

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**SEEBACH & COMPANY**  
*Chartered Professional Accountants*

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers  
of the Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron

### *Opinion*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron ("the Municipality"), which are comprised of the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2022 and the consolidated statements of operations, change in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Municipality as at December 31, 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards (PSAB).

### *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Municipality in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with PSAB, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Municipality's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Municipality or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Municipality's financial reporting process.

### *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)**

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. 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.
- 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 Municipality's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Municipality's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Municipality to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

*Seebach & Company*

Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants

Clinton, Ontario  
May 15, 2023

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

As at December 31	2022	2021
<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Cash	17,672,001	15,091,900
Taxes receivable	614,325	609,377
Accounts receivable	3,646,363	3,106,678
Other current assets	25,848	36,808
Investments	9,429,197	9,205,606
Long-term receivables	190,893	264,436
	<b>31,578,627</b>	<b>28,314,805</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,586,292	3,132,812
Deferred revenue	2,927,952	2,742,452
Landfill closure and post closure liability (note 5)	6,050,200	5,984,800
Municipal debt (note 6)	22,020,588	19,382,981
	<b>35,585,032</b>	<b>31,243,045</b>
<b>NET FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>(\$ 4,006,405)</b>	<b>(\$ 2,928,240)</b>
<b>NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Tangible capital assets, net (note 7)	114,715,172	106,858,701
<b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (note 9)</b>	<b>\$ 110,708,767</b>	<b>\$ 103,930,461</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**

<b>For the year ended December 31</b>	<b>2022 Budget</b>	<b>2022 Actual</b>	<b>2021 Actual</b>
<b>Revenue</b>			
Taxation for municipal purposes	11,030,883	<b>11,168,987</b>	10,515,912
User fees	9,460,403	<b>10,921,159</b>	9,715,669
Government transfers - Canada and Ontario	3,487,056	<b>3,899,134</b>	2,495,813
Government transfers - other municipalities	93,208	<b>156,920</b>	186,680
Investment income	137,400	<b>606,611</b>	165,764
Penalties and interest	206,100	<b>149,525</b>	177,339
Donations	71,090	<b>51,211</b>	4,511
Gain (loss) on disposition of tangible capital assets	-	<b>(240,303)</b>	(58,398)
	<u>24,486,140</u>	<u><b>26,713,244</b></u>	<u>23,203,290</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
General government	2,530,803	<b>2,280,131</b>	1,872,690
Protection to persons and property	4,147,855	<b>3,974,499</b>	4,064,613
Transportation services	4,070,317	<b>4,600,044</b>	3,874,391
Environmental services	6,518,131	<b>6,104,870</b>	6,510,451
Health services	201,110	<b>205,691</b>	195,196
Recreation and cultural services	2,039,068	<b>2,168,003</b>	1,828,515
Planning and development	144,014	<b>601,700</b>	343,552
	<u>19,651,298</u>	<u><b>19,934,938</b></u>	<u>18,689,408</u>
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	4,834,842	<b>6,778,306</b>	4,513,882
<b>Accumulated surplus, beginning of year</b>	<u>103,930,461</u>	<u><b>103,930,461</b></u>	<u>99,416,579</u>
<b>Accumulated surplus, end of year</b>	<u><u>\$ 108,765,303</u></u>	<u><u><b>\$ 110,708,767</b></u></u>	<u><u>\$ 103,930,461</u></u>

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**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS**

<b>For the year ended December 31</b>	<b>2022 Budget</b>	<b>2022 Actual</b>	<b>2021 Actual</b>
Annual surplus (deficit)	4,834,842	<b>6,778,306</b>	4,513,882
Amortization of tangible capital assets	3,178,907	<b>3,213,258</b>	3,144,555
Net acquisition of tangible capital assets	(19,194,612)	<b>(11,310,032)</b>	(3,309,038)
Loss (gain) on sale of tangible capital assets	-	<b>240,303</b>	58,398
	<u>(11,180,863)</u>	<u><b>(1,078,165)</b></u>	<u>4,407,797</u>
<b>Net financial assets, beginning of year</b>		<u><b>(2,928,240)</b></u>	<u>(7,336,037)</u>
<b>Net financial assets, end of year</b>		<u><u><b>(\$ 4,006,405)</b></u></u>	<u><u>(\$ 2,928,240)</u></u>

