category is the component unit. Although legally separate from the Town, the TDA is important to the Town because the Town exercises control over the Authority by appointing its members.

The government-wide financial statements are on Exhibits A and B of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements (see Figure 1) provide a more detailed look at the Town's most significant activities. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town of Banner Elk, like all other governmental entities in North Carolina, uses fund accounting to ensure and reflect compliance (or non-compliance) with finance-related legal requirements, such as the General Statutes or the Town's budget ordinance. All of the funds of Town of Banner Elk can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and proprietary funds.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are used to account for those functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Most of the Town's basic services are accounted for in governmental funds. These funds focus on how assets can readily be converted into cash flow in and out and what monies are left at year-end that will be available for spending in the next year. Governmental funds are reported using an accounting method called *modified accrual accounting* which provides a short-term spending focus. As a result, the governmental fund financial statements give the reader a detailed short-term view that helps him or her determine if there are more or less financial resources available to finance the Town's programs. The relationship between government activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is described in a reconciliation that is a part of the fund financial statements.

The Town of Banner Elk adopts an annual budget for its General Fund, as required by the General Statutes. The budget is a legally adopted document that incorporates input from the citizens of the Town, the management of the Town, and the decisions of the Board about which services to provide and how to pay for them. It also authorizes the Town to obtain funds from identified sources to finance these current period activities. The budgetary statement provided for the General Fund demonstrates how well the Town complied with the budget ordinance and whether or not the Town succeeded in providing the services as planned when the budget was adopted. The budgetary comparison statement uses the budgetary basis of accounting and is presented using the same format, language, and classifications as the legal budget document. The statement shows four columns: 1) the original budget as adopted by the Board; 2) the final budget as amended by the Board; 3) the actual resources, charges to appropriations, and ending balances in the General Fund; and 4) the difference or variance between the final budget and the actual resources and charges. To account for the difference between the budgetary basis of accounting and the modified accrual basis, a reconciliation showing the differences in the reported activities is shown at the end of the budgetary statement.

Proprietary Funds – Town of Banner Elk has one proprietary fund. *Enterprise Funds* are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Town of Banner Elk uses enterprise funds to account for its water and sewer activity. These funds are the same as those functions shown in the business-type activities in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities.

Notes to the Financial Statements – The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements begin on page 23 of this report.

Other Information – Combining and individual fund statements and schedules can be found beginning on page 43 of this report.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Town of Banner Elk's Net Assets

Figure 2

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 1,561,064	\$ 1,615,148	\$ 191,116	\$ 325,907	\$ 1,752,180	\$ 1,941,055
Capital assets	1,712,078	1,746,896	4,514,219	4,296,368	6,226,297	6,043,264
Total assets	<u>3,273,142</u>	<u>3,362,044</u>	<u>4,705,335</u>	<u>4,622,275</u>	<u>7,978,477</u>	<u>7,984,319</u>
Long-term liabilities outstanding	330,540	347,832	685,472	638,569	1,016,012	986,401
Other liabilities	32,436	46,947	38,800	36,601	71,236	83,548
Total liabilities	<u>362,976</u>	<u>394,779</u>	<u>724,272</u>	<u>675,170</u>	<u>1,087,248</u>	<u>1,069,949</u>
Net assets:						
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,426,995	1,465,223	3,846,219	3,678,368	5,273,214	5,143,591
Restricted	42,066	65,641	-	-	42,066	65,641
Unrestricted	<u>1,441,105</u>	<u>1,436,401</u>	<u>134,844</u>	<u>268,737</u>	<u>1,575,949</u>	<u>1,705,138</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 2,910,166</u>	<u>\$ 2,967,265</u>	<u>\$ 3,981,063</u>	<u>\$ 3,947,105</u>	<u>\$ 6,891,229</u>	<u>\$ 6,914,370</u>

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as one useful indicator of a government's financial condition. The assets of the Town of Banner Elk exceeded liabilities by \$6,914,370 as of June 30, 2010. The Town's net assets increased by \$23,141 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. However, the largest portion (74%) reflects the Town's investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt still outstanding that was issued to acquire those items. The Town of Banner Elk uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town of Banner Elk's investment in its capital assets is reported net of the outstanding related debt, the resources needed to repay that debt must be provided by other sources, since the capital assets cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. An additional portion of the Town of Banner Elk's net assets \$65,641 (<1%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$1,705,138 is unrestricted.

Several particular aspects of the Town's financial operations positively influenced the total unrestricted governmental net assets:

- Continued diligence in the collection of property taxes by maintaining a tax collection percentage of 96%.
- Property values within the town limits continued to increase as a result of further residential development.

Town of Banner Elk Changes in Net Assets

Figure 3

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 255,093	\$ 56,726	\$ 771,416	\$ 664,960	\$ 1,026,509	\$ 721,686
Operating grants and contributions	183,433	200,178	-	-	183,433	200,178
Capital grants and contributions	18,700	15,500	-	-	18,700	15,500
General revenues:						
Property taxes	911,614	912,637	-	-	911,614	912,637
Other taxes	392,236	369,414	-	-	392,236	369,414
Investment earnings	23,210	3,920	2,768	989	25,978	4,909
Total revenues	<u>1,784,286</u>	<u>1,558,375</u>	<u>774,184</u>	<u>665,949</u>	<u>2,558,470</u>	<u>2,224,324</u>
Expenses:						
General government	418,954	429,176	-	-	418,954	429,176
Public safety	654,709	778,341	-	-	654,709	778,341
Transportation	165,069	186,073	-	-	165,069	186,073
Environmental protection	84,903	(2,207)	-	-	84,903	(2,207)
Culture and recreation	85,542	96,707	-	-	85,542	96,707
Interest on long-term debt	13,337	13,186	-	-	13,337	13,186
Water and sewer	-	-	916,518	699,907	916,518	699,907
Total expenses	<u>1,422,514</u>	<u>1,501,276</u>	<u>916,518</u>	<u>699,907</u>	<u>2,339,032</u>	<u>2,201,183</u>
Increase in net assets before transfers	361,772	57,099	(142,334)	(33,958)	219,438	23,141
Transfers	(76,103)	-	76,103	-	-	-
Increase in net assets	285,669	57,099	(66,231)	(33,958)	219,438	23,141
Net assets, July 1	<u>2,624,497</u>	<u>2,910,166</u>	<u>4,047,294</u>	<u>3,981,063</u>	<u>6,671,791</u>	<u>6,891,229</u>
Net assets, June 30	<u>\$ 2,910,166</u>	<u>\$ 2,967,265</u>	<u>\$ 3,981,063</u>	<u>\$ 3,947,105</u>	<u>\$ 6,891,229</u>	<u>\$ 6,914,370</u>

Governmental Activities. Governmental activities increased the Town's net assets by \$57,099. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

- Property tax revenues increased due to factors previously discussed.

Business-Type Activities: Business-type activities decreased the Town of Banner Elk's net assets by \$33,958. Key elements of this decrease are as follows:

- The purchase of water and sewer equipment

Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds

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

Governmental Funds. The focus of the Town of Banner Elk's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of usable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town of Banner Elk's financing requirements. Specifically, unreserved fund balance can be a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Town of Banner Elk. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the General Fund was \$417,093, while total fund balance reached \$577,213. The unreserved fund balance decreased \$8,592 (2%) from 2009, and the total fund balance increased \$5,493 (1%) from 2009. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 30 percent of total General Fund expenditures, (compared to 32% in 2009), while total fund balance represents 42 percent of that same amount (compared to 42% in 2009).

At June 30, 2010, the governmental funds of Town of Banner Elk reported a combined fund balance of \$1,522,750, a 2% percent increase over last year. Included in this change in fund balance are a increase in the General Fund of \$5,493, an increase in the Capital Project funds of \$27,444 and a net decrease in other nonmajor funds of \$370.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights: During the fiscal year, the Town revised the budget on several occasions. Generally, budget amendments fall into one of three categories: 1) amendments made to adjust the estimates that are used to prepare the original budget ordinance once exact information is available; 2) amendments made to recognize new funding amounts from external sources, such as federal and State grants; and 3) increases in appropriations that become necessary to maintain services.

Revenues were lower than the budgeted amounts primarily because local option sales tax revenue was lower than originally expected. Also, expenditures were held below the budgeted amounts and the Town was able to increase its fund balance.

Proprietary Funds. The Town of Banner Elk's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements but in more detail. Unrestricted net assets of the Water and Sewer Fund at the end of the fiscal year amounted to \$268,737. The change in net assets was a decrease of \$33,958. Other factors concerning the finances of the fund have already been addressed in the discussion of the Town of Banner Elk's business-type activities.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The Town of Banner Elk's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2010 totals \$6,043,264 (net of accumulated depreciation). These assets include buildings, roads and bridges, land, machinery and equipment, park facilities, and vehicles.

