# CITY OF VERMILION PORT AUTHORITY

ERIE COUNTY, OHIO

**Basic Financial Statements** 

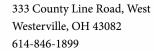
For the Year Ended December 31, 2023



#### BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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#### Accountant's Compilation Report

To the City of Vermilion Port Authority Board of Directors Vermilion, Ohio

Management is responsible for the accompanying basic financial statements of the City of Vermilion Port Authority, which comprise the statements listed in the table of contents as of December 31, 2023 and for the fiscal year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have performed the compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statements nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any assurance on the financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, on pages 3 through 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not a part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential to placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Such information is the responsibility of management. The supplementary information was subject to our compilation engagement. We have not audited or reviewed the supplementary information and do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on such information.

Julian & Druke, Inc.

Westerville, Ohio May 21, 2024

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

The discussion and analysis of the City of Vermilion Port Authority's (the "Port Authority") financial performance provides an overall review of the Port Authority's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2023. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Port Authority's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Port Authority's financial performance.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2023 are as follows:

- In total, net position was \$971,383 at December 31, 2023. This represents a decrease of \$24,325, or 2.44%, from December 31, 2022.
- During 2023, the Port Authority had operating revenues of \$207,283, operating expenses of \$218,743, resulting in operating loss of \$11,460. Nonoperating revenues totaled \$4,789 and nonoperating expenses totaled \$17,654. Total change in net position for the year was a decrease of \$24,325.

#### **Using These Basic Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Port Authority's financial activities. The *Statement of Net Position* and *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position* provide information about the activities of the Port Authority, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations.

#### Reporting the Port Authority's Financial Activities

### Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows

These documents look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did we do financially during 2023?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Port Authority's *net position* and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Port Authority as a whole, the *financial position* of the Port Authority has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. These statements can be found on pages 7 and 8 of this report.

The Statement of Cash Flows provides information about how the Port Authority finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations. The Statement of Cash Flows can be found on page 9 of this report.

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 11-14 of this report.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

The table below provides a summary of the Port Authority's net position at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

	Net Position	
	2023	2022
Assets		
Current assets	\$ 184,169	\$ 207,579
Noncurrent assets:		
Capital assets, net	1,738,277	1,770,564
Total assets	1,922,446	1,978,143
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	10,723	1,012
Long-term liabilities	866,696	882,527
Total liabilities	877,419	883,539
<u>Deferred inflows - leases</u>	73,644	98,893
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	871,581	888,034
Unrestricted	99,802	107,674
Total net position	<u>\$ 971,383</u>	\$ 995,708

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At December 31, 2023, the Port Authority's net position totaled \$971,383. A large portion of the Port Authority's net position, 89.73% reflects net investment in capital assets (e.g. land, land improvements, buildings, and equipment), less any related debt to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The remaining balance of \$99,802 is classified as unrestricted net position, which allows it to be used to meet any of the Port Authority's ongoing obligations.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

The table below shows the changes in net position for 2023 and 2022.

#### **Change in Net Position**

	2023	2022
Operating revenues		
Charges for service	\$ 157,915	\$ 171,436
Rent	34,780	31,974
Other	14,588	16,784
Total operating revenues	207,283	220,194
Operating expenses		
Personal services	98,036	92,478
Contract services	67,033	70,976
Materials and supplies	5,143	13,877
Depreciation	32,284	33,962
Other	16,247	16,747
Total operating expenses	218,743	228,040
Operating income	(11,460)	(7,846)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)		
Interest income	4,689	6,614
Donations	100	6,200
Interest expense	(17,654)	(17,946)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(12,865)	(5,132)
Change in net position	(24,325)	(12,978)
Net position at beginning of year	995,708	1,008,686
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 971,383</u>	\$ 995,708

Revenues and expenses remained stable between 2023 and 2022.

#### **Capital Assets**

At December 31, 2023, the Port Authority had \$1,738,277 (net of accumulated depreciation) invested in land, land improvements, buildings, and equipment.

The following table shows December 31, 2023 capital asset balances compared to December 31, 2022.

	2023	2022
Land	\$ 1,059,388	\$ 1,059,388
Land improvements	626,173	655,231
Buildings	50,625	53,462
Equipment	2,091	 2,480
Total	\$ 1,738,277	\$ 1,770,561

See Note 4 to the basic financial statements for more detail on capital assets.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

#### **Debt Obligations**

At December 31, 2023, the Port Authority had \$866,696 outstanding in long-term obligations due to the City. Of this amount, 17,152 is due within one year.

