

# **Quarterly Financial Report**

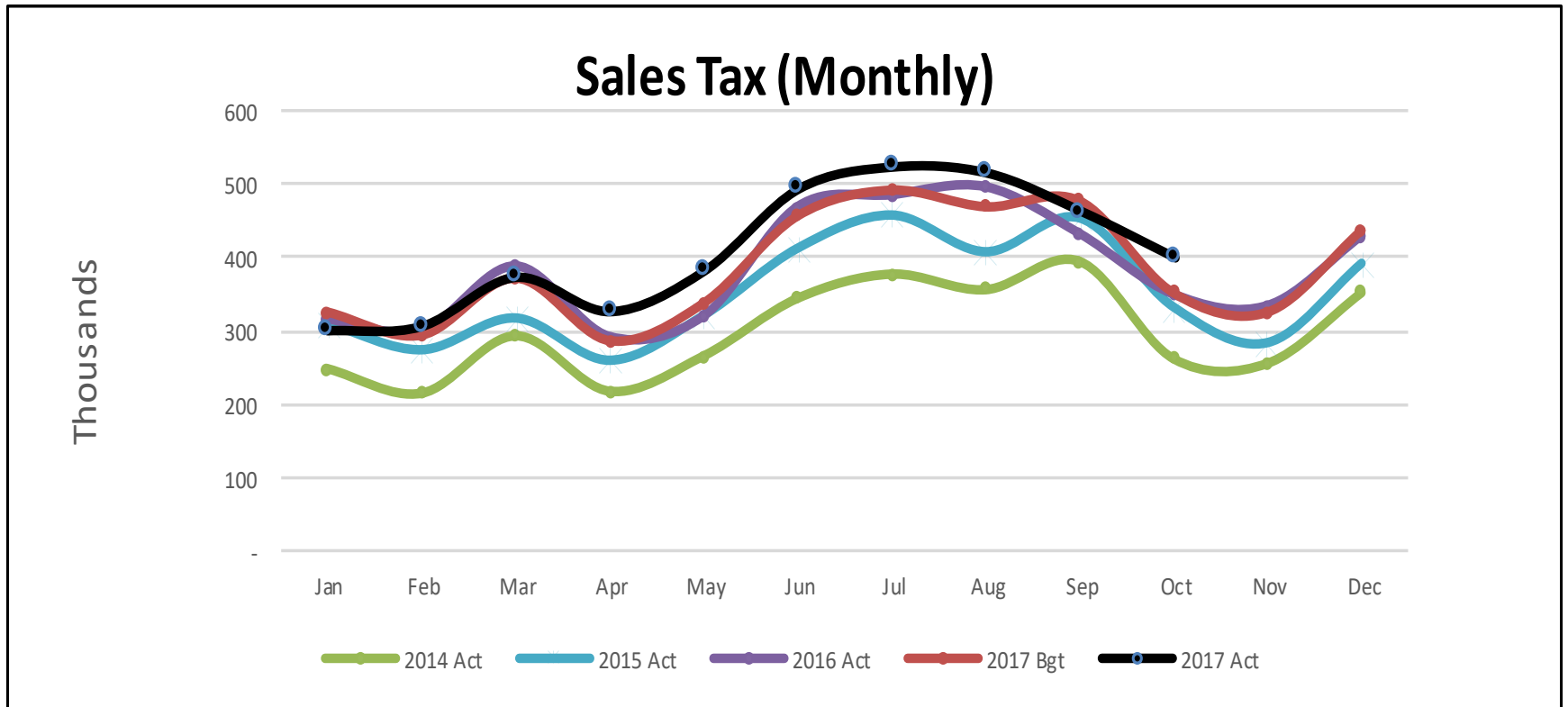
**2017**

**Third Quarter**

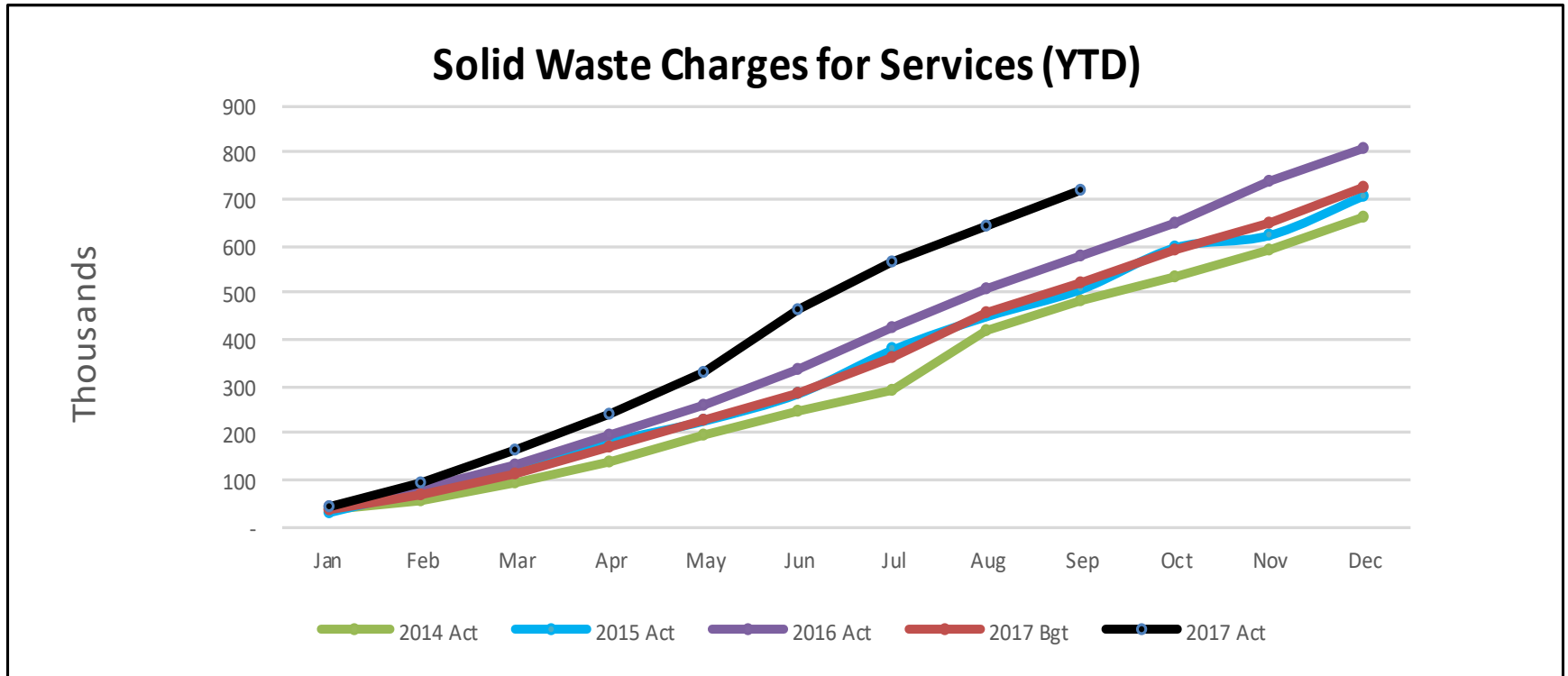
# Some Positive Developments

- PILT funding:
  - \$413,178 over budget due to Fed action.
- Sales Tax Revenue:
  - Higher than expected growth by 5.75%; may come in about \$222,000 higher by year end.
- Solid Waste “Charges for Services”
  - Significantly higher (\$198,000+, 38%) than seasonally adjusted budget, due to unusual demolition projects within the County.
- “Overhead” type departments spending less than historic and budgeted amounts.

# Sales Tax



# Solid Waste Revenue



# Overspending - Reasons

- Executing activity not originally budgeted, but for which unanticipated revenue was received.
- Reasons essentially beyond the control of department supervisors, such as:
  - Equipment breakdowns.
  - Costs of materials.
  - Etc...
- Choices made by department supervisors, resulting in overspending their approved budgets.

# Unbudgeted Activity Covered by Unanticipated Revenue

- Building & Grounds
  - Large Trail Construction Project.
- Weed & Pest
  - Herbicide and rodenticide costs covered by sales and application revenues.
- Tourism Fund
  - Pass thru of Lodging Tax revenue.
- Veterans Dept.
  - Counseling costs covered by grant funding.

# Overspending Beyond Reasonable Control of Supervisors

- Sheriff-Detention: Payments to LaPlata County for inmate housing are driven by number of inmates.
- County Assessor: Vehicle repairs and insurance costs.
- County Coroner: Autopsy costs.
- Transportation:
  - Admin: Benefit pay-outs and wage overlap, related to retired supervisor.
