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#### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management of the County of Two Hills No. 21 (the Municipality), is responsible for the preparation. accuracy, objectivity and integrity of the accompanying consolidated financial statements and all other information contained within this Financial Report. Management believes that the consolidated financial statements present fairly the Municipality's financial position as at December 31, 2022, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in compliance with legislation, and in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards (PSAS).

The consolidated financial statements include certain amounts based on estimates and judgments. Such amounts have been determined on a reasonable basis in order to ensure the consolidated financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

In fulfilling its responsibilities and recognizing the limits inherent in all systems, management has designed and maintains a system of internal controls to produce reliable information and to meet reporting requirements on a timely basis. The system is designed to provide management with reasonable assurance that transactions are properly authorized and assets are properly accounted for and safeguarded.

These systems are monitored and evaluated by management and reliable financial information is available for preparation of the consolidated financial statements.

The Municipality's Council is responsible for review of the consolidated financial statements. Council meets regularly with management and annually with the external auditors to discuss the results of audit examinations and financial reporting matters.

The external auditors have access to Council with and without the presence of management. Council has approved the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by Synergy Chartered Professional Accountants, independent external auditors appointed by Council. The accompanying Independent Auditor's Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the Municipality's consolidated financial statements.

Vir. Don Gulayec, Reeve

Two Hills, Alberta April 6, 2023





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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Reeve and Council of the County of Two Hills No. 21

#### Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of County of Two Hills No. 21 (the Municipality), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2022, and the consolidated statements of operations and accumulated surplus, changes in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

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

#### 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 Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Municipality in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated 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 Consolidated Financial Statements

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

In preparing the consolidated 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 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 Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Reeve and Council of the County of Two Hills No. 21 (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 consolidated 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 consolidated 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.

Vegreville, Alberta April 6, 2023 Synergy
Chartered Professional Accountants

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

# December 31, 2022

	2022	2021
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and temporary investments (Note 2)	\$ 19,906,769	\$ 21,336,746
Taxes and grants in place of taxes receivable (Note 3)	404,135	348,890
Receivables from other governments	45,847	231,778
Trade and other receivables	1,968,016	1,421,525
Long-term investments (Note 4)	42,841	42,946
Debt charges recoverable (Note 5)	250,688	295,134
	22,618,296	23,677,019
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,791,446	1,093,087
Employee benefit obligations (Note 6)	214,997	197,290
Deposit liabilities (Note 7)	250,691	244,597
Deferred revenue (Note 8)	1,494,454	1,528,873
Due to Two Hills Regional Waste Management		
Commission (Note 9)	844,019	749,764
Long term debt (Note 10)	250,688	295,134
Provision for gravel pit reclamation (Note 11)	350,232	
<u></u>	5,196,527	4,108,745
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	17,421,769	19,568,274
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2)	49,526,598	51,884,110
Inventory for consumption (Note 12)	2,325,264	1,559,516
Prepaid expenses	580,2 <u>55</u>	407,285
	52,432,117	53,850,911
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Note 13), (Schedule1)	\$ 69,853,886	\$ 73,419,185

COMMITMENTS (Note 14)

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus Year Ended December 31, 2022

	 Budget (Unaudited)	2022	 2021
REVENUE			
Net municipal taxes (Schedule 3)	\$ 7,177,384	\$ 7,202,681	\$ 7,273,167
Sales of goods and services	4,228,789	4,505,415	4,139,921
Government transfers for operating (Schedule 4)	500,893	459,528	2,501,128
Investment income	168,200	314,393	164,007
Penalties and costs of taxes	202,400	391,734	211,373
Licenses and permits	65,200	68,664	81,392
Other	 44,000	 185,226	 372,250
	12,386,866	 13,127,641	14,743,238
EXPENSES			
Legislative	369,510	327,335	289,847
Administration	1,770,628	1,871,059	1,856,357
Protective services	661,924	605,456	650,282
Roads, streets, walks, lighting	9,491,842	9,153,145	10,124,954
Water supply and distribution	662,693	681,818	821,585
Waste management	366,338	399,888	325,804
Family and community support	125,776	125,776	122,776
Agriculture services	702,634	602,822	527,774
Subdivision land development	71,402	60,180	50,909
Parks and recreation	262,672	229,311	221,761
Library	41,008	41,008	43,937
Gas Utility	 3,640,892	3,754,152	3,122,035
	 18,167,319	17,851,950	 18,158,021
SHORTFALL OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES BEFORE TRANSFERS FOR CAPITAL	(5,780,453)	(4,724,309)	(3,414,783)
	•	• • • •	•
Government transfers for capital (Schedule 5)	1,103,188	1,159,010	 2,632,57 <u>2</u>
SHORTFALL OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(4,677,265)	(3,565,299)	(782,211)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	 73, <u>41</u> 9,185	73,419,185	 74,201,396
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS - END OF YEAR	\$ 68,741,920	\$ 69,853,886	\$ 73,419,185