Major capital asset transactions during the year include the following additions (there were no significant demolitions or disposals):

- Governmental infrastructure \$79,491
- Governmental equipment \$34,726
- Water/Sewer plant \$19,290

Town of Banner Elk's Capital Assets

Figure 4

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
Land	\$ 223,019	\$ 223,019	\$ 23,466	\$ 23,466	\$ 246,485	\$ 246,485
Construction in progress	-	3,497	1,500	1,500	1,500	4,997
Infrastructure	980,309	1,059,800	-	-	980,309	1,059,800
Buildings	514,979	514,979	-	-	514,979	514,979
Plant	-	-	6,582,075	6,601,365	6,582,075	6,601,365
Equipment and furniture	492,696	527,422	527,752	531,784	1,020,448	1,059,206
Total	2,211,003	2,328,717	7,134,793	7,158,115	9,345,796	9,486,832
Less accumulated depreciation	(498,925)	(581,821)	(2,620,575)	(2,861,747)	(3,119,500)	(3,443,568)
Net capital assets	<u>\$ 1,712,078</u>	<u>\$ 1,746,896</u>	<u>\$ 4,514,218</u>	<u>\$ 4,296,368</u>	<u>\$ 6,226,296</u>	<u>\$ 6,043,264</u>

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in note 2A of the Basic Financial Statements.

Long-Term Debt. As of June 30, 2010, the Town of Banner Elk had total bonded debt outstanding of \$618,000. Of this, \$618,000 is debt backed by the full faith and credit of the Town.

**Town of Banner Elk’s Outstanding Debt
General Obligation Bonds and Other Long-Term Liabilities**

Figure 5

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 668,000	\$ 618,000	\$ 668,000	\$ 618,000
Compensated absences	45,457	48,077	17,472	20,569	62,929	68,646
Other post employment benefits	-	18,082	-	-	-	-
Installment purchases	<u>285,083</u>	<u>281,673</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>285,083</u>	<u>281,673</u>
Total	<u>\$ 330,540</u>	<u>\$ 347,832</u>	<u>\$ 685,472</u>	<u>\$ 638,569</u>	<u>\$ 1,016,012</u>	<u>\$ 986,401</u>

The Town of Banner Elk’s total debt decreased by \$29,611 (3%) during the past fiscal year, due to the scheduled repayment of existing debt in the Governmental Funds and the Water and Sewer Fund.

North Carolina General Statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt that a unit of government can issue to 8 percent of the total assessed value of taxable property located within that government’s boundaries. The legal debt margin for Town of Banner Elk is \$18,208,779.

Additional information regarding the Town of Banner Elk’s long-term debt can be found in note 2A of the basic financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year’s Budgets and Rates

The following key economic indicators reflect the stability and prosperity of the Town:

- Tourism continues to be a source of strength for the town during the current year.
- Housing construction activity continues but has fallen off historical highs.

Budget Highlights for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2011

Governmental Activities: Property tax revenues are expected to increase from the prior year due to revaluation of assessed values and continued growth in land development. State shared revenues are expected to decrease due to economic factors severely impacting the State’s budget.

Budgeted expenditures in the General Fund are expected to decrease due to the continuing economic factors and to build reserves.

Business–Type Activities: The water and sewer revenues in the Town will remain flat. General operating expenses are expected to decrease due to cost saving measures instituted.

Capital outlays relating to the Water and Sewer Fund are expected to decrease due to continuing economic factors and the need to build reserves for future growth.

Requests for Information

This report is designed to provide an overview of the Town’s finances for those with an interest in this area. Questions concerning any of the information found in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the Director of Finance, Town of Banner Elk, P.O. Box 2049, Banner Elk, North Carolina 28604.

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2010

	Primary Government			Town of Banner Elk Tourism Development Commission
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,464,932	\$ 172,458	\$ 1,637,390	\$ 136,767
Taxes receivable, net	44,656	-	44,656	-
Accounts receivable, net	1,396	124,969	126,365	-
Due from other governments	104,164	2,313	106,477	821
Inventories	-	26,167	26,167	-
Capital assets, non-depreciable	226,516	24,966	251,482	-
Capital assets, net	<u>1,520,380</u>	<u>4,271,402</u>	<u>5,791,782</u>	<u>-</u>
Total assets	<u>3,362,044</u>	<u>4,622,275</u>	<u>7,984,319</u>	<u>137,588</u>
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	45,407	585	45,992	10,046
Unearned revenues	1,540	1,490	3,030	-
Customer deposits	-	34,526	34,526	-
Long-term liabilities:				
Due within one year	27,607	57,142	84,749	-
Due in more than one year	<u>320,225</u>	<u>581,427</u>	<u>901,652</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	<u>394,779</u>	<u>675,170</u>	<u>1,069,949</u>	<u>10,046</u>
Net Assets:				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,465,223	3,678,368	5,143,591	-
Restricted for:				
Streets	65,641	-	65,641	-
Unrestricted	<u>1,436,401</u>	<u>268,737</u>	<u>1,705,138</u>	<u>127,542</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 2,967,265</u>	<u>\$ 3,947,105</u>	<u>\$ 6,914,370</u>	<u>\$ 127,542</u>

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

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Program Revenues</u>			
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>
Functions/Programs:				
Primary Government:				
Governmental Activities:				
General government	\$ 429,176	\$ 14,203	\$ 7,616	\$ -
Public safety	729,831	34,088	130,341	-
Public works	48,510	-	-	15,500
Transportation	186,073	-	62,221	-
Environmental protection	(2,207)	413	-	-
Cultural and recreation	96,707	8,022	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	13,186	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>1,501,276</u>	<u>56,726</u>	<u>200,178</u>	<u>15,500</u>
Business-Type Activities:				
Water and sewer	699,907	664,960	-	-
Total business-type activities	<u>699,907</u>	<u>664,960</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 2,201,183</u>	<u>\$ 721,686</u>	<u>\$ 200,178</u>	<u>\$ 15,500</u>
Component Unit				
Tourism Development Authority (TDA)	<u>\$ 203,003</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

General Revenues:
 Ad valorem taxes
 Local option sales tax
 Other taxes
 Investment earnings
 Total general revenues

Change in net assets

Net Assets:

Beginning of year - July 1

End of year - June 30

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Exhibit B

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets

Primary Government			Banner Elk Tourism Development Authority
Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	
\$ (407,357)	\$ -	\$ (407,357)	\$ -
(565,402)	-	(565,402)	-
(33,010)	-	(33,010)	-
(123,852)	-	(123,852)	-
2,620	-	2,620	-
(88,685)	-	(88,685)	-
(13,186)	-	(13,186)	-
<u>(1,228,872)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,228,872)</u>	<u>-</u>
-	(34,947)	(34,947)	-
-	(34,947)	(34,947)	-
<u>(1,228,872)</u>	<u>(34,947)</u>	<u>(1,263,819)</u>	<u>-</u>
			(203,003)
912,637	-	912,637	-
255,571	-	255,571	-
113,843	-	113,843	128,861
3,920	989	4,909	2,499
<u>1,285,971</u>	<u>989</u>	<u>1,286,960</u>	<u>131,360</u>
57,099	(33,958)	23,141	(71,643)
<u>2,910,166</u>	<u>3,981,063</u>	<u>6,891,229</u>	<u>199,185</u>
<u>\$ 2,967,265</u>	<u>\$ 3,947,105</u>	<u>\$ 6,914,370</u>	<u>\$ 127,542</u>

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2010

	<u>Major Funds</u>			<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Improvement Capital Project Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Funds</u>	
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 529,681	\$ 872,012	\$ 63,239	\$ 1,464,932
Taxes receivable, net	44,656	-	-	44,656
Accounts receivable, net	1,396	-	-	1,396
Due from other governments	93,878	10,194	92	104,164
Total assets	<u>\$ 669,611</u>	<u>\$ 882,206</u>	<u>\$ 63,331</u>	<u>\$ 1,615,148</u>
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 45,407	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,407
Deferred revenue	46,991	-	-	46,991
Total liabilities	<u>92,398</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>92,398</u>
Fund Balances:				
Reserved for State statute	94,479	-	-	94,479
Reserved for streets - Powell Bill	65,641	-	-	65,641
Unreserved, General Fund	417,093	-	-	417,093
Unreserved, reported in:				
Special revenue funds	-	-	29,542	29,542
Capital projects funds	-	882,206	33,789	915,995
Total fund balances	<u>577,213</u>	<u>882,206</u>	<u>63,331</u>	1,522,750
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 669,611</u>	<u>\$ 882,206</u>	<u>\$ 63,331</u>	