See Note 5 to the basic financial statements for more detail on the Port Authority's long-term obligations.

#### **Current Financial Related Activities**

The Port Authority seeks to identify, restore, and redevelop properties and land in the City of Vermilion, and to identify and pursue other opportunities to promote economic development, transportation, and other statutorily authorized purposes of the Port Authority. The Port Authority has the ability to acquire, own, lease, sell, or construct improvements to property, issue revenue bonds for its facilities, receive federal and state grants, and cooperate with other governmental agencies.

#### Contacting the Port Authority's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our clients and creditors with a general overview of the Port Authority's finances for all interested parties. Questions and requests for additional information regarding this report should be addressed to the President, Vermilion Port Authority, PO Box 136, Vermilion, Ohio 44089.

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## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

Assets:		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	116,950
Receivables: Accounts receivable		29
Accrued interest.		279
Leases		66,911
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Total current assets		184,169
Noncurrent assets:		
Capital assets:		1 050 200
Land		1,059,388
Capital assets, net	-	678,889
Total noncurrent assets		1,738,277
Total assets		1,922,446
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable		746
Due to other governments		577
Unearned revenue		9,400
Total current liabilities		10,723
Long-term liabilities:		
Notes payable - due within one year		17,152
Notes payable - due in more than one year		849,544
Total long-term liabilities		866,696
Total liabilities		877,419
Deferred inflow of resources:		
Leases.		73,644
Total deferred inflow of resources		73,644
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets		871,581
Unrestricted		99,802
Total net position	\$	971,383

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

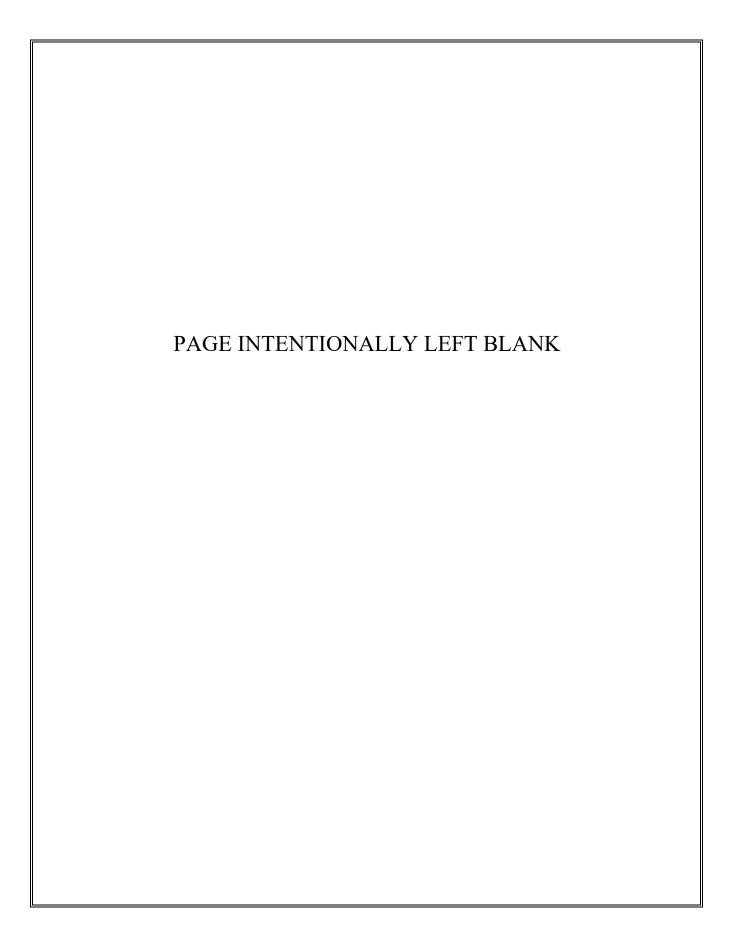
# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

Operating revenues:	
Charges for service	\$ 157,915
Rent	34,780
Other	14,588
Total operating revenues	 207,283
Operating expenses:	
Personal services	98,036
Contract services	67,033
Materials and supplies	5,143
Depreciation	32,284
Other	16,247
Total operating expenses	 218,743
Operating loss	(11,460)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):	
Donations	100
Interest income	4,689
Interest expense	(17,654)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	 (12,865)
Change in net position	(24,325)
Net position at beginning of year	 995,708
Net position at end of year	\$ 971,383

