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Auditor of State Mary Mosiman today released an audit report on Carroll County, Iowa.

The County had local tax revenue of \$29,636,598 for the year ended June 30, 2015, which included \$2,340,704 in tax credits from the state. The County forwarded \$23,014,253 of the local tax revenue to the townships, school districts, cities and other taxing bodies in the County.

The County retained \$6,622,345 of the local tax revenue to finance County operations, an 8% increase over the prior year. Other revenues included charges for service of \$3,068,162, operating grants and contributions of \$4,401,877, capital grants and contributions of \$1,040,942, local option sales tax of \$1,092,056, unrestricted investment earnings of \$60,692 and other general revenues of \$343,315.

Expenses for County operations for the year ended June 30, 2015 totaled \$15,773,781, a 2% decrease from the prior year. Expenses included \$5,961,268 for roads and transportation, \$3,514,087 for public safety and legal services and \$1,520,100 for administration.

A copy of the audit report is available for review in the County Auditor's Office, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at <http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/1510-0014-B00F.pdf>.

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CARROLL COUNTY

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS**

JUNE 30, 2015

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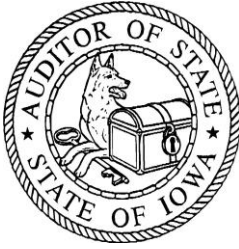
(Before January 2015)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Marty Danzer	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2015
Dan Nieland	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2015
Mark Beardmore	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2017
Neil Bock	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2017
Eugene Meiners	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2017
Kourtney Irlbeck	County Auditor	Jan 2017
Jean Seidl	County Treasurer	Jan 2015
Marilyn Dopheide	County Recorder	Jan 2015
Douglas R. Bass	County Sheriff	Jan 2017
John Werden	County Attorney	Jan 2015
Brian Tiesman	County Assessor	Jan 2016

(After January 2015)

Mark Beardmore	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2017
Neil Bock	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2017
Eugene Meiners	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2017
Marty Danzer	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2019
Dean Schettler	Board of Supervisors	Jan 2019
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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Officials of Carroll County:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Carroll County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards 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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the County's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Carroll County as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in its financial position and, where applicable, its cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Emphasis of a Matter

As discussed in Note 16, Carroll County adopted new accounting guidance related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of County Contributions and the Schedule of Funding Progress for the Retiree Health Plan on pages 11 through 18 and 58 through 68 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board which considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.


Supplementary Information


Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Carroll County's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the nine years ended June 30, 2014 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 8 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 29, 2016 on our consideration of Carroll County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Carroll County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.


MARY MOSIMAN, CPA
Auditor of State


WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

February 29, 2016

Carroll County

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Carroll County provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the County's financial statements, which follow.

2015 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The County implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, during fiscal year 2015. The beginning net position for governmental activities was restated by \$2,722,616 to retroactively report the net pension liability as of July 1, 2014 and deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after June 30, 2013 but prior to July 1, 2014. Pension expense for fiscal year 2014 and the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources at June 30, 2014 were not restated because the information needed to restate those amounts was not available.
- Revenues of the County's governmental activities increased 11.2%, or approximately \$1,667,000, from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015. Capital grants and contributions increased approximately \$668,000, operating grants and contributions increased approximately \$151,000 and property and other county tax increased approximately \$371,000.
- Governmental activities expenses decreased 1.8%, or approximately \$292,000, in fiscal year 2015 from fiscal year 2014. County environment and education expenses decreased approximately \$592,000, roads and transportation expenses decreased approximately \$215,000, mental health expenses increased approximately \$425,000 and administration expenses decreased approximately \$110,000.
- Governmental activities net position increased 2.1%, or approximately \$863,000 from the restated June 30, 2014 balance.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the County's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Carroll County as a whole and present an overall view of the County's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Carroll County's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining financial statements provide information about activities for which Carroll County acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of County government (Agency Funds).

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the County's budget for the year, the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability and related contributions, as well as presenting the Schedule of Funding Progress for the Retiree Health Plan.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental, the nonmajor proprietary and the individual Agency Funds.

REPORTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

One of the most important questions asked about the County's finances is, "Is the County as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information which helps answer this question. These statements include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Net Position presents financial information on all of the County's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the County's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the County is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future fiscal years.

The County's governmental activities are presented in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. Governmental activities include public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, interest on long-term debt and non-program activities. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The County has three kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds account for most of the County's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Mental Health, Rural Services and Secondary Roads, and 3) the Capital Projects Fund. These funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the County's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the County's programs.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.

2) Proprietary funds account for the County's Enterprise, Mt. Carmel Sewer and Maple River Sewer Funds and the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County's various functions.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position and a Statement of Cash Flows.

3) Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trust or agency capacity for others which cannot be used to support the County's own programs. These fiduciary funds include Agency Funds that account for drainage districts, emergency management services and the County Assessor, to name a few.

The required financial statement for fiduciary funds is a Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the governmental fund financial statements follow the governmental fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. Carroll County's combined net position decreased from a year ago, from approximately \$44 million to approximately \$42.1 million. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in net position.

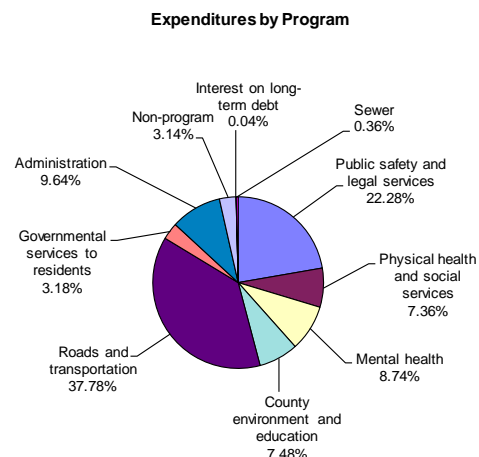
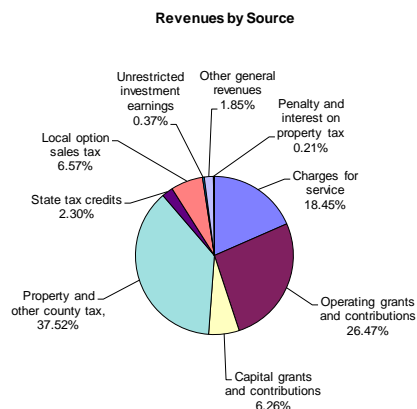
Net Position of Governmental and Business Type Activities (Expressed in Thousands)						
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total	
	June 30,		June 30,		June 30,	
	2015	2014 (Not Restated)	2015	2014 (Not Restated)	2015	2014 (Not Restated)
Current and other assets	\$ 19,651	18,757	47	43	19,698	18,800
Capital assets	32,163	32,227	929	956	33,092	33,183
Total assets	51,814	50,984	976	999	52,790	51,983
Deferred outflows of resources	764	-	-	-	764	-
Long-term liabilities	2,584	725	325	341	2,909	1,066
Other liabilities	717	677	-	-	717	677
Total liabilities	3,301	1,402	325	341	3,626	1,743
Deferred inflows of resources	7,789	6,234	-	-	7,789	6,234
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	31,983	31,997	606	615	32,589	32,612
Restricted	8,982	8,640	-	-	8,982	8,640
Unrestricted	523	2,711	45	43	568	2,754
Total net position	\$ 41,488	43,348	651	658	42,139	44,006

Prior to the restatement, net position of Carroll County's governmental activities decreased 4.3% (from approximately \$43.3 million to approximately \$41.5 million). The largest portion of the County's net position is invested in capital assets (e.g., land, infrastructure, buildings and equipment). Restricted net position represents resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. Unrestricted

governmental activities net position – the part of governmental activities net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements – decreased from approximately \$2,711,000 at June 30, 2014 to approximately \$523,000 at the end of this year, a decrease of 80.7%, primarily due to recording the net pension liability as of July 1, 2014.

Changes in Net Position of Governmental and Business Type Activities
(Expressed in Thousands)

	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total	
	2014		2014		2014	
	2015	(Not Restated)	2015	(Not Restated)	2015	(Not Restated)
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for service	\$ 3,019	2,844	49	47	3,068	2,891
Operating grants and contributions	4,402	4,251	-	-	4,402	4,251
Capital grants and contributions	1,041	373	-	-	1,041	373
General revenues:						
Property and other county tax	6,240	5,869	-	-	6,240	5,869
Penalty and interest on property tax	35	28	-	-	35	28
State tax credits	383	251	-	-	383	251
Local option sales tax	1,092	1,056	-	-	1,092	1,056
Unrestricted investment earnings	61	75	-	-	61	75
Other general revenues	308	167	-	-	308	167
Total revenues	16,581	14,914	49	47	16,630	14,961
Program expenses:						
Public safety and legal services	3,514	3,427	-	-	3,514	3,427
Physical health and social services	1,161	1,064	-	-	1,161	1,064
Mental health	1,378	953	-	-	1,378	953
County environment and education	1,180	1,772	-	-	1,180	1,772
Roads and transportation	5,961	6,176	-	-	5,961	6,176
Governmental services to residents	502	578	-	-	502	578
Administration	1,520	1,630	-	-	1,520	1,630
Non-program	495	410	-	-	495	410
Interest on long-term debt	7	-	-	-	7	-
Sewer	-	-	56	81	56	81
Total expenses	15,718	16,010	56	81	15,774	16,091
Change in net position	863	(1,096)	(7)	(34)	856	(1,130)
Net position beginning of year, as restated	40,625	44,444	658	692	41,283	45,136
Net position end of year	\$ 41,488	43,348	651	658	42,139	44,006



Prior to restatement, Carroll County's governmental activities net position decreased approximately \$1,860,000. Revenues for governmental activities increased approximately \$1,667,000 over the prior year, with capital grants and contributions increasing approximately \$668,000 over the prior year. The County's operating grants and contributions increased approximately \$151,000 and property and other county tax increased approximately \$371,000. The increases are primarily the result of completion of road and bridge projects paid for by the Iowa Department of Transportation, an increase in road use tax and an increase in taxable property valuations.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was approximately \$15.7 million compared to approximately \$16 million last year. However, as shown in the Statement of Activities on pages 22 and 23, the amount taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities was approximately \$7.3 million because some of the cost was paid by those directly benefited from the programs (approximately \$3,019,000) or by other governments and organizations which subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (approximately \$5,443,000). Overall, the County's governmental program revenues, including intergovernmental aid and fees for service, increased from approximately \$7,468,000 in fiscal year 2014 to approximately \$8,462,000 in fiscal year 2015, principally due to an increase in contributions for road projects from the State of Iowa. The County paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of governmental activities with taxes (some of which could only be used for certain programs) and with other revenues, such as interest and general entitlements.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR FUND ANALYSIS

As Carroll County completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of approximately \$11.25 million, an increase of approximately \$450,000 over last year's total of approximately \$10.8 million. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year:

- General Fund revenues increased approximately \$1,011,000 due to an increase in property values resulting in an increase in property tax and an increase in intergovernmental revenues. Expenditures decreased approximately \$75,000, primarily due to no economic development grant payment to Iowa Corn Processors (ICP) in fiscal year 2015 and an increase in grant related expenditures related to emergency preparedness, case management services and an increase in salaries and health insurance. The ending fund balance increased approximately \$6,600.
- Special Revenue, Mental Health Fund revenues decreased approximately \$309,000, due primarily to a decrease in intergovernmental revenue for case management services now being reported as part of the General Fund due to the statewide mental health redesign. Expenditures increased approximately \$136,000 over the prior year. The Special Revenue, Mental Health Fund balance decreased approximately \$964,000 from the prior year to approximately \$1,474,000 at year end.
- The Special Revenue, Rural Services Fund ending fund balance increased approximately \$52,000 from the prior year to approximately \$520,000. The amount of Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) money allocated for rural services was approximately \$546,000, an increase of approximately \$18,000 over the prior year. Rural Services Fund expenditures decreased approximately \$5,000 compared to the prior year.
- Special Revenue, Secondary Roads Fund revenue decreased approximately \$129,000. Expenditures decreased approximately \$636,000 from the prior year, primarily due to a decrease in road and bridge projects paid for by the County. The Secondary Roads Fund balance increased approximately \$684,000 to approximately \$4,373,000 at year end.