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Financial Assets

# Year Ended December 31, 2022

TN	Budget (unaudited)	2022	2021
SHORTFALL OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ (4,677,265)	\$ (3,565,299)	\$ (782,211)
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(1,990,600)	(1,751,445)	(2,103,586)
	1,265,500	894,810	360,532
	•	247,359	(59,894)
	3,159,702	2,782,942	2,859,714
mortization added to tangible capital assets	•	183,846	226,498
50 327 850 V	2,434,602	2,357,512	1,283,264
Use (acquisition) of prepaid expenses	•	(172,970)	12,793
cquisition of tangible capital assets roceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets fain) / Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets mortization of tangible capital assets mortization added to tangible capital assets  se (acquisition) of prepaid expenses se (acquisition) of inventory for consumption  ICREASE (DECREASE) IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	-	(765,748)	431,863
	-	(938,718)	444,656
3 S I_	2,434,602	1,418,794	1,727,920
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN MET FINANCIAL			
	(2,242,663)	(2,146,505)	945,709
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	19,568,274	19,568,274	18,622,565
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 17,325,611	\$ 17,421,769	\$ 19,568,274

## **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

Year Ended December 31, 2022

NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW) OF CASH RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:  OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Annual deficit for the year  Non-cash items included in excess (shortfall) of revenues over expenses:  Amortization of tangible capital assets  Amortization added to tangible capital assets  (Gain) / loss on sale of tangible capital assets  (351,155)	\$ (782,2
Annual deficit for the year  Non-cash items included in excess (shortfall) of revenues over expenses:  Amortization of tangible capital assets  Amortization added to tangible capital assets  (Gain) / loss on sale of tangible capital assets  (3,565,299)  2,782,942  183,846  247,356	\$ (782,2
Non-cash items included in excess (shortfall) of revenues over expenses:  Amortization of tangible capital assets  Amortization added to tangible capital assets  (Gain) / loss on sale of tangible capital assets  2,782,942  183,846  247,356	\$ (782,
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(Gain) / loss on sale of tangible capital assets 247,356 (351,155)	2,859,7
(351,155)	226,4
	(59,8
	2,244,1
Non-cash charges to operations (net change):	
Decrease (increase) in taxes and grants in place of taxes	***
receivable (55,245)	41,0
Decrease (increase) in receivables from other governments 185,931	(10,3
Decrease (increase) in trade and other receivables (546,491)	(239,6
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities 698,362	147,4
Increase (decrease) in employee benefit obligations 17,707	5,6
Increase (decrease) in asset retirement obligations 350,232	-
Increase (decrease) in deposit liabilities 6,094	1,8
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue (34,419)	(421,8
Decrease (increase) in inventory for consumption (765,748)	431,8
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses (172,970)	12,7
(316,547)	(31,2
Cash provided by (applied to) operating transactions (667,702)	2,212,8
CAPITAL	
Acquisition of tangible capital assets (1,751,445)	(2,103,5
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets 894,810	360,5
	<u> </u>
Cash provided by (applied to) capital transactions (856,635)	(1,743,0
FINANCING	
Decrease (increase) In due to Regional Waste Management	
Commission 94,255	(352,1
Repayment of long term debt (44,446)	(42,8
Debt charges recovered 44,446	`42,8
Cash provided by (applied to) financing transactions 94,255	(352,1
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INVESTING	
Decrease (increase) in long-term investments	-
Decrease (increase) in restricted cash or cash equivalents (15,343)	487,3
Cash provided by (applied to) investing transactions (15,238)	487,3
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS DURING THE YEAR (1,445,320)	605,0
Cash - beginning of year 19,712,948	19,107,8
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# **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows** (continued)

# Year Ended December 31, 2022

		2022	2021	
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$	18,267,628	\$ 19,712,948	
CASH FLOWS SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION			 	
Interest received	\$	283,855	\$ 138,032	
Interest paid	-\$	12,668	\$ 13,051	
Interest received	\$	19,906,769 (1,639,141)	\$ 21,336,746 (1,623,798)	
> '3	\$	18,267,628	\$ 19,712,948	

#### COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Consolidated Schedule of Changes in Accumulated Operating Surplus Year Ended December 31, 2022

(Schedule 1)

	Unrestricted Surplus	Internally Restricted Surplus	Equity in Tangible Capital Assets	2022	2021
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 9,483,154	\$ 12,051,921	\$ 51,884,110	\$ 73,419,185	\$ 74,201,396
Shortfall of revenues over expenses	(3,565,299)		-	(3,565,299)	(782,211)
Unrestricted funds designated for future use	•	•		•	
Restricted funds used for operations	2,165,300	(2,165,300)	-	-	-
Current year funds used for tangible capital assets	(1,751,445)		1,751,445	-	•
Disposal of tangible capital assets	1,142,169	•	(1,142,169)	•	-
Annual amortization expense	2,966,788	•	(2,966,788)	-	
CHANGE IN ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	957,513	(2,165,300)	(2,357,512)	(3,565,299)	(782,211)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR (Note 13)	\$ 10,440,667	\$ 9,886,621	\$ 49,526,598	\$ 69,853,886	\$ 73,419,185

COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Consolidated Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets Year Ended December 31, 2022

(Schedule 2)

