Grant County Cemetery District

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

WITH REGULATORY - REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

and

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the Grant County Cemetery District, which comprise the statement of receipts, expenditures and unencumbered cash as of December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the aggregate cash and unencumbered cash balance of the Grant County Cemetery District, as of December 31, 2024, and the aggregate receipts and expenditures for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* as described in Note 1.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Grant County Cemetery District, as of December 31, 2024, or changes in net position, or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Grant County Cemetery District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Grant County Cemetery District, on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide*, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide* as described in Note 1; this includes determining that the regulatory basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statement in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statement that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the fund summary statement of regulatory basis receipts, expenditures, and unencumbered cash balances (basic financial statement) as a whole. The summary of regulatory basis expenditures - actual and budget, individual fund schedules of regulatory basis receipts and expenditures - actual and budget (Schedules 1 and 2, as listed in the table of contents) are presented for analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statement, however, are required to be presented under the provisions of the *Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide.* Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statement. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statement or to the basic financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statement as a whole, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

We also previously audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the basic financial statement of the Grant County Cemetery District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023 (not presented herein), and have issued our reported thereon dated August 5, 2024, which contained an unmodified opinion on the basic financial statement. The 2023 basic financial statement and our accompanying report are not presented herein but are available in electronic form from the web site of the Kansas Department of Administration at the following link: http://admin.ks.gov/offices/oar/municipal-services. The 2023 actual column (2023 comparative information) presented in the individual fund schedules of regulatory basis receipts and expenditures – actual and budget for the year ended December 31, 2023 (Schedule 2 as listed in the table of contents) is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statement. Such 2023 comparative information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2023 basic financial statement.

The 2023 comparative information was subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 2023 basic financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2023 basic financial statement or to the 2023 basic financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the 2023 comparative information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statement as a whole for the year ended December 31, 2023, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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Ulysses, Kansas

July 10, 2025

Grant County Cemetery District
Summary Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Unencumbered Cash
Regulatory Basis
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Fund	Beginning Unencumbered Cash Balance	Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Unencumbered Cash Balance	Add: Outstanding Encumbrances Payable	Ending Cash Balance
General Fund	$ 245,496.52	$ 396,066.41	$ 232,743.42	$ 408,819.51	$ -	$ 408,819.51
Total Reporting Entity	$ 245,496.52	$ 396,066.41	$ 232,743.42	$ 408,819.51	$ -	$ 408,819.51

Composition of Cash:	Checking Account	$ 39,285.73
	Investments	369,533.78
	Total Reporting Entity	$ 408,819.51

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

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Financial Reporting Entity

The Grant County Cemetery District is a municipality of the State of Kansas organized under K.S.A. 17-1373, with a five-member Board appointed by the Grant County Commissioners, Ulysses, Kansas. This financial statement presents the Grant County Cemetery District (the Municipality). The Grant County Cemetery District has no related municipal entities.

b) Regulatory Basis Fund Types

General Fund - the chief operating fund. Used to account for all resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Purpose Fund - used to account for the proceeds of specific tax levies and other specific regulatory receipt sources (other than Capital Project and tax levies for long- term debt) that are intended for specified purposes.

Bond and Interest Fund - used to account for the accumulation of resources, including tax levies, transfers from other funds and payment of general long-term debt.

Capital Project Fund – used to account for the debt proceeds and other financial resources to be used for acquisition or construction of major capital facilities or equipment.

Business Fund - funds financed in whole or in part by fees charged to users of the goods or services (i.e., enterprise and internal service fund, etc.)

Trust Fund – funds used to report assets held in trust for the benefit of the municipal financial reporting entity (i.e., pension funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds which benefit the municipal reporting entity, scholarship funds, etc.)

Agency Fund – funds used to report assets held by the municipal reporting entity in a purely custodial capacity (payroll clearing fund, county treasurer tax collection accounts, etc.).

c) Basis of Accounting

Regulatory Basis of Accounting and Departure from Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America. The Kansas Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide (KMAAG) regulatory basis of accounting involves the recognition of cash, cash equivalents, marketable investments, and certain accounts payable and encumbrance obligations to arrive at a net unencumbered cash and investments balance on a regulatory basis for each fund, and the reporting of changes in unencumbered cash and investments of a fund resulting from the difference in regulatory basis receipts and regulatory basis expenditures for the fiscal year. All recognized assets and liabilities are measured and reported at cost, unless they have been permanently impaired and have no future cash value or represent no future obligation against cash. The KMAAG regulatory basis does not recognize capital assets, long-term debt, accrued receivables and payables, or any other assets, liabilities or deferred inflows or outflows, other than those mentioned above.