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**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW**

For the year ended December 31	2022	2021
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Annual surplus (deficit)	6,778,306	4,513,882
Amortization expense not requiring cash outlay	3,213,258	3,144,555
Loss (gain) on disposition of tangible capital assets	240,303	58,398
Decrease (increase) in taxes receivable	(4,948)	487,418
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	(539,685)	(94,740)
Decrease (increase) in other current assets	10,960	(11,645)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,453,480	(1,560,810)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	185,500	984,822
Increase (decrease) in landfill closure & post-closure liability	65,400	108,100
Cash provided by (used for) operating activities	<u>11,402,574</u>	<u>7,629,980</u>
<b>Capital activities</b>		
Net disposals (purchases) of tangible capital assets	(11,310,032)	(3,309,038)
Cash provided by (used for) capital activities	<u>(11,310,032)</u>	<u>(3,309,038)</u>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Decrease (increase) in long-term receivables	73,543	54,850
Decrease (increase) in investments	(223,591)	(63,624)
Cash provided by (used for) investing activities	<u>(150,048)</u>	<u>(8,774)</u>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from long-term debt issued	3,906,455	-
Principal repayments on long-term debt	(1,268,848)	(1,196,819)
Cash provided by (used for) financing activities	<u>2,637,607</u>	<u>(1,196,819)</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in cash position</b>	<b>2,580,101</b>	<b>3,115,349</b>
<b>Cash (overdraft) beginning of year</b>	<b><u>15,091,900</u></b>	<b><u>11,976,551</u></b>
<b>Cash (overdraft) end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 17,672,001</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 15,091,900</u></b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**For the year ended December 31, 2022**

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**1. Accounting policies**

The consolidated financial statements of the Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron are the representation of management prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for local governments as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada.

Significant aspects of accounting policies adopted by the municipality are as follows:

a) Reporting entity

The consolidated financial statements reflect the financial assets, liabilities, operating revenues and expenditures, Reserves, Reserve Funds, and changes in investment in tangible capital assets of the reporting entity. The reporting entity is comprised of all organizations and enterprises accountable for the administration of their financial affairs and resources to the Municipality and which are owned or controlled by the Municipality. In addition to general government tax-supported operations, they include any water, sewer and waste management systems operated by the municipality and the municipality's proportionate share of joint local boards.

The following boards and municipal enterprises owned or controlled by Council have been proportionately consolidated:

Exeter Business Improvement Association  
Kirkton-Woodham Swimming Pool

Inter-departmental and inter-organizational transactions and balances are eliminated.

The statements exclude trust funds that are administered for the benefit of external parties.

b) Accrual basis of accounting

Sources of financing and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they are earned and measurable, and recognizes expenditures as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

c) Long-term investments

Investments are recorded at cost less amounts written off to reflect a permanent decline in value.



1. Accounting policies (continued)

d) Non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year, and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenues over expenses, provides the change in net financial assets for the year.

- Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost, which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Category	Amortization Period	Capitalization Threshold
Land	not applicable	\$ 0
Land improvements	25 - 84 years	10,000
Buildings	15 - 95 years	10,000
Environmental facilities	15 - 60 years	10,000
Equipment	5 - 30 years	5,000
Vehicles and heavy equipment	5 - 30 years	5,000
Transportation infrastructure	0 - 100 years	25,000
Watermains infrastructure	20 - 100 years	25,000
Sewermains infrastructure	50 - 100 years	25,000
Stormsewer infrastructure	75 years	25,000

Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use, at which time they are capitalized.

Active landfills are amortized annually on the basis on tonnage tipped during the year, as a percentage of the estimated total capacity of the facility. The estimated costs to close and maintain currently active landfill sites are based on estimated future expenses in current dollars, adjusted for estimated inflation, and are charged to expense as the landfill sites capacity is used.