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	1,746,896
Deferred revenues in the governmental funds are used to offset accounts receivable not expected to be received within 90 days of year-end. These receivables are a component of net assets in the Statement of Net Assets.	45,451
Long-term liabilities and compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	<u>(347,832)</u>
Net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$ 2,967,265</u>

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TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	Major Funds			Total Governmental Funds
	General	Capital Improvement Capital Project Fund	Nonmajor Funds	
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 905,631	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 905,631
Other taxes and licenses	4,295	-	-	4,295
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	365,119	-	-	365,119
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	191,678	-	-	191,678
Permits and fees	4,328	-	-	4,328
Sales and services	7,145	-	18,855	26,000
Interest earned on investments	2,280	1,640	-	3,920
Miscellaneous	44,913	-	5,485	50,398
Total revenues	<u>1,525,389</u>	<u>1,640</u>	<u>24,340</u>	<u>1,551,369</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government	440,255	-	-	440,255
Public safety	683,011	28,654	24,523	736,188
Public works	-	48,510	-	48,510
Transportation	156,872	-	187	157,059
Environmental protection	(2,207)	-	-	(2,207)
Cultural and recreation	87,773	34,628	-	122,401
Debt service:				
Principal repayments	3,410	-	-	3,410
Interest	13,186	-	-	13,186
Total expenditures	<u>1,382,300</u>	<u>111,792</u>	<u>24,710</u>	<u>1,518,802</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>143,089</u>	<u>(110,152)</u>	<u>(370)</u>	<u>32,567</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers from other funds	-	137,596	-	137,596
Transfers to other funds	<u>(137,596)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(137,596)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(137,596)</u>	<u>137,596</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	5,493	27,444	(370)	32,567
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>571,720</u>	<u>854,762</u>	<u>63,701</u>	<u>1,490,183</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 577,213</u>	<u>\$ 882,206</u>	<u>\$ 63,331</u>	<u>\$ 1,522,750</u>

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TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Exhibit B) are different due to the following items:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit D)	\$ 32,567
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Exhibit D reports revenues using a current financial resources basis, which generally means revenue is recognized when collected or is expected to be collected within 60 days of year-end. Exhibit B reports revenues when the earning process is complete, regardless of when it is collected. This measurement difference causes timing of revenue recognition differences for the following revenue types:

Property taxes	7,006
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Expenses related to compensated absences and law enforcement officers' separation allowance that do not require current financial resources are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement.	(20,702)
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Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, capital outlay is not an expense, rather it is an increase in capital assets.	117,714
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Depreciation expense allocates the costs of capital assets over their useful lives. It is not reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds statements.	(82,896)
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Principal repayments are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds statement. However, in the Statement of Activities, these transactions are not an expense, rather they are a decrease in liabilities.	<u>3,410</u>
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Change in net assets of governmental activities per Exhibit B	<u>\$ 57,099</u>
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TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

**GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 938,286	\$ 938,286	\$ 905,631	\$ (32,655)
Other taxes and licenses	2,000	2,000	4,295	2,295
Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues	383,896	383,896	365,119	(18,777)
Restricted intergovernmental revenues	184,700	184,700	191,678	6,978
Permits and fees	4,000	4,000	4,328	328
Sales and services	6,515	6,515	7,145	630
Interest earned on investments	8,500	8,500	2,280	(6,220)
Miscellaneous	17,750	17,750	44,913	27,163
Total revenues	<u>1,545,647</u>	<u>1,545,647</u>	<u>1,525,389</u>	<u>(20,258)</u>
Expenditures:				
General government	431,294	431,294	440,255	(8,961)
Public safety	690,735	690,735	683,011	7,724
Transportation	158,148	158,148	156,872	1,276
Environmental protection	-	-	(2,207)	2,207
Cultural and recreation	94,132	94,132	87,773	6,359
Debt service	3,250	3,250	3,410	(160)
Interest and other charges	-	-	13,186	(13,186)
Total expenditures	<u>1,377,559</u>	<u>1,377,559</u>	<u>1,382,300</u>	<u>(4,741)</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>168,088</u>	<u>168,088</u>	<u>143,089</u>	<u>(24,999)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers to other funds	<u>(168,088)</u>	<u>(168,088)</u>	<u>(137,596)</u>	<u>30,492</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(168,088)</u>	<u>(168,088)</u>	<u>(137,596)</u>	<u>30,492</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>5,493</u>	<u>\$ 5,493</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1			<u>571,720</u>	
End of year - June 30			<u>\$ 577,213</u>	

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TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
 PROPRIETARY FUND
 JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Water and Sewer Fund</u>
Assets:	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 172,458
Accounts receivable, net	124,969
Due from other governments	2,313
Inventory	26,167
Total current assets	<u>325,907</u>
Capital assets:	
Land	23,466
Construction in progress	1,500
Other capital assets, net	4,271,402
Total capital assets	<u>4,296,368</u>
Total assets	<u>4,622,275</u>
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	585
Customer deposits	34,526
Unearned revenues	1,490
Compensated absences - current	5,142
Current portion of long-tem debt	52,000
Total current liabilities	<u>93,743</u>
Non-current liabilities:	
Compensated absences	15,427
Notes and bonds payable	566,000
Total non-current liabilities	<u>581,427</u>
Total liabilities	<u>675,170</u>
Net Assets:	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	3,678,368
Unrestricted	268,737
Total net assets	<u>\$ 3,947,105</u>

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TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	<u>Water and Sewer Fund</u>
Operating Revenues:	
Charges for services	\$ 603,361
Water and sewer taps	6,454
Other operating revenues	<u>55,145</u>
Total operating revenues	<u>664,960</u>
Operating Expenses:	
Water/sewer operations	433,486
Depreciation	<u>241,171</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>674,657</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(9,697)</u>
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):	
Investment earnings	989
Interest and other charges	<u>(25,250)</u>
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>(24,261)</u>
Income (loss) before transfers	<u>(33,958)</u>
Change in net assets	(33,958)
Net Assets:	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>3,981,063</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 3,947,105</u>

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TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	<u>Water and Sewer Fund</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Cash received from customers	\$ 635,360
Cash paid for goods and services	(201,457)
Cash paid to employees	<u>(222,509)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>211,394</u>
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:	
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(23,320)
Principal paid on long-term debt	(50,000)
Interest and other charges	<u>(25,250)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities	<u>(98,570)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:	
Interest received	<u>989</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and investments	<u>113,813</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents:	
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>58,645</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 172,458</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (9,697)
Depreciation and amortization	241,171
Change in assets and liabilities:	
Increase (decrease) in accounts receivables	(20,978)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(1,666)
Increase (decrease) in customer deposits and unearned revenues	(533)
Increase (decrease) in accrued vacation pay	<u>3,097</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	<u>\$ 211,394</u>

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

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Town of Banner Elk, North Carolina, (the "Town") conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation that is governed by an elected mayor and a five-member council. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Town and its component unit, a legally separate entity for which the Town is financially accountable. The discretely presented component unit presented below is reported in a separate column in the Town's financial statements in order to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Town.

Town of Banner Elk Tourism Development Authority (TDA)

The members of the TDA's governing board are appointed by the Town. The TDA Board, which has a June 30 year-end, is presented as if it were a proprietary fund. Complete financial statements for the TDA Board may be obtained from the entity's administrative offices at Town of Banner Elk TDA, PO Box 2049, Banner Elk, North Carolina 28604.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (Exhibit A - Statement of Net Assets, and Exhibit B -Statement of Activities) report information on all of the activities of the primary government and its component unit. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements in all material areas. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is 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 or segment. 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*. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental and enterprise funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

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

The General Fund, Capital Improvement Capital Project Fund, and Water and Sewer Fund are the major funds of the Town for the year ended June 30, 2010.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The basis of accounting determines when the revenues and expenditures or expenses and the related assets and liabilities are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. All funds of the Town are accounted for during the year using the modified accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the North Carolina General Statutes. The financial statements are reported at year-end as discussed below.

