COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Council:

Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the County of Paintearth No. 18, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2012 and the statement of operations, change in net financial assets (debt) and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

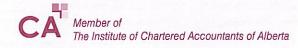
We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the County of Paintearth No. 18 as at December 31, 2012, the results of its operations, change in its net financial assets (debt) and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

HANNA, ALBERTA **MARCH 13, 2013**

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2012

		2012	2011
FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Cash and temporary investments (Note 2) Receivables Taxes and grants in place of taxes (Note 3) Trade and other receivables Receivables from other governments Land inventory held for resale Investments (Note 4)	\$	10,973,042 \$ 566,071 166,762 468,206 1,364,029 4,273 13,542,383	324,548 87,923 2,096,791 1,330,531 2,724 14,592,244
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue (Note 5) Gravel reclamation payable Long-term debt (Note 6)		1,610,106 1,628,418 439,775 3,610,695 7,288,994	1,467,214 2,265,514 542,271 4,066,666 8,341,665
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS		6,253,389	6,250,579
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Tangible capital assets Inventory for consumption Prepaid expenses Gravel reserves for development		43,511,392 7,308,205 203,590 1,435,435	40,229,627 7,713,333 141,378 1,435,435
	-	52,458,622	49,519,773
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	\$	58,712,011 S	55,770,352 (SEE NOTE 12)
	C	COMMITMENTS ONTINGENCIES	;

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

		Budget (Unaudited)		2012		2011
REVENUE						
Net municipal taxes (Schedule 2) User fees and sale of goods Government transfers for operating (Schedule 3) Investment income Penalties and costs on taxes Licenses and permits Insurance proceeds Other Gain on disposal of tangible capital assets	\$	10,383,770 215,190 892,272 115,000 55,310 154,900	\$	10,178,955 434,620 869,045 148,577 88,911 143,454 4,731 16,887	-	10,157,463 199,107 894,120 149,716 55,308 136,068 10,516 67,895
Total Revenue	_	11,831,792	_	11,885,180	_	11,670,193
EXPENSES						
Legislative Administration Protective services Transportation Water supply and distribution Wastewater treatment and disposal Waste management Public health and welfare Land use planning, zoning and development Economic/agricultural development Parks and recreation Culture		314,040 1,815,870 255,160 6,515,880 360,080 72 189,420 270,650 532,550 305,650 33,030	_	301,373 2,211,651 253,315 6,442,743 644,827 72 201,588 245,701 471,425 304,833 37,148		284,047 1,573,549 254,685 6,256,016 274,860 72 1,519 177,557 201,132 420,888 303,506 30,113
Total Expenses	-	10,592,402	_	11,114,070	-	9,111,944
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES - BEFORE OTHER		1,239,390		770,504		1,892,249
Government transfers for capital (Schedule 3)			-	2,171,158	-	2,333,586
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	-	1,239,390 55,770,350	_	2,941,662 55,770,350	_	4,225,835 51,544,515
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	\$_	57,009,740	\$_	58,712,012	\$_	55,770,350

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budget (Unaudited)	2012	2011
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES			
	\$ <u>1,239,390</u> \$_	2,941,662	\$ <u>4,225,835</u>
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets (Gain) loss on sale of tangible capital assets		(5,481,315) 239,219 1,918,473 41,862	(5,212,282) 477,834 1,729,545 61,449
		(3,281,761)	(2,943,454)
Change in decrease(increase) in prepaid expenses Change in decrease (increase) in inventory for consumption	<u> </u>	(62,212) 405,127	(5,859) (588,264)
		342,915	(594,123)
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN NET DEBT	1,239,390	2,816	688,258
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	6,250,573	6,250,573	<u>5,562,315</u>
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ <u>7,489,963</u> \$	6,253,389	\$ 6,250,573

