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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Honorable Select Board  
Town of Medfield, Massachusetts

**Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

***Opinions***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts'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, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts 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 the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts'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 and *Government 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 and *Government 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 the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts'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 the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts'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 Norfolk County Retirement System schedules - Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability, and Town's contribution, Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System's schedule of the Commonwealth's Collective amounts of the Net Pension Liability, Other Postemployment Benefit schedules - Town's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios, Town's contribution, and investment return, and notes to required supplementary information on pages 4 – 12, 71 – 72, 73, 74 – 76 and 77 - 78 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a 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.

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 20, 2025, on our consideration of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert E. Brown, CPA". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Robert E." on the top line and "Brown, CPA" on the bottom line.

Certified Public Accountant

March 20, 2025

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town of Medfield (the Town), we offer readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider this information in addition to the statements and notes.

The Town complies with financial reporting requirements issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the authoritative standard setting body that provides guidance on how to prepare financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Users of these financial statements, such as investors and rating agencies, rely on the GASB to establish consistent reporting standards for all governments in the United States. This consistent application facilitates comparative assessments of the financial condition of one government compared to others.

### ***Financial Highlights***

- The assets of the Town exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by \$93.7 million (net position), including obligations to the June 30, 2024 statement of net position associated with its pension liability - \$23.6 million and OPEB liability - \$28.8 million. The Town's overall unrestricted negative net position decreased by \$5.1 million, from -\$37.5 million to -\$32.4 million.
- The unrestricted negative net position of the Town's governmental activities is -\$36.0 million, primarily driven by inclusion of the net pension liability of \$22.5 million, the postemployment benefits liability of \$28.3 million, and the deferred inflow of resources of \$13.7 million. The unrestricted net position of the Town's business-type activities is \$3.7 million and may be used to meet the ongoing obligations of the Town's water and sewer business-type activities. Included in the business-type activities are charges of \$1.1 million related to the net pension liability and \$534,000 associated with the postemployment benefits liability.
- Governmental activities total net position increased \$4.9 million, or 6.6% in fiscal 2024. Business type activities total net position increased \$837,000, or 5.9% in fiscal 2024.
- At June 30, 2024, the Town's governmental funds had a combined ending fund balance of \$34.8 million. Combined governmental funds balance increased by \$1.7 million, or 5.2%, from the prior year. A total of \$13.9 million, or 39.8%, of the \$34.8 million fund balance is considered unassigned at June 30, 2024.
- The Town's general fund reported a fund balance of \$23.3 million at the end of fiscal 2024. The unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$14.5 million, or 18.9%, of total fiscal 2024 general fund expenditures.
- The total cost of all Town services on a full accrual basis for fiscal 2024 was \$88.5 million, \$84.0 million of which was for governmental services, and \$4.5 million of which was for business-type activities, for an overall 6.9% increase compared to fiscal 2023. Changes were generally evenly distributed amongst the various Town service areas.
- The Town's total bonded debt decreased by a net of \$3.3 million or 9.6% during the year.

## ***Overview of the Financial Statements***

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. These basic financial statements are comprised of three components:

1. Government-wide Financial Statements
2. Fund Financial Statements
3. Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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

The *statement of net position* presents information on all 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 is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as 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 periods, (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation/sick leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees or charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, education, public works, human services, culture and recreation, employee benefits, debt service, and state and county assessments. The business type activities include water and sewer services.

**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. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three main categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds.

**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 statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows 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. Both the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town of Medfield adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary Funds – Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town has two enterprise funds:

- *Water Enterprise Fund* accounts for the water activity of the Town.
- *Sewer Enterprise Fund* accounts for the sewer activity of the Town.

Fiduciary Funds – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements, as the resources of those funds are **not** available to support the Town’s own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Private purpose trust funds and postemployment benefits trust are reported and combined into a single, aggregate presentation in the fiduciary fund financial statements under the captions “Private Purpose Trust Funds” and “Postemployment Benefits Trust” respectively.

The GASB issued Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, to address consistency issues related to how fund balance was being reported. Accordingly, beginning with the Town’s FY 2011 financial statements, fund balance in the Governmental Funds statements have been displayed in the following classifications depicting the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- *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 a government itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest-level action to remove or change the constraint.
- *Assigned fund balance*—amounts a government *intends* to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority.
- *Unassigned fund balance*—amounts that are available for any purpose; these amounts are reported only in the general fund. In Other Governmental Funds if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceed the amounts restricted, committed or assigned to those purposes, due to the timing of reimbursements to the Town, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

Notes to the basic 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.

***Government-wide Financial Analysis:***

The exhibit on page 8 summarizes key financial components of the Town's financial statements.

As noted above, assets exceed liabilities by \$93.7 million at the close of fiscal year 2024, net of the \$52.5 million in charges for the contingent pension and OPEB liabilities. The Town is able to report positive balances in net position for both the government as a whole, and for each of its governmental and business-type activities in total.

A key component of the Town's net position is its *unrestricted net position* totaling -\$32.4 million, which decreased by \$5.1 million. This change is primarily impacted by the change in net other post-employment benefits (OPEB) and pension liabilities. Management has developed a funding plan and anticipates fully funding the net OPEB obligation by FY 2038.

The Town's investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment, software, vehicles, infrastructure, and construction in progress), less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets, is \$105.5 million, or 112.6%, of net position. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets *are not* available for future spending. Although the investment in the Town's capital assets is reported net of its related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Net position of Governmental activities increased by \$4.9 million or 6.6% from fiscal 2023. Net position of business-type activities increased by \$837,000 or 5.9%, from 2023. Total Town net position increased by \$5.7 million, or 6.5%.

The \$4.9 million increase in Governmental activities net position is attributable to general operating revenue of \$61.4 million, program revenues of \$27.4 million, net total expenses of \$84.0 million. Total revenues increased by \$1.0 million, or 1.1%, while total expenses increased \$5.6 million, or 7.2%.

Net position of business-type activities increased by \$837,000, or 5.9%, as a result of revenues exceeding expenses by this same amount.

There was an increase of \$786,000, or 8.4%, in net position reported in connection with the water business-type activities. There was an increase of \$51,000, or 1.1%, in net position reported in connection with the sewer business-type activities.

An additional portion of the Governmental activities total net position of \$20.6 million, or 26.1%, represents resources subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