Government-Wide and Enterprise Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide and the enterprise funds financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. Net assets are segregated into (1) investment in capital assets, net of related debt, (2) restricted net assets, and (3) unrestricted net assets. Operating statements for these funds present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Town's Enterprise Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. The Town also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Long-term debt issued and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

The Town considers all revenues available if they are collected within 90 days after year-end, except for property taxes. Ad valorem taxes receivable are not accrued as revenue because the amount is not susceptible to accrual. At June 30, taxes receivable are materially past due and are not considered to be an available resource to finance the operations of the subsequent year. Also, as of January 1, 1993, State law altered the procedures for the assessment and collection of property taxes on registered motor vehicles in North Carolina. Effective with this change in the law, Avery County is responsible for billing and collecting the property taxes on registered motor vehicles on behalf of all municipalities and special tax districts in the County, including the Town of Banner Elk. For motor vehicles registered, property taxes are due the first day of the fourth month after the vehicles are registered. The billed taxes are applicable to the fiscal year in which they become due. Therefore, the Town's vehicle taxes for vehicles registered in the Town of Banner Elk from March 2009 through February 2010 apply to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. Uncollected taxes which were billed during this period are shown as a receivable in these financial statements and are offset by deferred revenue.

Sales taxes collected and held by the State at year-end on behalf of the government are susceptible to accrual and are recognized as revenue. Other revenue considered susceptible to accrual includes grant revenue in which related expenditures have already been incurred, interest revenue and charges for services. Licenses, fines, permits, and other revenues are not susceptible to accrual because they are generally not measurable until received in cash.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the Town funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the Town's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, then by general revenues.

All governmental and business-type activities and enterprise funds of the Town follow FASB Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins, unless those pronouncements conflict with GASB pronouncements

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

D. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The government uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts comprised of assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate.

Governmental Funds

General Fund. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund. The primary revenue sources are ad valorem taxes, State grants, and various other taxes and licenses. The primary expenditures are for public safety, street maintenance and construction, and sanitation services.

Capital Project Fund. The Capital Improvement Plan Fund is used to account for capital asset purchases and major construction projects of the Town, excluding streets, sidewalks, and water/sewer projects.

Capital Project Fund. The Streets and Sidewalk Fund is used to account for the construction and major maintenance of streets and sidewalks owned by the Town.

Police Special Revenue Fund. This fund is used to account for federal and State drug enforcement funds remitted to the Town that are restricted for the benefits of the police department.

Cops Golf Tournament Fund. This fund is used to account for the annual activity of the Cops Golf Tournament.

Proprietary Fund

Water and Sewer Fund. Enterprise funds account for those operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (b) where the governing body has decided that the periodical determination of revenues earned, expense incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes. The Water and Sewer Fund is the only enterprise fund of the Town.

Water and Sewer Improvement Plan. The Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Plan Fund is used to account for capital asset purchases and major construction projects of the Town's water and sewer activity.

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

E. Budgetary Data

The Town's budgets are adopted as required by the North Carolina General Statutes. An annual budget is adopted for the General Fund, Capital Improvement Plan Fund, Special Police Fund, Cops Golf Tournament Fund, Water and Sewer Fund, and Water and Sewer Improvement Plan Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at the fiscal year-end. A project ordinance is adopted for the streets and sidewalk fund. All budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the functional level for all annually budgeted governmental funds total expenditures for the Water and Sewer Fund and at the object level for the multi-year funds. Amendments are required for any revisions that alter total expenditures of any fund or that change functional appropriations by more than \$2,500. All amendments must be approved by the governing board. During the year, several immaterial amendments to the original budget were necessary. The budget ordinance must be adopted by July 1 of the fiscal year or the governing board must adopt an interim budget that covers that time until the annual ordinance can be adopted.

F. Assets, Liabilities, and Fund Equity

Deposits and Investments

All deposits of the Town are made in board-designated official depositories and are secured as required by State statutes. The Town may designate, as an official depository, any bank or savings association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the Town may establish time deposit accounts such as NOW and SuperNOW accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit.

State law [G.S. 159-30(c)] authorizes the Town to invest in obligations of the United States or obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States; obligations of the State of North Carolina; bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority; obligations of certain non-guaranteed federal agencies; certain high quality issues of commercial paper and bankers' acceptances and the North Carolina Capital Management Trust (NCCMT). The Town's investments are reported at fair value as determined by quoted market prices. The securities of the NCCMT-Cash Portfolio, an SEC-registered (2a-7) money market mutual fund, are valued at fair value, which is the NCCMT's share price. The NCCMT-Term Portfolio's securities are valued at fair value.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Town pools monies from several funds to facilitate disbursement and investment and to maximize investment income. Therefore, all cash and investments are essentially demand deposits and are considered cash and cash equivalents.

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Restricted Assets

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

Ad Valorem Taxes Receivable

In accordance with State law [G.S. 105-347 and G.S. 159-13(a)], the Town levies ad valorem taxes on property other than motor vehicles on July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. The taxes are due on September 1 (lien date); however, interest does not accrue until the following January 6. These taxes are based on the assessed values as of January 1, 2009.

Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

All receivables that historically experience uncollectible accounts are shown net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. This amount is estimated by analyzing the percentage of receivables that were written off in prior years.

Inventory and Prepaid Items

The inventories of the Town are valued at cost (first-in, first-out), which approximates market.

The inventories of the Town's enterprise funds consist of materials and supplies held for subsequent use. The costs of these inventories is expensed when consumed rather than when purchased.

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

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial, individual cost greater than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life greater than two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or significantly extend the asset's life are not capitalized.

The Town capitalizes interest costs which are incurred during the construction period of capital assets.

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In conjunction with implementing GASB 34, "The New Reporting Model", the Town began capitalizing public domain ("infrastructure") capital assets consisting of roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage systems, and lighting systems as of July 1, 2003. Infrastructure assets exceeding the Town's capitalization threshold of \$5,000 will be reported as capital assets in the Statement of Net Assets. General governmental infrastructure assets acquired prior to July 1, 2003 were not retroactively reported; therefore, the infrastructure capital assets in the Statement of Net Assets only include assets purchased after July 1, 2003.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives</u>
Infrastructure	50
Buildings and improvements	50
Furniture and equipment	10
Vehicles	5
Computer equipment	5

Compensated Absences

Town employees are granted vacation and sick leave in varying amounts. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated vacation days up to a maximum of thirty days. All vacation pay is accrued when earned in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. Vacation pay taken is relieved using the first-in-first-out method. The portion of that time that is estimated to be used in the next fiscal year has been designated as a current liability in the government-wide financial statements. The Town's sick leave policy provides for unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. Sick leave does not vest but any unused sick leave at the time of retirement may be used in the determination of length of service for retirement benefit purposes. In accordance with the provisions of Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards No. 16, Accounting for Compensated Absences, no liability is recorded for non-vesting accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits.

Deferred/Unearned Revenues

In the fund financial statements, ad valorem taxes receivable are not accrued as revenue because they are not considered to be both "measurable and available." Ad valorem taxes receivable that are measurable but not available are recorded as deferred revenue in the fund financial statements.

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In addition, property taxes collected in advance of the fiscal year to which they apply are also recorded as unearned revenue in the government-wide financial statements and deferred revenue in the fund financial statements. Certain receivables are also recorded as deferred revenue in the fund financial statements because they are not considered to be available at year-end.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt, and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or the proprietary fund type fund Statement of Net Assets. Debt issuance costs are recognized as other assets and amortized over the life of the debt using the effective interest method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognized bond premiums and discounts, as well as, debt issuance costs during the current period. The face amount of the debt 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 net proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Fund Balances

Reservations or restrictions of equity represent amounts that cannot be appropriated or are legally segregated for a specific purpose. Designations of equity represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

The governmental fund types classify fund balances as follows:

Reserved

Reserved by State Statute - portion of fund balance not available for appropriation under State statutes.

Reserved for Streets - portion of fund balance available for appropriation but legally segregated for street expenditures. This amount represents the balance of total unexpended Powell Bill funds.

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Interfund Transactions

Interfund services provided are accounted for as revenues or expenses in the government-wide financial statements, since they would be treated as such if they involved organizations external to the Town. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund or expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions are reported as transfers.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant areas where estimates made are: allowance for doubtful accounts and depreciation lives.

2. Detail Notes on All Funds

A. Assets

Deposits

All the deposits of the Town are either insured or collateralized by using one of two methods. Under the Dedicated Method, all deposits exceeding the federal depository insurance coverage level are collateralized with securities held by the Town's agents in the unit's name. Under the Pooling Method, which is a collateral pool, all uninsured deposits are collateralized with securities held by the State Treasurer's agent in the name of the State Treasurer. Since the State Treasurer is acting in a fiduciary capacity for the Town, these deposits are considered to be held by the Town's agents in their names. The amount of the pledged collateral is based on an approved averaging method for non-interest bearing deposits and the actual current balance for interest-bearing deposits. Depositories using the Pooling Method report to the State Treasurer the adequacy of their pooled collateral covering uninsured deposits. The State Treasurer does not confirm this information with the Town or with the escrow agent. Because of the inability to measure the exact amount of collateral pledged for the Town under the Pooling Method, the potential exists for undercollateralization, and this risk may increase in periods of high cash flows. However, the State Treasurer of North Carolina enforces strict standards of financial stability for each depository that collateralizes public deposits under the Pooling Method. The Town has no policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits, but relies on the State Treasurer to enforce standards of minimum capitalization for all pooling method financial institutions and to monitor them for compliance. The Town complies with the provisions of G.S. 159-31 when designating official depositories and verifying that deposits are properly secured.