The municipality has a capitalized threshold of \$0 - \$25,000 dependent on the category, so that individual tangible capital assets of lesser value are expensed, unless they are pooled because, collectively, they have significant value, or for operational reasons. Examples of pooled assets are computer systems, equipment, furniture and fixtures.

- Contribution of tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at their fair value at the date of receipt, and that fair value is also recorded as revenue. Similarly, transfers of assets to third parties are recorded as an expense equal to the net book value of the asset as of the date of transfer.

- Leases

Leases are classified as capital or operating leases. Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as capital leases. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related lease payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

- Inventories

Inventories held for consumption are recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value.

e) Reserves for future expenditures

Certain amounts, as approved by Council, are set aside in reserves for future operating and capital expenditure. Transfers to or from reserves are reflected as adjustments to the respective appropriated equity.

**1. Accounting policies** (continued)

f) Government transfers

Government transfers are recognized in the financial statements as revenues in the period in which events giving rise to the transfer occur, providing the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met, and reasonable estimates can be made.

g) Deferred revenue

Amounts received and required by legislation, regulation or agreement to be set aside for specific, restricted purposes are reported in the statement of financial position as deferred revenue until the obligation is discharged.

h) Landfill Site Closure and Post-Closure Care

Landfill site closure and post-closure care costs are recognized over the operating life of the landfill site, based on capacity used. The liability is recorded at its discounted value, based on the average long-term borrowing rate of the municipality.

i) Amounts to be recovered in future years

Future years recoveries represent the requirement of the municipality to raise funds in subsequent periods to finance unfunded liabilities. A portion of the amounts to be recovered in future years will be recovered from deferred revenues earned.

j) Pensions

The municipality is an employer member of the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS), which is a multi-employer, defined benefit pension plan. The municipality has adopted defined contribution plan accounting principles for this plan because insufficient information is available to apply defined benefit plan accounting principles. The municipality records as pension expense the current service cost, amortization of past service costs and interest costs related to the future employer contributions to the plan for past employee service.

k) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the period, and the accompanying notes. Due to the inherent uncertainty in making estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**2. Operations of school boards and county**

Taxation levied for school board and county purposes are not reflected in the financial statements. The amounts transferred were:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
County of Huron	\$ 7,490,828	\$ 7,273,232
School Boards	3,790,418	3,753,172

### 3. Trust funds

Trust funds administered by the municipality amounting to \$902,243 (2021 : \$895,818) have not been included in the statement of financial position nor have their operations been included in the consolidated statement of financial activities.

### 4. Pension agreements

The municipality makes contributions to a multi-employer pension plan on behalf of members of its staff. The plan is a defined benefit plan which specifies the amount of the retirement benefit to be received by the employees based on the length of service and rates of pay. The amount contributed for 2022 was \$365,085 (2021 : \$338,396) for current services and is included as an expenditure on the consolidated statement of financial activities.

The contributions to the Ontario Municipal Employers Retirement System ("OMERS"), a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan, are expensed when contributions are due. Any pension surpluses or deficits are a joint responsibility of Ontario municipal organizations and their employees. As a result, the municipality does not recognize any share of the OMERS pension surplus or deficit.

### 5. Landfill closure and post closure cost liability

Closure and post-closure care requirements are defined in accordance with industry standards and include final covering and landscaping of the landfill site, removal of ground water and leechates, and ongoing environmental monitoring, site inspections and maintenance. These costs will be incurred when the landfill site stops accepting waste, with the post-closure care expected to continue for an additional 25 - 160 years.

The municipality operates three landfill sites: South Huron, Stephen and Osborne. At December 31, 2022, the municipality has recognized a liability of \$6,050,200 (2021 : \$5,984,800). This represents the present value of the total estimated costs, and is based on a discount rate of 2%. The liability is recorded based on the capacity of the landfill used to date.

The reported liability is based on estimates and assumptions with respect to events extending over a long-term period using the best information available to management. Future events may result in significant changes to the estimated total expenditures, capacity and liability. Any changes in these estimates would be recognized in the year the change is identified.