- Special Revenue, Local Option Sales Tax Fund expenditures decreased approximately \$67,000 from the prior year, primarily due to a decrease in data processing services from the prior year for accounting software upgrades. The Local Option Sales Tax Fund balance increased approximately \$538,000 to approximately \$2,382,000.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, Carroll County amended its budget two times. The first amendment was made in November 2014 and resulted in an increase in budgeted disbursements of approximately \$244,000, related primarily to Secondary Roads purchasing road gravel.

The second amendment was made in May 2015. This amendment was made to increase budgeted disbursements approximately \$89,000, primarily due to jail medical services and data processing.

The County's receipts were approximately \$611,000 more than budgeted. Property and other county tax receipts were approximately \$455,000 more than budgeted, primarily due to the County budgeting less in tax credits less than were actually received.

Total disbursements were approximately \$1,213,000 less than the final amended budget. Actual disbursements for capital projects, administration, public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health and roads and transportation were approximately \$581,000, \$147,000, \$135,000, \$105,000 and \$100,000, respectively, less than budgeted.

Capital projects function disbursements were approximately \$581,000 less than budgeted as some of the projects were not completed or started as anticipated in fiscal year 2015.

Administration function disbursements were approximately \$147,000 less than budgeted, primarily due to maintenance salaries which were \$32,008 less than budgeted due to a retired employee not replaced, Building Maintenance was \$26,774 less than budgeted due to fewer than anticipated repairs. Workers compensation insurance was \$24,486 less than budgeted, employee health insurance was \$16,614 less than budgeted due to employee retirements, Auditor part time salaries were \$15,770 less than budgeted due to employee retirement, liability insurance was \$14,497 less than budgeted, data processing which was \$13,453 less than budgeted due to fewer equipment repairs, and auditing and clerical was \$3,398 less than budgeted due to audit costs less than budgeted.

Public safety and legal services function disbursements were less than the amount budgeted, primarily due to juvenile court services and shelter care being less than budgeted by \$31,753 due to fewer cases and shelter visits. The jail had several areas which were less than budgeted, including food costs which were \$6,304 less than budgeted due to a decrease in meals served and employee health insurance was \$18,262 less than budgeted due to employee coverage change. In the ambulance department, \$16,942 less than budgeted was spent due to a decrease in fuel costs. The Attorney Collection and Forfeiture Fund was \$36,163 less than budgeted as a result of reduced equipment purchases for local police and the County Sheriff than anticipated. The Sheriff's Office motor vehicle and vehicle equipment expenses were \$31,350 less than budgeted due to bids coming in lower than anticipated and lower equipment costs. In the communications department, employee health insurance was \$5,885 less than budgeted due to employee coverage change. Sheriff's Office salaries and benefits was \$20,792 less than budgeted due to an employee resignation.

Physical health and social services function disbursements were less than budgeted, primarily due to a decrease in pass through grants. Home care aides salaries were \$14,579 less than budgeted due to an employee resignation. General assistance utilities and funeral expenses were \$6,466 less than budgeted due to an overall decrease in the need for assistance. Also, the County Department of Human Services Office disbursements for office expense, postage and telephone were less than budgeted.

Mental health function disbursements were approximately \$105,000 less than budgeted due to the regionalization of mental health services.

In the roads and transportation function, disbursements for engineering were \$13,238 less than budgeted due to a decrease in project costs. Disbursements for traffic controls were \$54,088 less than budgeted due to lower sign and electric costs. Disbursements for road clearing were \$34,085 less than budgeted due to lower spraying costs and fewer brush cuts than planned. Disbursements for equipment operations were \$95,786 less than budgeted due to reduced expenditures for tires and parts.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2015, Carroll County had approximately \$32.2 million invested in a broad range of capital assets for governmental activities, including public safety equipment, buildings, park facilities, roads and bridges. This is a net decrease of approximately \$65,000, or 0.2%, from last year.

Capital Assets of Governmental Activities at Year End (Expressed in Thousands)		
	June 30,	
	2015	2014
Land	\$ 1,829	1,829
Buildings	4,135	4,157
Improvements other than buildings	149	97
Equipment and vehicles	3,853	3,864
Infrastructure	21,224	22,169
Construction in progress	973	111
Total	<u>\$ 32,163</u>	<u>32,227</u>

The County had governmental activities depreciation expense of approximately \$1,896,000 in fiscal year 2015 and total accumulated depreciation of approximately \$31,926,000 at June 30, 2015.

More detailed information about the County's capital assets is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2015, Carroll County had \$179,332 in debt outstanding, compared to \$230,000 in debt outstanding at June 30, 2014.

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt counties can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the County's corporate limits. Carroll County's constitutional debt limit is approximately \$111.9 million. Additional information about the County's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 7 to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

Carroll County's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2016 budget, tax rates and the fees charged for various County activities. One of those factors is the economy. Unemployment in the County in June 2015 was 2.7% versus 3.2% the previous year.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2016. Amounts available for appropriation in the operating budget are approximately \$16.4 million, an increase of 1.8% over the final fiscal year 2015 budget. The County added no major new programs or initiatives to the fiscal year 2016 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the County's budgetary operating balance is expected to decrease approximately \$1,219,000 by the close of fiscal year 2016.

CONTACTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of Carroll County's finances and to show the County's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Carroll County Auditor's Office, 114 E. 6th, Carroll, Iowa 51401.

Basic Financial Statements

Carroll County

Carroll County
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments:			
County Treasurer	\$ 10,131,723	44,273	10,175,996
Conservation Foundation	138,944	-	138,944
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent	4,102	-	4,102
Succeeding year	6,500,000	-	6,500,000
Interest and penalty on property tax	70,242	-	70,242
Accounts, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$164,978	176,290	2,314	178,604
Accrued interest	14,405	-	14,405
Internal balances	323,836	(323,836)	-
Due from other governments	730,554	-	730,554
Inventories	1,406,012	-	1,406,012
Prepaid expenses	155,506	-	155,506
Capital assets - nondepreciable	2,801,809	25,500	2,827,309
Capital assets - depreciable, net of accumulated depreciation	29,360,798	903,958	30,264,756
Total assets	51,814,221	652,209	52,466,430
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Pension related deferred outflows	763,960	-	763,960
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	602,176	1,619	603,795
Salaries and benefits payable	20,724	-	20,724
Due to other governments	94,368	-	94,368
Long-term liabilities:			
Portion due or payable within one year:			
Installment purchase agreement	44,835	-	44,835
Compensated absences	172,855	-	172,855
Portion due or payable after one year:			
Installment purchase agreement	134,497	-	134,497
Compensated absences	4,215	-	4,215
Net pension liability	1,923,443	-	1,923,443
Net OPEB liability	303,814	-	303,814
Total liabilities	3,300,927	1,619	3,302,546
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Unavailable property tax revenue	6,500,000	-	6,500,000
Pension related deferred inflows	1,289,284	-	1,289,284
Total deferred inflows of resources	7,789,284	-	7,789,284
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	31,983,275	605,622	32,588,897
Restricted for:			
Supplemental levy purposes	26,895	-	26,895
Mental health purposes	1,462,270	-	1,462,270
Rural services purposes	511,639	-	511,639
Secondary roads purposes	4,222,583	-	4,222,583
Capital projects	123,267	-	123,267
Other purposes	2,635,069	-	2,635,069
Unrestricted	522,972	44,968	567,940
Total net position	\$ 41,487,970	650,590	42,138,560

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County
Statement of Activities
Year ended June 30, 2015

	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Service	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
Functions/Programs:				
Governmental activities:				
Public safety and legal services	\$ 3,514,087	1,252,977	337,418	-
Physical health and social services	1,160,571	197,505	247,358	-
Mental health	1,377,591	-	428,612	-
County environment and education	1,179,992	255,319	56,625	100,468
Roads and transportation	5,961,268	308,233	3,331,864	940,474
Governmental services to residents	502,204	383,873	-	-
Administration	1,520,100	89,479	-	-
Non-program	494,741	532,033	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	7,332	-	-	-
Total governmental activities	15,717,886	3,019,419	4,401,877	1,040,942
Business type activities:				
Sewer	55,895	48,743	-	-
Total	\$ 15,773,781	3,068,162	4,401,877	1,040,942

General Revenues:

Property and other county tax levied for general purposes
Penalty and interest on property tax
State tax credits
Local option sales tax
Unrestricted investment earnings
Gain on disposition of capital assets
Miscellaneous
Total general revenues
Change in net position
Net position beginning of year, as restated
Net position end of year
See notes to financial statements.

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
(1,923,692)	-	(1,923,692)
(715,708)	-	(715,708)
(948,979)	-	(948,979)
(767,580)	-	(767,580)
(1,380,697)	-	(1,380,697)
(118,331)	-	(118,331)
(1,430,621)	-	(1,430,621)
37,292	-	37,292
(7,332)	-	(7,332)
(7,255,648)	-	(7,255,648)
-	(7,152)	(7,152)
(7,255,648)	(7,152)	(7,262,800)
6,239,595	-	6,239,595
35,401	-	35,401
382,750	-	382,750
1,092,056	-	1,092,056
60,692	28	60,720
125,018	-	125,018
182,896	-	182,896
8,118,408	28	8,118,436
862,760	(7,124)	855,636
40,625,210	657,714	41,282,924
\$ 41,487,970	650,590	42,138,560

Carroll County
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds

June 30, 2015

	General	Mental Health	Special Rural Services
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments:			
County Treasurer	\$ 2,398,438	1,532,401	435,708
Conservation Foundation	-	-	-
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent	4,027	-	75
Succeeding year	4,667,000	-	1,833,000
Interest and penalty on property tax	70,242	-	-
Accounts (net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$164,978)	168,657	-	-
Accrued interest	13,956	-	-
Due from other funds	-	-	-
Due from other governments	234,689	5,172	85,447
Inventories	-	-	-
Prepaid expenditures	143,513	-	-
Non current assets:			
Due from other funds/advances to other funds	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 7,700,522	1,537,573	2,354,230
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 170,545	71	520
Salaries and benefits payable	18,671	-	387
Advance from other funds	-	-	-
Due to other funds	6,163	-	-
Due to other governments	27,280	63,608	373
Total liabilities	<u>222,659</u>	<u>63,679</u>	<u>1,280</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year property tax	4,667,000	-	1,833,000
Other	205,634	-	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>4,872,634</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,833,000</u>
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable:			
Inventories	-	-	-
Prepaid expenditures	143,513	-	-
Restricted for:			
Supplemental levy purposes	40,723	-	-
Mental health purposes	-	1,473,894	-
Rural services purposes	-	-	519,950
Secondary roads purposes	-	-	-
Other purposes	-	-	-
Assigned for:			
County Attorney fine collections	78,532	-	-
Capital projects and equipment	-	-	-
Unassigned	2,342,461	-	-
Total fund balances	<u>2,605,229</u>	<u>1,473,894</u>	<u>519,950</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 7,700,522	1,537,573	2,354,230

See notes to financial statements.

