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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners
Ellis County Emergency Services District #9

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and general fund of Ellis County Emergency Services District #9, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Ellis County Emergency Services District #9's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and general fund of Ellis County Emergency Services District #9, as of September 30, 2025, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 required to be independent of Ellis County Emergency Services District #9, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Ellis County Emergency Services District #9's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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 opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- 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 Ellis County Emergency Services District #9's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Ellis County Emergency Services District #9's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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Certified Public Accountants

Ennis, Texas
May 6, 2026

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Ellis County Emergency Services District #9, we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets of the District exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$1,532,932 (net position), of which \$951,187 is unrestricted and available for use within the District's policies.
- The District's total net position increased by \$435,334.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$929,992 or 202.2% of the total general fund expenditures.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to the financial statements. The government-wide and fund financial statements have been combined using a columnar format that reconciles individual line items of fund financial data to government-wide data in a separate column on the face of the financial statements rather than at the bottom of the statements or in an accompanying schedule.

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

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

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported when the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The governmental activity of the District consists of fire protection and emergency medical services.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District currently maintains one governmental fund.

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on current sources and uses of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. The combined government-wide and fund financial statements provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

All of the District's activity is maintained in one individual governmental fund.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 of this report.

Notes to the Financial Statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 11-19 of this report.

Other Information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the District's general fund Budget Comparison Schedule. Required supplementary information can be found on page 21 of this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,532,932 as of September 30, 2025.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9'S NET POSITION

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 962,672	\$ 644,500
Capital assets	769,601	725,188
Total assets	<u>1,732,273</u>	<u>1,369,688</u>
Long term liabilities	187,856	246,766
Other liabilities	11,485	25,324
Total liabilities	<u>199,341</u>	<u>272,090</u>
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	581,745	478,422
Unrestricted	951,187	619,176
Total net position	<u>\$ 1,532,932</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,598</u>

The District uses capital assets to provide fire protection and emergency medical services; consequently these assets are not available for future spending.

Analysis of the District's Operations. The following table provides a summary of the District's operations for the year ended September 30, 2025. Governmental activities increased the District's net position by \$435,334.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9'S CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Capital grants and contributions	\$ -	\$ 5,000
General revenues:		
Property taxes	755,269	415,034
Investment earnings	21,534	23,711
Miscellaneous	13,408	13,367
Total revenues	<u>790,211</u>	<u>457,112</u>
Expenses:		
Public safety	354,877	346,173
Total expenses	<u>354,877</u>	<u>346,173</u>
Change in net position	435,334	110,939
Net position - beginning	1,097,598	986,659
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 1,532,932</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,598</u>

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

Governmental Funds. The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The general fund is the sole fund of the District. At the end of the current fiscal year, the District reported combined fund balance of \$929,992, an increase of \$323,851 in comparison with prior year. \$929,992 constitutes unassigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance as well as total fund balance represent 202.2% of total expenditures.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights. Budgeted general fund revenues of \$784,529 exceeded actual revenues of \$772,336 by \$12,193. Budgeted general fund expenditures of \$593,049 exceeded actual expenditures of \$458,350 by \$134,699.

CAPITAL ASSETS

The District's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2025 amounts to \$769,601 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes building and machinery and equipment.

Capital Assets at Year-End Net of Accumulated Depreciation

	2025	2024
Building	\$ 220,052	\$ 218,346
Machinery and equipment	146,100	66,138
Leased machinery and equipment	260,788	298,043
Construction in progress	142,661	142,661
Total	<u>\$ 769,601</u>	<u>\$ 725,188</u>

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in note 3.D of this report.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At the end of the current fiscal year, the District had total long-term debt of \$187,856.