The closure and post-closure care costs are expected to be funded in the year incurred.

**6. Municipal debt**

The balance of the long-term liabilities reported on the consolidated statement of financial position is made up of the following:

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Ontario Municipal Economic Infrastructure Financing Authority (OMEIFA) loan payable, 2.83% interest, \$26,329 blended payment payable semi-annually, due June 2024 (for Exeter water and sewer purposes)	76,802	126,234
Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) loan payable, 3.18% interest, \$83,296 blended payment payable semi-annually, due December 2037 (for Grand Bend sewer purposes)	1,975,125	2,076,484
Lake Huron Water Supply System / City of London loan payable, due on demand (for water purposes)	95,858	136,785
Ontario Infrastructure Projects Corporation (OIPC) loan payable, 4.87% interest, \$197,862 blended payment payable semi-annually, due December 2046 (for Huron Park water and sewer purposes)	5,565,152	5,685,442
Ontario Infrastructure Projects Corporation (OIPC) loan payable, 5.32% interest, \$20,157 blended payment payable semi-annually, due July 2047 (for sewer purposes)	553,848	564,279
Ontario Infrastructure Projects Corporation (OIPC) loan payable, 5.09% interest, \$185,842 blended payment payable semi-annually, due August 2028 (for Crediton/Centralia sewer purposes)	1,901,143	2,165,909
Ontario Infrastructure Projects Corporation (OIPC) loan payable, 5.02% interest, \$383,668 blended payment payable semi-annually, due December 2034 (for Hensall-Exeter water purposes)	6,854,323	7,262,154
Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) loan payable, 4.04% interest, \$32,371 blended payment payable semi-annually, due December 2033 (for recreation purposes)	570,404	610,870
Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) loan payable, 2.26% interest, \$84,994 blended payment payable semi-annually, due November 2024 (for Exeter Pool recreation purposes)	330,584	490,388
Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) loan payable, prime rate interest, interest only payments, due on demand (for South Huron Exeter Arena recreation purposes)	2,782,732	-
Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) loan payable, prime rate interest, interest only payments, due on demand (for Stephen Arena recreation purposes)	<u>1,123,724</u>	<u>-</u>
	21,829,695	19,118,545
Tile drain loans payable to Ministry of Finance, responsibility for payment of principal and interest charges have been assumed by individuals, 6% - 8%, due 2023 through 2032	<u>190,893</u>	<u>264,436</u>
	<u>\$ 22,020,588</u>	<u>\$ 19,382,981</u>

**6. Municipal debt** (continued)

Principal payments due on tile drainage loans and recoverable from landowners in the next five years are as follows:

2023: \$40,800    2024: \$36,500    2025: \$33,000    2026: \$34,900    2027: \$16,700

Principal payments recoverable from property owners in the next five years to finance the bank demand and term loans and municipal debentures are:

2023: \$5,111,600    2024: \$1,232,000    2025: \$1,089,300    2026: \$1,142,200    2027: \$1,197,700

**7. Tangible capital assets**

The municipality's policy on accounting for tangible capital assets follows:

i) Contributed tangible capital assets

The municipality records all tangible capital assets contributed by external parties at fair value.

ii) Tangible capital assets recognized at nominal value

Certain assets have been assigned a nominal value because of the difficulty of determining a tenable valuation.

For additional information, see the Consolidated Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets information on the tangible capital assets of the municipality by major class and by business segment, as well as for accumulated amortization of the assets controlled.

**8. Segmented information**

The Municipality of South Huron is a diversified municipal government institution that provides a wide range of services to its citizens such as recreational and cultural services, planning and development, fire, and transportation services. Distinguishable functional segments have been separately disclosed in the segmented information. The nature of the segments and the activities they encompass are as follows:

**General Government**

This segment relates to the general operations of the municipality itself and cannot be directly attributed to a specific segment.

**Protection to Persons and Property**

Protection is comprised of fire protection, policing, court services, conservation authorities, protective inspection and control, building permit and inspection services, emergency measures and other protection services.