Revenue				
Secondary Roads	Local Option Sales Tax	Nonmajor		Total
2,814,574	1,252,524	479,635		8,913,280
-	-	138,944		138,944
-	-	-		4,102
-	-	-		6,500,000
-	-	-		70,242
3,220	-	-		171,877
-	-	-		13,956
7,175	17,340	-		24,515
319,799	85,447	-		730,554
1,406,012	-	-		1,406,012
11,993	-	-		155,506
-	1,026,774	-		1,026,774
<u>4,562,773</u>	<u>2,382,085</u>	<u>618,579</u>		<u>19,155,762</u>
185,476	-	-		356,612
1,666	-	-		20,724
-	-	720,278		720,278
-	-	1,012		7,175
3,107	-	-		94,368
<u>190,249</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>721,290</u>		<u>1,199,157</u>
-	-	-		6,500,000
-	-	-		205,634
-	-	-		6,705,634
1,406,012	-	-		1,406,012
11,993	-	-		155,506
-	-	-		40,723
-	-	-		1,473,894
-	-	-		519,950
2,954,519	-	-		2,954,519
-	2,382,085	376,251		2,758,336
-	-	-		78,532
-	-	241,316		241,316
-	-	(720,278)		1,622,183
<u>4,372,524</u>	<u>2,382,085</u>	<u>(102,711)</u>		<u>11,250,971</u>
<u>4,562,773</u>	<u>2,382,085</u>	<u>618,579</u>		<u>19,155,762</u>

Carroll County

Carroll County

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet –
Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position

June 30, 2015

Total governmental fund balances (page 25) \$ 11,250,971

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. The cost of assets is \$64,088,622 and the accumulated depreciation is \$31,926,015. 32,162,607

Other long-term assets are not available to pay current year expenditures and, therefore, are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds. 205,634

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are included in governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position. 977,741

Pension related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds, as follows:

Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 763,960	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(1,289,284)</u>	(525,324)

Long-term liabilities, including installment purchase agreement payable, compensated absences payable, other postemployment benefits payable and net pension liability, are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. (2,583,659)

Net position of governmental activities (page 21) \$ 41,487,970

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2015

	General	Mental Health	Special Rural Services
Revenues:			
Property and other county tax	\$ 4,462,131	-	1,777,572
Local option sales tax	-	-	546,028
Interest and penalty on property tax	28,032	-	-
Intergovernmental	1,298,874	82,706	89,777
Licenses and permits	46,808	-	1,380
Charges for service	1,752,474	-	-
Use of money and property	158,454	-	-
Miscellaneous	43,955	53,688	-
Total revenues	7,790,728	136,394	2,414,757
Expenditures:			
Operating:			
Public safety and legal services	3,220,044	-	349,284
Physical health and social services	1,193,588	-	-
Mental health	292,171	1,100,469	-
County environment and education	865,135	-	153,000
Roads and transportation	-	-	25,000
Governmental services to residents	474,826	-	-
Administration	1,524,872	-	-
Debt service	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-
Total expenditures	7,570,636	1,100,469	527,284
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	220,092	(964,075)	1,887,473
Other financing sources (uses):			
Sale of capital assets	-	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-
Transfers out	(213,500)	-	(1,835,500)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(213,500)	-	(1,835,500)
Change in fund balances	6,592	(964,075)	51,973
Fund balances beginning of year	2,598,637	2,437,969	467,977
Fund balances end of year	\$ 2,605,229	1,473,894	519,950

See notes to financial statements.

Revenue			
Secondary Roads	Local Option Sales Tax	Nonmajor	Total
-	-	-	6,239,703
-	546,028	-	1,092,056
-	-	-	28,032
3,386,712	-	99,268	4,957,337
7,025	-	-	55,213
-	-	48,807	1,801,281
-	-	67,256	225,710
328,480	4,652	135,469	566,244
3,722,217	550,680	350,800	14,965,576
-	-	-	3,569,328
-	-	-	1,193,588
-	-	-	1,392,640
-	4,850	74,903	1,097,888
4,800,381	-	-	4,825,381
-	7,618	2,110	484,554
-	-	-	1,524,872
-	-	40,000	40,000
290,369	-	100,927	391,296
5,090,750	12,468	217,940	14,519,547
(1,368,533)	538,212	132,860	446,029
3,776	-	-	3,776
2,049,000	-	-	2,049,000
-	-	-	(2,049,000)
2,052,776	-	-	3,776
684,243	538,212	132,860	449,805
3,688,281	1,843,873	(235,571)	10,801,166
4,372,524	2,382,085	(102,711)	11,250,971

Carroll County

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances –
Governmental Funds to the Statement
of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2015

Change in fund balances - Total governmental funds (page 29) \$ 449,805

**Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of
Activities are different because:**

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation expense to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. Depreciation expense exceeded capital outlay expenditures and contributed capital assets in the current year, as follows:

Expenditures for capital assets	\$ 779,246	
Capital assets contributed by other governments	930,474	
Depreciation expense	(1,896,051)	(186,331)

In the Statement of Activities, the gain on the disposition of capital assets is reported, whereas the governmental funds report the proceeds from the disposition as an increase in financial resources. 121,498

Because some revenues will not be collected for several months after the County's year end, they are not considered available revenues and are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds, as follows:

Property tax	(108)	
Other	13,104	12,996

Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. 50,668

The current year County share of IPERS contributions is reported as expenditures in the governmental funds but is reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position. 486,558

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, as follows:

Compensated absences	40,260	
Other postemployment benefits	(25,752)	
Pension expense	(212,709)	(198,201)

The Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of partial self funding of the County's health insurance benefit plan to individual funds. The change in net position of the Internal Service Fund is reported with governmental activities. 125,767

Change in net position of governmental activities (page 23) \$ 862,760

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County
Statement of Net Position
Proprietary Funds

June 30, 2015

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - Nonmajor	Internal Service - Employee Group Health
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 44,273	1,218,443
Receivables:		
Accounts	2,314	4,413
Accrued interest	-	449
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	929,458	-
Total assets	976,045	1,223,305
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	1,619	245,564
Due to other funds	17,340	-
Long-term liabilities:		
Advances from other funds	306,496	-
Total liabilities	325,455	245,564
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	605,622	-
Unrestricted	44,968	977,741
Total net position	\$ 650,590	977,741

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and
Changes in Fund Net Position
Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - Nonmajor	Internal Service - Employee Group Health
Operating revenues:		
Reimbursements from operating funds	\$ -	1,229,798
Reimbursements from employees	-	503,539
Charges for service	48,743	-
Total operating revenues	<u>48,743</u>	<u>1,733,337</u>
Operating expenses:		
Medical claims	-	1,527,791
Administrative fees	-	84,081
Depreciation	26,160	-
Miscellaneous	25,083	-
Total operating expenses	<u>51,243</u>	<u>1,611,872</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>(2,500)</u>	<u>121,465</u>
Non-operating revenues (expenses):		
Interest income	28	4,302
Interest expense	(3,332)	-
Miscellaneous	(1,320)	-
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>(4,624)</u>	<u>4,302</u>
Change in net position	(7,124)	125,767
Net position beginning of year	<u>657,714</u>	<u>851,974</u>
Net position end of year	<u>\$ 650,590</u>	<u>977,741</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County
Statement of Cash Flows
Proprietary Funds
Year ended June 30, 2015

	Business Type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Enterprise - Nonmajor	Internal Service - Employee Group Health
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from operating fund reimbursements	\$ -	1,225,386
Cash received from employees and others	-	503,539
Cash received from sewer fees	48,453	-
Cash paid to suppliers for services	(22,703)	(1,577,873)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>25,750</u>	<u>151,052</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest on investments	<u>33</u>	<u>4,039</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Principal paid on interfund loan	(17,167)	-
Interest paid on interfund loan	(3,331)	-
Miscellaneous	(1,320)	-
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	<u>(21,818)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,965	155,091
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	<u>40,308</u>	<u>1,063,352</u>
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	<u>\$ 44,273</u>	<u>1,218,443</u>
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (2,500)	121,465
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	26,160	-
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	556	(4,413)
Increase in accounts payable	1,534	34,000
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 25,750</u>	<u>151,052</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
Agency Funds

June 30, 2015

Assets

Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments:

County Treasurer	\$ 1,463,815
Other County officials	10,082
Receivables:	
Property tax:	
Delinquent	40,874
Succeeding year	21,391,000
Accounts	22,991
Due from other governments	32,815
Total assets	<u>22,961,577</u>

Liabilities

Accounts payable	31,863
Salaries and benefits payable	2,854
Due to other governments	22,922,033
Trusts payable	1,496
Compensated absences	3,331
Total liabilities	<u>22,961,577</u>

Net position

\$ -

See notes to financial statements.

Carroll County

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2015

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Carroll County is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The County operates under the Board of Supervisors form of government. Elections are on a partisan basis. Other elected officials operate independently with the Board of Supervisors. These officials are the Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff and Attorney. The County provides numerous services to citizens, including law enforcement, health and social services, parks and cultural activities, planning and zoning, roadway construction and maintenance and general administrative services.

The County's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Carroll County has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The County has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the County are such that exclusion would cause the County's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the County to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the County.

These financial statements present Carroll County (the primary government) and its component units. The component units discussed below are included in the County's reporting entity because of the significance of their operational or financial relationships with the County.

Blended Component Units – The following component units are entities which are legally separate from the County, but are so intertwined with the County they are, in substance, the same as the County. They are reported as part of the County and blended into the appropriate funds.

Certain drainage districts have been established pursuant to Chapter 468 of the Code of Iowa for the drainage of surface waters from agricultural and other lands or the protection of such lands from overflow. Although these districts are legally separate from the County, they are controlled, managed and supervised by the Carroll County Board of Supervisors. The drainage districts are reported as a Special Revenue Fund. Financial information of the individual drainage districts can be obtained from the Carroll County Auditor's Office.

The Carroll County Conservation Foundation has been incorporated under Chapter 504A of the Code of Iowa to receive donations for the benefit of the Carroll County Conservation Board. These donations were expended to finance the Sauk Rail Trail and the Conservation Education Center and were not included in the County's budget. The financial transactions of this component unit have been reported as a Special Revenue Fund.

Jointly Governed Organizations – The County participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the County but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The County Board of Supervisors are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: Carroll County Assessor's Conference Board, Carroll County Emergency Management Commission and County Joint E911 Service Board. Financial transactions of these organizations are included in the County's financial statements only to the extent of the County's fiduciary relationship with the organization and, as such, are reported in the Agency Funds of the County.