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At June 30, 2010, the Town's deposits had a carrying amount of \$160,704 and a bank balance of \$213,884. Of the bank balance, \$213,884 was covered by FDIC. The Town held \$1,881 in petty cash as of June 30, 2010.

Investments

At June 30, 2010, the Town had \$1,474,805 invested with the North Carolina Capital Management Trust's Cash Portfolio. The Town does not have a formal investment policy or policy regarding credit risk. The Town's investment in the NCCMT carried a credit rating of AAAm by Standard and Poor's as of June 30, 2010. The Town has no policy regarding credit risk.

Receivables – Allowances for Doubtful Accounts

The amounts presented in the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Net Assets, are net of the following allowances for doubtful accounts:

	<u>Accounts</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Due From Other Governments</u>	<u>Total</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Garbage fees	\$ 1,396	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,396
TDA	-	-	10,046	10,046
Property taxes	-	49,656	-	49,656
Local options sales/franchise tax	-	-	90,423	90,423
Sales tax refunds due	-	-	3,695	3,695
Allowance for doubtful accounts	-	(5,000)	-	(5,000)
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,396</u>	<u>\$ 44,656</u>	<u>\$ 104,164</u>	<u>\$ 150,216</u>
Business-Type Activities:				
Water and sewer	<u>\$ 124,969</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,313</u>	<u>\$ 127,282</u>
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 124,969</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,313</u>	<u>\$ 127,282</u>

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Capital Assets

Governmental Capital Assets

A summary of changes in the Town's governmental capital assets follows:

	July 1, 2009	Increases	Decreases	June 30, 2010
By Asset Type:				
Non-Depreciable Assets:				
Land	\$ 223,019	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 223,019
Construction in progress	-	3,497	-	3,497
Total non-depreciable assets	223,019	3,497	-	226,516
Depreciable Assets:				
Infrastructure	980,309	79,491	-	1,059,800
Buildings	514,979	-	-	514,979
Equipment and furniture	492,696	34,726	-	527,422
Total depreciable assets	1,987,984	114,217	-	2,102,201
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Infrastructure	40,706	25,164	-	65,870
Buildings	159,299	11,593	-	170,892
Equipment and furniture	298,920	46,139	-	345,059
Total accumulated depreciation	498,925	\$ 82,896	\$ -	581,821
Capital assets, net	\$ 1,712,078			\$ 1,746,896

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

Governmental Activities:

General government	\$ 16,579
Public safety	24,869
Transportation	29,014
Cultural and recreation	12,434
Total	\$ 82,896

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Proprietary Capital Assets

The capital assets of the proprietary fund of the Town at June 30, 2010 were as follows:

	<u>July 1, 2009</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>June 30, 2010</u>
Business-Type Activities:				
Water/Sewer Fund:				
Non-Depreciable Assets:				
Land	\$ 23,466	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,466
Construction in progress	1,500	-	-	1,500
Total non-depreciable assets	<u>24,966</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,966</u>
Depreciable Assets:				
Plant	6,582,075	19,290	-	6,601,365
Equipment	527,753	4,031	-	531,784
Total depreciable assets	<u>7,109,828</u>	<u>23,321</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,133,149</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Plant	2,271,703	174,199	-	2,445,902
Equipment	348,873	66,972	-	415,845
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>2,620,576</u>	<u>\$ 241,171</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>2,861,747</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 4,514,218</u>			<u>\$ 4,296,368</u>

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Debt

The total invested in capital assets, net of related debt at June 30, 2010 is composed of the following elements:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
Capital assets	\$ 1,746,896	\$ 4,296,368
Long-term debt	(281,673)	(618,000)
Long-term debt for assets not owned by the County	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	<u>\$ 1,465,223</u>	<u>\$ 3,678,368</u>

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Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Payables at Exhibit A at June 30, 2010 were as follows:

	<u>Vendors</u>	<u>Accrued Liabilities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Governmental Activities:			
Governmental	\$ 28,921	\$ 16,486	\$ 45,407
Business-Type Activities:			
Water and Sewer	\$ 585	\$ -	\$ 585

Pension Plan Obligations

Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System

Plan Description

The Town contributes to the statewide Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of North Carolina. LGERS provides retirement benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Article 3 of G.S. Chapter 128 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The LGERS is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes financial statements and required supplementary information for LGERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute six percent of their annual covered salary. The Town is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. For the Town, the current rate for employees not engaged in law enforcement and for law enforcement officers is 4.80% and 4.78%, respectively, of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of members and of the Town are established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Town's contributions to LGERS for the years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$40,937, \$44,085, and \$34,903, respectively. The contributions made by the Town equaled the required contributions for each year.

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Law Enforcement Officers' Special Separation Allowance

Plan Description

The Town administers a public employee retirement system (the “Separation Allowance”), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to the Town’s qualified sworn law enforcement officers. The Separation Allowance is equal to .85 percent of the annual equivalent of the base rate of compensation most recently applicable to the officer for each year of creditable service. The retirement benefits are not subject to any increases in salary or retirement allowances that may be authorized by the General Assembly. Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly.

All full-time law enforcement officers of the Town are covered by the Separation Allowance. At December 31, 2009, the Separation Allowance’s membership consisted of:

Terminated plan members entitled to, but not yet, receiving benefits	-
Active plan members	<u>8</u>
Total	<u><u>8</u></u>

A separate report was not issued for the plan.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The Town has chosen to fund the Separation Allowance on a pay-as-you-go basis. Pension expenditures are made from the General Fund, which is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Method Used to Value Investments

No funds are set aside to pay benefits and administration costs. These expenditures are paid as they come due. No actuarial valuation study was performed because the liability at June 30, 2010 was deemed immaterial.

Contributions

The Town is required by Article 12D of G.S. Chapter 143 to provide these retirement benefits and has chosen to fund the benefit payments on a pay-as-you-go basis through appropriations made in the General Fund operation budget. The Town’s obligation to contribute to this plan is established and may be amended by the North Carolina General Assembly. There were no contributions made by employees.

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Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers

Plan Description. The Town contributes to the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan (Plan), a defined contribution pension plan administered by the Department of State Treasurer and a Board of Trustees. The Plan provides retirement benefits to law enforcement officers employed by the Town. Article 5 of G.S. Chapter 135 assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the North Carolina General Assembly. The Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers is included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of North Carolina. The State's CAFR includes the pension trust fund financial statements for the Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) plan that includes the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan for Law Enforcement Officers. That report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the State Controller, 1410 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1410, or by calling (919) 981-5454.

Funding Policy. Article 12E of G.S. Chapter 143 requires the Town to contribute each month an amount equal to five percent of each officer's salary, and all amounts contributed are vested immediately. Also, the law enforcement officers may make voluntary contributions to the plan. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2010 were \$58,699, which consisted of \$38,469 from the Town and \$20,230 from the law enforcement officers.

Other Post-Employment Benefits

Plan Description. The Town (by local ordinance) provides post-employment healthcare benefits to retirees of the Town, provided they participate in the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) and meet the following criteria. The employee must exercise their LGERS retirement have at least ten years of creditable service with the Town to remain on the Town's policy with the retiree paying the full cost. Or Twenty five years creditable service in which, the Town pays the full cost of coverage for these benefits for retirees. Retirees who do not meet the aforementioned criteria have the option to purchase basic medical insurance for themselves and their dependents through the Town for eighteen months. The entire cost of this insurance is borne by the retirees. The Town maintains healthcare coverage through a combination of self-insurance and private insurers (see Risk Management Note).

Membership of the post-employment health benefit plan consisted of the following at December 31, 2009, the date of the latest actuarial valuation:

Retirees and dependents receiving benefits	-
Active members	<u>19</u>
	<u><u>19</u></u>

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Funding Policy. The Town agrees to provide medical insurance to certain retired employees as an extended benefit. Eligible retirees who elect this coverage will be enrolled in the group health plan. For members that retire with at least 25 years of service, the Town pays 100% of the cost for pre-Medicare health care coverage for the retire. Years of service are considered years of creditable service with the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System. Retirees will cease to be eligible for group health once they are Medicare eligible. The retiree will be responsible for paying the cost of dependent coverage if dependent coverage is elected.