**Transportation**

Transportation services include road maintenance, winter control services, storm sewer system, street light maintenance, parking lots, equipment maintenance and other transportation services.

**Environmental Services**

Environmental services include the sanitary sewer system, waterworks, waste collection, waste disposal and recycling.

**Health Services**

This service area includes cemeteries and other health services.

**Recreational and Cultural Services**

This service area provides public services that contribute to the provision of recreation and leisure facilities and programs, the maintenance of parks and open spaces, library services, museums and other cultural services.

**Planning and Development**

This segment includes matters relating to zoning and site plan controls, land acquisition, development initiatives, agriculture and reforestation, municipal drainage and tile drainage.

For additional information, see the schedule of segmented information.

**9. Accumulated surplus**

The accumulated surplus consists of individual fund surplus/(deficit) amounts and reserve and reserve funds as follows:

	2022	2021
General revenue accumulated surplus		
and invested in tangible capital assets	\$ 90,862,170	\$ 85,715,866
Landfill closure and post-closure liability	(6,050,200)	(5,984,800)
Kirkton-Woodham Swimming Pool	38,681	38,205
Exeter BIA	52,975	43,657
Reserves and reserve funds	<u>25,805,141</u>	<u>24,117,533</u>
	<u>\$ 110,708,767</u>	<u>\$ 103,930,461</u>

For additional information, see the Consolidated Schedule of Continuity of Reserves, Reserve Funds, and Obligatory Deferred Revenue.

**10. Financial instrument risk management**

**Credit risk**

The Municipality is exposed to credit risk through its cash, trade and other receivables, loans receivable, and long-term investments. There is the possibility of non-collection of its trade and other receivables. The majority of the Municipality's receivables are from ratepayers and government entities. For trade and other receivables, the Municipality measures impairment based on how long the amounts have been outstanding. For amounts outstanding considered doubtful or uncollectible, an impairment allowance is setup.

**Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Municipality will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Municipality has a planning and a budgeting process in place to help determine the funds required to support the Municipality's normal operating requirements on an ongoing basis. The Municipality ensures that there are sufficient funds to meet its short-term requirements, taking into account its anticipated cash flows from operations and its holdings of cash and cash equivalents. To achieve this aim, it seeks to maintain an available line of credit balance as approved by the appropriate borrowing bylaw to meet, at a minimum, expected requirements.

**Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates or interest rates will affect the Municipality's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters while optimizing return on investments.

**Interest rate risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Municipality is exposed to interest rate risk arising from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect the variable rate of temporary borrowings and long-term liabilities and the value of fixed rate long-term liabilities.

There has been no significant changes from the previous year in the exposure to risk or policies, procedures and methods used to measure risks.

**11. Budget amounts**

Under Canadian public sector accounting standards, budget amounts are to be reported on the consolidated statement of financial activities for comparative purposes. The 2022 budget amounts for the Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron approved by Council are unaudited and have been restated to conform to the basis of presentation of the revenues and expenditures on the consolidated statement of activities. Budget amounts were not available for certain boards consolidated by the municipality. The budget figures have not been audited.

**12. Financial impact of COVID-19 pandemic**

On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic. Subsequently, the Province of Ontario issued a state of emergency limiting the number of people in a gathering and requiring rolling closures and lockdowns of non-essential business for an indeterminate period of time. The dynamic nature of the COVID-19 crisis makes it impossible to predict the impact this will have on the organization's operations, cash flows and financial position. Management will continue to monitor the situation and reflect the impact in the financial statements as appropriate.