Outstanding Debt at Year End

	2025	2024
Lease liability	<u>\$ 187,856</u>	<u>\$ 246,766</u>

Additional information on the District's debt can be found in note 3.E and 3.F of this report.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

In the 2025-2026 Budget the District budgeted revenues of \$870,354 and expenditures of \$1,071,266.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Ellis County Emergency Services District #9, P.O. Box 607, Palmer, Texas 75152.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 2025

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments (Note 2)</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 933,478	\$ -	\$ 933,478
Accounts receivable	29,194	-	29,194
Capital assets:			
Non-depreciable	-	142,661	142,661
Depreciable (net of accumulated depreciation)	-	626,940	626,940
Total Assets	<u>\$ 962,672</u>	<u>769,601</u>	<u>1,732,273</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 6,173	-	6,173
Accrued interest	-	5,312	5,312
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	-	60,727	60,727
Due in more than one year	-	127,129	127,129
Total Liabilities	<u>6,173</u>	<u>193,168</u>	<u>199,341</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	26,507	(26,507)	-
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>26,507</u>	<u>(26,507)</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE			
Unassigned	929,992	(929,992)	-
Total Fund Balance	<u>929,992</u>	<u>(929,992)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 962,672</u>		
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets		581,745	581,745
Unrestricted		951,187	951,187
Total Net Position		<u>\$ 1,532,932</u>	<u>\$ 1,532,932</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025

	General Fund	Adjustments (Note 2)	Statement of Activities
REVENUES			
Property taxes	\$ 748,774	\$ 6,495	\$ 755,269
Interest	21,534	-	21,534
EMS rental	12,893	-	12,893
Other	515	-	515
Total Revenues	<u>783,716</u>	<u>6,495</u>	<u>790,211</u>
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES			
Current:			
Professional fees	42,480	-	42,480
Appraisal district fee	7,813	-	7,813
Collection fee	12,362	-	12,362
Equipment purchase	82,364	(60,482)	21,882
Fire prevention	232	-	232
Fire training/EMS	11,993	-	11,993
Fuel	5,764	-	5,764
Insurance	25,786	-	25,786
Outside contract services	19,619	-	19,619
Miscellaneous	764	-	764
Postage, mailing service	169	-	169
Safety equipment	67,346	(31,383)	35,963
Supplies	14,095	-	14,095
Utilities	8,907	-	8,907
Maintenance	93,651	(35,840)	57,811
Depreciation	-	83,292	83,292
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	58,910	(58,910)	-
Interest charges	7,610	(1,665)	5,945
Total debt service	<u>66,520</u>	<u>(60,575)</u>	<u>5,945</u>
Total Expenditures/Expenses	<u>459,865</u>	<u>(104,988)</u>	<u>354,877</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	323,851	(323,851)	-
Change in Net Position	-	435,334	435,334
Fund Balance/Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>606,141</u>	<u>491,457</u>	<u>1,097,598</u>
Fund Balance/Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 929,992</u>	<u>\$ 602,940</u>	<u>\$ 1,532,932</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2025

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Government-wide and fund financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the District. Governmental activities, the only type of activities conducted by the District, are supported by property taxes and other various nonexchange transactions.

B. Reporting entity

The Ellis County Emergency Services District #9 ("the District") is a grassroots government created by voters in an area to fund fire protection, emergency medical services, or both. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The District applies the criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, to determine which governmental organizations should be included in the reporting entity. The inclusion or exclusion of component units is based on the elected official's accountability to their constituents. The financial reporting entity follows the same accountability. In addition, the financial statements of the reporting entity should allow the user to distinguish between the primary government (including its blended component units, which are, in substance, part of the primary government) and discretely presented component units. Criteria for inclusion of an entity into the primary governmental unit (in blended or discrete presentation) includes, but is not limited to, legal standing, fiscal dependency, imposition of will and the primary recipient of services. The District presently has no component units included within its reporting entity.

C. Basis of presentation - government-wide financial statements

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. The statement of net position reports all financial and capital resources. The statement of activities demonstrates what the District provided with the revenues raised.

D. Basis of presentation - fund financial statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2025

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Basis of presentation - fund financial statements (continued)

The District reports the following major governmental fund:

The *general fund* is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

E. Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balance/net position

1. Cash and cash equivalents

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and certificates of deposit with a maturity of three months or less when purchased.

2. Receivables and allowances for doubtful accounts

All property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. The property tax receivable allowance is the lesser of 0.2 percent of the tax levy for each fiscal year or the outstanding property taxes for each fiscal year at year end.

The District's property tax is levied each October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and personal property. Appraised values are established by the Ellis Appraisal District as market value and assessed at 100% of appraised value. Property taxes attach an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. The Ellis County Tax Assessor/Collector bills and collects the District's property taxes which are due October 1. Full payment can be made prior to the next January 31 to avoid penalty and interest charges. Over time substantially all property taxes are collected.