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

		2012		2011
NET INFLOW(OUTFLOWS) OF CASH RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:				
OPERATING Excess of revenues over expenses The state of	\$	2,941,662	\$	4,225,835
Non-cash items included in excess(shortfall) of revenues over expenses: Amortization on tangible capital assets Gain(loss) on sale of tangible capital assets	_	1,918,473 41,862 4,901,997		1,729,545 61,449 6,016,829
Changes in net financial asset(debt) items: Decrease(increase) in taxes and grants in place of taxes receivable		(241,523)		(3,672)
Decrease(increase) in trade and other receivables Decrease(increase) in receivables from other governments Decrease (increase) in land inventory held for resale		(78,840) 1,628,586 (33,498)		67,642 3,796,979 (956,261)
Decrease (increase) in inventory Decrease(increase) in prepaid expenses		405,127 (62,212) (1,549)		(588,264) (5,859) 410
Decrease (increase) in long term investments Increase(decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities Increase(decrease) in deferred revenue	_	40,390 (637,096)		(159,989) 577,513
Cash provided by (applied to) operating transactions	_	5,921,382	-	8,745,328
CAPITAL Acquisition of tangible capital assets Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets	_	(5,481,315) 239,219		(5,212,282) 477,834
Cash provided by (applied to) capital transactions		(5,242,096)	_	(4,734,448)
FINANCING Long term debt repaid	-	(455,971)	-	(466,667)
CHANGE IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS DURING THE YEAR		223,315		3,544,213
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	10,749,727	_	7,205,514
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$	10,973,042	\$	10,749,727
Cash and cash equivalents is made up of:				
Cash and temporary investments (Note 2)	\$	10,973,042	\$	10,749,727

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18	SCHEDULE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012	A children

Schedule 1

		Land	Impr	Land provements	Buildings	Engineered Structures	Machinery & Equipment	Vehicles	2012	2011
COST: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	↔	502,957	€	695,001	\$ 4,544,172	\$ 40,608,586	\$ 10,585,594	\$ 3,149,625	\$ 60,085,935	\$ 55,555,627
Acquisition of tangible capital assets Construction-in-progress Disposal of tangible capital assets	1	6,820			348,476	2,907,171	1,329,739	889,109	5,481,315	9,404,817 (4,189,179) (685,330)
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1	509,777		695,001	4,892,648	43,515,757	11,216,224	3,998,143	64,827,550	60,085,935
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION: BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR				146,967	449,452	15,060,070	3,125,212	1,074,605	19,856,306	18,269,451
Annual amortization Accumulated amortization adjustments	1			26,318	94,366	915,045	627,519 (420,059)	255,225 (38,561)	1,918,473 (458,620)	1,729,545
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	1			173,285	543,818	15,975,115	3,332,672	1,291,269	21,316,159	19,856,306
NET BOOK VALUE OF TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	φ.	\$ 209,777 \$	€	521,716	\$ 4,348,830	\$ 27,540,642	\$ 27,540,642 \$ 7,883,552	\$ 2,706,874	\$ 43,511,391	\$ 40,229,629

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18 SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 Schedule 2

		Budget (Unaudited)	2012		2011
TAXATION					
Residential land and improvement taxes Non-residential linear property taxes	\$ 	12,909,981	\$ 5,459,910 7,236,122 12,696,032	\$ _	6,767,618 5,842,867 12,610,485
REQUISITIONS					
Alberta School Foundation Fund Seniors requisition	Ξ	2,137,771 388,440 2,526,211	 2,128,634 388,443 2,517,077	_	2,106,058 346,964 2,453,022
NET MUNICIPAL TAXES	\$_	10,383,770	\$ 10,178,955	\$_	10,157,463
SCHEDULE OF G FOR THE YEAR E					
	Schedule 3	Dudget			
		Budget (Unaudited)	2012		2011
TRANSFERS FOR OPERATING			2012		2011
Provincial government	\$		\$ 862,816 6,229	\$	894,120
	\$	(Unaudited)	\$ 862,816	\$	
Provincial government	\$	(Unaudited) 892,272	\$ 862,816 6,229	\$	894,120
Provincial government Local governments	\$ 	(Unaudited) 892,272	\$ 862,816 6,229	\$	894,120

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18

SCHEDULE OF CONSOLIDATED EXPENSES BY OBJECT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Schedule 4

		Budget (Unaudited)	2012	2011
CONSOLIDATED EXPENSES BY OBJECT				
Salaries, wages and benefits Contracted and general services Materials, goods, supplies and utilities Provision for allowances Transfers to other government Transfers to local boards and agencies Transfers to individuals and organizations Bank charges and short term interest Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets Other expenses	\$ \$_	3,894,210 1,086,640 2,781,150 7,000 689,450 136,650 1,853,802 141,500 2,000 10,592,402	\$ 3,654,555 1,017,436 2,878,134 1,617 205,686 556,756 724,023 116,135 1,918,472 41,862	\$ 3,166,138 674,470 3,062,671 4,212 869,258 142,304 1,729,547 129,344 9,777,944