**Town of Medfield - Financial Highlights**

	Governmental Activities						Business-Type Activities						Total Primary Government					
	FY 2024		FY 2023		Increase/(Decrease)		FY 2024		FY 2023		Increase/(Decrease)		FY 2024		FY 2023		Increase/(Decrease)	
	Assets:						Assets:						Assets:					
Current Assets	\$ 41,482,009	\$ 39,017,671	\$ 2,464,338	\$ 6,504,235	\$ 7,427,695	\$ (923,460)	\$ 47,986,244	\$ 46,445,366	\$ 1,540,878									
Noncurrent assets (excluding capital)	2,570,250	2,452,597	117,653	2,119,030	2,230,092	(111,062)	4,689,280	4,682,689	6,591									
Capital Assets	111,606,098	112,883,169	(1,277,071)	24,201,018	23,597,482	603,536	135,807,116	136,480,651	(673,535)									
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 155,658,357</b>	<b>\$ 154,353,437</b>	<b>\$ 1,304,920</b>	<b>\$ 32,824,283</b>	<b>\$ 33,255,269</b>	<b>\$ (430,986)</b>	<b>\$ 188,482,640</b>	<b>\$ 187,608,706</b>	<b>\$ 873,934</b>									
<b>Deferred Outflow of Resources:</b>	<b>\$ 11,672,829</b>	<b>\$ 9,480,769</b>	<b>\$ 2,192,060</b>	<b>\$ 560,578</b>	<b>\$ 441,839</b>	<b>\$ 118,739</b>	<b>\$ 12,233,407</b>	<b>\$ 9,922,608</b>	<b>\$ 2,310,799</b>									
<b>Liabilities:</b>																		
Current Liabilities (excluding debt)	\$ 5,873,588	\$ 5,020,803	\$ 852,785	\$ 148,350	\$ 114,522	\$ 33,828	\$ 6,021,938	\$ 5,135,325	\$ 886,613									
Noncurrent Liabilities (excluding debt)	51,590,703	48,185,724	3,404,979	1,672,966	1,530,168	142,798	53,263,669	49,715,892	3,547,777									
Current Debt	2,102,395	2,241,753	(139,358)	1,132,059	1,130,519	1,540	3,234,454	3,372,272	(137,818)									
Noncurrent Debt	15,233,135	17,335,530	(2,102,395)	12,958,318	14,090,377	(1,132,059)	28,191,453	31,425,907	(3,234,454)									
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 74,799,821</b>	<b>\$ 72,783,810</b>	<b>\$ 2,016,011</b>	<b>\$ 15,911,693</b>	<b>\$ 16,865,586</b>	<b>\$ (953,893)</b>	<b>\$ 90,711,514</b>	<b>\$ 89,649,396</b>	<b>\$ 1,062,118</b>									
<b>Deferred Inflow of Resources:</b>	<b>\$ 13,729,166</b>	<b>\$ 17,120,623</b>	<b>\$ (3,391,457)</b>	<b>\$ 2,546,818</b>	<b>\$ 2,742,584</b>	<b>\$ (195,766)</b>	<b>\$ 16,275,984</b>	<b>\$ 19,863,207</b>	<b>\$ (3,587,223)</b>									
<b>Net Position:</b>																		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 94,270,568	\$ 93,305,886	\$ 964,682	\$ 11,258,912	\$ 10,220,713	\$ 1,038,199	\$ 105,529,480	\$ 103,526,599	\$ 2,002,881									
Restricted	20,573,061	22,015,533	(1,442,472)	-	-	-	20,573,061	22,015,533	(1,442,472)									
Unrestricted	(36,041,430)	(41,391,646)	5,350,216	3,667,438	3,868,225	(200,787)	(32,373,992)	(37,523,421)	5,149,429									
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 78,802,199</b>	<b>\$ 73,929,773</b>	<b>\$ 4,872,426</b>	<b>\$ 14,926,350</b>	<b>\$ 14,088,938</b>	<b>\$ 837,412</b>	<b>\$ 93,728,549</b>	<b>\$ 88,018,711</b>	<b>\$ 5,709,838</b>									
<b>Revenues:</b>																		
Program revenues:																		
Charges for services	\$ 7,212,531	\$ 6,793,533	\$ 418,998	\$ 5,275,159	\$ 5,001,558	\$ 273,601	\$ 12,487,690	\$ 11,795,091	\$ 692,599									
Operating grants and contributions	20,121,326	21,082,547	(961,221)	92,614	90,355	2,259	20,213,940	21,172,902	(958,962)									
Capital grants and contributions	100,000	1,024,643	(924,643)	-	-	-	100,000	1,024,643	(924,643)									
General revenues:																		
Real Estate and Personal Property taxes	54,687,903	53,246,376	1,441,527	-	-	-	54,687,903	53,246,376	1,441,527									
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes	2,628,043	2,340,092	287,951	-	-	-	2,628,043	2,340,092	287,951									
Payments in lieu of taxes	8,451	4,643	3,808	-	-	-	8,451	4,643	3,808									
Hotel/Motel Tax	212,856	209,362	3,494	-	-	-	212,856	209,362	3,494									
Penalties and Interest on taxes	170,113	143,280	26,833	-	-	-	170,113	143,280	26,833									
Nonrestricted grants and contributions	2,016,006	1,752,324	263,682	-	-	-	2,016,006	1,752,324	263,682									
Unrestricted investment income (loss)	1,701,512	506,551	1,194,961	-	-	-	1,701,512	506,551	1,194,961									
Other revenues	-	750,000	(750,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	750,000	(750,000)							
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 88,858,741</b>	<b>\$ 87,853,351</b>	<b>\$ 1,005,390</b>	<b>\$ 5,367,773</b>	<b>\$ 5,091,913</b>	<b>\$ 275,860</b>	<b>\$ 94,226,514</b>	<b>\$ 92,945,264</b>	<b>\$ 1,281,250</b>									
<b>Expenses:</b>																		
General Government	\$ 4,361,233	\$ 3,315,494	\$ 1,045,739	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,361,233	\$ 3,315,494	\$ 1,045,739									
Public Safety	5,947,585	5,572,367	375,218	-	-	-	5,947,585	5,572,367	375,218									
Education	49,512,156	47,238,211	2,273,945	-	-	-	49,512,156	47,238,211	2,273,945									
Public Works	4,794,642	4,413,407	381,235	-	-	-	4,794,642	4,413,407	381,235									
Human Services	1,074,121	998,718	75,403	-	-	-	1,074,121	998,718	75,403									
Culture and Recreation	2,083,959	2,092,706	(8,747)	-	-	-	2,083,959	2,092,706	(8,747)									
Employee Benefits	15,022,221	13,229,911	1,792,310	-	-	-	15,022,221	13,229,911	1,792,310									
State and County assessments	533,621	580,583	(46,962)	-	-	-	533,621	580,583	(46,962)									
Interest	656,777	895,933	(239,156)	-	-	-	656,777	895,933	(239,156)									
Water	-	-	-	2,324,898	2,485,978	(161,080)	2,324,898	2,485,978	(161,080)									
Sewer	-	-	-	2,205,463	1,942,153	263,310	2,205,463	1,942,153	263,310									
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 83,986,315</b>	<b>\$ 78,337,330</b>	<b>\$ 5,648,985</b>	<b>\$ 4,530,361</b>	<b>\$ 4,428,131</b>	<b>\$ 102,230</b>	<b>\$ 88,516,676</b>	<b>\$ 82,765,461</b>	<b>\$ 5,751,215</b>									
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 4,872,426</b>	<b>\$ 9,516,021</b>	<b>\$ (4,643,595)</b>	<b>\$ 837,412</b>	<b>\$ 663,782</b>	<b>\$ 173,630</b>	<b>\$ 5,709,838</b>	<b>\$ 10,179,803</b>	<b>\$ (4,469,965)</b>									
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 737,270</b>	<b>\$ (737,270)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (1,264,774)</b>	<b>\$ 1,264,774</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (527,504)</b>	<b>\$ 527,504</b>									
<b>Net Position - Beginning</b>	<b>\$ 73,929,773</b>	<b>\$ 63,676,482</b>	<b>\$ 10,253,291</b>	<b>\$ 14,088,938</b>	<b>\$ 14,689,930</b>	<b>\$ (600,992)</b>	<b>\$ 88,018,711</b>	<b>\$ 78,366,412</b>	<b>\$ 9,652,299</b>									
<b>Net Position - Ending</b>	<b>\$ 78,802,199</b>	<b>\$ 73,929,773</b>	<b>\$ 4,872,426</b>	<b>\$ 14,926,350</b>	<b>\$ 14,088,938</b>	<b>\$ 837,412</b>	<b>\$ 93,728,549</b>	<b>\$ 88,018,711</b>	<b>\$ 5,709,838</b>									

**Financial analysis of the Government's Funds**

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

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

As of the end of the fiscal year 2024, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$34.8 million, a \$1.7 million increase from the prior year's ending fund balance. The net change reflects a net \$1.7 million Governmental fund balance increase due to general fund expenditures being less than combined general fund revenues.

The General fund is the primary operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$14.5 million, while total fund balance stood at \$23.3 million. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 18.8% of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 30.2%.

General fund actual revenues (on budgetary basis) were more than budgeted revenues by \$2.1 million in FY 2024, due primarily to departmental and other revenue increased by \$455,000, higher interest rates lead to a \$786,000 increase over budgeted for investment income, and \$463,000 higher than anticipated motor vehicle excise due to higher vehicle purchases.

Actual expenditures were less than budgeted expenditures by \$2.5 million. After accounting for other financing sources and uses, the budgetary fund balance of the general fund was increased by \$1.0 million to \$4.8 million.

The Stabilization funds, which are now included within the General Fund as per GASB 54, has accumulated balances of \$5.8 million, which represents 24.9% of the FY 2024 general fund balance. However, all of these funds can be used for general or capital purposes upon Town Meeting approval.

All other Non-Major Governmental Fund balances decreased in total by \$951,000 to \$ 11.6 million as a result of \$10.3 million received in revenues less \$10.3 million in expenditures and a net of -\$939,000 in transfers out.

### ***General Fund Budget Highlights***

Actual FY 2024 general fund revenues were more than budgeted revenues by \$2.1 million, primarily driven by departmental and other of \$455,000, a strong increase in investment income of \$786,000, with all other categories totaling \$908,000. General fund expenditures were \$2.5 million less than budgeted due to management's continued focus on cost containment and budget management. Net operating transfers in were higher than planned by \$152,000. The net result was a \$4.8 million increase to the FY 2024 budgetary fund balance, at \$8 million.

### ***Capital Asset and Debt Administration***

***Capital Assets*** - In conjunction with the operating budget, the Town annually prepares capital budgets for the upcoming fiscal year in addition to a five-year capital plan.

The Town's ownership of, or investment in, capital assets for governmental and business type activities, as summarized below, as of June 30, 2024, amounts to \$135.8 million, net of accumulated depreciation. The value in capital assets includes land, buildings, capital improvements, machinery, equipment, software, vehicles, water, sewer, and roadway infrastructure and construction in progress.

The governmental activities capital assets were increased by \$3.6 million and reduced by a net of \$4.8 million in depreciation during fiscal 2024, for a net -\$1,277,000 decrease.

Business-type activities capital assets were increased by \$1.2 million in investments and reduced by -\$592,000 in depreciation, for a net increase of \$604,000.

In summary, total decreases net of depreciation to town wide capital assets are \$674,000

	Governmental Activities			Business-type Activities			Total Primary Government		
	FY 2024	FY 2023	Increase (Decrease)	FY 2024	FY 2023	Increase (Decrease)	FY 2024	FY 2023	Increase (Decrease)
Land	\$ 22,034,580	\$ 22,034,580	\$ -	\$ 495,218	\$ 495,218	\$ -	\$ 22,529,798	\$ 22,529,798	\$ -
Buildings	64,212,793	66,621,589	(2,408,796)	2,887,935	3,070,428	(182,493)	67,100,728	69,692,017	(2,591,289)
Capital Improvements (other than buildings)	99,639	107,577	(7,938)	-	-	-	-	107,577	(107,577)
Machinery and Equipment	2,306,446	2,365,643	(59,197)	715,320	626,951	88,369	3,021,766	2,992,594	29,172
Vehicles	1,425,445	1,167,063	258,382	109,479	74,200	35,279	1,534,924	1,241,263	293,661
Infrastructure	18,695,434	19,311,714	(616,280)	8,763,378	9,049,784	(286,406)	27,458,812	28,361,498	(902,686)
Software & Textbooks	29,811	39,717	(9,906)	-	-	-	-	39,717	(39,717)
Construction in Progress	2,801,950	1,235,286	1,566,664	11,229,688	10,280,901	948,787	14,031,638	11,516,187	2,515,451
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ 111,606,098</b>	<b>\$ 112,883,169</b>	<b>\$ (1,277,071)</b>	<b>\$ 24,201,018</b>	<b>\$ 23,597,482</b>	<b>\$ 603,536</b>	<b>\$ 135,677,666</b>	<b>\$ 136,480,651</b>	<b>\$ (802,985)</b>

**Long Term Debt** - The Town's debt burden is reasonable in relation to other communities its size. Outstanding long-term debt, as of June 30, 2024, totaled \$17.1 million. Business-type activities have debt of \$14.1 million that is fully supported by their respective utility rates. Total debt consists of the following:

**Outstanding Debt at Year End**

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Outstanding June 30, 2024</b>	<b>Outstanding June 30, 2023</b>	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>
Municipal Garage	\$ 5,420,000	\$ 5,870,000	\$ (450,000)
Land Acquisition	730,000	800,000	(70,000)
Public Safety Building	8,995,000	9,815,000	(820,000)
Athletic Facility	800,000	900,000	(100,000)
Fire Engine	350,000	400,000	(50,000)
Dump Truck	20,000	25,000	(5,000)
DPW Sidewalk Tractor	100,000	125,000	(25,000)
Road Construction	80,000	100,000	(20,000)
Senior Center	120,000	241,500	(121,500)
Land Acquisition	27,500	55,000	(27,500)
Adult Community Center	37,000	73,500	(36,500)
Crown Land Acquisition	92,500	184,000	(91,500)
Medfield State Hospital	155,000	465,000	(310,000)
Water Main	23,000	46,000	(23,000)
Add: Unamortized Premium	111,366	159,733	(48,367)
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ 17,061,366</b>	<b>\$ 19,259,733</b>	<b>\$ (2,198,367)</b>
<b>Business-type Activities</b>	<b>Outstanding June 30, 2024</b>	<b>Outstanding June 30, 2023</b>	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>
Sewer MWPAT	\$ 290,250	\$ 344,897	(54,647)
Sewer MWPAT	201,357	221,419	(20,062)
Wastewater Treatment	80,000	100,000	(20,000)
Water Main Repairs	360,000	450,000	(90,000)
Water Main Replacement	3,190,000	3,480,000	(290,000)
Sewer Solar	60,000	120,000	(60,000)
Water Tower	140,000	160,000	(20,000)
Water Wells & Treatment Facility	8,820,000	9,340,000	(520,000)
Add: Unamortized Premium	948,770	1,004,580	(55,810)
<b>Total Business-type Activities</b>	<b>\$ 14,090,377</b>	<b>\$ 15,220,896</b>	<b>\$ (1,130,519)</b>
<b>Total Primary Government</b>	<b>\$ 31,151,743</b>	<b>\$ 34,480,629</b>	<b>\$ (3,328,886)</b>

Please refer to **Notes 5 and 10** for further discussion of the major capital and debt activities

### ***Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets & Rates***

- The Town experienced new growth in fiscal 2025 of \$522,319.
- The fiscal 2025 tax rate was set at \$13.80 residential and commercial.
- 2024 Free Cash was certified at \$5,625,563 for the Town's General Fund, an increase of \$483,000 over the last fiscal year. This amount represents that portion of General Fund unassigned fund balance that is available for appropriation at future Town Meetings.
- Excess levy capacity is the difference between the Town's actual levy and the Town's maximum allowable levy including debt exclusions. The Town's excess levy capacity for fiscal year 2025 totaled \$211,812
- The average 2025 single family home in the Town of Medfield was valued at \$984,100 with an average annual tax bill of \$13,581.
- The Town has a balanced budget for FY2025 and is in the process of preparing a balanced budget for FY2026.

### ***Request for Information***

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Medfield's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to: Office of the Town Accountant, 459 Main Street, Medfield, MA 02052.

**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

<b>PRIMARY GOVERNMENT</b>				
	<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	
<b>ASSETS</b>				
CURRENT:				
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 21,765,014	\$ 4,280,623	\$ 26,045,637	
INVESTMENTS	17,690,823	-	17,690,823	
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	400,219	-	400,219	
TAX LIENS	572,377	-	572,377	
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	135,634	-	135,634	
USER FEES	-	2,112,550	2,112,550	
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	209,339	-	209,339	
LEASES	196,275	111,062	307,337	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	481,107	-	481,107	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	31,221	-	31,221	
NONCURRENT:				
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:				
LEASES	2,570,250	2,119,030	4,689,280	
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	111,606,098	24,201,018	135,807,116	
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>155,658,357</u>	<u>32,824,283</u>	<u>188,482,640</u>	
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
RELATED TO PENSIONS	10,786,975	543,881	11,330,856	
RELATED TO POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	885,854	16,697	902,551	
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>11,672,829</u>	<u>560,578</u>	<u>12,233,407</u>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
CURRENT:				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	4,118,974	61,655	4,180,629	
ACCURRED LIABILITIES	411,088	-	411,088	
OTHER LIABILITIES	644,704	-	644,704	
ACCRUED INTEREST	125,651	51,526	177,177	
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	573,171	35,169	608,340	
CAPITAL LEASES PAYABLE	44,029	-	44,029	
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	2,058,366	1,132,059	3,190,425	
NONCURRENT:				
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	800,238	6,239	806,477	
POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	28,321,038	533,815	28,854,853	
NET PENSION LIABILITY	22,469,427	1,132,912	23,602,339	
CAPITAL LEASES PAYABLE	230,135	-	230,135	
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	15,003,000	12,958,318	27,961,318	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>74,799,821</u>	<u>15,911,693</u>	<u>90,711,514</u>	
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
RELATED TO PENSIONS	3,487,126	175,822	3,662,948	
RELATED TO POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	7,475,515	140,904	7,616,419	
RELATED TO LEASES	2,766,525	2,230,092	4,996,617	
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>13,729,166</u>	<u>2,546,818</u>	<u>16,275,984</u>	
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	94,270,568	11,258,912	105,529,480	
RESTRICTED FOR:				
PERMANENT FUNDS:				
EXPENDABLE	2,219,633	-	2,219,633	
OTHER PURPOSES	18,353,428	-	18,353,428	
UNRESTRICTED	(36,041,430)	3,667,438	(32,373,992)	
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 78,802,199</u>	<u>\$ 14,926,350</u>	<u>\$ 93,728,549</u>	

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

<b><u>FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS</u></b>	<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>	<b>PROGRAM REVENUES</b>			<b><u>NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE</u></b>		
		<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	<b>OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>			
<b>PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:</b>							
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:							
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 4,361,233	\$ 2,188,321	\$ 529,535	\$ -	\$ (1,643,377)		
PUBLIC SAFETY	5,947,585	1,648,037	283,429	-	(4,016,119)		
EDUCATION	49,512,156	1,981,695	10,341,999	-	(37,188,462)		
PUBLIC WORKS	4,794,642	381,009	418,119	-	(3,995,514)		
HUMAN SERVICES	1,074,121	85,938	287,374	-	(700,809)		
CULTURE & RECREATION	2,083,959	927,531	339,533	100,000	(716,895)		
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	15,022,221	-	7,921,337	-	(7,100,884)		
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	533,621	-	-	-	(533,621)		
INTEREST	656,777	-	-	-	(656,777)		
<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>83,986,315</b>	<b>7,212,531</b>	<b>20,121,326</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>(56,552,458)</b>		
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:							
WATER	2,324,898	3,018,283	92,614	-	785,999		
SEWER	2,205,463	2,256,876	-	-	51,413		
<b>TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>4,530,361</b>	<b>5,275,159</b>	<b>92,614</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>837,412</b>		
<b>TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$ 88,516,676</b>	<b>\$ 12,487,690</b>	<b>\$ 20,213,940</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ (55,715,046)</b>		

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>PRIMARY GOVERNMENT</b>		
	<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>			
NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE FROM PREVIOUS PAGE	\$ (56,552,458)	\$ 837,412	\$ (55,715,046)
<b>GENERAL REVENUES:</b>			
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES,			
NET OF TAX REFUNDS PAYABLE	54,687,903	-	54,687,903
MOTOR VEHICLE AND OTHER EXCISE TAXES	2,628,043	-	2,628,043
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX	212,856	-	212,856
PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES	170,113	-	170,113
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	8,451	-	8,451
GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS NOT RESTRICTED			
TO SPECIFIC PROGRAMS	2,016,006	-	2,016,006
UNRESTRICTED INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>1,701,512</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,701,512</u>
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES	<u>61,424,884</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61,424,884</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	4,872,426	837,412	5,709,838
<b>NET POSITION:</b>			
BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>73,929,773</u>	<u>14,088,938</u>	<u>88,018,711</u>
END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 78,802,199</u>	<u>\$ 14,926,350</u>	<u>\$ 93,728,549</u>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>			<b>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</b>
	<b>GENERAL</b>			
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 12,345,458	\$ 9,419,556	\$ 21,765,014	
INVESTMENTS	15,018,920	2,671,903		17,690,823
RECEIVABLES, NET OF ALLOWANCE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLES:				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	400,219	-	400,219	
TAX LIENS	572,377	-	572,377	
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	135,634	-	135,634	
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	209,339	-	209,339	
LEASES	2,766,525	-	2,766,525	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	-	481,107	481,107	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	31,221	-		31,221
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 31,479,693</b>	<b>\$ 12,572,566</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>44,052,259</b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</u></b>				
LIABILITIES:				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 3,663,361	\$ 455,613	\$ 4,118,974	
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	411,088	-	411,088	
OTHER LIABILITIES	111,224	533,480		644,704
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>4,185,673</b>	<b>989,093</b>	<b></b>	<b>5,174,766</b>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:				
RELATED TO LEASES	2,766,525	-	2,766,525	
UNAVAILABLE REVENUE	1,268,776	-	1,268,776	
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>4,035,301</b>	<b>-</b>	<b></b>	<b>4,035,301</b>
FUND BALANCES:				
RESTRICTED	3,300,778	12,225,519	15,526,297	
COMMITTED	3,125,654	-	3,125,654	
ASSIGNED	2,327,127	-	2,327,127	
UNASSIGNED	14,505,160	(642,046)		13,863,114
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>23,258,719</b>	<b>11,583,473</b>	<b></b>	<b>34,842,192</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 31,479,693</b>	<b>\$ 12,572,566</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>44,052,259</b>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u>	<u>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS</u>
<b><u>REVENUES:</u></b>			
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES, NET OF TAX REFUNDS	\$ 54,720,750	\$ -	\$ 54,720,750
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	16,537,976	4,782,306	21,320,282
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	2,613,147	-	2,613,147
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	8,452	-	8,452
PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES	170,113	-	170,113
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	-	4,769,629	4,769,629
INVESTMENT INCOME	1,701,514	133,429	1,834,943
CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS	-	518,196	518,196
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	2,923,430	120,819	3,044,249
 TOTAL REVENUES	 78,675,382	 10,324,379	 88,999,761
<b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>			
CURRENT:			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	3,375,140	1,019,306	4,394,446
PUBLIC SAFETY	4,966,431	297,327	5,263,758
EDUCATION	42,679,929	6,194,879	48,874,808
PUBLIC WORKS	3,269,513	1,016,328	4,285,841
HUMAN SERVICES	688,665	304,264	992,929
CULTURE & RECREATION	1,280,973	1,447,256	2,728,229
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	17,291,860	57,131	17,348,991
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	533,621	-	533,621
DEBT SERVICE			
PRINCIPAL	2,150,000	-	2,150,000
INTEREST	717,477	-	717,477
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 76,953,609	 10,336,491	 87,290,100
 <b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	 1,721,773	 (12,112)	 1,709,661
<b><u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</u></b>			
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	1,020,846	135,744	1,156,590
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(81,494)	(1,075,096)	(1,156,590)
 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 939,352	 (939,352)	 -
 <b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	 2,661,125	 (951,464)	 1,709,661
 <b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	 20,597,594	 12,534,937	 33,132,531
 <b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR</b>	 \$ 23,258,719	 \$ 11,583,473	 \$ 34,842,192