In addition, the County Board of Supervisors are members of or appoint representatives to: West Central Iowa Sheltered Workshop (WESCO), Carroll Area Solid Waste Management Commission, Region XII Council of Governments, Youth Emergency Services (Y.E.S.), Ambulance, Conservation and Development.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the County and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are supported by property tax, intergovernmental revenues and other nonexchange transactions.

The Statement of Net Position presents the County's nonfiduciary assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories.

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation did not result in any restricted net position.

Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. 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 and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental and proprietary funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental and proprietary funds.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the County. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Mental Health Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to be used to fund mental health, intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities services.

The Rural Services Fund is used to account for property tax and other revenues to provide services which are primarily intended to benefit those persons residing in the county outside of incorporated city areas.

The Secondary Roads Fund is used to account for the road use tax allocation from the State of Iowa, required transfers from the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Rural Services Fund and other revenues to be used for secondary roads construction and maintenance.

The Local Option Sales Tax Fund is used to account for local option sales tax authorized by referendum and used in accordance with the referendum.

Additionally, the County reports the following proprietary funds:

Enterprise Funds are utilized to account for the acquisition, operation and maintenance of governmental facilities and services that are supported by user charges.

An Internal Service Fund is utilized to account for the financing of goods or services purchased by one department of the County and provided to other departments or agencies on a cost reimbursement basis.

The following fiduciary funds are also reported:

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the County as an agency for individuals, private organizations, certain jointly governed organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

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 year or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current year. For this purpose, the County considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest are considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the County 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 position available to finance the program. It is the County's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general revenues.

When an expenditure is incurred in governmental funds which can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the County's policy is to pay the expenditure from restricted fund balance and then from less-restricted classifications – committed, assigned and then unassigned fund balances.

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 County's Internal Service Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the Internal Service Fund include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The County maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statements of the County are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Equity

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Pooled Investments – The cash balances of most County funds are pooled and invested. Interest earned on investments is recorded in the General Fund unless otherwise provided by law. Investments are stated at fair value except for the investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust which is valued at amortized cost and non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are stated at cost.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

Property Tax Receivable – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the County Board of Supervisors. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Supervisors to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the Board of Supervisors is required to certify its budget in March of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is unearned in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2013 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2014.

Interest and Penalty on Property Tax Receivable – Interest and penalty on property tax receivable represents the amount of interest and penalty that was due and payable but has not been collected.

Due from/Advance to and Due to/Advances from Other Funds – During the course of its operations, the County has numerous transactions between funds. To the extent certain transactions between funds had not been paid or received as of June 30, 2015, balances of interfund

amounts receivable or payable have been recorded in the fund financial statements.

Due from Other Governments – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

Inventories – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories consist of expendable supplies held for consumption. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property, equipment and vehicles, intangibles and infrastructure assets acquired after July 1, 2003 (e.g., roads, bridges, curbs, gutters, sidewalks and similar items which are immovable and of value only to the County), are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Reportable capital assets are defined by the County as assets with initial, individual costs in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Infrastructure	\$ 50,000
Land and buildings	25,000
Land improvements	10,000
Intangibles	50,000
Equipment and vehicles	5,000

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

Asset Class	Estimated Useful lives (In Years)
Buildings	30 - 50
Land improvements	10 - 30
Infrastructure	15 - 65
Intangibles	5 - 20
Intangibles	5 - 40
Equipment	2 - 40
Vehicles	4 - 10

Deferred Outflows of Resources – Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension expense and contributions from the County after the measurement date but before the end of the County’s reporting period.

Due to Other Governments – Due to other governments represents taxes and other revenues collected by the County and payments for services which will be remitted to other governments.

Trusts Payable – Trusts payable represents amounts due to others which are held by various County officials in fiduciary capacities until the underlying legal matters are resolved.

Compensated Absences – County employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees who have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2015. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and the Special Revenue, Mental Health, Rural Services and Secondary Roads Funds.

Long-Term Liabilities – In the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or proprietary fund Statement of Net Position.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

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

Deferred Inflows of Resources – Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although, certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources consist of property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end.

Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consist of succeeding year property tax receivables that will not be recognized until the year for which it is levied and the unamortized portion of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments.

Fund Equity – In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

Nonspendable – Amounts which cannot be spent because they are in a nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or state or federal laws or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Assigned – Amounts the Board of Supervisors intend to use for specific purposes.

Unassigned – All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

Net Position – The net position of the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund is designated for anticipated future catastrophic losses of the County.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information.

(2) Cash, Cash Equivalents and Pooled Investments

The County's deposits in banks at June 30, 2015 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds.

The County is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Supervisors; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The County had an investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust which is valued at an amortized cost of \$185,022 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust is unrated for credit risk purposes.

(3) Due From/Advances to and Due to/Advances from Other Funds

The detail of interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2015 is as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Special Revenue:		
Secondary Roads	General	\$ 6,163
	Special Revenue:	
	Drainage Districts	1,012
		<u>7,175</u>
Local Option Sales Tax	Enterprise:	
	Mt. Carmel Sewer	7,076
	Maple River Sewer	10,264
		<u>17,340</u>
Total		<u>\$ 24,515</u>

These balances result from the time lag between the dates interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, transactions are recorded in the accounting system and payments between funds are made.

Not included above, and not expected to be repaid within one year, are interfund advances of \$174,983 and \$131,513 due from the Enterprise, Mt. Carmel Sewer and Maple River Sewer Funds, respectively, to the Special Revenue, Local Option Sales Tax Fund for repayment of long term interfund loans. The interfund advances will be repaid from user fees.

Also not included above, and not expected to be repaid within one year, is an interfund advance of \$720,278 due from the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund to the Special Revenue, Local Option Sales Tax Fund for repayment of an interfund advance to the General Fund for tax increment financing purposes. The interfund advance will be repaid with tax increment financing collections.

(4) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2015 is as follows:

<u>Transfer to</u>	<u>Transfer from</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Special Revenue:		
Secondary Roads	General	\$ 213,500
	Special Revenue:	
	Rural Services	1,835,500
Total		<u>\$ 2,049,000</u>

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

(5) Capital Assets

Governmental activities capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	Beginning			End
	of Year	Increases	Decreases	of Year
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,828,881	-	-	1,828,881
Construction in progress	110,588	1,145,910	(283,570)	972,928
Total capital assets not being depreciated	1,939,469	1,145,910	(283,570)	2,801,809
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	6,906,517	128,197	-	7,034,714
Improvements other than buildings	113,777	58,199	-	171,976
Equipment and vehicles	9,454,801	602,794	(347,870)	9,709,725
Infrastructure, road network	42,531,343	200,818	-	42,732,161
Infrastructure, other	1,638,237	-	-	1,638,237
Total capital assets being depreciated	60,644,675	990,008	(347,870)	61,286,813
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	2,749,041	150,735	-	2,899,776
Improvements other than buildings	16,439	6,569	-	23,008
Equipment and vehicles	5,590,512	592,961	(326,740)	5,856,733
Infrastructure, road network	21,855,091	1,109,381	-	22,964,472
Infrastructure, other	145,621	36,405	-	182,026
Total accumulated depreciation	30,356,704	1,896,051	(326,740)	31,926,015
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	30,287,971	(906,043)	(21,130)	29,360,798
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 32,227,440	239,867	(304,700)	32,162,607

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:	
Public safety and legal services	\$ 147,089
Physical health and social services	3,700
County environment and education	113,121
Roads and transportation	1,519,978
Governmental services to residents	37,033
Administration	75,130
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,896,051</u>

Business type activities capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
Business type activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 25,500	-	-	25,500
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Infrastructure	1,044,140	-	-	1,044,140
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	114,022	26,160	-	140,182
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	930,118	(26,160)	-	903,958
Business type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 955,618</u>	<u>(26,160)</u>	-	<u>929,458</u>
Total depreciation expense - business type activities				<u>\$ 26,160</u>

(6) Due to Other Governments

The County purchases services from other governmental units and also acts as a fee and tax collection agent for various governmental units. Tax collections are remitted to those governments in the month following collection. A summary of amounts due to other governments at June 30, 2015 is as follows:

Fund	Description	Amount
General	Services	\$ 27,280
Special Revenue:		
Mental Health	Services	63,608
Rural Services	Services	373
Secondary Roads	Services	3,107
		<u>67,088</u>
Total for governmental funds		<u>\$ 94,368</u>
Agency:		
Agricultural Extension Education	Collections	\$ 215,328
County Assessor		577,201
Schools		11,463,648
Community Colleges		839,267
Corporations		8,332,946
Townships		285,199
Auto License and Use Tax		659,658
E911 Service Commission		210,283
All other		338,503
Total for agency funds		<u>\$ 22,922,033</u>

(7) Long-Term Liabilities

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2015 is as follows:

	Installment Purchase Agreement	Compen- sated Absences	Net Pension Liability	Net OPEB Liability	Total
Governmental activities:					
Balance beginning of year, as restated	\$ 230,000	217,330	3,186,973	278,062	3,912,365
Increases	-	283,396	-	129,442	412,838
Decreases	50,668	323,656	1,263,530	103,690	1,741,544
Balance end of year	\$ 179,332	177,070	1,923,443	303,814	2,583,659
Due within one year	\$ 44,835	172,855	-	-	217,690

Installment Purchase Agreement

In February 2014, the Carroll County Conservation Board entered into an installment purchase agreement with the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation (Foundation) to purchase 11 acres, including the house and outbuildings, from the Foundation to be used for the Park Ranger's home. Under the terms of the agreement, the County will make annual payments of \$50,583, which includes interest at 3.25% per annum, for 5 years.

A summary of the installment purchase agreement is as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	3.25%	\$ 44,835	5,748	50,583
2017	3.25	46,064	4,519	50,583
2018	3.25	47,709	2,874	50,583
2019	3.25	40,724	1,323	42,047
Total		\$ 179,332	14,464	193,796

(8) Pension Plan

Plan Description - IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the County, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the County are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at 7401 Register Drive, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits – A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment, or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. (These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits.) Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier (based on years of service).
- The member's highest five-year average salary. (For members with service before June 30, 2012, the highest three-year average salary as of that date will be used if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.)

Sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members may retire at normal retirement age, which is generally at age 55. Sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members may retire any time after reaching age 50 with 22 or more years of covered employment.

The formula used to calculate a sheriff's, deputy's and protection occupation member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- 60% of average salary after completion of 22 years of service, plus an additional 1.5% of average salary for years of service greater than 22 but not more than 30 years of service.
- The member's highest three-year average salary.

If a member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

Disability and Death Benefits - A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

Contributions - Effective July 1, 2012, as a result of a 2010 law change, the contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to 1 percentage point. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal year 2015, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 5.95% of covered payroll and the County contributed 8.93% for a total rate of 14.88%. The Sheriff, deputies and the County each contributed 9.88% of covered payroll for a total rate of 19.76%. Protection occupation members contributed 6.76% of covered payroll and the County contributed 10.14% for a total rate of 16.90%.