COUNTY OF PAINTEARTH NO. 18

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

Schedule 5

		Unrestricted Surplus	Restricted Surplus	Equity in Tangible Capital Assets	2012	2011	
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	2,484,495 \$	13,056,229 \$.		40,229,627 \$ 55,770,351 \$ 51,544,516	\$ 51,544,516	
Excess of revenues over expenses Unrestricted funds designated for future use Restricted funds used for operations Current year funds used for tangible capital assets Disposal of tangible capital assets Annual amortization expense		2,941,662 (5,000,000) 3,813,114 (5,481,315) 281,079 1,918,472	5,000,000 (3,813,114)	5,481,315 (281,079) (1,918,472)	2,941,662	4,225,835	
Change in accumulated surplus		(1,526,988)	1,186,886	3,281,764	2,941,662	4,225,835	
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	8	\$ 22,507	14,243,115 \$		43,511,391 \$ 58,712,013 \$ 55,770,351	\$ 55,770,351	

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements of the County of Paintearth No. 18 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 Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants. Significant aspects of the accounting polices adopted by the county are as follows:

a) Reporting Entity

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures, 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 county and are, therefore, accountable to the county 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 exclude trust assets that are administered for the benefit of external parties. Interdepartmental and organizational transactions and balances are eliminated.

b) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting records revenue as it is earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon receipt of goods or services and/or the legal obligation to pay.

Funds from external parties and earnings thereon restricted by agreement or legislation are accounted for as deferred revenue until used for the purpose specified.

Government transfers, contributions and other amounts are received from third parties pursuant to legislation, regulation or agreement and may only be used for certain programs, in the completion of specific work, or for the purchase of tangible capital assets. In addition, certain user charges and fees are collected for which the related services have yet to be performed. Revenue is recognized in the period when the related expenses are incurred, services performed or the tangible capital assets are acquired.

c) 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 financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditure during the period. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

d) Investments

Investments are recorded at amortized cost. Investment premiums and discounts are amortized on the net present value basis over the term of the respective investments. 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.

1.. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Debt Charges Recoverable

Debt charges recoverable consist of amounts that are recoverable from municipal agencies or other local governments with respect to outstanding debentures or other long-term debt pursuant to annexation orders or joint capital undertakings. These recoveries are recorded at a value that equals the offsetting portion of the un-matured long-term debt, less actuarial requirements for the retirement of any sinking fund debentures.

f) Requisition Over-levy and Under-levy

Over-levies and under-levies arise from the difference between the actual property tax levy made to cover each requisition and the actual amount requisitioned.

If the actual levy exceeds the requisition, the over-levy is accrued as a liability and property tax revenue is reduced. Where the actual levy is less than the requisition amount, the under-levy is accrued as a receivable and as property tax revenue.

Requisition tax rates in the subsequent year are adjusted for any over-levies or under-levies of the prior year.

g) Inventories for Resale

Land held for resale is recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost includes costs for land acquisition and improvements required to prepare the land for servicing such as clearing, stripping and levelling charges. Related development costs incurred to provide infrastructure such as water and wastewater services, roads, sidewalks and street lighting are recorded as tangible capital assets under the respective function.

h) Prepaid Local Improvement Charges

Construction and borrowing costs associated with local improvement projects are recovered through annual special assessments during the period of the related borrowings. These levies are collectable from property owners for work performed by the municipality.

Where a taxpayer has elected to prepay the outstanding local improvement charges, such amounts are recorded as deferred revenue. Deferred revenue is amortized to revenue on a straight line basis over the remaining term of the related borrowings.

In the event that the prepaid amounts are applied against the related borrowings, the deferred revenue is amortized to revenue by an amount equal to the debt repayment.

i) Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Liability

Pursuant to the Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, the county is required to fund the closure of its landfill site and provide for post-closure care of the facility. Closure and post-closure activities include the final clay cover, landscaping, as well as surface and ground water monitoring, leachate control, and visual inspection. The requirement is being provided for over the estimated remaining life of the landfill site based on usage.

i) Government Transfers

Government transfers are the transfer of assets from senior 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.

1.. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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

k) 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 (Debt) for the year.

i. 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**

Land improvements	15-25
Buildings	25-50
Engineering structures	
Water system	45-75
Wastewater system	45-75
Other engineered structures	10-75
	5-20
Machinery and equipment	Unit of
Heavy equipment	output(hours)
Vehicles	10-25
venicies	

In the year of acquisition of a capital asset, annual amortization is charged based on the number of months owned and in the year of disposal no amortization is charged. Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

ii. 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.

iii. 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.

iv. Inventories

Inventories held for consumption are recorded at the lower of cost and replacement cost.

v. Cultural and Historical Tangible Capital Assets

Works of art for display are not recorded as tangible capital assets but are disclosed.