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET**  
**TOTAL FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 34,842,192</b>
CAPITAL ASSETS (NET) USED IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES ARE NOT FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED IN THE FUNDS	111,606,098
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR CURRENT-PERIOD EXPENDITURES AND, THEREFORE, ARE DEFERRED IN THE FUNDS	1,268,776
IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES, INTEREST IS ACCRUED ON OUTSTANDING LONG-TERM DEBT, WHEREAS IN GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS INTEREST IS NOT REPORTED UNTIL DUE	(125,651)
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES ARE NOT DUE AND PAYABLE IN THE CURRENT PERIOD AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED IN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	(16,950,000)
CAPITAL LEASES PAYABLE	(274,164)
UNAMORTIZED BOND PREMIUM	(111,366)
NET PENSION LIABILITY	(22,469,427)
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO PENSIONS	(3,487,126)
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO PENSIONS	10,786,975
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	(1,373,409)
POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	(28,321,038)
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	(7,475,515)
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	885,854
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	<u>(68,789,216)</u>
<b>NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b><u>\$ 78,802,199</u></b>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

**NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS** \$ 1,709,661

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REPORT CAPITAL OUTLAYS AS EXPENDITURES. HOWEVER, IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES THE COST OF THOSE ASSETS IS ALLOCATED OVER THEIR ESTIMATED USEFUL LIVES AND REPORTED AS DEPRECIATION EXPENSE.

CAPITAL OUTLAY	3,551,029
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	<u>(4,828,100)</u>

NET EFFECT OF REPORTING CAPITAL ASSETS	(1,277,071)
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REVENUES IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT PROVIDE CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES ARE FULLY DEFERRED IN THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES. THEREFORE, THE RECOGNITION OF REVENUE FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (I.E. REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE, ETC.) DIFFER BETWEEN THE TWO STATEMENTS. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS THE NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED REVENUE (141,020)

THE ISSUANCE OF LONG-TERM DEBT (E.G., BONDS) PROVIDES CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS, WHILE THE REPAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF LONG-TERM DEBT CONSUMES THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS. NEITHER TRANSACTION, HOWEVER, HAS ANY EFFECT ON NET ASSETS. ALSO, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REPORT THE EFFECT OF ISSUANCE COSTS, PREMIUMS, DISCOUNTS, AND SIMILAR ITEMS WHEN DEBT IS FIRST ISSUED, WHEREAS THESE AMOUNTS ARE DEFERRED AND AMORTIZED IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES.

CAPITAL LEASE PAYMENTS	43,386
DEBT SERVICE PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS	<u>2,150,000</u>
NET EFFECT OF REPORTING LONG-TERM DEBT	2,193,386

SOME EXPENSES REPORTED IN THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF CURRENT FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REPORTED AS EXPENDITURES IN THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS.

NET CHANGE IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES ACCRUAL	(56,707)
NET CHANGE IN POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS ACCRUAL	(849,823)
NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	2,988,554
NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	(260,208)
NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO PENSIONS	557,551
NET CHANGE IN DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES - RELATED TO PENSIONS	2,452,268
NET CHANGE IN NET PENSION LIABILITY	(2,504,865)
NET CHANGE IN UNAMORTIZED BOND PREMIUM	48,367
NET CHANGE IN ACCRUED INTEREST ON LONG-TERM DEBT	<u>12,333</u>
NET EFFECT OF RECORDING LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	<u>2,387,470</u>

**CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES** \$ 4,872,426

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS  
GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</b>		<b>ACTUAL BUDGETARY AMOUNTS</b>	<b>VARIANCE POSITIVE (NEGATIVE)</b>
	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>FINAL BUDGET</b>		
<b><u>REVENUES:</u></b>				
REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES, NET OF TAX REFUNDS	\$ 54,556,986	\$ 54,556,986	\$ 54,720,750	\$ 163,764
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES	2,150,000	2,150,000	2,613,147	463,147
PENALTIES & INTEREST ON TAXES	70,000	70,000	170,113	100,113
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	8,522,632	8,522,632	8,699,410	176,778
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	4,642	4,642	8,452	3,810
INVESTMENT INCOME	460,000	460,000	1,246,178	786,178
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	2,368,362	2,368,362	2,823,333	454,971
 TOTAL REVENUES	 68,132,622	 68,132,622	 70,281,383	 2,148,761
<b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>				
CURRENT:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	4,421,841	4,351,431	3,949,491	401,940
PUBLIC SAFETY	5,368,228	5,368,733	5,090,381	278,352
EDUCATION	44,670,235	44,670,235	44,461,275	208,960
PUBLIC WORKS	4,181,030	4,216,234	3,641,985	574,249
HUMAN SERVICES	1,151,377	1,172,119	1,038,449	133,670
CULTURE & RECREATION	1,717,541	1,731,500	1,563,806	167,694
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	10,147,380	10,147,380	9,454,206	693,174
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	588,875	588,875	533,621	55,254
DEBT SERVICE:				
PRINCIPAL	2,150,000	2,150,000	2,150,000	-
INTEREST	717,479	717,479	717,477	2
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 75,113,986	 75,113,986	 72,600,691	 2,513,295
 EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	 (6,981,364)	 (6,981,364)	 (2,319,308)	 4,662,056
<b><u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</u></b>				
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	860,111	860,111	1,020,846	160,735
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(5,000)	(5,000)	(13,494)	(8,494)
 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 855,111	 855,111	 1,007,352	 152,241
 NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	 (6,126,253)	 (6,126,253)	 (1,311,956)	 4,814,297
 BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 12,210,749	 12,210,749	 12,210,749	 -
 BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	 \$ 6,084,496	 \$ 6,084,496	 \$ 10,898,793	 \$ 4,814,297

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS</b>			
<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>WATER</b>	<b>SEWER</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
CURRENT:			
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS	\$ 2,573,420	\$ 1,707,203	\$ 4,280,623
USER FEES	1,246,303	866,247	2,112,550
LEASES	111,062	-	111,062
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>3,930,785</u>	<u>2,573,450</u>	<u>6,504,235</u>
NONCURRENT:			
LEASES	2,119,030	-	2,119,030
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	20,781,845	3,419,173	24,201,018
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	<u>22,900,875</u>	<u>3,419,173</u>	<u>26,320,048</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>26,831,660</u>	<u>5,992,623</u>	<u>32,824,283</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
RELATED TO PENSIONS	317,264	226,617	543,881
RELATED TO POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	10,379	6,318	16,697
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>327,643</u>	<u>232,935</u>	<u>560,578</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
CURRENT:			
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	37,408	24,247	61,655
ACCRUED INTEREST	46,069	5,457	51,526
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	29,971	5,198	35,169
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	975,810	156,249	1,132,059
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>1,089,258</u>	<u>191,151</u>	<u>1,280,409</u>
NONCURRENT:			
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	6,239	-	6,239
POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	331,831	201,984	533,815
NET PENSION LIABILITY	660,865	472,047	1,132,912
BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	12,482,960	475,358	12,958,318
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>13,481,895</u>	<u>1,149,389</u>	<u>14,631,284</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>14,571,153</u>	<u>1,340,540</u>	<u>15,911,693</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
RELATED TO PENSIONS	102,563	73,259	175,822
RELATED TO POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	87,589	53,315	140,904
RELATED TO LEASES	2,230,092	-	2,230,092
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>2,420,244</u>	<u>126,574</u>	<u>2,546,818</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	8,463,854	2,795,058	11,258,912
UNRESTRICTED	<u>1,704,052</u>	<u>1,963,386</u>	<u>3,667,438</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	<u>\$ 10,167,906</u>	<u>\$ 4,758,444</u>	<u>\$ 14,926,350</u>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS</b>		
	<b>WATER</b>	<b>SEWER</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b><u>OPERATING REVENUES:</u></b>			
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$ 3,018,283	\$ 2,256,876	\$ 5,275,159
DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER	<u>92,614</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>92,614</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b><u>3,110,897</u></b>	<b><u>2,256,876</u></b>	<b><u>5,367,773</u></b>
<b><u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u></b>			
GENERAL SERVICES	1,590,658	1,967,876	3,558,534
DEPRECIATION	<u>371,743</u>	<u>220,005</u>	<u>591,748</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>1,962,401</u></b>	<b><u>2,187,881</u></b>	<b><u>4,150,282</u></b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b><u>1,148,496</u></b>	<b><u>68,995</u></b>	<b><u>1,217,491</u></b>
<b><u>NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):</u></b>			
INTEREST EXPENSE	<u>(362,497)</u>	<u>(17,582)</u>	<u>(380,079)</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>785,999</b>	<b>51,413</b>	<b>837,412</b>
<b>NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b><u>9,381,907</u></b>	<b><u>4,707,031</u></b>	<b><u>14,088,938</u></b>
<b>NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b><u>\$ 10,167,906</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,758,444</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 14,926,350</u></b>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