  - Mountain Express: Vehicle repair costs.

# Overspending Within the Control of Supervisors

- Sheriff-Administration:
  - Uniforms
  - Subscriptions
  - Body Armor
- Sheriff-Patrol: Unbudgeted Animal Control Officer may have been a factor in the following:
  - Training
  - Overtime (Patrol)
  - Overtime (Non Patrol)
  - On-Call
  - Fleet



# Coverage of Expected Budget Adjustments

- Three methods available:
  - Unanticipated revenue.
  - Transfer of underspent operational budget from other departments/funds.
  - Deliberate use of appropriated contingency funds.
- Unanticipated revenue includes:
  - General Fund: PILT, Sales Tax, Investment Revenue.
  - Road & Bridge Fund: Sales Tax.
  - Solid Waste Fund: Landfill fees.
- A single use of appropriated contingency funds is anticipated.
- We do not need to use savings from underspent operational budgets for budget adjustments in 2017.

# Finance Management Highlights

- A new AP and Payroll Clerk was recruited during the third quarter.
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter was particularly busy, due to overlap between the 2016 audit and 2018 budget processes.
- The audit resulted in an unmodified opinion (good) and no findings (also good).
- 2018 budget work progressed on schedule.

# 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Projects

- Prepare final 2018 Budget, related Budget Resolutions, Budget Book, etc...
- Training of the new AP and Payroll Clerk.
- Final calculation of 2017 Budget Adjustments and related Resolutions.
- Certification of Mill Levies.
- Grant reporting updates.
- Preparation for Year End.