CASH AND TEMPORA	IKI IIIVES	INLINIO				2012		2011
					_		-	
Cash Temporary investments	1				\$ 	10,973,042	\$ 	10,449,727 300,000
					\$	10,973,042	\$	10,749,727
Temporary investments	are short-	term depo	sits wit	h original ma	aturiti	es of six month	s or	less.
Included in cash and te which relates to condition intended.	mporary in itional grai	ivestment nt revenu	s are re es that	estricted amo	ount o	of \$1,628,418 (een expended	2011 I on	- \$2,265,514) the purposes
TAXES AND GRANTS	IN PLACE	OF TAXE	ES REC	EIVABLE	-	2012	- · ·	2011
		receivable	es		\$	291,739	\$	154,213
Current taxes and gran	ts in place	1606 I Aanie						
Current taxes and gran Arrears taxes	ts in place	receivable			-	286,344 578,083	_	180,730 334,943
Arrears taxes						286,344 578,083 (12,012)	_	180,730 334,943 (10,395)
					\$ <u></u>	578,083	- \$_	334,943
Arrears taxes					\$ <u></u>	578,083 (12,012)	\$ <u></u>	334,943 (10,395)
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for dou		unts	012		\$ <u></u>	578,083 (12,012) 566,071	\$ <u></u>	334,943 (10,395 324,548
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for dou		unts 20		Market Value	\$ <u></u>	578,083 (12,012) 566,071	\$ 011	334,943 (10,395)
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for dou		unts		Market Value 2,724	\$ \$ \$	578,083 (12,012) 566,071	\$ 011 \$	334,943 (10,395 324,548 Market
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for dou INVESTMENTS Other institutional and	ubtful accou	unts 20		Value	\$ \$ \$	578,083 (12,012) 566,071 20 Cost 2,724	\$ 0111 	334,943 (10,395) 324,548 Market Value 2,724
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for double. INVESTMENTS Other institutional and private corporation bonds	ubtful accou	unts 20		Value	\$ \$ \$	578,083 (12,012) 566,071 20	\$ 0111 \$	334,943 (10,395 324,548 Market Value
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for double. INVESTMENTS Other institutional and private corporation bonds Alberta Municipal Infras Municipal Sustainability Federal Gas Tax Fund	structure P	20 Cost 4,273		Value	\$ \$ \$	578,083 (12,012) 566,071 2012 2012	\$\$	334,943 (10,395 324,548 Market Value 2,724 246,882 1,665,077 353,170
Arrears taxes Less: allowance for double to the composition of the co	structure P	20 Cost 4,273		Value	\$\$	578,083 (12,012) 566,071 2012	\$ <u></u>	334,943 (10,395) 324,548 Market Value 2,724

Funding was received in 2011 and 2012 from Municipal Sustainability Initiative. The use of these funds is restricted to eligible capial projects, as approved under the funding agreement. Unexpended funds related to these advances are supported by temporary investments held exclusively for this funding (refer Note 2).

6. LONG TERM DEBT

Tax supported loans \$\frac{2012}{3,610,695} \\$\frac{4,066,666}{5}\$

The current portion of the long-term debt amounts to \$466,667 (2011 - \$466,667)

Principal and interest repayments are as follows:

	•	Principal	 Interest	 Total
2013 2014 2015 2016 2017	\$	466,667 466,667 466,667 466,667 466,667 1,277,360	\$ 115,200 100,267 85,333 70,400 55,467 76,800	\$ 581,867 566,934 552,000 537,067 522,134 1,354,160
Thereafter	\$ <u></u>	3,610,695	\$ 503,467	\$ 4,114,162

ATB finanicial loan bears interest at prime plus 0.2% is and is repayable in annual instalments of principal and interest, The loan matures July 31, 2020.

The County's total cash payments for interest in 2012 were \$126,396 (2011 - \$143,929).

7. DEBT LIMITS

Section 276(2) of the Municipal Government Act requires that debt and debt limits as defined by Alberta Regulation 255/00 for the County be disclosed as follows:

	 2012	_	2011	
Total debt limit Total debt	\$ 17,827,770 3,610,695	\$	17,505,290 4,066,666	
Amount of debit limit unused	\$ 14,217,075	\$	13,438,624	
Debt servicing limit Debt servicing	\$ 2,971,295 581,867	\$_	2,917,548 596,800	
Amound of debt servicing limit unused	\$ 2,389,428	\$_	2,320,748	

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.