<b>BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUNDS</b>			
	<b>WATER</b>	<b>SEWER</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b><u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u></b>			
RECEIPTS FROM CUSTOMERS AND USERS	\$ 2,945,571	\$ 2,158,505	\$ 5,104,076
PAYMENTS TO SUPPLIERS	(1,119,571)	(1,662,595)	(2,782,166)
PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES	(485,111)	(311,401)	(796,512)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>1,340,889</u>	<u>184,509</u>	<u>1,525,398</u>
<b><u>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</u></b>			
PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ON BONDS AND NOTES	(920,000)	(154,709)	(1,074,709)
ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CAPITAL ASSETS	(1,067,420)	(127,865)	(1,195,285)
INTEREST EXPENSE	<u>(423,531)</u>	<u>(18,767)</u>	<u>(442,298)</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	<u>(2,410,951)</u>	<u>(301,341)</u>	<u>(2,712,292)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS	(1,070,062)	(116,832)	(1,186,894)
<b>CASH AND SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>3,643,482</u>	<u>1,824,035</u>	<u>5,467,517</u>
<b>CASH AND SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 2,573,420</u>	<u>\$ 1,707,203</u>	<u>\$ 4,280,623</u>
<b><u>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</u></b>			
<b><u>TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</u></b>			
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<u>\$ 1,148,496</u>	<u>\$ 68,995</u>	<u>\$ 1,217,491</u>
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)			
TO NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
DEPRECIATION	371,743	220,005	591,748
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	(165,326)	(98,371)	(263,697)
(INCREASE) DECREASE IN DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	(69,077)	(49,662)	(118,739)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	23,448	18,362	41,810
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES PAYABLE	(610)	(477)	(1,087)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	9,957	6,061	16,018
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	(51,414)	(33,027)	(84,441)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET PENSION LIABILITY	<u>73,672</u>	<u>52,623</u>	<u>126,295</u>
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	<u>192,393</u>	<u>115,514</u>	<u>307,907</u>
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<u>\$ 1,340,889</u>	<u>\$ 184,509</u>	<u>\$ 1,525,398</u>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST</b>	<b>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</b>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
INVESTMENTS	\$ 7,960,803	\$ 131,888
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>	-	-
<b><u>NET POSITION</u></b>		
HELD IN TRUST FOR PLAN PARTICIPANTS	7,960,803	-
HELD IN TRUST FOR OTHER PURPOSES	-	131,888
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,960,803</b>	<b>\$ 131,888</b>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024**

	<b>POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST</b>	<b>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</b>
<b><u>ADDITIONS:</u></b>		
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 525,000	\$ -
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO PAY FOR OPEB BENEFITS	1,400,266	-
NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS):		
INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>676,861</u>	<u>6,694</u>
TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>2,602,127</u>	<u>6,694</u>
<b><u>DEDUCTIONS:</u></b>		
BENEFIT PAYMENTS	1,400,266	-
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>-</u>	<u>6,805</u>
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<u>1,400,266</u>	<u>6,805</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	1,201,861	(111)
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>6,758,942</u>	<u>131,999</u>
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 7,960,803</u>	<u>\$ 131,888</u>

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

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**NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying basic financial statements of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts (the Town) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant Town accounting policies:

**A. Reporting Entity**

*Primary Government*

The Town is a municipal corporation that is governed by a three member Select Board (the Board). The Board is responsible for appointing a Town Administrator whose responsibility is to manage the day to day operations. For financial reporting purposes, the Town has included all funds, organizations, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions and institutions. The Town has also considered all potential component units, blended or discretely presented, for which it is financially accountable as well as other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Town are such that exclusion would cause the basic financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations and discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the government. It has been determined that there are no component units (blended or discretely presented) for inclusion in the primary government's financial reporting entity.

**B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

*Government-Wide Financial Statements*

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government. *Governmental activities*, which are primarily supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which are supported primarily by user fees and charges.

*Fund Financial Statements*

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though fiduciary funds are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and displayed in a single column.

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**JUNE 30, 2024**

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*Major Fund Criteria*

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the Town or it meets the following criteria:

- a. If the total assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of an individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding element (assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, etc.) for all funds of that category or type (total governmental or total enterprise funds), and
- b. If the total assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding element for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

Additionally, any other governmental or enterprise fund that management believes is particularly significant to the basic financial statements may be reported as a major fund.

Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

**C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

*Government-Wide Financial Statements*

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred. Real estate and personal property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a particular function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include the following:

- a. *Charges to customers* or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment.
- b. *Grants and contributions* that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or segment.
- c. *Grants and contributions* that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Taxes and other items not identifiable as program revenues are reported as general revenues.

For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions are charges between the general fund and the various enterprise funds. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the functions affected.

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**Fund Financial Statements**

***Governmental Fund Financial Statements***

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and the non-current portion of compensated absences, capital leases, net pension liability, and other postemployment benefits (**OPEB**) which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with current expendable available resources.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, there are essentially two types of revenues. In one, moneys must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Town; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures incurred. In the other, moneys are virtually unrestricted and are usually revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

The Town considers property taxes as available if they are due and collected within 60 days after fiscal year-end. Licenses and permits, user charges, fines and forfeitures, and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- The *General fund* is the primary operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The *Nonmajor Governmental funds* consist of other special revenue, capital projects funds that are aggregated and presented in the nonmajor governmental funds column on the governmental funds financial statements. The following describes the general use of these fund types:
  - The *Special Revenue fund* is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than capital projects funds) that are restricted by law or administrative action to expenditures for specified purposes.
  - The *Capital Projects fund* is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by enterprise and trust funds).

***Proprietary Fund Financial Statements***

*Proprietary fund* financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liabilities are incurred.

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Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the proprietary funds principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The following major proprietary funds are reported:

- The *Water Enterprise fund* is used to account for water activities.
- The *Sewer Enterprise fund* is used to account for sewer activities.

***Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements***

*Fiduciary fund* financial statements are reported using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity for others that cannot be used to support the governmental programs.

The following fiduciary fund types are reported:

- The *Private-Purpose Trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the permanent fund (nonmajor governmental funds), under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.
- The *Postemployment Benefits Trust fund* is used to account for assets held to fund future postemployment benefits of current and retired employees.

**D. Cash and Investments**

*Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements*

Cash and short term investments are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Investments are reported at fair value.

**E. Fair Value Measurements**

The Town reports required types of financial instruments in accordance with the fair value standards. These standards require an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs (such as quoted prices in active markets) and minimize the use of unobservable inputs (such as appraisals or valuation techniques) to determine fair value. Fair value standards also require the government to classify these financial instruments into a three-level hierarchy, based on the priority of inputs to the valuation technique or in accordance with net asset value practical expedient rules, which allow for either Level 2 or Level 3 depending on lock up and notice periods associated with the underlying funds. Instruments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

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Level 1 – Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical instruments as of the reporting date. Instruments, which are generally included in this category, include actively traded equity and debt securities, U.S. government obligations, and mutual funds with quoted market prices in active markets.

Level 2 – Pricing inputs are other than quoted in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value is determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. Certain fixed income securities, primarily corporate bonds, are classified as Level 2 because fair values are estimated using pricing models, matrix pricing, or discounted cash flows.

Level 3 – Pricing inputs are unobservable for the instrument and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the instrument. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. In some instances the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy and is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Market price is affected by a number of factors, including the type of instrument and the characteristics specific to the instrument. Instruments with readily available active quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value. It is reasonably possible that change in values of these instruments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect amounts reported in these financial statements. For more information on the fair value of the Town’s financial instruments, see Note 3 – Fair Market Value of Investments.

## **F. Accounts Receivable**

### *Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements*

The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the government-wide financial statements and proprietary and fiduciary funds financial statements are reported under the accrual basis of accounting. The recognition of revenue related to accounts receivable reported in the governmental funds financial statements are reported under the modified accrual basis of accounting.

### *Real Estate, Personal Property Taxes and Tax Liens*

Real estate and personal property taxes are based on values assessed as of each January 1 and are normally due on the subsequent August 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1. Property taxes that remain unpaid after the respective due dates are subject to penalties and interest charges. By law, all taxable property in the Commonwealth must be assessed at 100% of fair market value. Once levied, which is required to be at least 30 days prior to the due date, these taxes are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of levy.

Based on the Town’s experience, most property taxes are collected during the year in which they are assessed. The lien of properties on which taxes remain unpaid occurs annually. The Town ultimately has the right to foreclose on all properties where the taxes remain unpaid.

A statewide property tax limitation statute known as “Proposition 2 ½” limits the amount of increase in property tax levy in any fiscal year. Generally, Proposition 2 ½ limits the total levy to an amount not greater than 2 ½ % of the total assessed value of all taxable property within the Town. Secondly, the tax levy cannot increase by more than 2 ½ % of the prior year’s levy plus the taxes on property newly added to the tax rolls. Certain provisions of Proposition 2 ½ can be overridden by a Town-wide referendum.

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Real estate receivables are secured via the tax lien process and are considered 100% collectible. Accordingly, an allowance for uncollectibles is not reported.

Personal property taxes cannot be secured through the lien process. The allowance of uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

*Motor Vehicle Excise*

Motor vehicle excise taxes are assessed annually for each vehicle registered in the Town and are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy. The Commonwealth is responsible for reporting the number of vehicles registered and the fair values of those vehicles. The tax calculation is the fair value of the vehicle multiplied by \$25 per \$1,000 of value.

The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

*Water and Sewer*

User fees are levied (monthly, quarterly and semi-annually) based on residential and commercial meter readings and are subject to penalties and interest if they are not paid by the respective due date. Water and sewer liens are processed in December of every year and included as a lien on the property owner's tax bill. Water and sewer charges and related liens are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy.

Since the receivables are secured via the lien process, these accounts are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

*Departmental and Other*

Departmental and other receivables consist primarily of Ambulance receivables and are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year accrued. The allowance for uncollectibles is estimated based on historical trends and specific account analysis.

*Special Assessments*

Governmental activities special assessments consist primarily of Sewer Betterment receivables which are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year accrued. Since the receivables are secured via the lien process, these assets are considered 100% collectable and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

*Intergovernmental*

Various federal and state grants for operating and capital purposes are applied for and received annually. For non-expenditure driven grants, receivables are recognized as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. For expenditure driven grants, receivables are recognized when the qualifying expenditures are incurred and all other grant requirements are met.

These receivables are considered 100% collectible and therefore do not report an allowance for uncollectibles.

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*Leases Receivables*

The Town determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Leases are included in lease receivables and deferred inflows of resources in the statement of net position.