The current annual required contribution rate (ARC) is 2.31% of annual covered payroll. For fiscal year 2010, the Town contributed \$0, or 0% of annual covered payroll. Contributions by employees for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, were \$0. The Town's obligation to contribute to the post-retirement benefit plan is established and may be amended by the Town Council.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

No funds are set aside to pay benefits and administration costs. These expenditures are paid as they come due.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

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

Annual required contribution	\$ 18,082
Interest on net OPEB obligation	-
Adjustment to annual required contribution	-
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	18,082
Contributions made	-
Increase (decrease) in net OPEB obligation	18,082
Net OPEB obligation, beginning of year	-
Net OPEB obligation, end of year	<u>\$ 18,082</u>

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The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2010 were as follows:

Year Ended June 30	Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	Percentage of ARC Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
2010	18,082	0.00%	18,082

As of December 31, 2009, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was not funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits and, thus, the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) was \$149,993. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$782,791, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 19.2%. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and healthcare trends. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The Schedule of Funding Progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multi-year trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

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

The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the December 31, 2009, actuarial valuation using the projected unit credit actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) 4.00% investment rate of return, which included an inflation component of 3.75% and (b) a 10.50% - 5.00% medical cost trend rate with 2017, the year of ultimate trend rate. The actuarial value of assets was determined using the market value of assets. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as level percentage of pay on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at December 31, 2009, was 30 years.

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Deferred/Unearned Revenues

The balance in deferred/unearned revenues at year-end is composed of the following elements:

	Deferred Revenues	Unearned Revenue
Governmental Funds/Activities:		
Taxes receivable (General Fund)	\$ 44,655	\$ -
Garbage fees receivable	796	-
Prepaid expenses	1,540	1,540
Total governmental funds	\$ 46,991	\$ 1,540
 Business-Type/Enterprise Activities:		
Prepaid expenses	\$ -	\$ 1,490

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; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town participates in two self-funded risk-financing pools administered by the North Carolina League of Municipalities. Through these pools, the Town obtains general liability and auto liability coverage of \$1 million per occurrence, property coverage up to the total insurance values of the property policy, and workers' compensation coverage up to statutory limits. The pools are reinsured through commercial companies for single occurrence claims against general liability, auto liability, and property in excess of \$500,000 and \$300,000 up to statutory limits for workers' compensation. The property liability pool has an aggregate limit for the total property losses in a single year, with the reinsurance limit based upon a percentage of the total insurance values. The Town purchases employee health insurance from a private insurance company. The health insurance plan is fully insured by the private carrier.

The Town carries commercial coverage for all other risks of loss. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage in the prior year, and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The Town does not carry flood insurance.

In accordance with G.S. 159-29, the Town's employees that have access to \$100 or more at any given time of the Town's funds are performance bonded through a commercial surety bond with a \$50,000 coverage limit, per incident. The Finance Officer and Tax Collector are each individually bonded for \$100,000 each.

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Long-Term Obligations

The long-term obligations of the Town are as follows:

Governmental Activities:

4.625% note, payable to USDA issued August 2003; payable in annual installments of \$16,595, including interest; beginning August 2005 with final payment due August 2045; secured by real estate

\$ 281,673

Business-Type Activities:

General Obligation Bonds:

3.98% bonds issued October 2005 to refund water sewer bonds; serviced by the revenues of the Water and Sewer Fund with the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the Town pledged; interest payable semi-annual, and annual principal payments ranging from \$56,000 to &73,000 with the final payment due 2020

\$ 618,000

Maturities of long-term debt, including interest are as follows:

Year Ended	Governmental Activities			Business-Type Activities			
	June 30	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2011	\$	3,568	\$ 13,027	\$ 16,595	\$ 52,000	\$ 23,360	\$ 75,360
2012		3,733	12,862	16,595	54,000	21,396	75,396
2013		3,905	12,690	16,595	56,000	19,354	75,354
2014		4,086	12,509	16,595	58,000	17,236	75,236
2016-2020		23,444	59,531	82,975	325,000	51,562	376,562
2021-2025		29,391	53,584	82,975	73,000	2,760	75,760
2026-2030		36,845	46,130	82,975	-	-	-
2031-2035		46,193	36,782	82,975	-	-	-
2036-2040		57,909	25,066	82,975	-	-	-
2041-2044		72,599	10,377	82,976	-	-	-
Total	\$	<u>281,673</u>	<u>\$ 282,558</u>	<u>\$ 564,231</u>	<u>\$ 618,000</u>	<u>\$ 135,668</u>	<u>\$ 753,668</u>

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Changes in long-term debt were as follows:

	<u>July 1, 2009</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>June 30, 2010</u>	<u>Current Maturities</u>
Government Activities:					
Notes payable	\$ 285,083	\$ -	\$ 3,410	\$ 281,673	\$ 3,568
Other post-employment benefits	-	18,082	-	18,082	-
Compensated absences	45,457	26,659	24,039	48,077	24,039
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 330,540</u>	<u>\$ 44,741</u>	<u>\$ 27,449</u>	<u>\$ 347,832</u>	<u>\$ 27,607</u>
Business-Type Activities:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 668,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 618,000	\$ 52,000
Compensated absences	17,472	8,239	5,142	20,569	5,142
Total business-type activities	<u>\$ 685,472</u>	<u>\$ 8,239</u>	<u>\$ 55,142</u>	<u>\$ 638,569</u>	<u>\$ 57,142</u>

Compensated absences typically have been liquidated in the General Fund and are accounted for on a FIFO basis, assuming that the employees are taking leave time as it is earned. At June 30, 2010, the Town had a legal debt margin of \$18,208,779.

Interfund Balances and Activities

Transfers To/From Other Funds

<u>Transfer From</u>	<u>Transfer To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
General Fund	Capital Improvement Plan	\$ 137,596	Fund future capital needs

3. Jointly Governed Organizations

The Town, in conjunction with seven counties and eighteen municipalities, established the Region D Council of Governments (Council). The participating governments established the Council to coordinate various funding received from federal and State agencies. Each participating government appoints one member to the Council's governing board. The Town paid membership fees of \$530 to the Council during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010.

4. Summary Disclosure of Significant Contingencies

Federal and State Assisted Programs

The Town has received proceeds from several federal and State grants. Periodic audits of these grants are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the grant agreements. Such audits could result in the refund of grant monies to the grantor agencies. Management believes that any required refunds will be immaterial. No provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements for the refund of grant monies.

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OTHER POST - EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 JUNE 30, 2010

Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets A	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)		Unfunded AAL (UAAL) B - A	Funded Ratio A / B	Covered Payroll C	UAAL as a Percentage Covered Payroll ((B - A) / C)
		-Projected Unit Credit B	Unit				
2009	\$ -	\$ 149,993		\$ 149,993	0.00%	\$ 782,791	19.2%

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Year Ended June 30	Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	Percentage of ARC Contributed
	2010	\$ 18,082

Notes to the Required Schedules:

The information presented above was determined as part of the actuarial valuation at the dates indicated.
 Additional information as of the latest valuation follows:

Valuation date	12/31/2009	
Actuarial cost method	Projected unit credit	
Amortization method	Level percent of pay open	
Remaining amortization period	30 years	
Asset valuation method	Market value	
Actuarial assumptions:		
Investment rate of return *	4.00%	* Includes inflation at 3.75%
Medical cost trend rate	5% - 10.5%	
Year of Ultimate trend rate	2017	

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IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	2010			2009
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Ad Valorem Taxes:				
Taxes	\$ 937,736	\$ 900,862	\$ (36,874)	\$ 883,491
Penalties and interest	550	4,769	4,219	1,675
Total	<u>938,286</u>	<u>905,631</u>	<u>(32,655)</u>	<u>885,166</u>
Other Taxes and Licenses:				
Privilege licenses	2,000	4,295	2,295	4,101
Total	<u>2,000</u>	<u>4,295</u>	<u>2,295</u>	<u>4,101</u>
Unrestricted Intergovernmental Revenues:				
Local option sales tax	279,500	255,571	(23,929)	266,037
Utility franchise tax	79,000	87,591	8,591	97,421
Beer and wine tax	4,500	1,492	(3,008)	4,410
Contribution - TDA	20,896	20,465	(431)	20,267
Total	<u>383,896</u>	<u>365,119</u>	<u>(18,777)</u>	<u>388,135</u>
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenues:				
Powell Bill allocation	41,000	38,221	(2,779)	42,066
Other local grants and matching contributions	18,700	15,500	(3,200)	18,700
ABC revenue for law enforcement	83,000	82,495	(505)	83,726
LLEBG grant	42,000	47,846	5,846	57,641
Total	<u>184,700</u>	<u>191,678</u>	<u>6,978</u>	<u>202,133</u>
Permits and Fees:				
Building permits	4,000	4,328	328	9,281
Total	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,328</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>9,281</u>
Sales and Services:				
Recycling revenue	-	(302)	(302)	92,753
Park lease/rental income	6,515	7,447	932	6,011
Total	<u>6,515</u>	<u>7,145</u>	<u>630</u>	<u>98,764</u>
Investment Earnings:				
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>2,280</u>	<u>(6,220)</u>	<u>11,159</u>
Miscellaneous:				
	<u>17,750</u>	<u>44,913</u>	<u>27,163</u>	<u>18,910</u>
Total revenues	<u>1,545,647</u>	<u>1,525,389</u>	<u>(20,258)</u>	<u>1,617,649</u>