The County's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2015 were \$486,558.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - At June 30, 2015, the County reported a liability of \$1,923,443 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The County's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the County's share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2014, the County's collective proportion was 0.048499%, which was a decrease of 0.007006% from its collective proportion measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the County recognized pension expense of \$212,709. At June 30, 2015, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 23,575	39,845
Changes of assumptions	95,733	23,974
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	1,221,728
Changes in proportion and differences between County contributions and the County's proportionate share of contributions	158,094	3,737
County contributions subsequent to the measurement date	486,558	-
Total	\$ 763,960	1,289,284

\$486,558 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the County contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2016	\$ (256,403)
2017	(256,403)
2018	(256,403)
2019	(256,403)
2020	13,730
Total	<u>\$ (1,011,882)</u>

There were no non-employer contributing entities to IPERS.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2014)	3.00% per annum.
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2010)	4.00 to 17.00% average, including inflation Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 1996)	7.50% compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies with dates corresponding to those listed above.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA.

The long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates (expected returns, net of investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Asset Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
US Equity	23%	6.31%
Non US Equity	15	6.76
Private Equity	13	11.34
Real Estate	8	3.52
Core Plus Fixed Income	28	2.06
Credit Opportunities	5	3.67
TIPS	5	1.92
Other Real Assets	2	6.27
Cash	1	(0.69)
Total	<u>100%</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and contributions from the County will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the County's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1% lower (6.50%) or 1% higher (8.50%) than the current rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (6.50%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (7.50%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.50%)</u>
County's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset):	\$ 4,690,414	\$1,923,443	\$ (409,899)

IPERS' Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about IPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at www.ipers.org.

Payables to IPERS - All legally required County contributions and legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages were remitted to IPERS by the County by June 30, 2015.

(9) Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Plan Description – The County operates a single-employer health benefit plan which provides medical/prescription drug benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. There are 110 active and 22 retired members in the plan. Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement.

The medical/prescription drug benefits are provided through a partially self-funded medical plan administered by Wellmark. Retirees under 65 may convert unused sick days to health insurance at retirement. Ten days of sick leave equals one month of single coverage up to a 12 month maximum. Otherwise, retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical/ month prescription drug benefits as active employees, which results in an implicit rate subsidy and an OPEB liability.

Funding Policy – The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the County. The County currently finances the retiree benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation – The County’s annual OPEB cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC) of the County, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding which, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities over a period not to exceed 30 years.

The following table shows the components of the County’s annual OPEB cost for the year ended June 30, 2015, the amount actually contributed to the plan and changes in the County’s net OPEB obligation:

Annual required contribution	\$ 129,370
Interest on net OPEB obligation	11,122
Adjustment to annual required contribution	(11,050)
Annual OPEB cost	<u>129,442</u>
Contributions made	<u>(103,690)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	25,752
Net OPEB obligation beginning of year	<u>278,062</u>
Net OPEB obligation end of year	<u>\$ 303,814</u>

For calculation of the net OPEB obligation, the actuary has set the transition day as July 1, 2008. The end of year net OPEB obligation was calculated by the actuary as the cumulative difference between the actuarially determined funding requirements and the actual contributions for the year ended June 30, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the County contributed \$103,690 to the medical plan. Plan members eligible for benefits contributed \$120,913, or 53.8% of the premium costs.

The County’s annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan and the net OPEB obligation are summarized as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
2013	\$ 89,599	73.20%	\$ 254,002
2014	89,605	73.15	278,062
2015	129,442	80.11	303,814

Funded Status and Funding Progress – As of July 1, 2014, the most recent actuarial valuation date for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, the actuarial accrued liability was \$1,183,000, with no actuarial value of assets, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$1,183,000. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was approximately \$4,473,000 and the ratio of the UAAL to covered payroll was 26.4%. As of June 30, 2015, there were no trust fund assets.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions – 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 the health care cost trend. Actuarially determined amounts 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 for the Retiree Health Plan, presented as Required Supplementary Information in the section following the Notes to Financial Statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

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

As of the July 1, 2014 actuarial valuation date, the unit credit actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions include a 4% discount rate based on the County's funding policy. The projected annual medical trend rate is 9.5%. The ultimate medical trend rate is 5%. The medical trend rate is reduced 0.5% each year until reaching the 5% ultimate trend rate.

Mortality rates are from the SOA RPH-2014 Total Dataset Mortality Table fully generational using scale AA. Annual retirement and termination probabilities were developed from the retirement probabilities from the IPERS Actuarial Report as of June 30, 2014 and applying the termination factors used in the IPERS Actuarial Report as of June 30, 2014.

Projected claim costs of the medical plan are \$576 per month for retirees and \$1,179 for retirees and spouse less than age 65. The salary increase rate was assumed to be 3% per year. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll expense on an open basis over 30 years.

(10) Risk Management

The County is a member of the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool, as allowed by Chapter 331.301 of the Code of Iowa. The Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (Pool) is a local government risk-sharing pool whose 727 members include various governmental entities throughout the State of Iowa. The Pool was formed in August 1986 for the purpose of managing and funding third-party liability claims against its members. The Pool provides coverage and protection in the following categories: general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, public officials liability, police professional liability, property, inland marine and boiler/machinery. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior years.

Each member's annual casualty contributions to the Pool fund current operations and provide capital. Annual casualty operating contributions are those amounts necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, claims, claims expenses and reinsurance expenses estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Capital contributions are made during the first six years of membership and are maintained at a level determined by the Board not to exceed 300% of basis rate.

The Pool also provides property coverage. Members who elect such coverage make annual property operating contributions which are necessary to fund, on a cash basis, the Pool's general and administrative expenses, reinsurance premiums, losses and loss expenses for property risks estimated for the fiscal year, plus all or any portion of any deficiency in capital. Any year-end operating surplus is transferred to capital. Deficiencies in operations are offset by transfers from capital and, if insufficient, by the subsequent year's member contributions.

The County's property and casualty contributions to the risk pool are recorded as expenditures from its operating funds at the time of payment to the risk pool. The County's contributions to the Pool for the year ended June 30, 2015 were \$144,395.

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements to reduce its exposure to large losses. The Pool retains general, automobile, police professional, and public officials' liability risks up to \$350,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate. Property and automobile physical damage risks are retained by the Pool up to \$250,000 each occurrence, each location. Property risks exceeding \$250,000 are reinsured through reinsurance and excess risk-sharing agreements up to the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate.

The Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members provides that in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exceeds the amount of risk-sharing protection provided by the County's risk-sharing certificate, or in the event a casualty claim, property loss or series of claims or losses exhausts the Pool's funds and any excess risk-sharing recoveries, then payment of such claims or losses shall be the obligation of the respective individual member against whom the claim was made or the loss was incurred.

The County does not report a liability for losses in excess of reinsurance or excess risk-sharing recoveries unless it is deemed probable such losses have occurred and the amount of such loss can be reasonably estimated. Accordingly, at June 30, 2015, no liability has been recorded in the County's financial statements. As of June 30, 2015, settled claims have not exceeded the risk pool or reinsurance coverage since the Pool's inception.

Members agree to continue membership in the Pool for a period of not less than one full year. After such period, a member who has given 60 days prior written notice may withdraw from the Pool. Upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim was incurred or reported prior to the member's withdrawal. Upon withdrawal, a formula set forth in the Pool's intergovernmental contract with its members is applied to determine the amount (if any) to be refunded to the withdrawing member.

The County also carries commercial insurance purchased from other insurers for coverage associated with workers compensation and employee blanket bond in the amount of \$1,000,000 and \$100,000, respectively. The County assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(11) Employee Health Insurance Plan

The Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund was established to account for the partial self-funding of the County’s health insurance benefit plan. The plan is funded by both employee and County contributions and is administered through a service agreement with Wellmark. The agreement is subject to automatic renewal provisions. The County assumes liability for claims up to the individual stop loss limitation of \$50,000. Claims in excess of coverage are insured through purchase of stop loss insurance.

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Employee Group Health Fund are recorded as expenditures from the operating funds. Under the administrative services agreement, monthly payments of service fees and claims processed are paid to Wellmark from the Employee Group Health Fund. The County’s contribution for the year ended June 30, 2015 was \$1,229,798.

Amounts payable from the Internal Service Fund at June 30, 2015 total \$245,564, which is for incurred but not reported (IBNR) and reported but not paid claims. The amounts are based on actuarial estimates of the amounts necessary to pay prior-year and current-year claims and to establish a reserve for catastrophic losses. That reserve was \$977,741 at June 30, 2015 and is reported as a designation of the Internal Service, Employee Group Health Fund net position. A liability has been established based on the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 10, which requires a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates it is probable a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Settlements have not exceeded the stop-loss coverage in any of the past three years. A reconciliation of changes in the aggregate liability for claims for the current year is as follows:

Unpaid claims beginning of year	\$ 211,564
Incurred claims (including claims incurred but not reported at June 30, 2015)	1,527,791
Payments on claims during the fiscal year	<u>1,493,791</u>
Unpaid claims end of year	<u><u>\$ 245,564</u></u>

(12) Revenue Bonds

On September 29, 2003, the County issued \$10,000,000 of Hospital Revenue Bonds in accordance with Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa on behalf of Saint Anthony Regional Hospital to renovate the existing third floor and other areas of the hospital and to construct and equip an addition. The bonds are not a general obligation of the County, but are payable solely from the net revenues of Saint Anthony Regional Hospital. No other resources of the County shall be required to be used, nor is the general credit of the County pledged, for the payment of bonds.

On November 22, 2006, the County issued \$6,575,000 of Hospital Revenue Bonds in accordance with Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa on behalf of Saint Anthony Regional Hospital to finance a portion of the cost of the construction of a four-story addition to the hospital, to equip the addition and to add parking structures and a new surgery center. The bonds are not a general obligation of the County, but are payable solely from the net revenues of Saint Anthony Regional Hospital. No other resources of the County shall be required to be used, nor is the general credit of the County pledged, for the payment of the bonds.

On December 1, 2008, the County issued \$1,400,000 of Facility Revenue Bonds in accordance with Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa on behalf of New Opportunities Inc. for the purchase of land and a building and to equip the building to be used as a Head Start/Outreach facility. The bonds are not a general obligation of the County, but are payable solely from the net revenues of New Opportunities, Inc. No other resources of the County shall be required to be used, nor is the general credit of the County pledged, for the payment of the bonds.

(13) Deficit Balance

The Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund had a deficit balance of \$720,278 at June 30, 2015. The deficit balance was a result of costs incurred prior to the availability of funds. The deficit will be eliminated with future tax increment financing collections.

(14) County Care Facility

On July 1, 1990, the management and operation of the Carroll County Care Facility was assumed by Mallard View, Inc. The agreement requires the operator to make monthly rental payments to the County and for the County to pay the operator for services rendered. This agreement was renewed for the period commencing July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2015.