		Land	Land Improvements		Buildings		Engineered Structures	Machinery & Equipment		Vehicles .		2022	2021	
COST														
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	2,687,938	\$	272,038	\$	5,452,076	\$ 95,794,105	\$ 1	9,543,826	\$	5,266,675	\$129,016,658	\$127,999,415	
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Construction-in-progress Disposal of tangible capital assets		10	5	49,252		•	9,258 - -		1,692,935 2,328,128)		(113,587)	1,751,445 (2,441,715)	2,003,389 100,197 (1,066,345	
BALANCE, END OF YEAR		2,687,938		321,290		5,452,076	95,803,363	1	8,908,633		5,153,088	128,326,388	129,016,658	
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION														
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR		-		127,162		2,520,128	60,871,509	1	0,324,438		3,269,311	77,132,548	74,832,04	
Annual amortization Accumulated amortization on disposals				14,121		89,914	1,835,682		735,127 (1,200,662)		291,944 (98,884)	2,966,788 (1,299,546)	3,086,213 (785,70	
BALANCE, END OF YEAR		<b>-</b>		141,283		2,610,042	62,707,191		9,858,903		3,482,371	78,799,790	77,132,54	
NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	\$	2,687,938	\$	180,007	\$	2,842,034	\$ 33,096,172	\$	9,049,730	\$	1,670,717	\$ 49,526,596	\$ 51,884,110	
2021 NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	s	2,687,938	s	144,878	\$	2,931,948	\$ 34,922,596	\$	9,219,388	\$	1,977,364	\$ 51,884,110		

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Consolidated Schedule of Property and Other Taxes Year Ended December 31, 2022

(Schedule 3)

	 Budget (Unaudited)	2022	 2021
TAXATION			
Residential land and improvements	\$ 2,953,499	\$ 2,964,916	\$ 2,693,208
Farmland	1,919,503	1,932,545	1,828,345
Non-residential land and improvements	397,710	611,360	339,878
Machinery and equipment	44,154	532,949	47,080
Linear property	4,165,016	3,463,447	4,616,590
	 9,479,882	9,505,217	9,525,101
REQUISITIONS			
Alberta School Foundation Fund	1,766,411	1,766,449	1,717,567
Eagle Hill Foundation	523,920	523,920	520,776
Designated Industrial Property	12,167	 12,167	13,591
	2,302,498	2,302,536	2,251,934
NET MUNICIPAL TAXES	\$ 7,177,384	\$ 7,202,681	\$ 7,273,167

# Consolidated Schedule of Government Transfers for Operating Year Ended December 31, 2022

(Schedule 4)

Total Elided December 01, 2022	- 1					-
<del>.</del>		Budget (Unaudited)		2022		2021
TRANSFERS FOR OPERATING Provincial Federal grants-operating Local government grants-operating	\$	491,693 4,200 5,000	\$	455,729 3,799	\$	2,499,356 1,772
381 U 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$	500,893	\$	459,528	\$	2,501,128
Consolidated Schedule of Government Trar Year Ended December 31, 2022	nsfers	s for Capital	l		(S	chedule 5
	-	Budget (Unaudited)		2022	_	2021
TRANSFERS FOR CAPITAL Provincial Federal Local government	\$	889,638 173,550 40,000	\$	951,675 173,550 33,785	\$	2,293,715 290,830 48,027
	\$	1,103,188	\$	1,159,010	\$	2,632,572
Consolidated Schedule of Expenses by Obj Year Ended December 31, 2022	ect				(S	chedule 6
		Budget (Unaudited)		2022		2021
CONSOLIDATED EXPENSES BY OBJECT Salaries, wages and benefits Contracted and general services Purchases from other governments Materials, goods and utilities	\$	5,763,088 2,255,864 2,087,254 4,432,671 165,000	\$	4,991,410 2,489,696 2,341,541 4,332,786 376,375 132,000	\$	4,876,263 2,318,299 1,779,275 5,831,574 198,252 190,000

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Statement of Operating Revenue And Expenses For The Gas Utility Year Ended December 31, 2022

(Schedule 7)

	 Budget (Unaudited)		2022	 2021
REVENUE	\$ 2,747,889	\$	2,967,836	\$ 2,406,822
PURCHASES	 2,087,154	-	2,341,541	1,779,275
GROSS PROFIT	660,735		626,295	627,547
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES				
Other sales and service	96,200		106,625	192,869
Penalties and interest income	14,200		35,773	20,597
Profit on capital construction	-		127,366	156,28
OTHER OPERATING REVENUES Other sales and service Penalties and interest income Profit on capital construction RMO station operating grant Service charges  EXPENSES Amortization Bad debt expense Council remuneration Insurance, permits, damage claims	12,000		12,000	12,000
Service charges	 491,000		504,900	517,350
	 613,400		786,664	 899,10
EXPENSES				
Amortization	240,675		233,261	239,98
Bad debt expense	10,000		240	30,66
Council remuneration	22,870		13,871	14,18
Insurance, permits, damage claims	57,985		60,653	56,27
Memberships, dues, fees	26,200		24,703	20,70
Office supplies	59,850		34,749	41,54
Professional fees	16,000		15,613	9,97
Repair and maintenance	109,850		162,367	21,71
Travel and training	10,500		11,725	3,09
Utilities	52,100		55,152	51,59
Vehicle and equipment costs	138,670		119,234	117,47
Wages and benefits	739,038		641,814	670,50
Materials and supplies	70,000		52,953	65,05
Loss / (gain) on sale of tangible capital asset	•		(13,725)_	 •
	 1,553,738		1,412,610	 1,342,76
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ (279,603)	\$	349	\$ 183,888

#### COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Consolidated Schedule of Segmented Disclosures Year Ended December 31, 2022

(Schedule 8)

50		General Protective Government Sorvices						anning & velopment			Environmental Services		Gas utility		Family & Community Support Services		2022	
REVENUE															_			
Net municipal taxes		202,681	\$	-	\$	•	\$	-	\$	•	\$	•	8	-	\$	•		02,68
User fees and sales of goods		41,888		107,770		330,395		6,998		25,952		419,284		3,573,128		<del>.</del>		05,41
Government transfers		20,854		•	9	353,610		174,423		164,054		173,550		35,825		98,221		18,53
Investment income		108,696		-		•		-		•				5,697		•		14,39
Other revenues	4	58,410		•		•		42,438		•		4,926		139,851				45,62
	8,0	32,529		107,770	1,3	284,005		223,859		190,006		597,760		3,754,501		96,221	14,2	28,88
EXPENSES																		
Salaries and wages	9	93.527		25,433	2.0	384,338		222,788		68,216		136,924		660,184		-	4,9	91,41
Contract and general services		373,683		221,370		758,406		141,566		46,079		603,636		344,756		•	2,4	189,69
Purchases from/transfers to								•				•						
other governments	1	132,000						-				-		2,341,541		-	2,4	173,54
Goods and supplies		302,436		299,088	2.5	15,471		281,470		-		221,749		186,796		125,776	4,3	132,78
Provision for allowances		376,135		,	_							•		240		•		76,37
Transfers to local boards		,						8,000		137,173		-				-	1	145,17
Other expenses		11,569				261,084		•				•		(12,826)				260,02
	2,1	189,550		545,891	6,	319,299		653,824		251,468		962,309		3,520,891		125,776	15,0	169,00
NET REVENUE BEFORE																		
AMORTIZATION	5,8	342,979		(438,121)	(5,	535,294)		(429,965)		(61,462)		(364,549)		233,610		(29,555)	(7	782,35
Amortization expense		8.844		59,565	9	333,846		9,178		18,851		119,397		233,261			2.7	762,94
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		8,844		59,565	2,	333,846		9,178		18,851		119,397		233,261		•	2,1	762,94
EXCESS (SHORTFALL) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES		834,135	•	(497,686)	e /7	869,140}		(439,143)		(80,313)		(483,946)	\$	349	s	(29,555)	<b>8</b> (3,£	KAE OK

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# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The consolidated financial statements of the County of Two Hills No. 21 (the Municipality) are the representations of management prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments established by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada. Significant aspects of the accounting polices adopted by the Municipality are as follows:

#### (b) Reporting entity

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, changes in fund balances and change in financial position of the reporting entity. This entity is comprised of the municipal operations plus all of the organizations that are owned or controlled by the Municipality and are, therefore, accountable to Council for the administration of their financial affairs and resources.

The schedule of taxes levied also includes requisitions for education, health, social and other external organizations that are not part of the municipal reporting entity. The statements include trust assets that are administered for the benefit of external parties. Interdepartmental and organizational transactions and balances are eliminated.

#### (c) Revenue recognition

#### Tax revenue

Tax revenues are recognized at the time tax notices are issued. Property tax revenue is based on market value of assessments determined in accordance with the Municipal Government Act. Tax rates are established annually. Assessments are subject to appeal and may change as a result of adjustments made by assessors to correct errors or omissions. Gains or losses on assessment changes or appeals are recorded as adjustments to tax revenue and tax receivables when a written decision is received from the authorized board, or a change is generated by authorized assessment staff.

Requisitions operate as a flow through and are excluded from municipal revenue. Overlevies and under-levies arise from the difference between the actual property tax levy made to cover each requisition and the actual amount requisitioned. This difference is reflected in property tax revenue. Requisition tax rates in the subsequent year are adjusted for any over-levies or under-levies of the prior year.

#### Government transfers

Government transfers are the transfer of assets from levels of government that are not the result of an exchange transaction, are not expected to be repaid in the future, or the result of a direct financial return. The Municipality recognizes a government transfer as revenue when the transfer is authorized and all eligibility criteria, if any, have been met. A government transfer with stipulations giving rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability is recognized as a liability. In such circumstances the Municipality recognizes revenue as the liability is settled.

#### · Sales of goods and services

Sales of goods and services revenue is recognized in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services are performed or goods are acquired.

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Penalties, investment income, licenses and permits

Penalties and costs of taxes, investment income and licenses and permits revenue is recognized as it is earned, measurable and receivable.