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IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	2010		2009	
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Expenditures:				
General Government:				
Administration:				
Salaries and employee benefits	98,056	100,826	(2,770)	109,529
Operating expenses	99,924	99,846	78	80,145
Capital outlay	4,700	4,639	61	2,885
Total	202,680	205,311	(2,631)	192,559
Governing Body:				
Salaries and employee benefits	13,564	13,564	-	13,805
Operating expenses	46,387	46,345	42	41,485
Total	59,951	59,909	42	55,290
Finance:				
Salaries and employee benefits	63,876	62,539	1,337	45,781
Operating expenses	3,980	10,604	(6,624)	6,398
Capital outlay	-	588	(588)	1,138
Total	67,856	73,731	(5,875)	53,317
Planning:				
Salaries and employee benefits	53,647	52,703	944	51,272
Operating expenses	15,210	12,461	2,749	11,540
Capital outlay	2,750	5,385	(2,635)	1,085
Total	71,607	70,549	1,058	63,897
Public Buildings:				
Operating expenses	29,200	30,755	(1,555)	26,970
Total	29,200	30,755	(1,555)	26,970
Total general government	431,294	440,255	(8,961)	392,033
Public Safety:				
Police:				
Salaries and employee benefits	517,040	527,412	(10,372)	499,261
Operating expenses	94,211	79,846	14,365	70,887
Capital outlay	5,000	4,440	560	3,922
Total	616,251	611,698	4,553	574,070

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IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	2010			2009
	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Drug Task Force:				
Salaries and employee benefits	53,045	51,718	1,327	52,282
Operating expenses	21,439	19,498	1,941	14,537
Capital outlay	-	97	(97)	1,716
Total	<u>74,484</u>	<u>71,313</u>	<u>3,171</u>	<u>68,535</u>
Total public safety	<u>690,735</u>	<u>683,011</u>	<u>7,724</u>	<u>642,605</u>
Transportation:				
Streets and Highways:				
Salaries and employee benefits	69,117	57,891	11,226	30,233
Operating expenses	80,381	85,301	(4,920)	76,141
Capital outlay	8,650	13,680	(5,030)	29,830
Total transportation	<u>158,148</u>	<u>156,872</u>	<u>1,276</u>	<u>136,204</u>
Environmental Protection:				
Solid Waste:				
Operating expenses	-	(2,207)	2,207	84,903
Total environmental protection	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,207)</u>	<u>2,207</u>	<u>84,903</u>
Cultural and Recreational:				
Parks and Recreation:				
Salaries and employee benefits	30,221	29,901	320	17,875
Operating expenses	63,911	57,872	6,039	55,488
Capital outlay	-	-	-	5,250
Total cultural and recreational	<u>94,132</u>	<u>87,773</u>	<u>6,359</u>	<u>78,613</u>
Debt Service:				
Principal retirement	3,250	3,410	(160)	-
Interest and fees	-	13,186	(13,186)	-
Total debt service	<u>3,250</u>	<u>16,596</u>	<u>(13,346)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,377,559</u>	<u>1,382,300</u>	<u>(4,741)</u>	<u>1,334,358</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures:	<u>168,088</u>	<u>143,089</u>	<u>(24,999)</u>	<u>283,291</u>

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

GENERAL FUND

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IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	<u>2010</u>		<u>2009</u>
	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>
			<u>Actual</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfer in (out) - Capital Projects Fund	(168,088)	(137,596)	(30,492)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(168,088)	(137,596)	(30,492)
Net changes in fund balance	\$ -	5,493	\$ 5,493
Fund Balance:			
Beginning of year - July 1		571,720	
End of year - June 30		\$ 577,213	

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**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - GOVERNMENTAL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
 IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>2010</u>			<u>2009</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues:				
Miscellaneous revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 86,631
Investment earnings	-	1,640	1,640	12,051
Total revenues	-	1,640	1,640	98,682
Expenditures:				
Public safety	28,655	28,654	1	154,536
Public works	48,510	48,510	-	41,129
Parks and recreation	34,628	34,628	-	85,567
Total expenditures	111,793	111,792	1	281,232
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(111,793)	(110,152)	1,641	(182,550)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers in (out):				
General Fund	111,793	137,596	25,803	274,518
Total other financing sources (uses)	111,793	137,596	25,803	274,518
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	27,444	\$ 27,444	\$ 91,968
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		854,762		
End of year - June 30		\$ 882,206		

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2010

	Streets and Sidewalks Capital Project Fund	Police Special Revenue Fund	Cops Golf Tournament Special Revenue Fund	Total
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 33,789	\$ 10,552	\$ 18,898	\$ 63,239
Due from other governments	-	-	92	92
Total assets	<u>\$ 33,789</u>	<u>\$ 10,552</u>	<u>\$ 18,990</u>	<u>\$ 63,331</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances:				
Fund Balances:				
Unreserved, reported in:				
Special revenue funds	\$ -	\$ 10,552	\$ 18,990	\$ 29,542
Capital projects funds	33,789	-	-	33,789
Total fund balances	<u>33,789</u>	<u>10,552</u>	<u>18,990</u>	<u>63,331</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 33,789</u>	<u>\$ 10,552</u>	<u>\$ 18,990</u>	<u>\$ 63,331</u>

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	<u>Streets and Sidewalks Capital Project Fund</u>	<u>Police Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Cops Golf Tournament Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:				
Sales and services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,855	\$ 18,855
Miscellaneous	<u>737</u>	<u>4,748</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,485</u>
Total revenues	<u>737</u>	<u>4,748</u>	<u>18,855</u>	<u>24,340</u>
Expenditures:				
Public safety	-	8,000	16,523	24,523
Transportation	<u>187</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>187</u>
Total expenditures	<u>187</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>16,523</u>	<u>24,710</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>550</u>	<u>(3,252)</u>	<u>2,332</u>	<u>(370)</u>
Net change in fund balance	550	(3,252)	2,332	(370)
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of year - July 1	<u>33,239</u>	<u>13,804</u>	<u>16,658</u>	<u>63,701</u>
End of year - June 30	<u>\$ 33,789</u>	<u>\$ 10,552</u>	<u>\$ 18,990</u>	<u>\$ 63,331</u>

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

**STREETS AND SIDEWALKS CAPITAL PROJECT FUND
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
 IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 FROM INCEPTION AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	Project Authorization	Prior Years	Actual	
			Current Year	Total To Date
Revenues:				
Restricted intergovernmental:				
Town of Banner Elk Tourism				
Development Authority	\$ 325,051	\$ 325,053	\$ -	\$ 325,053
Miscellaneous:				
Contributions	64,149	98,736	700	99,436
Investment income	8,100	9,166	37	9,203
Total revenues	397,300	432,955	737	433,692
Expenditures:				
Capital outlay:				
Sidewalks and streetscape	735,721	854,672	187	854,859
Contingency	33,087	-	-	-
Total expenditures	768,808	854,672	187	854,859
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(371,508)	(421,717)	550	(421,167)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Proceeds from long-term debt	300,000	300,000	-	300,000
Transfers	71,508	154,956	-	154,956
Total other financing sources (uses)	371,508	454,956	-	454,956
Net change in fund balance	\$ -	\$ 33,239	\$ 550	\$ 33,789

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

POLICE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FROM JUNE 30, 2009

	<u>2010</u>			<u>2009</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues:				
Miscellaneous	\$ 8,000	\$ 4,748	\$ (3,252)	\$ 13,483
Expenditures:				
Public safety:				
Other	8,000	8,000	-	6,114
Revenues over (under) expenditures	-	(3,252)	(3,252)	7,369
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(3,252)</u>	<u>\$ 3,252</u>	<u>\$ 7,369</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		13,804		
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 10,552</u>		

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

COPS GOLF TOURNAMENT FUND - NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FROM JUNE 30, 2009