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from charges for services	\$	206,401
Cash received from other operating income		14,559
Cash payments for personal services		(97,763)
Cash payments for contract services		(66,995)
Cash payments for materials and supplies		(5,143)
Cash payments for other expenses		(16,247)
Net cash provided by operating activities		34,812
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:		
Cash received from donations		100
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities		100
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Principal payments on notes		(15,831)
Interest payments on notes		(17,654)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities		(33,485)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Cash received from interest		4,812
	-	
Net cash provided by investing activities	-	4,812
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		6,239
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		110,711
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	116,950
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating loss	\$	(11,460)
Adjustments:		
Depreciation		32,284
Changes in assets, liabilities and deferred inflows:		
Increase in accounts receivable		(29)
Decrease in lease receivable		29,555
Decrease in deferred inflows - leases		(25,249)
Decrease in accounts payable		38
Decrease in due to other governments		273
Increase in unearned revenue		9,400
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	34,812



NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

#### NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

The City of Vermilion Port Authority (the "Port Authority") is a body politic and corporate established to promote, develop and advance the general welfare, commerce, and economic development of the City and its citizens, and to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Port Authority is directed by a five-member Board appointed by the Mayor of Vermilion. The Port Authority is a component unit of the City due to it being economically dependent on the City for operating subsidies. The Port Authority's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Port Authority is financially accountable. The Port Authority was formed by an ordinance of the Council of the City of Vermilion in February 1968 and the City acts as their fiscal agent.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Basis of Accounting

The Port Authority follows the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenues and expenses are recognized in the period earned or incurred. The measurement focus is on determination of net income and financial position. All transactions are accounted for in a single enterprise fund.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

#### B. Fund Accounting

The Port Authority maintains a general operating fund to account for all financial resources. This fund is used to account for operations that are similar to private business enterprises where management intends that the significant costs of providing certain goods or services will be recovered through user charges.

#### C. Budgetary Process

- **Budget** Ohio Revised Code Section 4582.13 requires that each fund be budgeted annually. This budget includes estimated receipts and appropriations.
- Encumbrances The Port Authority reserves (encumbers) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over and are not reappropriated.

#### D. Capital Assets

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost, which is determined by indexing the current replacement cost back to the year of acquisition) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values on the date received. The Port Authority does not have a minimum capitalization threshold. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are expensed.

All capital assets, except land, are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciated is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

	Estimated Lives
Land Improvements	5 - 50 Years
Buildings	20 - 50 Years
Vehicles	5 - 25 Years
Equipment	5 - 15 Years

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### E. Deposits and Investments

The investment and deposit of Port Authority moneys are governed by the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with these statutes, only banks located in Ohio and domestic building and loan associations are eligible to hold public deposits. The statutes also permit the Port Authority to invest its moneys in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, money market accounts, the State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio), and obligations of the United States government and certain agencies thereof.

The Port Authority may also enter into repurchase agreements with any eligible depository or any eligible dealer who is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers for a period not exceeding thirty days. Public depositories must give security for all public funds on deposit. These institutions may either specifically collateralize individual accounts in excess of amounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or may pledge a pool of government securities valued at least 105% of the total value of public moneys on deposit at the institution. Repurchase agreements must be secured by the specific government securities upon which the repurchase agreements are based. These securities must be obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and must mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The market value of the securities subject to a repurchase agreement must exceed the value of the principal by 2% and be marked to market daily. State law does not require security for public deposits and investments to be maintained in the Port Authority's name.

Deposits: Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned. For 2023, all of the Port Authority's deposits were held by the City and part of their pooled cash and investments. All risks of the Port Authority's deposits are disclosed as part of the City's disclosure as the City is their fiscal agent.

#### **NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE**

#### A. Change in Accounting Principles

For 2023, the Port Authority has implemented GASB Statement No. 94, "<u>Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements</u>", GASB Statement No. 96, "<u>Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements</u>", certain questions and answers of GASB Implementation Guide 2021-1 and certain paragraphs of GASB Statement No. 99, "<u>Omnibus 2022</u>".