Lease receivables represents the Town's claim to lease payments over the lease term, as specified in the contract, in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Lease receivables are recognized at the commencement date. Interest revenue is recognized ratably over the contract term.

Deferred inflows of resources related to leases are recognized at the commencement date based on the initial measurement of the lease receivable, plus any payments received from the lease before the commencement of the lease term. The deferred inflows related leases are recognized as lease revenue in a systematic and rational manner over the lease term.

The Town has elected to recognize payments received for short-term leases with a lease term of 12 months or less as revenue as the payments are received. These leases are not included as lease receivables or deferred inflows on the statements of net position.

The individual lease contracts do not provide information about the discount rate implicit in the lease. Therefore, the Town has elected to use their borrowing rate at the time of the contract to calculate the present value of expected lease payments.

**G. Inventories**

*Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements*

Inventories of the governmental funds and the water and sewer enterprise funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. Such inventories are not material in total to the basic financial statements, and therefore are not reported.

**H. Capital Assets**

*Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements*

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, vehicles, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, textbooks and software, infrastructure (e.g., water mains, sewer mains, roadways, and similar items), and construction in progress are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column of the government-wide financial statements, and the proprietary fund financial statements. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost, or at estimated historical cost, if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Except for the capital assets of the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements, construction period interest is capitalized on constructed capital assets if material.

All purchases and construction costs in excess of \$25,000 are capitalized at the date of acquisition or construction, respectively, with expected useful lives of five years or greater.

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Capital assets (excluding land and construction in progress) are depreciated on a straight-line basis. The estimated useful lives of capital assets are as follows:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Estimated Useful Life (in years)</b>
Buildings and Improvements	5-40
Land Improvements	15-20
Machinery and Equipment	7-30
Vehicles	5-15
Infrastructure	20-50
Text books and Software	10-20

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized and are treated as expenses when incurred. Improvements are capitalized.

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements*

Capital asset costs are recorded as expenditures in the fiscal year of purchase for the various funds.

**I. Interfund Receivables and Payables**

During the course of its operations, transactions occur between and within individual funds that may result in amounts owed between funds.

*Government-Wide Financial Statements*

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within governmental funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net position. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the statement of net position as "internal balances".

*Fund Financial Statements*

Transactions of a buyer/seller nature between and within funds are not eliminated from the individual fund statements. Receivables and payables resulting from these transactions are classified as "Due from other funds" or "Due to other funds" on the balance sheet.

**J. Interfund Transfers**

During the course of its operations, resources are permanently reallocated between and within funds. These transactions are reported as operating transfers in and operating transfers out.

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*Government-Wide Financial Statements*

Operating transfers between and within governmental funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of net position.

*Fund Financial Statements*

Operating transfers between and within funds are not eliminated from the individual fund statements and are reported as operating transfers in and operating transfers out.

**K. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

*Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Position)*

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/ expenditure) until then. The Town reported deferred outflows of resources related to postemployment benefits and pensions in this category.

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 Town reported deferred inflows of resources related to leases, post employment benefits, and pensions in this category.

*Governmental Funds Financial Statements*

In addition to liabilities, the governmental funds balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents assets that have been recorded in the governmental fund financial statements but the revenue is not available and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until it becomes available. The Town has recorded unavailable revenue as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds balance sheet. Unavailable revenue is recognized as revenue in the conversion to the government-wide (full accrual) financial statements.

**L. Net Position and Fund Equity**

*Government-Wide Financial Statements (Net Position)*

Net position is classified into three components:

- a. *Net investment in capital assets*, – consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

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b. *Restricted net position* – Consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Net position have been “restricted” for the following:

- *Permanent funds – expendable* represents amounts held in trust for which the expenditures are restricted by various trust agreements.
- *Other specific purposes* represent restrictions placed on assets from outside parties.

c. *Unrestricted net position* – All other net position that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “net investment in capital assets”

*Fund Financial Statements (Fund Balances)*

The Town uses the following criteria for fund balance classification:

- For *restricted* fund balance: when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either (1) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- For *committed* fund balance: (1) the government’s highest level of decision-making authority and (2) the formal action that is required to be taken to establish (and modify or rescind) a fund balance commitment.
- For *assigned* fund balance: (1) the body or official authorized to assign amounts to a specific purpose and (2) the policy established by the governing body pursuant to which the authorization is given.
- For *unassigned* fund balance: is the residual classification for the general fund. In other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

The Town uses the following criteria for fund balance policies and procedures:

- When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the unrestricted amount will be considered to have been spent.
- When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balance is available, and the least restricted amount will be considered to have been spent.

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**M. Long-term debt**

*Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements*

Long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net position. Material bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements*

The face amount of governmental funds long-term debt is reported as other financing sources. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are recognized in the current period. Bond premiums are reported as other financing sources and bond discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual bond proceeds received, are reported as general government expenditures.

*Lease Payable*

The Town determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Leases are included in lease assets and lease liabilities in the statement of net position.

Lease assets represents the Town's control of the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, as specified in the contract, in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Lease assets are recognized at commencement date based on the intial measurement of the lease liability, plus any payments made to the lessor at or before the commencement of the lease term and certain direct costs. Lease assets are amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Lease liabilities represent the Town's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Lease liabilities are recognized at the commencement date based on the present value of expected lease payments over the lease term, less any lease incentives. Interest expense is recognized ratably over the contract term.

The Town has elected to recognize payments received for short-term leases with a lease term of 12 months or less as expenses as incurred, and these leases are not included as lease liabilities or right-to-use lease assets on the statements of net position.

**N. Investment Income**

Excluding the permanent funds, investment income derived from major and nonmajor governmental funds is legally assigned to the general fund unless otherwise directed by Massachusetts General Laws (*MGL*).

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**O. Compensated Absences**

Employees are granted sick and vacation leave in varying amounts. Upon retirement, termination or death, certain employees are compensated for unused sick and vacation leave (subject to certain limitations) at their then current rates of pay.

*Government-Wide and Proprietary Fund Financial Statements*

The total amount to be paid in future years is presented in the government-wide and proprietary funds statement of net position. The liability for vacation leave is based on the amount earned but not used; for sick leave, it is based on the amount accumulated at the balance sheet date (vesting method).

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements*

The portion of the liability related to unused sick and vacation time that has matured or is due as of June 30, 2024 is recorded in the governmental fund financial statement.

**P. Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Norfolk County Retirement System (NCRS) and the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System (MTRS), additions to/deductions from the System's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

**Q. Post-Retirement Benefits**

*Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements*

In addition to providing pension benefits, health and life insurance coverage is provided for retired employees and their survivors in accordance with MGL Chapter 32B, of Massachusetts General Laws, under various contributory plans. The cost of providing health and life insurance is recognized by recording the employer's 50% share of insurance premiums in the general fund in the fiscal year paid. All benefits are provided through third-party insurance carriers and health maintenance organizations that administer, assume, and pay all claims.

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**R. Use of Estimates**

*Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements*

The preparation of the accompanying financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

**S. Total Column**

*Government-Wide Financial Statements*

The total column presented on the government-wide financial statements represents consolidated financial information.

*Fund Financial Statements*

The total column on the fund financial statements is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column is not comparable to the consolidated financial information.

**NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

*A. Budgetary Basis of Accounting*

Pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town adopts an annual budget for the general fund. The budgets for all departments and operations of the Town, except that of the public schools, are prepared under the direction of the Town Administrator. The School Department budget is prepared under the direction of the School Committee. The level of expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations for each department or undertaking in the following categories: (1) salaries and wages; (2) ordinary maintenance; and (3) capital outlays.

The majority of appropriations are non-continuing which lapse at the end of each fiscal year. Others are continuing appropriations for which the governing body has authorized that an unspent balance from a prior fiscal year be carried forward and made available for spending in the current fiscal year. These carry forward articles, are included as part of the subsequent fiscal year's original budget.

Original and supplemental appropriations are enacted upon by a Town Meeting vote. Management may not amend the budget without seeking the approval of the governing body. The Town's Warrant Committee can legally transfer funds from its reserve fund to other appropriations within the budget without seeking Town Meeting approvals. The original fiscal year 2024 approved budget authorized \$71,206,993 in current year appropriations and other amounts to be raised and \$3,906,993 in encumbrances and appropriations carried forward from previous fiscal years.

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The Town Accountant has the responsibility to ensure that budgetary controls are maintained and monitored through the accounting system.

*B. Budgetary – GAAP Reconciliation*

For budgetary financial reporting purposes, the Uniform Municipal Accounting System basis of accounting (established by the Commonwealth) is followed, which differs from the GAAP basis of accounting. A reconciliation of budgetary-basis to GAAP-basis results for the general fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, is presented below:

Net change in fund balance - budgetary basis	\$ (1,311,956)
<b>Basis of accounting differences:</b>	
Net stabilization fund activity	487,432
Increase in revenue for on-behalf payments - MTRS	7,838,566
Increase in expenditures for on-behalf payments - MTRS	(7,838,566)
Adjustment for Current Year Encumbrances	359,995
Adjustment for Current Year Articles	<u>3,125,654</u>
Net change in fund balance - GAAP basis	<u>\$ 2,661,125</u>

*C. Deficit Fund Balances*

Several individual fund deficits exist within the special revenue funds. These individual deficits will be eliminated through subsequent fiscal year budget transfers, grants, and/or proceeds from long term debt during fiscal year 2025.

**NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available to the Town. Deposits (including demand deposits, term deposits and certificates of deposit) in any one financial institution may not exceed certain levels unless collateralized by the financial institutions involved.

*Deposits*

▪ *Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits*

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55, limits the deposits "in a bank or trust company, or banking company to an amount not exceeding sixty percent (60%) of the capital and surplus of such bank or trust company or banking company, unless satisfactory security is given to it by such bank or trust company or Banking Company for such excess."

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When possible, deposits should be made to institutions maintaining FDIC and DIF insurance or commercial institutions offering collateralization of funds above the FDIC limits.

The Town carries deposits that are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), and the Depositor's Insurance Fund (DIF). The Town also carries deposits that are uninsured, uncollateralized, or collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department not in the Town's name.