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**  
**Consolidated Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets**  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	General				Infrastructure			TOTAL Net Book Value 2022	TOTAL Net Book Value 2021
	Land	Buildings	Vehicles	Other	Roads and Land Improvements	Underground and other Networks	Assets Under Construction		
<b>Cost</b>									
Balance, beginning of year	1,852,882	9,259,287	7,970,321	900,067	61,342,250	86,114,051	2,185,426	<b>169,624,284</b>	166,570,680
Add: Additions during the year	58,346	35,481	506,446	662,716	2,048,611	721,728	7,479,697	<b>11,513,025</b>	3,309,038
Less: Disposals during the year		(6,493)	(1,297,902)		(820,259)	(44,182)		<b>(2,168,836)</b>	(255,434)
Balance, end of year	<u>1,911,228</u>	<u>9,288,275</u>	<u>7,178,865</u>	<u>1,562,783</u>	<u>62,570,602</u>	<u>86,791,597</u>	<u>9,665,123</u>	<b><u>178,968,473</u></b>	<u>169,624,284</u>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>									
Balance, beginning of year	-	4,442,257	4,314,707	474,397	27,352,293	26,181,929	-	<b>62,765,583</b>	59,818,064
Add: Amortization during the year		181,555	408,332	70,611	1,216,929	1,335,831		<b>3,213,258</b>	3,144,555
Less: Accumulated amortization on disposals		(6,493)	(1,071,345)		(617,266)	(30,436)		<b>(1,725,540)</b>	(197,036)
Balance, end of year	<u>-</u>	<u>4,617,319</u>	<u>3,651,694</u>	<u>545,008</u>	<u>27,951,956</u>	<u>27,487,324</u>	<u>-</u>	<b><u>64,253,301</u></b>	<u>62,765,583</u>
<b>Net Book Value of</b>									
<b>Tangible Capital Assets</b>	<u>1,911,228</u>	<u>4,670,956</u>	<u>3,527,171</u>	<u>1,017,775</u>	<u>34,618,646</u>	<u>59,304,273</u>	<u>9,665,123</u>	<b><u>\$ 114,715,172</u></b>	<u>\$ 106,858,701</u>



**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**  
**Consolidated Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets**  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	General Government	Protection	Transportation	Environmental	Health	Recreation and Cultural	Work in Process	<b>TOTAL Net Book Value 2022</b>	TOTAL Net Book Value 2021
<b>Cost</b>									
Balance, beginning of year	1,443,878	4,303,946	60,879,053	92,011,688	219,325	8,580,968	2,185,426	<b>169,624,284</b>	166,570,680
Add: Additions during the year	5,846	152,547	2,876,342	721,727		276,866	7,479,697	<b>11,513,025</b>	3,309,038
Less: Disposals during the year		(663,528)	(1,389,829)	(108,986)		(6,493)		<b>(2,168,836)</b>	(255,434)
Interdepartmental transfers				51,340	(51,340)			-	-
Balance, end of year	<u>1,449,724</u>	<u>3,792,965</u>	<u>62,365,566</u>	<u>92,675,769</u>	<u>167,985</u>	<u>8,851,341</u>	<u>9,665,123</u>	<b><u>178,968,473</u></b>	<u>169,624,284</u>
<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>									
Balance, beginning of year	875,526	2,174,829	25,362,732	30,686,745	68,928	3,596,823		<b>62,765,583</b>	59,818,064
Add: Amortization during the year	32,676	166,210	1,237,378	1,558,629	7,402	210,963		<b>3,213,258</b>	3,144,555
Less: Accumulated amortization on disposals		(522,743)	(1,103,090)	(93,214)		(6,493)		<b>(1,725,540)</b>	(197,036)
Interdepartmental transfers				513	(513)			-	-
Balance, end of year	<u>908,202</u>	<u>1,818,296</u>	<u>25,497,020</u>	<u>32,152,673</u>	<u>75,817</u>	<u>3,801,293</u>	<u>-</u>	<b><u>64,253,301</u></b>	<u>62,765,583</u>
<b>Net Book Value of</b>									
<b>Tangible Capital Assets</b>	<u>541,522</u>	<u>1,974,669</u>	<u>36,868,546</u>	<u>60,523,096</u>	<u>92,168</u>	<u>5,050,048</u>	<u>9,665,123</u>	<b><u>\$ 114,715,172</u></b>	<u>\$ 106,858,701</u>