GASB Statement No. 94 is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public partnership arrangements (PPPs). As used in this Statement, a PPP is an arrangement in which a government (the transferor) contracts with an operator (a governmental or nongovernmental entity) to provide public services by conveying control of the right to operate or use a nonfinancial asset, such as infrastructure or other capital asset (the underlying PPP asset), for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 94 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Port Authority.

GASB Statement No. 96 provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 96 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Port Authority.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

#### NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

GASB Implementation Guide 2021-1 provides clarification on issues related to previously established GASB guidance. The implementation of GASB Implementation Guide 2021-1 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Port Authority.

GASB Statement No. 99 is to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 99 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Port Authority.

#### **NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

The capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2023 was as follows:

		ance at per 31, 2022	Additions		Disposals		Balance at December 31, 2023	
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	·	_	<u> </u>					_
Land	\$	1,059,388	\$		\$		\$	1,059,388
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		1,059,388						1,059,388
Capital assets, being depreciated:								
Land improvements		1,341,123		-		-		1,341,123
Buildings		116,698		-		-		116,698
Equipment		44,949						44,949
Total capital assets, being depreciated		1,502,770						1,502,770
Less: accumulated depreciation								
Land improvements		(685,892)		(29,058)		-		(714,950)
Buildings		(63,236)		(2,837)		-		(66,073)
Equipment		(42,469)		(389)				(42,858)
Total accumulated depreciation		(791,597)		(32,284)			-	(823,881)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net		711,173		(32,284)		-		678,889

#### **NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

During 2000 and 2010, the Port Authority borrowed from the City with a collateralized bond. This \$910,442 bond is carrying an interest rate of 5.50% and \$13,351 is due within one year. This bond was used in the financing of acquiring, constructing, installing, equipping or improving "Port Authority facilities," as defined by Section 4582.01 of the Ohio Revised Code. This bond is a special obligation of the Port Authority, and the principal and interest on this bond are payable solely from "Available Monies" and are secured by a pledge of the "Pledged Revenues", all as defined and provided in the Resolution.

The long-term debt activity for the year ended December 31, 2023 was as follows:

Balance at								alance at	Am	ount Due
	Decen	nber 31, 2022	Additions Dele		22 Additions Deletions December 31, 2023		nber 31, 2023	in One Year		
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Note Payable Due to City	\$	882,527	\$	-	\$	(15,831)	\$	866,696	\$	17,152

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 (SEE ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT)

The following is a summary of the Port Authority's future annual debt service requirements to the City:

Year Ended	P	Principal I		Interest		Total
2024	\$	17,152	\$	17,338	\$	34,490
2025		18,530		16,995		35,525
2026		19,966		16,624		36,590
2027		21,463		16,225		37,688
2028		23,023		15,795		38,818
2029 - 2033		140,877		71,400		212,277
2034 - 2038		190,688		55,397		246,085
2039 - 2040		434,997		11,305		446,302
Total	\$	866,696	\$	221,079	\$ 1	,087,775

#### **NOTE 6 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

As mentioned in Note 5, during 2000 and 2010, the Port Authority borrowed \$985,000 and \$71,538, respectively, from the City to acquire land and existing structures. The Port Authority provided a bond for this transaction and the City holds a lien on the property until the bond is repaid. The City holds this bond as an investment within the City's pooled investments. The bond has been partially repaid leaving a balance of \$866,696 outstanding as of December 31, 2023.

#### **NOTE 7 - LEASE RECEIVABLES**

The Port Authority is reporting leases receivable of \$66,911. For fiscal year 2023, the Port Authority recognized lease revenue of \$34,780, which is reported in rental income, and interest revenue of \$4,689.

The Port Authority entered into an amended lease agreement for building space rental with Vermilion Red Clay LLC on May 13, 2009, and exercised an extension of the lease and sublease agreement through 2025.

The following is a schedule of future lease payments under the lease agreements:

Fiscal Year	_ <u> </u>	<u>Principal</u>		nterest	<u>Total</u>		
2024	\$	32,101	\$	3,423	\$	35,524	
2025		34,810		1,781		36,591	
Total	\$	66,911	\$	5,204	\$	72,115	

#### **NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Port Authority has obtained commercial crime and public officials' liability insurance from a major commercial insurance company. There has not been a significant reduction of coverage from the prior year and settled claims have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the last three years.

#### **NOTE 9 – LITIGATION**

The Port Authority is involved in no material litigation as either plaintiff or defendant.