The following table illustrates how much of the Town's bank deposits are insured, and how much of the Town's bank deposits are uninsured, uncollateralized, or collateral held by the pledging bank's trust department not in the Town's name as of June 30, 2024:

Total bank balances	<u>\$ 15,618,096</u>
Bank balances covered by deposit insurance	
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)	1,425,018
Depositor's Insurance Fund (DIF)	<u>1,220,725</u>
Total bank balances covered by deposit insurance	2,645,743
Balances subject to custodial credit risk	
Bank balances collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institutions trust department or agent but not in the Town's name	7,359,236
Bank balances uninsured & uncollateralized	<u>5,613,117</u>
Total bank balances subject to custodial credit risk	<u>12,972,353</u>
Total bank balances	<u>\$ 15,618,096</u>

*Investments*

Investments can also be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. government or agencies that have a maturity of less than one year from the date of purchase, repurchase agreement guaranteed by the U.S. government or agencies that have a maturity of less than one year from the date of purchase, repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase, and units in the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT). The Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts oversees the financial management of the MMDT, a local investment pool for cities, towns, and other state and local agencies within the Commonwealth. The Town's fair value of its investment in MMDT represents their value of the pool's shares. The Town's Trust Funds have expanded investment powers including the ability to invest in equity securities, corporate bonds, annuities and other specified investments.

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The composition of the Town's bank recorded deposits and investments fluctuates depending primarily on the timing of property tax receipts, proceeds from borrowings, collections of state and federal aid, and capital outlays throughout the year.

- Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. For short-term investments that were purchased using surplus revenues, Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55, limits the Town's investments to the top rating issued by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization (NRSROs).

Presented below is the actual rating as of year-end for each investment type of the Town:

Investment type	Fair value	Minimum Legal Rating	Rating as of Year End						
			Aaa	A1	A2	A3	Baa1	Baa2	Unrated
Corporate Bonds	\$ 5,602,859	N/A	\$ 447,083	\$ 1,403,350	\$ 1,821,448	\$ 602,768	\$ 805,858	\$ 522,352	\$ -
Fixed income mutual funds	89,178	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-	89,178
Equity mutual funds	1,179,181	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,179,181
Money market	8,115,924	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,115,924
U.S. Government Agencies & Securities	5,371,814	N/A	5,371,814	-	-	-	-	-	-
Certificate of Deposit	5,424,558	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,424,558
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$ 25,783,514</b>		<b>\$ 5,818,897</b>	<b>\$ 1,403,350</b>	<b>\$ 1,821,448</b>	<b>\$ 602,768</b>	<b>\$ 805,858</b>	<b>\$ 522,352</b>	<b>\$ 14,808,841</b>

- *Custodial Credit Risk*

For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of a failure by the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral security that are in possession of an outside party. The Town has no custodial credit risk exposure related to the corporate bonds, U.S. Government agencies and securities, and certificate of deposit because the related securities are registered in the name of the Town. The mutual fund and money market investments are not exposed to custodial credit risk because their existence is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. The Town will minimize Custodial Credit Risk (loss due to the failure of the security issuer) by limiting investments to those approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Commissioners of Banks known as the "legal" list.

- *Interest Rate Risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk of changes in market interest rates which will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the risk of its fair value to change with the market interest rates. The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

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Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Town's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is as follows:

Investment type	Fair value	Investment maturities (in years)	
		Less than 1	1-5
<b><i>Debt Related Securities:</i></b>			
Corporate bonds	\$ 5,602,859	\$ 1,350,209	\$ 4,252,650
Fixed income mutual funds	89,178	89,178	-
U.S. Government & Agency	5,371,814	2,301,534	3,070,280
Certificate of deposit	5,424,558	5,424,558	-
Total - Debt related securities	<u>16,488,409</u>	<u>9,165,479</u>	<u>7,322,930</u>
<b><i>Other Investments:</i></b>			
Equity mutual funds	1,179,181	1,179,181	-
Money market	<u>8,115,924</u>	<u>8,115,924</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Investments	<u>9,295,105</u>	<u>9,295,105</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Investments	<u><u>\$ 25,783,514</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 18,460,584</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,322,930</u></u>

- *Concentration of Credit Risk*

The Town places no limit on the amount the government may invest in any one issuer.

More than 5% of the Town's investments are in the following securities:

Investment type	Percentage of Total Investment
MassPRIM HCST OPEB Master Trust	31%
Abington Bank	16%
Bristol County Savings Bank	5%

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*Fair Market Value of Investments*

The Town holds investments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Because investing is not a core part of the Town's mission, the Town determines that the disclosures related to these investments only need to be disaggregated by the major type. The Town chooses a tabular format for disclosing the levels within the fair value hierarchy.

The Town categorizes its fair value measurement within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the assets. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The Town has the following recurring fair value measurement as of June 30, 2024.

Investment Type	June 30, 2024	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Quoted Price in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Debt securities</b>				
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 5,424,558	\$ 5,424,558	\$ -	\$ -
U.S. Government Agencies	5,371,814	5,371,814	-	-
Corporate Bonds	5,602,859	-	5,602,859	-
Fixed Income Mutual Funds	89,178	-	89,178	-
Total debt securities	<u>16,488,409</u>	<u>10,796,372</u>	<u>5,692,037</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other Investments</b>				
Money Market	8,115,924	8,115,924	-	-
Equity Mutual Funds	1,179,181	1,179,181	-	-
Total other investments	<u>9,295,105</u>	<u>9,295,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total investments measured at fair value	<u>25,783,514</u>	<u>\$ 20,091,477</u>	<u>\$ 5,692,037</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>Investments measured at amortized cost</b>				
Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust - (MMDT)		<u>17,658,641</u>		
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$ 43,442,155</b>			

Certificate of Deposit, U.S. Government Agencies, Money Market, and Equity Mutual Funds classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Corporate bonds and fixed income mutual funds classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using a matrix pricing technique. Matrix pricing is used to value securities based on the securities relationship to benchmark quoted prices.

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Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT) investments are valued at amortized cost. Under the amortized cost method an investment is valued initially at its cost and adjusted for the amount of interest income accrued each day over the term of the investment to account for any difference between the initial cost and the amount payable at its maturity. If amortized cost is determined not to approximate fair value, the value of the portfolio securities will be determined under procedures established by the Advisor.

**NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES**

The receivables at June 30, 2024 for the Town's individual major, and nonmajor governmental in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

Receivables:	Gross Amount	Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Amount
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$ 406,619	\$ (6,400)	\$ 400,219
Tax liens	572,377	-	572,377
Motor vehicle and other excise taxes	156,134	(20,500)	135,634
Departmental and other	276,918	(67,579)	209,339
Intergovernmental	481,107	-	481,107
Leases	2,766,525	-	2,766,525
Special assessments	<u>31,221</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,221</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 4,690,901</u>	 <u>\$ (94,479)</u>	 <u>\$ 4,596,422</u>

The receivables at June 30, 2024, for the enterprise funds consist of the following:

Receivables:	Gross Amount	Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Amount
<i>Water</i>			
User fees	\$ 1,246,303	\$ -	\$ 1,246,303
Leases	<u>2,230,092</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,230,092</u>
	<u>3,476,395</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,476,395</u>
<i>Sewer</i>			
User fees	<u>866,247</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>866,247</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,342,642</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,342,642</u>

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Governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with revenues that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred inflows of resources reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

Deferred Inflows of Resources Analysis

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Deferred Inflows:	General Fund
Deferred Property Taxes	\$ 322,689
Deferred Other Revenue	946,087
Deferred Leases	<u>2,766,525</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 4,035,301</u></u>

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**NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, was as follows:

<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases &amp; Reclassifications</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
<b><i>Capital assets not being depreciated:</i></b>				
Land	\$ 22,034,580	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,034,580
Construction in progress	1,235,286	1,666,664	(100,000)	2,801,950
<b>Total capital assets not being depreciated</b>	<b>23,269,866</b>	<b>1,666,664</b>	<b>(100,000)</b>	<b>24,836,530</b>
<b><i>Capital assets being depreciated:</i></b>				
Buildings and improvements	115,898,629	397,754	100,000	116,396,383
Land Improvements	163,657	-	-	163,657
Machinery and equipment	9,608,471	407,540	-	10,016,011
Vehicles & Other	2,377,876	483,324	(21,970)	2,839,230
Software & Textbooks	2,781,971	-	-	2,781,971
Infrastructure	57,386,168	617,717	-	58,003,885
<b>Total capital assets being depreciated</b>	<b>188,216,772</b>	<b>1,906,335</b>	<b>78,030</b>	<b>190,201,137</b>
<b><i>Less accumulated depreciation for:</i></b>				
Buildings and improvements	(49,277,040)	(2,906,550)	-	(52,183,590)
Land Improvements	(56,080)	(7,938)	-	(64,018)
Machinery and equipment	(7,242,828)	(466,737)	-	(7,709,565)
Vehicles	(1,210,813)	(224,942)	21,970	(1,413,785)
Software & Textbooks	(2,742,254)	(9,906)	-	(2,752,160)
Infrastructure	(38,074,454)	(1,233,997)	-	(39,308,451)
<b>Total accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>(98,603,469)</b>	<b>(4,850,070)</b>	<b>21,970</b>	<b>(103,431,569)</b>
<b>Total capital assets being depreciated, net</b>	<b>89,613,303</b>	<b>(2,943,735)</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>86,769,568</b>
<b>Total governmental activities capital assets, net</b>	<b>\$ 112,883,169</b>	<b>\$ (1,277,071)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 111,606,098</b>