Other revenues

Other revenue sources, such as land rent, lease revenue, donations and other miscellaneous revenue is recognized as it is earned, measurable and receivable.

Gas infill revenue is recognized in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services are performed, goods are received.

#### (d) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures during the period. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the consolidated financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. The main estimates relate to:

- Accounts receivable are stated after evaluation as to their collectability and an appropriate allowance for doubtful accounts is provided where considered necessary.
- The amounts recorded for valuation of tangible capital assets, the useful lives and related amortization of tangible capital assets are areas where management makes significant estimates and assumptions in determining the amount to be recorded in the consolidated financial statements.
- Internally constructed tangible capital assets, consisting mainly of roads and the gas system are costed by using internal documents to determine the costs of the various components of the construction. Such documents include costing reports for projects, machines, timesheets etc.
- Gravel inventory is costed by a similar method using internal documents to determine the
  cost of crushing. As uncertainty inherently exists in the accurateness of these documents,
  actual results could differ from the accumulated costs.
- Gravel reclamation liabilities are based on estimates and assumptions using the information available at the end of the reporting period. Future events, such as changes to regulatory requirements, may result in significant changes to the estimated total liabilities and will be recognized prospectively, as a change in estimate, when applicable.

Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Valuation of financial assets and liabilities

The Municipality's financial assets and liabilities are measured as follows:

Financial statement component Measurement

Cash Cost and amortized cost

Short term investments Amortized cost

Trade and other receivables Lower of cost or net recoverable value

Investments Fair value and amortized cost

Loan receivable and debt charges recoverable Amortized cost

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Cost
Deposit liabilities Cost

Bank indebtedness and long term debt Amortized cost

#### (e) Cash and temporary investments

Cash includes cash and temporary investments. Temporary investments are Guaranteed Investment Certificates with maturities less than twelve months from year end date. Temporary investments are valued at cost, which approximates fair value, due to the short period of time to maturity.

#### (f) Long term investments

Investments are recorded at amortized cost. When there has been a loss in value that is other than a temporary decline, the respective investment is written down to recognize the loss.

#### (g) Debt charges recoverable

Debt charges recoverable consist of amounts that are recoverable from municipal agencies or other local governments with respect to outstanding debentures. These recoveries are recorded at a value that equals the offsetting portion of the un-matured long term debt.

#### (h) 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 normal course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenues over expenses, provides the consolidated Change in Net Financial Assets for the year.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### 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 is amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life as follows:

	YEARS YEARS
Land improvements	15-25
Buildings	25-50
Engineered structures	
Roads and bridges	20-40
Gas system	35-75
Water system	25-75
Wastewater system	35-75
Machinery and equipment	5-40
Vehicles	10

A full year annual amortization is recorded in the year of acquisition, or in the year the asset is put into service or construction is complete. No amortization is calculated in the year of disposal.

# Contributions of Tangible Capital Assets Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue.

#### 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 of materials and supplies for consumption are valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value with the cost being determined by the average cost method. Gravel inventory is valued at the amount of royalty plus crushing costs.

#### (i) Impairment of long lived assets

The Municipality tests for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. Recoverability is assessed by comparing the carrying amount to the projected future net cash flows the long-lived assets are expected to generate through their direct use and eventual disposition. When a test for impairment indicates that the carrying amount of an asset is not recoverable, an impairment loss is recognized to the extent the carrying value exceeds its fair value.

#### (j) Inventory

The Municipality's inventories of materials and supplies for consumption are valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value with the cost being determined by the average cost method. Gravel inventory is valued at the amount of the royalty plus crushing costs.

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (k) Future changes in significant accounting policies

The following accounting standards have been issued by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada (CPA Canada) but are not yet effective for the Municipality. The Municipality is currently evaluating the effect of adopting these standards, which it expects to do in fiscal year 2023.

Section 3280, "Asset retirement obligations (ARO)", which is effective for years, beginning on or after April 1, 2022. This Section now includes requirements on how to account and report a liability for asset retirement obligations (ARO). This Section identifies the main attributes of an ARO and provides guidance on how to establish the fair value of the ARO. This standard is effective for fiscal periods beginning on or after April 1, 2022. Early adoption is permitted.

Section 3450, "Financial instruments", which is effective for years, beginning on or after April 1, 2022. This Section now includes requirements to recognize and measure financial assets, financial liabilities and non-financial derivatives. In conjunction with this new section, section PS1201, section PS 2601 and section 3041 have been amended as a consequence of the introduction of new financial instruments standards. These amendments were required to present the associated gains and losses with financial instruments recognized under the new section.

Section 3400, "Revenue", which is effective for years, beginning on or after April 1, 2023. This Section now establishes standards on how to account for and report on revenue. This section differentiates between revenue arising from transactions that include performance obligations and transactions that do not have performance obligations. The new section applies to fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2023. Earlier adoption is permitted.

Management is currently assessing the impact of these standards on the financial statements.