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**
**Consolidated Schedule of Continuity of Reserves, Reserve Funds and Deferred Revenue**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	Balance, beginning of year	Revenues and contributions			Transfers out Utilized During Year	Balance, end of year
		Interest	From Operations	Other		
<b>Reserves and reserve funds</b>						
<b>Reserves</b>						
for general government	5,232,852		1,085,075		(543,577)	<b>5,774,350</b>
for protection services	1,794,445		542,508		(13,608)	<b>2,323,345</b>
for transportation services	5,967,543		1,239,201		(324,407)	<b>6,882,337</b>
for environmental services	6,162,776		2,985,638		(2,811,907)	<b>6,336,507</b>
for health services	234,356		32,535		-	<b>266,891</b>
for recreation and cultural services	1,179,184		187,530		(768,903)	<b>597,811</b>
	<u>20,571,156</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,072,487</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,462,402)</u>	<u><b>22,181,241</b></u>
<b>Reserve funds</b>						
Amenity fee community funding	986,113	24,843	350,004		(396,940)	<b>964,020</b>
Modernization funding	559,699	14,100			(91,275)	<b>482,524</b>
Webber gravel pit	35,731	900				<b>36,631</b>
Building code	971,377	24,473	36,911			<b>1,032,761</b>
Dashwood community developmen	85,327	2,150				<b>87,477</b>
Exeter cemetery expansior	1,367	44				<b>1,411</b>
Exeter cemetery columbarium	57,568	1,440	2,830			<b>61,838</b>
Landfill perpetual care	777,313	19,583	116,228			<b>913,124</b>
South Huron recreation centre	28,852				(28,852)	<b>-</b>
Kirkton-Woodham swimming pool	43,030	1,084				<b>44,114</b>
	<u>3,546,377</u>	<u>88,617</u>	<u>505,973</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(517,067)</u>	<u><b>3,623,900</b></u>
Total reserves and reserve funds	<u>24,117,533</u>	<u>88,617</u>	<u>6,578,460</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,979,469)</u>	<u><b>25,805,141</b></u>
<b>Deferred revenue</b>						
Parkland	113,546	2,861		27,258		<b>143,665</b>
Federal Gas Tax Funds	901,029	22,700	320,196		(974,343)	<b>269,582</b>
OCIF formula-based component	641,611	16,164	1,210,703		(792,111)	<b>1,076,367</b>
Modernization Records Managemen	14,175	357			(14,532)	<b>-</b>
Ontario Cannabis Legalization Func	23,823	600				<b>24,423</b>
Development charges	1,048,268	26,408		402,458	(63,219)	<b>1,413,915</b>
	<u>2,742,452</u>	<u>69,090</u>	<u>1,530,899</u>	<u>429,716</u>	<u>(1,844,205)</u>	<u><b>2,927,952</b></u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 26,859,985</u>	<u>157,707</u>	<u>8,109,359</u>	<u>429,716</u>	<u>(6,823,674)</u>	<u><b>\$ 28,733,093</b></u>

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**

**Segmented Information**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

	General Government	Protective Services	Transportation Services	Environmental Services	Health Services	Recreation and Culture	Planning and Development	<b>Total 2022</b>	Total 2021
<b>Revenue</b>									
Taxation	11,168,987							<b>11,168,987</b>	10,515,912
User charges	1,312,765	323,868	154,886	8,414,523	60,985	572,204	81,928	<b>10,921,159</b>	9,715,669
Government transfers	2,467,140	40,932	906,457			618,909	22,616	<b>4,056,054</b>	2,682,493
Interest and penalties	756,136							<b>756,136</b>	343,103
Other	(189,092)							<b>(189,092)</b>	(53,887)
	<u>15,515,936</u>	<u>364,800</u>	<u>1,061,343</u>	<u>8,414,523</u>	<u>60,985</u>	<u>1,191,113</u>	<u>104,544</u>	<b><u>26,713,244</u></b>	<u>23,203,290</u>
<b>Operating expenditure</b>									
Wages, salaries and benefits	1,848,919	967,864	1,045,180	1,086,850	125,958	743,256	82,777	<b>5,900,804</b>	5,407,392
Contract services	172,903	2,189,433	170,304	1,559,823	21,197	182,863	48,010	<b>4,344,533</b>	4,478,356
Supplies, materials, equipment and interest	225,633	650,992	2,147,182	1,899,568	51,134	1,030,921	470,913	<b>6,476,343</b>	5,659,105
Amortization	32,676	166,210	1,237,378	1,558,629	7,402	210,963	-	<b>3,213,258</b>	3,144,555
	<u>2,280,131</u>	<u>3,974,499</u>	<u>4,600,044</u>	<u>6,104,870</u>	<u>205,691</u>	<u>2,168,003</u>	<u>601,700</u>	<b><u>19,934,938</u></b>	<u>18,689,408</u>
<b>Net revenue (expense)</b>	<u>13,235,805</u>	<u>(3,609,699)</u>	<u>(3,538,701)</u>	<u>2,309,653</u>	<u>(144,706)</u>	<u>(976,890)</u>	<u>(497,156)</u>	<b><u>6,778,306</u></b>	<u>4,513,882</u>