3. Capital assets

The District's capital assets, which include a building and machinery and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E. Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balance/net position (continued)

Building and machinery and equipment are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Capital asset class</u>	<u>Lives</u>
Building	10-40
Machinery and equipment	5-15

4. *Deferred inflows of resources*

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting, that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. This amount is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amount becomes available.

5. *Leases*

The District is a lessee for noncancellable leases of equipment. The District recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the government-wide financial statements. The District recognizes lease liabilities with an initial, individual value of \$5,000 or more. At the commencement of a lease, the District initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life. Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E. Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balance/net position (continued)

6. Long-term obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net position. Debt issuance premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the debt using the effective interest method. Leases payable are reported net of the applicable debt issuance premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize debt issuance premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

7. Net position flow assumption

Net position represents the difference between assets, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources on the government-wide financial statements. Net position is classified in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets —This amount consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt that is attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the assets.

Restricted net position —This amount is restricted by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations.

Unrestricted net position —This amount is the net position that does not meet the definition of "net investment in capital assets" of "restricted net position".

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted - net position and unrestricted - net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted - net position to have been depleted before unrestricted - net position is applied.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

E. Assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balance/net position (continued)

8. Fund balance flow assumption

The governmental fund financials present fund balance categorized based on the nature and extent of the constraints placed on the specific purposes for which a government's funds may be spent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

Nonspendable fund balance—amounts that are not in spendable form (such as prepaid items) or are required to be maintained intact.

Restricted fund balance—amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance—amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board of Commissioners). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.

Assigned fund balance—amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the Board of Commissioners or by an official or body to which the Board of Commissioners delegates the authority.

Unassigned fund balance—amounts that represent fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. Other governmental funds might report a negative balance in this classification, as the result of overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned. Positive balances are reported only in the general fund.

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of restricted and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financials statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, restricted fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The combined statement of net position and the governmental funds balance sheet and the combined statement of activities and governmental funds revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance include an adjustments column that reconciles the amounts reported in the governmental funds to show how each would change when reported on the accrual basis of accounting.

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds and because long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. The adjustment to report these amounts included an increase in capital assets of \$769,601 and an increase in noncurrent liabilities of \$187,856.

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the government-wide statement of activities and changes in net position, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. The adjustment to report these amounts included a decrease in expenditures in the amount of \$127,705.

Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the government-wide statement of activities and changes in net position, but they do not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, depreciation expense is not reported as expenditure in governmental funds. The adjustment to report these amounts included an increase in depreciation expense in the amount of \$83,292.

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., note payable) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items. Lease liability retired amounted to \$58,910.

Accrued interest expense on long-term debt is reported in the government-wide statement of activities and changes in net position, but does not require the use of current financials resources; therefore, accrued interest expense is not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. The adjustments to report these amounts included an increase in current liabilities of \$5,312, a decrease in beginning net position of \$6,977, and a decrease in interest expense in the amount of \$1,665.

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NOTE 2 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(continued)

Property taxes receivable not estimated to be collectible within sixty days after the balance sheet date are not considered to be susceptible to accrual and are recorded as unavailable revenue in the fund financial statements. However, in the governmental-wide financial statements these amounts are recognized as revenues. The adjustments to report these amounts included a decrease in unavailable revenue of \$26,507, an increase in beginning net position of \$20,011, and an increase in property taxes in the amount of \$6,495.

NOTE 3 – DETAIL NOTES – ALL FUNDS

A. Cash deposits with financial institutions

Custodial credit risk-deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. State statutes require that all deposits in financial institutions be fully insured or collateralized by U. S. Government obligations or obligations of Texas and its agencies that have a market value of not less than the principal amount of the deposits. At year end, the District's bank balance was \$933,459. Of the bank balance, \$264,779 was covered by federal depository insurance and the remaining balance, \$668,680, was covered by collateral held in the District's name by the safekeeping departments of the pledging bank's agent and had a fair value of approximately \$808,000.