(15) Carroll County Financial Information Included in the Rolling Hills Community Services Mental Health Region

Rolling Hills Community Services Mental Health Region, a jointly governed organization formed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa which became effective July 2, 2014, includes the following member counties: Buena Vista, Calhoun, Cherokee, Crawford, Sac, Ida and Carroll County. The financial activity of Carroll County's Special Revenue, Mental Health Fund is included in the Rolling Hills Community Services Mental Health Region for the year ended June 30, 2015 as follows:

Revenues:		
Intergovernmental:		
Social services block grant	\$ 21,696	
Other	61,010	\$ 82,706
Miscellaneous		53,688
Total revenues		136,394
Expenditures:		
Services to persons with:		
Mental illness	96	
Intellectual disabilities	24,670	24,766
General administration:		
Direct administration	37,378	
Distribution to regional fiscal agent	1,038,325	1,075,703
Total expenditures		1,100,469
Excess of expenditures over revenues		(964,075)
Fund balance beginning of year		2,437,969
Fund balance end of year		\$ 1,473,894

(16) Accounting Change/Restatement

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27, was implemented during fiscal year 2015. The revised requirements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments which provide their employees with pension benefits, including additional note disclosures and required supplementary information. In addition, GASB Statement No. 68 requires a state or local government employer to recognize a net pension liability and changes in the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources which arise from other types of events related to pensions. During the transition year, as permitted, beginning balances for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not reported, except for deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability which is required to be reported by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. Beginning net position for governmental activities was restated to retroactively report the beginning net pension liability and deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after the measurement date, as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Net position June 30, 2014, as previously reported	\$ 43,347,826
Net pension liability at June 30, 2014	(3,186,973)
Deferred outflows of resources related to prior year contributions made after the June 30, 2013 measurement date	<u>464,357</u>
Net position July 1, 2014, as restated	<u>\$ 40,625,210</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule of
Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Balances –
Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) – All Governmental Funds

Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Actual	Less Funds not Required to be Budgeted	Net
Receipts:			
Property and other county tax	\$ 7,235,768	-	7,235,768
Interest and penalty on property tax	30,236	-	30,236
Intergovernmental	4,941,843	42,642	4,899,201
Licenses and permits	55,280	-	55,280
Charges for service	1,916,103	-	1,916,103
Use of money and property	243,588	181	243,407
Miscellaneous	633,539	100,469	533,070
Total receipts	<u>15,056,357</u>	<u>143,292</u>	<u>14,913,065</u>
Disbursements:			
Public safety and legal services	3,547,939	-	3,547,939
Physical health and social services	1,170,473	-	1,170,473
Mental health	1,352,467	-	1,352,467
County environment and education	1,105,463	61,891	1,043,572
Roads and transportation	5,364,265	-	5,364,265
Governmental services to residents	476,800	-	476,800
Administration	1,548,613	-	1,548,613
Capital projects	448,922	-	448,922
Total disbursements	<u>15,014,942</u>	<u>61,891</u>	<u>14,953,051</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements	41,415	81,401	(39,986)
Other financing sources, net	3,776	-	3,776
Excess (deficiency) of receipts and other financing sources over (under) disbursements and other financing uses	45,191	81,401	(36,210)
Balance beginning of year	9,007,033	115,570	8,891,463
Balance end of year	<u>\$ 9,052,224</u>	<u>196,971</u>	<u>8,855,253</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Budgeted Amounts		Final to
Original	Final	Net
		Variance
6,780,881	6,780,881	454,887
20,000	20,000	10,236
4,934,496	4,969,295	(70,094)
59,050	59,050	(3,770)
1,745,700	1,746,216	169,887
231,676	231,676	11,731
494,530	494,610	38,460
14,266,333	14,301,728	611,337
3,614,607	3,682,674	134,735
1,239,624	1,242,525	72,052
1,457,333	1,457,333	104,866
1,057,179	1,079,398	35,826
5,214,500	5,464,500	100,235
505,536	513,838	37,038
1,764,749	1,695,763	147,150
980,000	1,029,799	580,877
15,833,528	16,165,830	1,212,779
(1,567,195)	(1,864,102)	1,824,116
-	-	3,776
(1,567,195)	(1,864,102)	1,827,892
7,117,879	7,117,879	1,773,584
5,550,684	5,253,777	3,601,476

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Budget to GAAP Reconciliation

Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Governmental Funds		
	Cash Basis	Accrual Adjust- ments	Modified Accrual Basis
Revenues	\$ 15,056,357	(90,781)	14,965,576
Expenditures	15,014,942	(495,395)	14,519,547
Net	41,415	404,614	446,029
Other financing sources, net	3,776	-	3,776
Beginning fund balances	9,007,033	1,794,133	10,801,166
Ending fund balances	\$ 9,052,224	2,198,747	11,250,971

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting

June 30, 2015

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the County Board of Supervisors annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except blended component units, Enterprise Funds, Internal Service Funds and Agency Funds, and appropriates the amount deemed necessary for each of the different County offices and departments. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. Encumbrances are not recognized on the cash basis budget and appropriations lapse at year end.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These ten functions are: public safety and legal services, physical health and social services, mental health, county environment and education, roads and transportation, governmental services to residents, administration, non-program, debt service and capital projects. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds and the Capital Projects Fund. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. Legal budgetary control is also based upon the appropriation to each office or department. During the year, two budget amendments increased budgeted disbursements by \$332,302. The budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

In addition, annual budgets are similarly adopted in accordance with the Code of Iowa by the appropriate governing body as indicated: for the County Extension Office by the County Agricultural Extension Council, for the County Assessor by the County Conference Board, for the E911 System by the Joint E911 Service Board and for Emergency Management Services by the County Emergency Management Commission.

During the year ended June 30, 2015, disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted. However, certain departments exceeded the amounts appropriated.

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Schedule of the County's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
Last Fiscal Year*
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	<u>2015</u>
County's collective proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.048499%
County's collective proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 1,923
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,026
County's collective proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	38.26%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	87.61%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Carroll County

Schedule of County Contributions

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 487	464	421	394
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	<u>(487)</u>	<u>(464)</u>	<u>(421)</u>	<u>(394)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
County's covered-employee payroll	\$ 5,258	5,026	4,627	4,574
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	9.26%	9.23%	9.10%	8.61%

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
339	319	291	261	252	239
(339)	(319)	(291)	(261)	(252)	(239)
-	-	-	-	-	-
4,408	4,451	4,265	4,165	4,129	3,941
7.69%	7.17%	6.82%	6.27%	6.10%	6.06%

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Pension Liability

Year ended June 30, 2015

Changes of benefit terms:

Legislation passed in 2010 modified benefit terms for current Regular members. The definition of final average salary changed from the highest three to the highest five years of covered wages. The vesting requirement changed from four years of service to seven years. The early retirement reduction increased from 3% per year measured from the member's first unreduced retirement age to a 6% reduction for each year of retirement before age 65.

In 2008, legislative action transferred four groups – emergency medical service providers, county jailers, county attorney investigators, and National Guard installation security officers – from Regular membership to the protection occupation group for future service only.

Benefit provisions for sheriffs and deputies were changed in the 2004 legislative session. The eligibility for unreduced retirement benefits was lowered from age 55 by one year each July 1 (beginning in 2004) until it reached age 50 on July 1, 2008. The years of service requirement remained at 22 or more. Their contribution rates were also changed to be shared 50-50 by the employee and employer, instead of the previous 40-60 split.

Changes of assumptions:

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00% to 3.75% per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Reduced retirement rates for sheriffs and deputies between the ages of 55 and 64.
- Moved from an open 30-year amortization period to a closed 30-year amortization period for the UAL beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20-year period.

The 2010 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted retiree mortality assumptions.
- Modified retirement rates to reflect fewer retirements.
- Lowered disability rates at most ages.
- Lowered employment termination rates.
- Generally increased the probability of terminating members receiving a deferred retirement benefit.
- Modified salary increase assumptions based on various service duration.

The 2007 valuation adjusted the application of the entry age normal cost method to better match projected contributions to the projected salary stream in the future years. It also included in the calculation of the UAL amortization payments the one-year lag between the valuation date and the effective date of the annual actuarial contribution rate.

The 2006 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted salary increase assumptions to service based assumptions.
- Decreased the assumed interest rate credited on employee contributions from 4.25% to 4.00%.
- Lowered the inflation assumption from 3.50% to 3.25%.
- Lowered disability rates for sheriffs, deputies and protection occupation members.

Carroll County

Schedule of Funding Progress for the
Retiree Health Plan
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

Year Ended June 30,	Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
2010	July 1, 2008	-	\$ 898	898	0.0%	\$ 4,158	21.6%
2011	July 1, 2008	-	898	898	0.0	4,132	21.7
2012	July 1, 2011	-	885	885	0.0	4,274	20.7
2013	July 1, 2011	-	885	885	0.0	4,144	21.4
2014	July 1, 2011	-	885	885	0.0	4,305	20.6
2015	July 1, 2014	-	1,183	1,183	0.0	4,473	26.4

See Note 9 in the accompanying Notes to Financial Statements for the plan description, funding policy, annual OPEB cost, net OPEB obligation, funded status and funding progress.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Supplementary Information

Carroll County
 Combining Balance Sheet
 Nonmajor Governmental Funds

June 30, 2015

			Special
	Resource Enhance- ment and Protection	County Recorder's Records Management	Drainage Districts
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and pooled investments:			
County Treasurer	\$ 20,862	36,163	58,027
Conservation Foundation	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 20,862	36,163	58,027
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Advance from other funds	\$ -	-	-
Due to other funds	-	-	1,012
Total liabilities	-	-	1,012
Fund balances:			
Restricted for other purposes	20,862	36,163	57,015
Assigned for capital projects and equipment	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-
Total fund balances	20,862	36,163	57,015
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 20,862	36,163	58,027

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Revenue			
Conservation Foundation	Tax Increment Financing	Capital Projects	Total
-	-	364,583	479,635
138,944	-	-	138,944
138,944	-	364,583	618,579
-	720,278	-	720,278
-	-	-	1,012
-	720,278	-	721,290
138,944	-	123,267	376,251
-	-	241,316	241,316
-	(720,278)	-	(720,278)
138,944	(720,278)	364,583	(102,711)
138,944	-	364,583	618,579

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Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Resource Enhance- ment and Protection	County Recorder's Records Management	Special Drainage Districts
Revenues:			
Intergovernmental	\$ 16,127	-	42,642
Charges for service	-	3,792	-
Use of money and property	28	52	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Total revenues	16,155	3,844	42,642
Expenditures:			
Operating:			
County environment and education	12,000	-	29,270
Governmental services to residents	-	2,110	-
Debt service	-	-	-
Capital projects	-	-	-
Total expenditures	12,000	2,110	29,270
Excess of revenues over expenditures	4,155	1,734	13,372
Fund balances beginning of year	16,707	34,429	43,643
Fund balances end of year	\$ 20,862	36,163	57,015

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Revenue				
Conservation Foundation	Tax Increment Financing	Capital Projects		Total
-	-	40,499		99,268
-	-	45,015		48,807
181	-	66,995		67,256
100,469	-	35,000		135,469
100,650	-	187,509		350,800
33,633	-	-		74,903
-	-	-		2,110
-	-	40,000		40,000
-	-	100,927		100,927
33,633	-	140,927		217,940
67,017	-	46,582		132,860
71,927	(720,278)	318,001		(235,571)
138,944	(720,278)	364,583		(102,711)