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers  
of the Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron

### *Opinion*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the trust funds of the Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron ("the Municipality"), which are comprised of the balance sheet as at December 31, 2022 and the statement of continuity of trust funds for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Municipality as at December 31, 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards (PSAB).

### *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Municipality in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with PSAB, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Municipality's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Municipality or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Municipality's financial reporting process.

### *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. 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.
- 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 Municipality's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Municipality's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Municipality to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

*Seebach & Company*

Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants

Clinton, Ontario  
May 15, 2023

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON  
TRUST FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF CONTINUITY**

**For the Year Ended December 31, 2022**

	Perpetual Care Fund	Niche Care Fund	Five-Year Flower Fund	Pre-need Fund	Perpetual Flower Fund	Monuments Marker Fund	<b>2022</b>	2021
<b>Balance beginning of year</b>	<u>390,643</u>	<u>43,269</u>	<u>12,209</u>	<u>94,988</u>	<u>286,964</u>	<u>67,745</u>	<b>895,818</b>	<u>885,068</u>
<b>Receipts</b>								
Perpetual care	6,960					3,500	<b>10,460</b>	17,346
Donations and capital contributions		1,304	4,781				<b>6,085</b>	11,090
Interest earned	22,932						<b>22,932</b>	5,072
	<u>29,892</u>	<u>1,304</u>	<u>4,781</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,500</u>	<b>39,477</b>	<u>33,508</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>								
Transfers to cemetery	22,932		6,594	3,526			<b>33,052</b>	22,758
	<u>22,932</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,594</u>	<u>3,526</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>33,052</b>	<u>22,758</u>
<b>Balance end of year</b>	<u>\$ 397,603</u>	<u>\$ 44,573</u>	<u>\$ 10,396</u>	<u>\$ 91,462</u>	<u>\$ 286,964</u>	<u>\$ 71,245</u>	<b>\$ 902,243</b>	<u>\$ 895,818</u>

**BALANCE SHEET**

**As at December 31**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	<b>8,143</b>	7,964
Investments, cost	<b>945,071</b>	908,261
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Due to general fund	<b>(50,971)</b>	(20,407)
<b>Trust fund net asset balances</b>	<b>\$ 902,243</b>	<u>\$ 895,818</u>

**MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON**  
**TRUST FUNDS**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**For the Year Ended December 31, 2022**

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**1. Accounting Policies**

Significant aspects of accounting policies adopted by the municipality are as follows:

a) Management responsibility

The financial statements of the Trust Funds are the representations of management. They have been prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards as recommended by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada and prescribed by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for municipalities and their related entities.

b) Basis of consolidation

These trust funds have not been consolidated with the financial statements of the Municipality of South Huron.

c) Basis of accounting

Capital receipts and income are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Expenditures are reported on the cash basis of accounting with the exception of administration expenses which are reported on the accrual basis of accounting, which recognizes expenditures as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

d) Investments

Investments are recorded at cost less amounts written off to reflect a permanent decline in value.

e) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**2. Investments**

Trust fund investments have a market value equal to cost of \$ 945,071 (2021 : \$ 908,261).