#### (I) Budget figures

Budget figures are included for information purposes only and are not audited.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

2.	CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	2022	2021
	Cash Temporary investments	\$ 1,187,251 18,719,518	\$ 3,372,238 17,964,508
		\$ 19,906,769	\$ 21,336,746

The Municipality has an authorized revolving loan with a limit of of \$1,985,000, bearing interest at prime plus 3% (2021 - prime plus 3%). The balance outstanding at December 31, 2022 was Nil (2021 - Nil).

Temporary investments are Guaranteed Investment Certificates with maturities less than twelve months from year end date. Rates vary from 1.0% to 4.9% (2021 - 0.75% to 0.9%).

Council has designated funds of \$9,886,621 (2021 - \$12,051,921) included in the above amounts for restricted surplus.

Included in cash and temporary investments is a restricted amount of \$1,639,141 (2021 - \$1,623,798) comprised of \$250,691 (2021 - \$244,597) of deposit liabilities and \$1,388,450 (2021 - \$1,379,201) of deferred revenue received from various sources and held exclusively for approved projects.

#### 3. TAXES AND GRANTS IN PLACE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE

	2022	2021
Current	\$ 318,913	\$ 355,072
Arrears	3,715,720	3,333,114
	4,034,633	3,688,186
Less: allowance for uncollectible accounts	(3,630,498)	
	\$ 404,135	\$ 348,890

#### 4. LONG TERM INVESTMENTS

To be involved with Gas Alberta Inc., the Municipality was required to invest in shares and a debenture with Gas Alberta Inc. to provide them with initial operating capital. The debenture is non-interest bearing.

Alberta Central East Water Corporation (ACE) - in order to participate in the water pipeline project, the County of Two Hills No. 21 had to subscribe to shares in the capital stock of ACE.

#### Details are as follows:

	 2022		2021
329 Class A common shares in Gas Alberta Inc. Debenture receivable from Gas Alberta Inc. 1,240 Class A common voting shares in ACE	\$ 329 42,500 12	\$	434 42,500 <u>12</u>
	\$ 42,841	\$_	42,946

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

Non-current debt charges recoverable

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

# 5. DEBT CHARGES RECOVERABLE 2022 2021 Current debt charges recoverable \$ 46,142 \$ 44,446

204,546

250,688

250,688

295,134

## Principal and interest repayments are as follows:

<u></u>	 Principal	 nterest	 Total
2023	\$ 46,142	\$ 8,188	\$ 54,330
2024	47,904	6,426	54,330
2025	49,734	4,596	54,330
2026	29,356	2,695	32,051
2027	7,716	2,056	9,772
Thereafter	 69,836	8,339	78,175
	\$ 250,688	\$ 32,300	\$ 282,988

The County of Two Hills No. 21 loaned \$500,000 to Eagle Hill Foundation (1995), bearing interest at 3.97%, payable in semi-annual payments of \$22,279, maturing March 15, 2026.

An additional \$150,000 was loaned to the Myrnam Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd., bearing interest at 2.718% payable in semi-annual payments of \$4,886, maturing September 15, 2035.

These debt charges recoverable are the reciprocal payment of the Alberta Capital Finance Authority loans taken on behalf of these two organizations. (Note 10) - Long-Term Debt.

#### 6. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

		2022	 2021
Vacation	<b>\$</b>	214,997	\$ 197,290

The vacation liability is comprised of the vacation that employees are deferring to future years. Employees have either earned the benefits (and are vested) or are entitled to these benefits within the next budgetary year. The Municipality has accumulating non-vesting sick leave benefits.

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 7. DEPOSIT LIABILITIES

<u></u>		2022	2021
Public reserve	\$	198,382	\$ 193,572
Road and gravel deposits		43,715	42,629
Tax sale surplus		5,873	5,743
Water service deposit		2,721	 2,653
	s	250,691	\$ 244,597

Public reserve consists of funds received for municipal reserve upon subdivision of land.

Road and gravel deposits are amounts required to be paid by private companies for reclamation deposits or hauling on public roads.

Tax sale surplus consists of surplus funds received from land sold at public auction. These funds are payable to the previous ratepayer under the the guidelines set out in the Municipal Government Act.

Water service deposit consists of an initial amount required to receive utility services.

#### 8. DEFERRED REVENUE

	 2022	2021
Capital Grants		
Canada Community Building Fund	\$ 1,069,928	\$ 972,980
Hairy Hill Transitional Funding	107,148	104,415
Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program - Local		
Road Bridge	106,500	106,500
	 1,283,576	1,183,895
Operating Grants		
Bridge Upgrade Grant	45,287	44,132
Watershed Resiliency Grant	40,450	58,910
Municipal Sustainability Initiative - Operating	31,754	•
Emergency Management Preparedness Program Grant	5,190	5,063
Watershed Resiliency and Restoration Program Grant	4,153	12,500
Municipal Stimulus Program Funding	1,674	74,700
Family & Community Support Services Grant	•	24,056
× 11	128,508	219,361
Other Deferred Revenue		
Roadway Oiling Fee	72,750	72,750
Ukraine Silent Auction Fund	8,119	-
Subdivision Access	1,500	1,500
Gas - Infill Deposits	 -	 51,366
	82,369	125,616
	\$ 1,494,453	\$ 1,528,872

Deferred revenue is comprised of funding from various grant programs, organizations and individuals, that are unspent at the end of the current year. The use of these funds is restricted to eligible operating and capital projects as approved under the funding agreements or as indicated. This revenue is recognized in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services performed or tangible capital assets are put into use.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

## 9. DUE TO TWO HILLS REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

	 2022	2021
Due to Two Hills Regional Waste Management Commission	\$ 844,019	\$ 749,764

The County of Two Hills No. 21 provides annual financial and payroll services for the Two Hills Regional Waste Management Commission. Operational and capital funds are retained by the Municipality to provide these services. Amounts due to the Commission are non-interest bearing and have no set repayment terms.