B. Receivables

Amounts are aggregated into a single accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles) line. Below is the detail of receivables for the general fund:

Receivables:	General
Property taxes	\$ 36,072
Less: Allowance for uncollectibles	(6,878)
Net total receivables	<u>\$ 29,194</u>

C. Risk management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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NOTE 3 – DETAIL NOTES – ALL FUNDS (continued)

D. Capital assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2025, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increase	Decrease	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	\$ 142,661	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 142,661
	<u>142,661</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>142,661</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Building	352,354	11,600	-	363,954
Machinery and equipment	457,964	116,105	-	574,069
Leased machinery and equipment	558,831	-	-	558,831
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>1,369,149</u>	<u>127,705</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,496,854</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Building	(134,008)	(9,894)	-	(143,902)
Machinery and equipment	(391,826)	(36,143)	-	(427,969)
Leased machinery and equipment	(260,788)	(37,255)	-	(298,043)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(786,622)</u>	<u>(83,292)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(869,914)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated (net)	<u>582,527</u>	<u>44,413</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>626,940</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 725,188</u>	<u>\$ 44,413</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 769,601</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Governmental activities	<u>\$ 83,292</u>
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E. Lease activities

Lease liabilities (as lessee) -

The lease agreement currently outstanding and reported as a liability of the District's governmental activities is:

Description	Total Lease Liability	Term	Interest Rate	Year-end Balance
Vehicle	\$ 558,831	10 years	3.08%	<u>\$ 187,856</u>

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NOTE 3 – DETAIL NOTES – ALL FUNDS (continued)

E. Lease activities (continued)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

Year Ending September 30	Lease Liability	
	Principal	Interest
2026	\$ 60,727	\$ 5,793
2027	62,600	3,921
2028	64,529	1,990
	<u>\$ 187,856</u>	<u>\$ 11,704</u>

F. Long-term liabilities

Changes in long-term liabilities -

Long-term liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2025, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
Lease liability	\$ 246,766	\$ -	\$ (58,910)	\$ 187,856	\$ 60,727
Long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 246,766</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (58,910)</u>	<u>\$ 187,856</u>	<u>\$ 60,727</u>

G. Subsequent events

Subsequent to year end, the District approved the following item:

- Purchase of \$50,000 of various equipment
- Issuance of a note payable in the amount of \$2,150,000 for the purchase of two engines and one tanker

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Major Governmental Fund

This supplementary schedule is included to supplement the basic financial statements as required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
- BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025

	Original and Final Budgeted Amounts	Actual GAAP Basis	Adjustments Budget Basis	Actual Budget Basis	Variance with Final Budget - Over (Under) Budget
REVENUES					
Property taxes	\$ 750,174	\$ 748,774	\$ (11,380)	\$ 737,394	\$ (12,780)
Interest	20,000	21,534	-	21,534	1,534
EMS rental	14,000	12,893	-	12,893	(1,107)
Other	355	515	-	515	160
Total Revenues	<u>784,529</u>	<u>783,716</u>	<u>(11,380)</u>	<u>772,336</u>	<u>(12,193)</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Professional fees	35,150	42,480	(4,171)	38,309	3,159
Appraisal district fee	7,106	7,813	-	7,813	707
Collection fee	-	12,362	(12,362)	-	-
Computers, radios and tools	1,000	-	-	-	(1,000)
Equipment purchase	78,930	82,364	-	82,364	3,434
Fire prevention	1,072	232	-	232	(840)
Fire training/EMS	13,622	11,993	-	11,993	(1,629)
Fuel	4,014	5,764	-	5,764	1,750
Insurance	24,952	25,786	-	25,786	834
Outside contract services	9,992	19,619	-	19,619	9,627
Miscellaneous	2,403	764	-	764	(1,639)
Postage, mailing service	771	169	-	169	(602)
Safety equipment	285,830	67,346	15,018	82,364	(203,466)
Supplies	10,423	14,095	-	14,095	3,672
Utilities	14,106	8,907	-	8,907	(5,199)
Maintenance	37,158	93,651	-	93,651	56,493
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	66,520	58,910	7,610	66,520	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	7,610	(7,610)	-	-
Total debt service	<u>66,520</u>	<u>66,520</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>66,520</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>593,049</u>	<u>459,865</u>	<u>(1,515)</u>	<u>458,350</u>	<u>(134,699)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ 191,480</u>	<u>\$ 323,851</u>	<u>\$ (9,865)</u>	<u>\$ 313,986</u>	<u>\$ 122,506</u>

1. Budgetary basis of accounting

The annual budget for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. Appropriations in the budgeted fund lapse at the end of the fiscal year. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level.