Schedule 3

Carroll County
Combining Schedule of Net Position
Nonmajor Proprietary Funds

June 30, 2015

	Enterprise		Total
	Mt. Carmel Sewer	Maple River Sewer	
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 25,358	18,915	44,273
Accounts receivable	967	1,347	2,314
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	335,321	594,137	929,458
Total assets	361,646	614,399	976,045
Liabilities			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	28	1,591	1,619
Due to other funds	7,076	10,264	17,340
Long-term liabilities:			
Advances from other funds	174,983	131,513	306,496
Total liabilities	182,087	143,368	325,455
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	153,262	452,360	605,622
Unrestricted	26,297	18,671	44,968
Total net position	\$ 179,559	471,031	650,590

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Carroll County

 Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and
 Changes in Fund Net Position
 Nonmajor Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Enterprise		Total
	Mt. Carmel Sewer	Maple River Sewer	
Operating revenues:			
Charges for service	\$ 20,673	28,070	48,743
Operating expenses:			
Depreciation	9,495	16,665	26,160
Miscellaneous	9,664	15,419	25,083
Total operating expenses	19,159	32,084	51,243
Operating gain (loss)	1,514	(4,014)	(2,500)
Non-operating revenues (expenses):			
Interest income	17	11	28
Interest expense	(1,890)	(1,442)	(3,332)
Miscellaneous	(1,320)	-	(1,320)
Net non-operating revenues (expenses)	(3,193)	(1,431)	(4,624)
Change in net position	(1,679)	(5,445)	(7,124)
Net position beginning of year	181,238	476,476	657,714
Net position end of year	\$ 179,559	471,031	650,590

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Schedule 5

Carroll County

Combining Schedule of Cash Flows
Nonmajor Proprietary Funds

Year ended June 30, 2015

	Enterprise		
	Mt. Carmel Sewer	Maple River Sewer	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received from sewer fees	\$ 20,569	27,884	48,453
Cash paid to suppliers for services	(8,789)	(13,914)	(22,703)
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,780	13,970	25,750
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Interest on investments	22	11	33
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Principal paid on interfund loan	(7,005)	(10,162)	(17,167)
Interest paid on interfund loan	(1,890)	(1,441)	(3,331)
Miscellaneous	(1,320)	-	(1,320)
Net cash (used) by capital and related financing activities	(10,215)	(11,603)	(21,818)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,587	2,378	3,965
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	23,771	16,537	40,308
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	\$ 25,358	18,915	44,273
Reconciliation of operating gain (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Operating gain (loss)	\$ 1,514	(4,014)	(2,500)
Adjustments to reconcile operating gain (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	9,495	16,665	26,160
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	743	(187)	556
Increase in accounts payable	28	1,506	1,534
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 11,780	13,970	25,750

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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 Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
 Agency Funds

June 30, 2015

	County Offices	Agricultural Extension Education	County Assessor	Schools
Assets				
Cash, cash equivalents and pooled investments :				
County Treasurer	\$ -	1,139	213,442	65,470
Other County officials	10,082	-	-	-
Receivables:				
Property tax:				
Delinquent	-	189	365	13,178
Succeeding year	-	214,000	395,000	11,385,000
Accounts	-	-	-	-
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-
Total assets	\$ 10,082	215,328	608,807	11,463,648
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ -	-	26,660	-
Salaries and benefits payable	-	-	1,615	-
Due to other governments	8,586	215,328	577,201	11,463,648
Trusts payable	1,496	-	-	-
Compensated absences	-	-	3,331	-
Total liabilities	\$ 10,082	215,328	608,807	11,463,648

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Community Colleges	Corporations	Townships	Auto License and Use Tax	E911 Service Commission	Other	Total
4,503	30,572	2,199	659,658	167,872	318,960	1,463,815
-	-	-	-	-	-	10,082
764	26,374	-	-	-	4	40,874
834,000	8,276,000	283,000	-	-	4,000	21,391,000
-	-	-	-	22,991	-	22,991
-	-	-	-	24,495	8,320	32,815
839,267	8,332,946	285,199	659,658	215,358	331,284	22,961,577
-	-	-	-	5,075	128	31,863
-	-	-	-	-	1,239	2,854
839,267	8,332,946	285,199	659,658	210,283	329,917	22,922,033
-	-	-	-	-	-	1,496
-	-	-	-	-	-	3,331
839,267	8,332,946	285,199	659,658	215,358	331,284	22,961,577

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Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
Agency Funds

Year ended June 30, 2015

	County Offices	Agricultural Extension Education	County Assessor	Schools
Assets and Liabilities				
Balances beginning of year	\$ 21,929	210,456	610,205	11,767,943
Additions:				
Property and other county tax	-	210,332	388,836	11,173,899
E911 surcharge	-	-	-	-
State tax credits	-	17,770	28,719	993,262
Office fees and collections	478,995	-	-	-
Auto licenses, use tax and postage	-	-	-	-
Assessments	-	-	-	-
Trusts	121,367	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
Total additions	600,362	228,102	417,555	12,167,161
Deductions:				
Agency remittances:				
To other funds	190,430	-	-	-
To other governments	255,382	223,230	418,953	12,471,456
Trusts paid out	166,397	-	-	-
Total deductions	612,209	223,230	418,953	12,471,456
Balances end of year	\$ 10,082	215,328	608,807	11,463,648

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

Community Colleges	Corpora- tions	Townships	Auto License and Use Tax	E911 Service Commission	Other	Total
814,446	8,803,188	281,259	606,365	125,905	355,251	23,596,947
819,062	8,182,453	277,801	-	-	3,916	21,056,299
-	-	-	-	357,202	-	357,202
68,793	829,286	19,786	-	-	338	1,957,954
-	-	-	-	-	-	478,995
-	-	-	7,832,231	-	-	7,832,231
-	-	-	-	-	2,671	2,671
-	-	-	-	-	-	121,367
-	-	-	-	-	108,248	108,248
887,855	9,011,739	297,587	7,832,231	357,202	115,173	31,914,967
-	-	-	221,938	-	-	412,368
863,034	9,481,981	293,647	7,557,000	267,749	139,140	31,971,572
-	-	-	-	-	-	166,397
863,034	9,481,981	293,647	7,778,938	267,749	139,140	32,550,337
839,267	8,332,946	285,199	659,658	215,358	331,284	22,961,577

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Schedule of Revenues By Source and Expenditures By Function -
All Governmental Funds

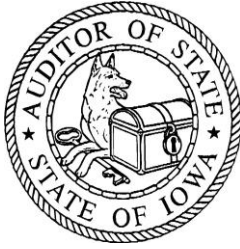
For the Last Ten Years

	2015	2014	2013
Revenues:			
Property and other county tax	\$ 6,239,703	5,870,310	6,078,653
Local option sales tax	1,092,056	1,055,930	955,398
Interest and penalty on property tax	28,032	22,003	29,747
Tax increment financing	-	-	31,711
Intergovernmental	4,957,337	4,886,510	4,246,548
Licenses and permits	55,213	44,451	44,326
Charges for service	1,801,281	1,634,638	1,784,399
Use of money and property	225,710	231,421	213,871
Fines, forfeitures and defaults	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	566,244	499,422	802,490
Total	\$ 14,965,576	14,244,685	14,187,143
Expenditures:			
Operating:			
Public safety and legal services	\$ 3,569,328	3,344,865	3,119,880
Physical health and social services	1,193,588	1,075,949	1,017,939
Mental health	1,392,640	964,464	943,930
County environment and education	1,097,888	1,704,753	1,032,380
Roads and transportation	4,825,381	4,986,582	4,330,395
Governmental services to residents	484,554	552,602	558,483
Administration	1,524,872	1,583,014	1,489,117
Non-program	-	-	-
Debt service	40,000	-	-
Capital projects	391,296	1,228,060	787,796
Total	\$ 14,519,547	15,440,289	13,279,920

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Modified Accrual Basis						
2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
6,069,392	6,640,519	6,249,428	6,151,523	5,862,009	5,659,130	5,408,304
994,372	1,043,680	916,542	945,460	811,247	940,793	838,355
24,187	28,684	32,778	18,935	41,163	36,749	29,104
34,014	35,999	35,688	36,999	-	-	-
5,660,948	6,973,234	5,991,574	5,238,692	5,487,048	4,828,731	4,748,882
86,892	104,508	101,193	146,138	124,602	86,241	74,338
1,648,902	1,529,771	1,658,603	1,646,789	1,761,086	1,682,553	1,479,616
278,273	243,609	260,454	321,974	442,342	400,106	299,785
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
622,010	794,981	874,176	694,645	704,791	682,760	905,034
15,418,990	17,394,985	16,120,436	15,201,155	15,234,288	14,317,063	13,783,418
2,907,030	2,856,102	2,758,548	2,653,229	2,539,995	2,374,712	2,325,097
1,099,826	1,137,806	1,132,825	1,039,186	980,801	935,308	939,587
2,740,975	2,249,772	2,156,469	2,625,463	3,103,527	3,003,054	2,669,843
1,203,695	1,076,566	1,181,604	1,122,372	1,082,863	914,289	842,254
4,801,195	4,818,013	4,546,295	3,775,781	3,758,266	3,581,795	3,407,711
448,130	418,624	415,692	464,272	440,751	430,408	549,691
1,489,098	1,352,842	1,323,946	1,277,280	1,215,715	1,194,823	1,188,092
9,108	865,220	148,626	134,675	233,406	218,443	153,139
-	78,602	90,409	91,002	127,520	193,531	271,719
1,104,752	1,451,355	1,267,519	559,096	648,873	824,558	770,111
15,803,809	16,304,902	15,021,933	13,742,356	14,131,717	13,670,921	13,117,244

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control
over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Officials of Carroll County:

We have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Carroll County, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the County's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 29, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Carroll County's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Carroll County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Carroll County's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the County's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (A) and (B) to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items (C) through (K) to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Carroll County's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the County's operations for the year ended June 30, 2015 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the County. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Carroll County's Responses to the Findings

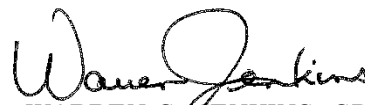
Carroll County's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Carroll County's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of this Report

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

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Carroll County during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.


MARY MOSIMAN, CPA
Auditor of State


WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

February 29, 2016

Carroll County

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2015

Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

- (A) Carroll County Ambulance Department – The Ambulance Department bills for services provided. The majority of collections for those services are remitted directly to the County Treasurer’s Office. The County Treasurer’s Office prepares a receipt for accounting and sends a copy of each receipt to the Ambulance Department. The Ambulance Department records each receipt in its computer system. During the year, the Ambulance Department attempted to reconcile the collections recorded in its accounts receivable computer software with the actual collections recorded by the County Treasurer in total each month, but unexplained variances existed.

In addition, written documentation of the independent approval of accounts receivable written off as uncollectable is not maintained. Also, accounts receivable balances and receipts from the collection agency are not reconciled by the Ambulance Department.

Recommendation – The Ambulance Department should reconcile the collections recorded in its accounts receivable computer software with the actual collections recorded by the County Treasurer in total each month. Variances should be researched and explanations of variances should be included for the reconciling items. The Ambulance Department should maintain written documentation of the independent approval of accounts receivable which are written off. Also, collection agency receipts should be recorded and accounts receivable balances reconciled by the Ambulance Department.

Response – We will formally document written off accounts receivable and reconcile with the County Treasurer.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (B) Financial Reporting – During the audit, we identified material amounts of receivables and capital assets not recorded in the County’s financial statements. Adjustments were made by the County to properly include these amounts in the financial statements.