	<u>2010</u>			<u>2009</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues:				
Golf tournament revenues	\$ 19,000	\$ 18,855	\$ (145)	\$ 21,811
Total revenues	<u>19,000</u>	<u>18,855</u>	<u>(145)</u>	<u>21,811</u>
Expenditures:				
Public safety:				
Golf tournament	<u>19,000</u>	<u>16,523</u>	<u>2,477</u>	<u>8,836</u>
Total expenditures	<u>19,000</u>	<u>16,523</u>	<u>2,477</u>	<u>8,836</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>2,332</u>	<u>2,332</u>	<u>12,975</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>2,332</u>	<u>\$ (2,332)</u>	<u>\$ 12,975</u>
Fund Balance:				
Beginning of year - July 1		<u>16,658</u>		
End of year - June 30		<u>\$ 18,990</u>		

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

**ENTERPRISE FUND - WATER AND SEWER FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES,
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FROM JUNE 30, 2009**

	<u>2010</u>		<u>2009</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>
Operating Revenues:			
Water sales:			
Residential		\$ 215,011	\$ 229,775
Impact fees		2,896	5,178
Total water sales	\$ -	217,907	\$ - 234,953
Sewer charges:			
Residential	-	385,454	- 419,026
Water and sewer taps		6,454	8,157
Other operating revenues		46,618	14,543
Total operating revenues	-	656,433	- 676,679
Non-Operating Revenues:			
Interest earnings		665	2,358
Total non-operating revenues	-	665	- 2,358
Total revenues	710,912	657,098	(53,814) 679,037
Expenditures:			
Administration:			
Salaries and employee benefits	56,125	41,949	43,093
Utilities	2,500	1,363	1,841
Supplies	6,500	4,509	4,263
Insurance	85	72	80
Other operating expenditures	10,150	12,769	41,450
Total administration	75,360	60,662	14,698 90,727

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SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES,
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FROM JUNE 30, 2009**

	<u>2010</u>		<u>2009</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>
Wastewater Treatment:			<u>Actual</u>
Salaries and employee benefits	35,911	30,452	74,299
Utilities	50,000	44,018	52,558
Supplies	8,500	4,055	12,041
Insurance	7,077	7,813	7,077
Maintenance	12,000	13,032	6,729
Other operating expenditures	4,425	1,616	14,714
Contracted services	<u>12,300</u>	<u>15,216</u>	<u>19,587</u>
Total wastewater treatment	<u>130,213</u>	<u>116,202</u>	<u>14,011</u> <u>187,005</u>
Water Treatment:			
Salaries and employee benefits	45,911	29,860	52,552
Utilities	24,000	23,357	26,283
Supplies	17,500	12,762	16,580
Insurance	7,700	2,762	7,727
Maintenance	11,500	7,794	6,871
Other operating expenditures	1,310	1,830	1,288
Contracted services	<u>4,700</u>	<u>3,575</u>	<u>4,285</u>
Total water treatment	<u>112,621</u>	<u>81,940</u>	<u>30,681</u> <u>115,586</u>
Distribution and Collections:			
Salaries and employee benefits	123,827	123,345	135,711
Utilities	2,500	2,019	2,314
Supplies	39,400	11,315	64,483
Insurance	6,700	5,062	6,233
Maintenance	15,250	6,032	10,996
Other operating expenditures	22,700	17,187	14,719
Contracted services	<u>1,100</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>660</u>
Total distribution and collection	<u>211,477</u>	<u>165,165</u>	<u>46,312</u> <u>235,116</u>
Total operating expenditures	<u>529,671</u>	<u>423,969</u>	<u>105,702</u> <u>628,434</u>

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**ENTERPRISE FUND - WATER AND SEWER FUND
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BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FROM JUNE 30, 2009**

	<u>2010</u>			<u>2009</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Over/Under</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Debt Service:				
Interest and other charges	34,000	25,250	8,750	27,913
Principal retirement	-	50,000	(50,000)	68,102
Total debt service	<u>34,000</u>	<u>75,250</u>	<u>(41,250)</u>	<u>96,015</u>
Capital outlay	<u>14,900</u>	<u>32,838</u>	<u>(17,938)</u>	<u>62,210</u>
Total expenditures	<u>578,571</u>	<u>532,057</u>	<u>46,514</u>	<u>786,659</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>132,341</u>	<u>125,041</u>	<u>(7,300)</u>	<u>(107,622)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers in (out) - Water Capital Project Fund	(132,341)	(109,843)	22,498	-
Transfers from General Fund	-	-	-	76,103
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(132,341)</u>	<u>(109,843)</u>	<u>22,498</u>	<u>76,103</u>
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 15,198</u>	<u>\$ 15,198</u>	<u>\$ (31,519)</u>
Reconciliation from Modified Accrual Basis to Full Accrual Basis				
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other financing sources		\$ 15,198		
Reconciling items:				
Principal retirement		50,000		
Capital outlay items capitalized		23,321		
Depreciation		(241,171)		
Other income - CIP		8,527		
Interest income - CIP		324		
Intrafund transfers		109,843		
Change in net assets		<u>\$ (33,958)</u>		

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - WATER & SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES,
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FROM JUNE 30, 2009

	2010			2009
	Budget	Actual	Variance Over/Under	Actual
Revenues:				
Capital reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 94,737
Miscellaneous revenue	-	8,527	8,527	-
Interest income	-	324	324	410
Total revenues	-	8,851	8,851	95,147
Expenditures:				
Infrastructure upgrades	-	-	-	737
Sewer plant belt press	132,341	-	132,341	217,479
Colver Street Water Line Extension	-	-	-	70,666
Grandfather Home Sewer Line	-	-	-	187,504
Total expenditures	132,341	-	132,341	476,386
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(132,341)	8,851	141,192	(381,239)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers:				
Intrafund - Water and Sewer	132,341	109,843	(22,498)	(132,341)
Total other financing sources (uses)	132,341	109,843	(22,498)	(132,341)
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	\$ -	\$ 118,694	\$ 118,694	\$ (513,580)

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

SCHEDULE OF AD VALOREM TAXES RECEIVABLE
JUNE 30, 2010

Fiscal Year	Uncollected Balance July 1, 2009	Additions	Collections and Credits	Uncollected Balance June 30, 2010
2009-2010	\$ -	\$ 865,765	\$ 842,456	\$ 23,309
2008-2009	21,088	-	9,025	12,063
2007-2008	527	-	47	480
2006-2007	21	-	-	21
2005-2006	5	-	-	5
2004-2005	429	-	-	429
2003-2004	-	-	-	-
2002-2003	-	-	-	-
2001-2002	537	-	-	537
2000-2001	325	-	-	325
Motor vehicles	<u>19,717</u>	<u>48,224</u>	<u>55,454</u>	<u>12,487</u>
	<u>\$ 42,649</u>	<u>\$ 913,989</u>	<u>\$ 906,982</u>	<u>49,656</u>
Less: Allowance for uncollectible ad valorem taxes receivable				<u>5,000</u>
Ad valorem taxes receivable - net				<u>\$ 44,656</u>
Reconciliation with Revenues:				
Taxes - Ad valorem			\$ 905,631	
Penalties and interest			(4,769)	
Releases, refunds and other adjustments			5,956	
Amounts written off for tax years per statute of limitations			<u>164</u>	
Total collections and credit			<u>\$ 906,982</u>	

TOWN OF BANNER ELK, NORTH CAROLINA

ANALYSIS OF CURRENT YEAR LEVY
TOWN-WIDE LEVY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	<u>Town-Wide</u>			<u>Total Levy</u>	
	<u>Property Valuation</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount of Levy</u>	<u>Property Excluding Registered Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>Registered Motor Vehicles</u>
Original Levy:					
Property taxed at current year's rate	\$ 227,939,211	0.51	\$ 866,169	\$ 866,169	\$ -
Motor vehicle taxes levied	<u>6,579,737</u>	0.51	<u>44,720</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,720</u>
Total	<u>234,518,948</u>		<u>910,889</u>	<u>866,169</u>	<u>44,720</u>
Discoveries:	<u>1,330,263</u>	0.51	<u>5,055</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,055</u>
Abatements	<u>(514,474)</u>	0.51	<u>(1,955)</u>	<u>(404)</u>	<u>(1,551)</u>
Total property valuation	<u>\$ 235,334,737</u>				
Net Levy			913,989	865,765	48,224
Uncollected taxes as of June 30, 2010			<u>35,796</u>	<u>23,309</u>	<u>12,487</u>
Current Year's Taxes Collected			<u>\$ 878,193</u>	<u>\$ 842,456</u>	<u>\$ 35,737</u>
Current Levy Collection Percentage			<u>96.08%</u>	<u>97.31%</u>	<u>74.11%</u>