The Cemetery District has approved a resolution that is in compliance with K.S.A. 75-1120a(c), waiving the requirement for application of generally accepted accounting principles and allowing the Cemetery District to use the regulatory basis of accounting.

d) Budgetary Information

Kansas statutes require that an annual operating budget be legally adopted for the general fund, special purpose funds (unless specifically exempted by statute), bond and interest funds, and business funds.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

Although directory rather than mandatory, the statutes provide for the following sequence and timetable in the adoption of the legal annual operating budget:

1. Preparation of the budget for the succeeding calendar year on or before August 1st.
2. Publication in local newspaper on or before August 5th of the proposed budget and notice of public hearing on the budget.
3. Public hearing on or before August 15th, but at least ten days after publication of notice of hearing.
4. Adoption of the final budget on or before August 25th.

If the Cemetery District is holding a revenue neutral rate hearing, the budget timeline for the public hearing is adjusted to no sooner than August 20th and no later than September 20th, but at least ten days after all statutory notification and publication requirements have been met. Municipal budgets requiring a hearing to exceed the revenue neutral rate should be adopted on or before October 1st but may not be adopted prior to the revenue neutral rate hearing, the City did hold a revenue neutral rate hearing for this year.

The statutes allow for the governing body to increase the originally adopted budget for previously unbudgeted increases in regulatory receipts other than ad valorem property taxes. To do this, a notice of public hearing to amend the budget must be published in the local newspaper. At least ten days after publication, the hearing may be held, and the governing body may amend the budget at that time. There were no such budget amendments for this year.

The statutes permit transferring budgeted amounts between line items within an individual fund. However, such statutes prohibit expenditures in excess of the total amount of the adopted budget of expenditures of individual funds. Budget comparison schedules are presented for each fund showing actual receipts and expenditures compared to legally budgeted receipts and expenditures.

All legal annual operating budgets are prepared using the regulatory basis of accounting, in which receipts are recognized when cash is received and expenditures include disbursements, accounts payable, and encumbrances, with disbursements being adjusted for prior year's accounts payable and encumbrances. Encumbrances are commitments by the Cemetery District for future payments and are supported by a document evidencing the commitment, such as a purchase order or contract. Any unused budgeted expenditure authority lapses at year end.

A legal operating budget is not required for capital project funds, trust funds, and agency funds.

Spending in funds which are not subject to the legal annual operating budget requirement is controlled by federal regulations, other statutes or by using internal spending limits established by the governing body.

NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

K.S.A. 9-1401 establishes the depositories which may be used by the Cemetery District. The statute requires banks eligible to hold the Cemetery District’s funds have a main or branch bank in the county in which the Cemetery District is located, or in an adjoining county if such institution has been designated as an official depository, and the banks provide an acceptable rate of return on funds. In addition, K.S.A. 9-1402 requires the banks to pledge securities for deposits in excess of FDIC coverage. The Cemetery District has no other policies that would further limit interest rate risk.

K.S.A. 12-1675 limits the Cemetery District's investment of idle funds to time deposits, open accounts, and certificates of deposit with allowable financial institutions; U.S. government securities; temporary notes; no-fund warrants; repurchase agreements; and the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool. The Cemetery District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONT.)

Concentration of Credit Risk. State statutes place no limit on the amount the Cemetery District may invest in any one issuer as long as the investments are adequately secured under K.S.A. 9-1402 and 9-1405.

Custodial Credit Risk- Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Cemetery District's deposits may not be returned to it. State statutes require the Cemetery District's deposits in financial institutions to be entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held under a joint custody receipt issued by a bank within the State of Kansas, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City or the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka. All deposits were legally secured on December 31, 2024.

On December 31, 2024, the Cemetery District's carrying amount of deposits was $245,497 and the bank balance was $417,331.10. The bank balance was held by one (1) bank resulting in a concentration of credit risk. Of the bank balance, $250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance, and the remaining balance was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institutions' agents in the Cemetery District's name.

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments. For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the issuer or counterparty, the Cemetery District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. State statutes require investments to be adequately secured.

NOTE 3 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description. The Cemetery District participates in the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan as provided by K.S.A. 74-4901, et. Seq. Kansas law establishes and amends benefit provisions. KPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. KPERS' financial statements are included in its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be found on the KPERS website at www.kpers.org or by writing to KPERS (611 South Kansas, Suite 100, Topeka, KS 66603) or by calling 1-888-275-5737.