#### 10. LONG TERM DEBT

	 2022	2021
Debentures recoverable (Note 5)	\$ 250,688	\$ 295,134

#### Principal and interest repayments are as follows:

		Principal		Interest		Total
2023	\$	46,142	\$	8,188	\$	54,330
2024		47,904	·	6,426	-	54,330
2025		49,734		4,596		54,330
2026		29,356		2,695		32,051
2027		7,716		2,056		9,772
Thereafter	 	69,836		8,339		78,175
	\$	250,688	\$	32,300	\$	282,988

Debenture debt is repayable to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority and bears interest at rates ranging from 2.718% to 3.97% per annum, matures in periods 2026 through 2035. The average annual interest rate is 3.344% (2021 - 3.344%).

Debenture debt is issued on the credit and security of the Municipality at large.

The Municipality's total cash payments for interest were \$12,668 (2021 - \$13,051).

Interest on long-term debt amounted to nil (2021 - nil).

#### **DEBT LIMITS AND DEBT SERVICING LIMIT**

Section 276(2) of the Municipal Government Act requires that debt and debt limits as defined by Alberta Regulation 255/00 for the County of Two Hills No. 21 be disclosed as follows:

	2022	2021
Total debt limit Total debt	\$ 19,646,910	\$ 22,147,635 -
Amount of debt limit unused	<u>\$ 19,646,910</u>	\$ 22,147,635

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

DEBT LIMITS AND DEBT SERVICING LIMIT (continued)		
	2022	 2021
Debt servicing limit	\$ 3,274,485	\$ 3,691,273
Debt servicing	 •	· · · · · ·
Amount of debt servicing limit unused	\$ 3,274,485	\$ 3,691,273

The debt limit is calculated at 1.5 times revenue of the Municipality (as defined in Alberta Regulation 255/00) and the debt service limit is calculated at 0.25 times such revenue. Incurring debt beyond these limitations requires approval by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. These thresholds are guidelines used by Alberta Municipal Affairs to identify municipalities that could be at financial risk if further debt is acquired. The calculation taken alone does not represent the financial stability of the municipality. Rather, the financial statements must be interpreted as a whole.

#### 11. PROVISION FOR GRAVEL PIT RECLAMATION

	2022	2021
Provision for gravel pit reclamation	\$ 350,232	-

Pursuant to the Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, the Municipality is required to fund the reclamation of certain land used for the extraction of aggregate material. Reclamation requirements have been defined in accordance with industry standards and includes re-vegetation of sites and backstoping required upon closure. The Municipality owns and operates aggregate extraction sites. The aggregate is used for road maintenance and construction projects within the Municipality.

The gravel reclamation for all liabilities to date has been accrued in the current year. The provision is estimated using prior reclamation costs per acre, extrapolating across the total area disturbed, and adjusting to present value. Estimates are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and actual results may vary.

#### 12. INVENTORY FOR CONSUMPTION

Municipal inventories consist of the following:

		2022			2021		
	Public Works gravel	\$	1,681,023	\$	1,014,491		
	Public Works coldmix		24,299		96,415		
	Public Works miscellaneous		443,063		302,938		
	Public Works fuel		22,396		10,330		
	Agricultural services		37,509		45,255		
	Fire inventory		1,747		2,550		
	Sewer systems-inventory		1,371		1,483		
_	Water systems-inventory		16,479		17,514		
			2,227,887		1,490,976		
	Gas utility		97,377		68,540		
		\$	2,325,264	\$	1,559,516		

## **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

# Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 13. ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

Accumulated surplus consists of restricted and unrestricted amounts and equity in tangible capital assets as follows:

5	2022	2021
Unrestricted surplus	\$ 10,440,667	\$ 9,483,154
Internally restricted surplus		
Reserve for future expenditures	2,969,228	5,023,464
Transportation capital replacement	2,300,900	2,300,900
General equipment replacement	1,950,211	2,041,577
Gas Utility	903,185	922,883
Roads	1,398,481	1,398,481
Gas Utility capital replacement	272,321	272,321
Ag Service Board capital replacement	36,608	36,608
Ag Service Board	34,344	34,344
Recreation	12,662	12,662
Water	8,681	8,681
Internally restricted surplus	9,886,621	12,051,921
Equity in tangible capital assets Tangible capital assets (Schedule 2)	128,326,388	129,016,658
Accumulated amortization (Schedule 2)	(78,799,790)	(77,132,548)
Equity in tangible capital assets	49,526,598	51,884,110
	\$ 69,853,886	\$ 73,419,185
Unrestricted surplus consists of the following: General Municipal Gas Utility	\$ 7,481,331 2,959,336	\$ 6,778,071 2,705,083
	10,440,667	9,483,154
Internally restricted surplus consists of the following: General Municipal Gas Utility	8,711,115 1,175,506	10,856,717 1,195,204
	9,886,621	12,051,921
Equity in tangible capital assets consists of the following: General Municipal Gas Utility	42,877,386 6,649,212	45,000,692 6,883,418
	49,526,598	51,884,110
	\$ 69,853,886	\$ 73,419,185

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 14. COMMITMENTS

The Municipality has committed to purchasing equipment for a total cost of \$978,000 plus GST.