		2012	-	2011
Tangible capital assets Accumulated amortization	\$	64,827,550 (21,316,159)	\$ 	60,085,935 (19,856,306)
	\$	43,511,391	\$	40,229,629
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS				
		2012	-	2011
Unrestricted surplus Restricted surplus:	\$	957,507	\$	2,484,494
Operating: General legislative		1,082,917		832,917
General administration		209,179		389,000
Roads, streets, walks, lighting		2,523,915		2,456,046
Culture		10,000		10,000
Subdivision land and development Operating contingency		1,867,928 130,000		1,935,139 130,000
Capital: Administration		43,732		70,000
Fire fighting & preventive services		822,600		522,600
Roads, streets, walks, lighting		2,575,871		3,320,836
Water and wastewater		4,075,798		3,064,517
Economic development		50,340		30,000
Agricultural services		699,131		228,472
Recreation, parks and culture		151,702		66,702
Equity in Tangible Capital Assets	. (. 2 - 7) - <u>-</u>	43,511,391		40,229,629
	\$	58,712,011	\$	55,770,352

10.SALARY AND BENEFITS

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

	2012						2011	
		Salary		Benefits & allowances		Total		Total
Councillors:						00.010	•	00.400
Reeve Glazier	\$	26,106	\$	4,704	\$	30,810	\$	22,102
Councillor Bunbury		13,933		883		14,816		13,424
Councillor Dahmer		11,666		3,777		15,443		12,021
Councillor Elliott		13,360		3,883		17,243		16,756
Councillor Hewitt		14,033		3,922		17,955		15,491
Councillor Nibourg		10,933		3,730		14,663		12,133
Councillor Weber		17,793		3,473		21,266		16,372
Chief Administrative Officer		143,920		28,207		172,127		166,040
Designated Officer (1 Position)		101,576				101,576		90,410

- 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. 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.

11.LOCAL AUTHORITIES PENSION PLAN

Employees of the county participate in the Local Authorities Pension Plan (LAPP), which is one of the plans covered by the Alberta Public Sector Pension Plans Act. The LAPP serves about 133,000 people and 3889 employers. 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 county is required to make current service contributions to the LAPP of 8.91% of pensionable earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings under the Canada Pension Plan and 12.74% on pensionable earnings above this amount. Employees of the county are required to make current service contributions of 9.91% of pensionable salary up to the year's maximum pensionable salary and 13.74% on pensionable salary above this amount.

Total current service contributions by the county to the LAPP in 2012 were \$241,812 (2011 - \$197,680). Total current service contributions by the employees of the county to the Local Authorities Pension Plan in 2012 were \$216,420 (2011 - \$178,919).

At December 31, 2011, the LAPP disclosed an actuarial deficiency of \$4.635 billion.

12.COMMITMENTS

The Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission is constituted under the Municipal Government Act and was approved by the Province of Alberta Order in Council on October 10, 2007 of which the County, as a member, has a 9.96% equity involvment. The County is committed to funding its share of any net capital requirements and, accordingly, paid to the Commission \$506,660 of its share of the Phase 1 capital costs during the year.

The County is a member of the Alberta Local Authorities Reciprocal Insurance Exchange. Under the terms of membership, the County could become liable for its proportionate share of any claim losses in excess of the funds held by the exchange. Any liability incurred would be accounted for as a current transaction in the year the losses are determined.

The County has provided a loan guarantee to TD Bank Financial Group for certain indebtedness of the Coronation Seed Cleaning Co-op Ltd. At December 31, 2012 the Co-op was indebted for \$NIL (2011 - \$NIL). In addition, the County of Paintearth has also provided a loan guarantee to TD Bank Financial Group for an operating loan not to exceed \$40,000.

The County has also provided a loan guarantee to ATB Financial for an operating loan not to exceed \$36,000 for certain indebtedness of East Central Ambulance Association.

The County has additionally provided a loan guarantee in the amount of \$126,925 to ATB Financial for certain indebtedness to the Paintearth Economic Partnership Society. At December 31, 2012 the Paintearth Economic Partnership Society was indebted for \$NIL (2011 - \$NIL).

The County is committed to the development of 42 acres of land intended as an industrial subdivision, the full estimated cost of which is not fully determinable at this time.

13.CONTINGENCIES

The County is currently in final negotiations and determinations regarding a material non-linear taxation assessment appeal for 2012. While an adjustment and potential refund is likely payable to the taxpayer, the amount is undeterminable at this time.

14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The county's financial instruments consist of cash and temporary investments, accounts receivable, investments, deferred revenue, accounts payable and long term debt. It is management's opinion that the county is not exposed to significant interest or currency risks arising from these financial instruments.

The county 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 county provides services may experience financial difficulty and be unable to fulfill their obligations. The large number and diversity of taxpayers and customers minimizes the credit risk.

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

15.COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the financial statement presentation adopted for the current year.

16.APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Council and management have approved these financial statements.