Contributions. K.S.A. 74-4919 and K.S.A. 74-49,210 establish the KPERS member-employee contribution rates. KPERS has multiple benefit structures and contribution rates depending on whether the employee is a KPERS 1, KPERS 2 or KPERS 3 member. KPERS 1 members are active and contributing members hired before July 1, 2009. KPERS 2 members were first employed in a covered position on or before July 1, 2009, and KPERS 3 members were first employed in a covered position on or after January 1, 2015. Effective January 1, 2015, Kansas law established the KPERS member-employee contribution rate at 6% of covered salary for KPERS 1, KPERS 2 and KPERS 3 members. Member contributions are withheld by their employer and paid to KPERS according to the provisions of Section 414(h) of the Internal Revenue Code.

State law provides that the employer contribution rates for KPERS 1, KPERS 2, and KPERS 3 to be determined based on the results of each annual actuarial valuation. Kansas law sets a limitation on annual increases in the employer contribution rates. The actuarially determined employer contribution rate (not including the 1% contribution rate for the Death and Disability Program) and the statutory contribution rate was 9.26% for KPERS for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024. Contributions to the pension plan from the City was $4,716 for KPERS for the year ended December 31, 2024.

Net Pension Liability

At December 31, 2024, the City's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability reported by KPERS was $45,756. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2023, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2024. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the ratio of the City's contributions to KPERS, relative to the total employer and non-employer contribution of the Local subgroup within KPERS. Since the KMAAG regulatory basis of accounting does not recognize long-term debt, this liability is not reported in this

NOTE 3 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONT.)

financial statement.

The complete actuarial valuation report including all actuarial assumptions and methods, and the report on the allocation of the KPERS collective net pension liability to all participating employers are publicly available on the website www.kpers.org or can be obtained as described above.

NOTE 4 – OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS FROM OPERATIONS

a) Other Post-Employment Benefits

The Grant County Cemetery District does not provide any post-employment benefits as provided by K.S.A. 12-5040.

b) Other Employee Benefits

Vacation and Sick Leave. The Grant County Cemetery District does not have any vacation or sick leave.

NOTE 5 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of this report. Management's evaluation concluded that there are no subsequent events that are required to be recognized, but one event is to be disclosed in this financial statement.

On March 6, 2025, the Cemetery District bought two new mowers from American Implement for $29,933.91 after $29,000 trade-in allowance.

Grant County Cemetery District

REGULATORY-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule 1

Grant County Cemetery District
Summary of Expenditures - Actual and Budget
Regulatory Basis
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

Fund	Certified Budget	Expenditures Chargeable to Current Year	Variance Over (Under)
General Fund	$ 645,000.00	$ 232,743.42	$ (412,256.58)

Grant County Cemetery District
General Fund
Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures - Actual and Budget
Regulatory Basis
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024
(With Comparative Actual Totals for the Prior Year Ended December 31, 2023)

	Prior Year Actual	Current Year Actual	Current Year Budget	Variance Over (Under)
Receipts				
Ad Valorem Property Tax	$ 315,662.11	$ 333,328.41	$ 338,317.00	$ (4,988.59)
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate	(410.90)	(262.36)	-	(262.36)
Back Taxes	2,037.64	4,257.16	1,500.00	2,757.16
Motor Vehicle Tax	10,164.22	15,850.56	13,964.00	1,886.56
Recreational Vehicle Tax	172.05	263.11	254.00	9.11
16/20 Vehicle Tax	453.11	470.09	465.00	5.09
Commerical Vehicle Tax	2,060.35	4,101.46	3,028.00	1,073.46
Watercraft	34.21	69.57	46.00	23.57
Rental Car Tax	0.55	2.28	-	2.28
Royalty and Rents	195.93	226.66	500.00	(273.34)
Lot Sales	6,500.00	4,600.00	6,000.00	(1,400.00)
Open/Close Fees	13,350.00	13,700.00	14,000.00	(300.00)
Site Marking	625.00	650.00	800.00	(150.00)
Interest Income	6,587.56	18,524.91	600.00	17,924.91
Reimbursements and Misc.	196.64	284.56	500.00	(215.44)
Total Receipts	357,628.47	396,066.41	$ 379,974.00	$ 16,092.41
Expenditures				
Personal Services	97,261.02	107,393.27	100,000.00	7,393.27
Contractual Services	34,339.44	35,528.03	45,000.00	(9,471.97)
Commodities	16,836.51	28,168.38	25,000.00	3,168.38
Capital Outlay	89,375.21	61,653.74	475,000.00	(413,346.26)
Total Expenditures	237,812.18	232,743.42	$ 645,000.00	(412,256.58)
Receipts Over (Under) Expenditures	119,816.29	163,322.99		$ 428,348.99
Unencumbered Cash, Beginning	125,680.23	245,496.52		
Unencumbered Cash, Ending	$ 245,496.52	$ 408,819.51		