The Municipality has long term lease and maintenance agreements with respect to office equipment. Future minimum lease payments as at December 31, 2022, are as follows, plus additional variable charges based on usage:

2023	\$	6,256
2024		3,475
2025		3,475
2026	10	1,718
	\$	14,924

#### 15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions for the 2022 year.

#### 16. SALARY, CONTRACTS AND BENEFITS DISCLOSURE

Disclosure of salaries, contracts and benefits for municipal officials, the chief administrative officer and designated officers as required by Alberta Regulation 313/2000 is as follows:

		С	Salary & ontracted amounts	-	enefits & lowances	2022	2021
Reeve	Gulayec	\$	64,895	\$	7,216	\$ 72,111	\$ 66,748
Deputy Reeve	Phillips		40,430		7,876	48,306	46,647
Councilors	Yakemchuk		47,010		10,845	57,855	57,345
	Saskiw		41,260		5,589	46,849	41,654
	Dutrisac		35,570		9,364	44,934	8,408
	Odegard		-		•		34,473
CAO Designated	Dary 2 positions (2021		171,986		12,673	184,659	171,464
Officers	- 3 positions)		235,384		20,867	256,251	304,759

- 1. Salary includes regular base pay, bonuses, overtime, lump sum payments, gross honoraria and any other direct cash remuneration.
- 2. Employer's share of all employee benefits and contributions or payments made on behalf of employees including pension, health care, dental coverage, vision coverage, group life insurance, accidental disability and dismemberment insurance, long and short-term disability plans, professional memberships and tuition.
- 3. If an automobile is provided, no amount is included in the benefits and allowances figure.
- 4. Benefits and allowances figures also include the employer's share of the costs of additional taxable benefits including special leave with pay, financial and retirement planning services, concessionary loans, travel allowances, car allowances and club memberships.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 17. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN

Employees of the Municipality participate in the Local Authorities Pension Plan (LAPP), which is one of the plans covered by the *Public Sector Pension Plans Act*. The LAPP is financed by employer and employee contributions and by investment earnings of the LAPP Fund.

Contributions for current service are recorded as expenditures in the year in which they become due.

The Municipality is required to make current service contributions to the LAPP of 8.45% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan and 12.80% on pensionable earnings above this amount.

Total current service contributions by the municipality to the LAPP in 2022 were \$304,102 (2021 - \$340,211). Total current service contributions by the employees of the Municipality to the Local Authorities Pension Plan in 2022 were \$270,030 (2021 - \$307,081).

At December 31, 2021 the LAPP disclosed an actuarial surplus of \$11.9 billion.

#### 18. SEGMENTED DISCLOSURE

The County of Two Hills No. 21 provides a range of services to its ratepayers. For each reported segment, revenues and expenses represent both amounts that are directly attributable to the segment and amounts that are allocated on a reasonable basis. The accounting policies used in these segments are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements as disclosed in Note 1.

Refer to the Schedule of Segmented Disclosures (Schedule 8).

General government includes council and other legislative, and general administration. Protective services includes fire. Transportation includes roads, streets, walks and lighting. Planning and development includes land use planning, zoning and subdivision land and development and family and community support services. Recreation and culture includes parks and recreation, libraries, museums and halls. Environmental use and protection includes water supply and distribution, wastewater treatment and disposal, and waste management.

#### 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Municipality initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. It subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

The Municipality's financial instruments consist of all financial assets and liabilities. It is management's opinion that the Municipality is not exposed to significant interest or currency risks arising from these financial instruments.

The Municipality is subject to credit risk with respect to taxes and grants in place of taxes receivables and trade and other receivables. Credit risk arises from the possibility that taxpayers and entities to which the Municipality provides services may experience financial difficulty and be unable to fulfil their obligations. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established, if required, based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific accounts, historical trends and other information. The large number and diversity of taxpayers and customers minimizes the concentration of credit risk. The Municipality's provision for allowances is as follows;

Taxes and grants in place of taxes receivable is \$3,630,498 (2021 - \$3,339,295);

# COUNTY OF TWO HILLS NO. 21 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

- Trade and other receivables municipal is \$3,240 (2021 \$3,214);
- Trade and other receivables gas utility is \$39,354 (2021 \$39,354);

Unless otherwise noted, the carrying value of the financial instrument approximates fair value.

#### 20. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council and Management have approved these financial statements.