Recommendation – The County should implement procedures to ensure all receivables and capital asset additions are properly identified and included in the County’s financial statements.

Response – The County will continue to implement procedures already in place to properly identify and classify all financial transactions.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

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- (C) Computer System – The County’s computer system profiles are not reviewed periodically.

Recommendation – The County should develop written policies to improve the County’s control over its computer system.

Response – Carroll County will establish a review process for users of the County financial software.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (D) Board of Health – One individual has custody of receipts and performs all record keeping duties.

Accurate accounts receivable listings were not prepared and retained at month end. Also, amounts billed for Medicare, Medicaid and other reimbursements were not reconciled to collections and accounts receivable.

Recommendation – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the Board should review the operating procedures of the office to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances and consider using other County employees or officials to provide additional control.

The accounts receivable listing should be accurately prepared monthly and retained and a reconciliation of billings, collections and accounts receivable should be prepared monthly and retained.

Response – The Board of Health will review assigned duties and segregate duties where possible. The accounts receivable listings will be prepared and reconciled to the amounts deposited.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (E) County Sheriff – Two individuals in the Sheriff’s Office collect cash, prepare the deposit and prepare the monthly bank reconciliations. There is no evidence of independent review of the bank reconciliations. Also, activity of the Commissary account is not segregated and there is no evidence of an independent review.

Recommendation – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the Sheriff’s Office should review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances. In addition, the bank reconciliations should be reviewed by an independent person. The reconciliations should be signed or initialed and dated by the independent reviewer.

Response – We have made the adjustments for this concern which we are capable of doing. The only alternative would be to hire unnecessary or staff beyond the budget.

Conclusion – Response acknowledged. Duties should be segregated to the extent possible under the circumstances. The Office should consider using other County employees or officials to provide additional control.

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- (F) County Recorder – All three individuals in the Recorder's Office collect cash, prepare the deposit and prepare the monthly bank reconciliations.

Recommendation – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the Recorder's Office should review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances and consider using other County employees or officials to provide additional control.

Response – The Recorder's office is a two full time and one part time clerk office. The Recorder, deputy and part time clerk cross check deposits, monthly bank statements and daily spreadsheets.

Conclusion – Response acknowledged. Duties should be segregated to the extent possible under the circumstances. The Office should consider using other County employees or officials to provide additional control.

- (G) County Conservation – One individual in the Conservation Department records receipts, prepares the deposit and prepares the monthly bank reconciliations.

Recommendation – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the Conservation Department should review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances and consider using other County employees or officials to provide additional control.

Response – We will review assigned duties and segregate duties where possible.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (H) Approval of Payroll – Department Heads approve timesheets at the end of each pay period. However, there is no formal documentation of their approval. Also, there is no evidence of an immediate supervisor's approval for leave time prior to taking leave.

In addition, the Secondary Roads Department pays employees based on estimated hours. Adjustments are then made to amounts paid after actual hours are known. There is no independent review of the adjustments made for actual hours worked.

Also, Conservation and Secondary Roads Department electronic timesheets have no evidence of an employee signature or supervisor approval.

Two employees in the Sheriff's Office and employees of the Attorney's Office do not submit time reports to the Auditor's Office.

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Recommendation – The timesheets should be signed by the employee and should be reviewed and signed by the employee's immediate supervisor or the County officer or Department Head prior to submission. The timesheets should support all hours worked and all hours taken as vacation, sick leave, compensatory time, holiday hours and personal days. Also, leave time should be approved prior to taking leave. Adjustments made to Secondary Roads Department employee's pay should be independently reviewed and documented.

Response – We currently have a system in place which addresses these concerns. We will address individual Department heads as to this requirement.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

- (I) Secondary Roads Inventory – Although annual inventory counts of Secondary Roads inventory are performed, the counts are not verified by a person independent of the inventory records.

Recommendation – Inventory counts should be verified by a person independent of the inventory records.

Response – The Engineer will verify the inventory counts.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (J) Prepaid Gift Cards for Sheriff – The Board of Supervisors approved the purchase of \$2,000 in Walmart gift cards for the Sheriff's Office. Gift cards were then used to purchase food and other supplies for the inmates of the County jail. Individual items purchased were not reviewed and approved by the Board.

Recommendation – Prepaid gift cards should not be used for the purchase of County jail supplies. All expenditures for the County Sheriff's Office should be paid through claims approved by the Board of Supervisors and reflected in the County's accounting system, County budget and annual financial reports. Also, invoices should be on file to support all expenditures.

Response – Prepaid gift cards will no longer be purchased. All expenditures will be paid through claims.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (K) Drug and Alcohol Buy Funds – The Sheriff's Office maintains drug and alcohol buy funds. The funds are not being appropriately recorded and maintained. The balance on hand at the time of a count did not reconcile to the hand written log being maintained by the Sheriff's Office.

Recommendation – The Sheriff's Office should develop a system to track usage and reconcile amounts on hand to the log maintained.

Response – We will provide a computer generated spreadsheet for the use of the funds, which will reconciled to cash on hand periodically.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

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INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- (1) Certified Budget – Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2015 did not exceed the amounts budgeted by function. Disbursements in certain departments exceeded the amounts appropriated.

Recommendation – Chapter 331.434(6) of the Code of Iowa authorizes the Board of Supervisors, by resolution, to increase or decrease appropriations of one office or department by increasing or decreasing the appropriation of another office or department as long as the function budget is not increased. Such increase or decreases should be made before disbursements are allowed to exceed the appropriation.

Response – There will be additional review of all Department budgets in the future.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (2) Questionable Expenditures – No expenditures we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- (3) Travel Expense – No expenditures of County money for travel expenses of spouses of County officials or employees were noted.

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- (4) Business Transactions – Business transactions between the County and County officials or employees are detailed as follows:

Name, Title and Business Connection	Transaction Description	Amount
Louie Grote, Veterans Affairs Director, owner of LNC Computers	IT services	\$ 38,666
Mark Beardmore, Board of Supervisors, manager at Wittrock Motors	Auto sales, per bid (County Sheriff) Auto sales, not bid (County Assessor)	11,075 19,991
Joann Martin, Auditor's Office, wife of Steve Hoogestraat, independent contractor	Sanitarian contract labor	5,950
Pat Gray, Ambulance Director, death investigator	Medical exam investigations	2,000
Alan Brinks, Secondary Roads employee, independent contractor	Mowing	1,170
Jean Seidl, Treasurer's Office, wife of Mike Seidl, owner of Seidl Construction	Mowing/spraying	528
Kenneth Buelt, Ambulance employee, death investigator	Medical exam investigations	500
Earl Wittroc, Weed Commissioner, landlord	General assistance, client rent	100
Kristyn Gerhard, part-time Mental Health Advocate, independent contractor	Consultation	689
Emily Loew, Auditor's Office, wife of Mike Loew, owner of M.J. Loew Floor Covering	Carpet installation	273
Roseanna Schulte, Treasurer's Office, wife of LeRoy Schulte, employee at Computer Repair and Service	Internet repair	56
Brooke Bruning, Treasurer's Office, daughter-in-law of owners of Bruning Oil	Tire repair/auto repair	16,833
Zach Niehaus, maintenance employee, independent contractor	Snow removal	372

In accordance with Chapter 331.342(2)(c) of the Code of Iowa, the transaction with Wittrock Motors totaling \$11,075 does not represent a conflict of interest since the services were competitively bid.

In accordance with Chapter 331.342(2)(d) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with Steve Hoogestraat, Pat Gray and Bruning Oil do not appear to represent conflicts of interest since the Auditor's Office, Ambulance Department and Treasurer's Office employee's employment is not directly affected as a result of the contract.

In accordance with Chapter 331.342(2)(j) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with Alan Brinks, Seidl Construction, Kenneth Buelt, Earl Wittroc, Kristyn Gerhard, M.J. Loew Floor Covering, Computer Repair and Service and Zach Niehaus do not appear to represent conflicts of interest since total transactions with each did not exceed \$1,500 during the year.

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In accordance with Chapter 331.342 (2)(j) of the Code of Iowa, the transactions with LNC Computers and \$19,991 of the transactions with Wittrock Motors for the County Assessor's Office may represent conflicts of interest since the total transactions for each vendor exceeded \$1,500 during the year and were not competitively bid.

Recommendation – The County should consult legal counsel to determine the disposition of this matter.

Response –

Board of Supervisors - The County is re-writing the contract with LNC Computers. The new contract will stipulate the fees will increase annually the same percentage as County employees.

Assessor – All such contracts will, in the future, be by competitive bid, publicly invited and opened. Going forward, it will be noted and in writing for the Assessor to receive three competitive bids to replace the Assessor vehicle in the future.

Conclusions – Responses accepted. The County should also consult legal counsel to determine the disposition of the potential conflicts of interest.

- (5) Bond Coverage – Surety bond coverage of County officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- (6) Board Minutes – No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.
- (7) Deposits and Investments – No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the County's investment policy were noted.
- (8) Resource Enhancement and Protection Certification – The County properly dedicated property tax revenue to conservation purposes as required by Chapter 455A.19(1)(b) of the Code of Iowa in order to receive the additional REAP funds allocated in accordance with subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3).
- (9) Annual Urban Renewal Report – The Annual Urban Renewal Report was approved and certified to the Iowa Department of Management on or before December 1.
- (10) Financial Condition – The Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund had a deficit fund balance of \$720,278 at June 30, 2015.

Recommendation – The County should investigate alternatives to eliminate the deficit fund balance to return the fund to a sound financial position.

Response – The deficit balance will be reduced beginning in fiscal year 2016 with tax increment financing collections from the County urban renewal area.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

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- (11) GAAP Basis Annual Financial Report – The County is required to submit the annual financial report to the Department of Management on an accrual basis each year. The report filed did not include the County Attorney Collection and Forfeiture Fund as part of the General Fund activity.

Recommendation – The County should properly include all county activity in the report filed with the Department of Management.

Response – The County will include the County Attorney Collection and Forfeiture Fund in future reporting.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

- (12) County Extension Office – The County Extension Office is operated under the authority of Chapter 176A of the Code of Iowa and serves as an agency of the State of Iowa. This fund is administered by an Extension Council separate and distinct from County operations and, consequently, is not included in Exhibits A or B.

Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2015 for the County Extension Office did not exceed the amount budgeted.

- (13) County Extension Office Segregation of Duties – During our review of internal control, the existing control activities are evaluated in order to determine incompatible duties, from a control standpoint, are not performed by the same employee. This segregation of duties helps to prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and, therefore, maximizes the accuracy of the County’s financial statements. Generally, one or two individuals in the County Extension Office may have control over collecting, depositing and reconciling receipts.

Recommendation – We realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the control activities should be reviewed to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances. The Office should utilize current personnel or other County employees or officials to provide additional control through review of financial transactions, reconciliations and reports.

Response – We are aware segregation of duties is very important and have developed the following strategy to help mitigate any losses in regards to the bank reconciliation preparation. As it is not feasible with the amount of staff available to have an independent person prepare the bank reconciliations, we will implement a review process.

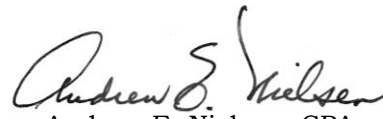
Conclusion – Response accepted.

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