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<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases &amp; Reclassifications</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
<i><b>Capital assets not being depreciated:</b></i>				
Land	\$ 495,218	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 495,218
Construction in progress	<u>10,280,901</u>	<u>1,046,971</u>	<u>(98,183)</u>	<u>11,229,689</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>10,776,119</u>	<u>1,046,971</u>	<u>(98,183)</u>	<u>11,724,907</u>
<i><b>Capital assets being depreciated:</b></i>				
Machinery and equipment	1,944,293	82,608	98,183	2,125,084
Building and building improvements	9,834,913	2,951	-	9,837,864
Vehicles	586,698	62,754	-	649,452
Infrastructure	<u>14,605,627</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,605,627</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>26,971,531</u>	<u>148,313</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>27,218,027</u>
<i><b>Less accumulated depreciation for:</b></i>				
Machinery and equipment	(1,317,342)	(92,424)	-	(1,409,766)
Building and building improvements	(6,764,485)	(185,443)	-	(6,949,928)
Vehicles	(512,498)	(27,475)	-	(539,973)
Infrastructure	<u>(5,555,843)</u>	<u>(286,406)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,842,249)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(14,150,168)</u>	<u>(591,748)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,741,916)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>12,821,363</u>	<u>(443,435)</u>	<u>98,183</u>	<u>12,476,111</u>
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 23,597,482</u>	<u>\$ 603,536</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 24,201,018</u>

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Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

**Governmental Activities:**

General government	\$ 80,615
Public safety	795,137
Education	2,035,846
Public works	1,757,688
Human services	81,192
Culture and recreation	<u>99,592</u>
 Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	 <u>\$ 4,850,070</u>

**Business-Type Activities:**

Water	\$ 371,743
Sewer	<u>220,005</u>
 Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	 <u>\$ 591,748</u>

**NOTE 6 – CAPITAL LEASE**

The Town has entered into a lease agreement as lessee for financing the acquisition of a fire engine. This lease agreement qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The assets acquired through the capital lease is as follows:

	<u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u>
Assets:	
Vehicles	<u>\$ 455,335</u>
 Less: Accumulated depreciation	 <u>(106,245)</u>
	 <u>\$ 349,090</u>

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The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2024, are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
2025	\$ 48,095
2026	48,095
2027	48,095
2028	48,095
2029	48,095
2030	<u>48,095</u>
Total minimum lease payments	288,570
Less: amounts representing interest	<u>(14,406)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 274,164</u>

**NOTE 7 – LEASES (LESSOR)**

The Town leases space to Verizon, AT&T, and T-Mobile for cell phone antenna space as well as land use lease to Kingsbury Club and Comcast. The lease agreements are for various terms under long-term, lease agreements. The leases expire at various dates through 2045.

The future Governmental Activities minimum lease receipts under the lease agreements are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Total Payemnt</u>	<u>Less Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>
2025	\$ 208,567	\$ (12,292)	\$ 196,275
2026	210,994	(12,877)	198,117
2027	213,484	(13,485)	199,999
2028	222,035	(14,487)	207,548
2029	224,649	(15,123)	209,526
2030-2034	929,961	(82,236)	847,725
2035-2039	653,581	(102,775)	550,806
2040-2044	440,075	(132,054)	308,021
2045	<u>79,583</u>	<u>(31,075)</u>	<u>48,508</u>
Total minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 3,182,929</u>	<u>\$ (416,404)</u>	<u>\$ 2,766,525</u>

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The future Proprietary fund (water) minimum lease receipts under the lease agreements are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Total Payemnt</u>	<u>Less Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>
2025	\$ 118,488	\$ (7,426)	\$ 111,062
2026	117,889	(7,026)	110,863
2027	117,362	(6,632)	110,730
2028	116,907	(6,244)	110,663
2029	116,523	(5,861)	110,662
2030-2034	579,335	(23,699)	555,636
2035-2039	580,342	(14,524)	565,818
2040-2044	516,047	(5,248)	510,799
2045	<u>44,000</u>	<u>(141)</u>	<u>43,859</u>
Total minimum lease payments	<u><u>\$ 2,306,893</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (76,801)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,230,092</u></u>

**NOTE 8 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, are summarized as follows:

Operating Transfers Out:	Operating Transfers In:					
	Nonmajor					
	General Fund	Governmental Funds		Total		
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	\$ 860,111	\$ -	\$ 860,111	(1)		
Nonmajor Governmental Funds		160,735	-	160,735	(2)	
General Fund	-	5,000	5,000	(1)		
General Fund	-	76,494	76,494	(2)		
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	-	54,250	54,250	(2)		
Total	<u>\$ 1,020,846</u>	<u>\$ 135,744</u>	<u>\$ 1,156,590</u>			

(1) Represents budgeted transfers.

(2) Other transfers.

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**NOTE 9 – SHORT-TERM FINANCING**

Under state law, and with the appropriate authorization, the Town is authorized to borrow funds on a temporary basis as follows:

- To fund current operations prior to the collection of revenues by issuing revenue anticipation notes (RANS).
- To fund grants prior to reimbursement by issuing grant anticipation notes (GANS).
- To fund Capital project costs incurred prior to selling permanent debt by issuing bond anticipation notes (BANS).
- To fund current project costs and other approved expenditures incurred, that are anticipated to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth, and through the issuance of State Aid anticipation notes (SAANS).

Short-term loans are general obligations of the Town and maturity dates are governed by statute.

There were no short-term borrowings in Fiscal Year 2024.

**NOTE 10 – LONG-TERM DEBT**

The Town is subject to a dual-level, general debt limit: the normal debt limit and the double debt limit. Such limits are equal to 5% and 10%, respectively, of the valuation of taxable property in the Town as last equalized by the Commonwealth's Department of Revenue. Debt may be authorized up to the normal debt limit without state approval. Authorizations under the double debt limit, however, require the approval of the Commonwealth's Emergency Finance Board. Additionally, there are many categories of general long-term debt which are exempt from the debt limit but are subject to other limitations.

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The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2024:

**Bonds and Notes Payable Schedule -Governmental Funds**

Project	Interest		Outstanding at June 30, 2023	Issued	Redeemed	Outstanding at June 30, 2024
	Rate (%)					
Municipal Garage	3.24	\$ 5,870,000	\$ -	\$ 450,000	\$ 5,420,000	
Land Acquisition	2.57	800,000	-	70,000		730,000
Public Safety Building	3.06	9,815,000	-	820,000		8,995,000
Athletic Facility Reconstruction	1.63	900,000	-	100,000		800,000
Fire Engine	0.76	400,000	-	50,000		350,000
Dump Truck	0.53	25,000	-	5,000		20,000
DPW Sidewalk Tractor	0.53	125,000	-	25,000		100,000
Road Construction	0.53	100,000	-	20,000		80,000
Senior Center	0.32	241,500	-	121,500		120,000
Land Acquisition	0.33	55,000	-	27,500		27,500
Adult Community Center	0.33	73,500	-	36,500		37,000
Crown Land Acquisition	0.32	184,000	-	91,500		92,500
Commonwealth of Ma State Hospital	-	465,000	-	310,000		155,000
Water Main	0.32	46,000	-	23,000		23,000
 Total Bonds and Notes Payable		 19,100,000	 -	 2,150,000	 16,950,000	
 Add: Unamortized Premium		 159,733	 -	 48,367	 111,366	
 Total		 \$ 19,259,733	 \$ -	 \$ 2,198,367	 \$ 17,061,366	

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The annual debt service requirements for principal and interest for Governmental bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 2,010,000	\$ 638,519	\$ 2,648,519
2026	1,570,000	559,156	2,129,156
2027	1,585,000	494,956	2,079,956
2028	1,595,000	437,844	2,032,844
2029	1,560,000	378,781	1,938,781
2030-2034	7,750,000	991,841	8,741,841
2035	<u>880,000</u>	<u>33,656</u>	<u>913,656</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 16,950,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,534,753</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 20,484,753</u></b>

**Bonds and Notes Payable Schedule -Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds**

Project	Interest Rate (%)	Outstanding at June 30, 2023	Issued	Redeemed	Outstanding at June 30, 2024
Sewer MWPAT	2.00	\$ 344,897	\$ -	\$ 54,647	\$ 290,250
Sewer MWPAT	2.00	221,419	-	20,062	201,357
Wastewater Treatment	1.85	100,000	-	20,000	80,000
Water Main Repairs	1.96	450,000	-	90,000	360,000
Water Main Replacement	2.57	3,480,000	-	290,000	3,190,000
Sewer Solar	2.02	120,000	-	60,000	60,000
Water Tower	0.76	160,000	-	20,000	140,000
Water Wells & Treatment Facility	0.15	<u>9,340,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>520,000</u>	<u>8,820,000</u>
<b>Total Bonds and Notes Payable</b>		<b><u>14,216,316</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>1,074,709</u></b>	<b><u>13,141,607</u></b>
<b>Add: Unamortized Premium</b>		<b><u>1,004,580</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>55,810</u></b>	<b><u>948,770</u></b>
<b>Total</b>		<b><u>\$ 15,220,896</u></b>	<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,130,519</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 14,090,377</u></b>

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The annual debt service requirements for principal and interest for water and sewer enterprise fund bonds and notes outstanding at June 30, 2024 are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 1,076,249	\$ 396,782	\$ 1,473,031
2026	1,017,821	353,566	1,371,387
2027	1,019,425	315,719	1,335,144
2028	1,021,062	277,408	1,298,470
2029	912,734	239,351	1,152,085
2030-2034	4,184,316	723,130	4,907,446
2035-2039	2,880,000	262,812	3,142,812
2040-2041	<u>1,030,000</u>	<u>30,900</u>	<u>1,060,900</u>
Total	<u>\$ 13,141,607</u>	<u>\$ 2,599,668</u>	<u>\$ 15,741,275</u>

**Loans Authorized and Unissued**

As of June 30, 2024, the Town has loans authorized and unissued as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mt. Nebo Water Tower Painting	\$ 645,000
Affordable Housing Trust	<u>1,000,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,645,000</u>

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**Changes in Long-term Liabilities**

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2024:

Governmental Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 19,100,000	\$ -	\$ (2,150,000)	\$ 16,950,000	\$ 2,010,000
Add: Unamortized Premium	159,733	-	(48,367)	111,366	48,366
Total Bonds and Notes Payable	19,259,733	-	(2,198,367)	17,061,366	2,058,366
Compensated absences	1,316,702	56,707	-	1,373,409	573,171
Postemployment Benefits	27,471,215	849,823	-	28,321,038	-
Capital Leases	317,550	-	(43,386)	274,164	44,029
Net pension liability	19,964,562	2,504,865	-	22,469,427	-
 Total governmental activities	 \$ 68,329,762	 \$ 3,411,395	 \$ (2,241,753)	 \$ 69,499,404	 \$ 2,675,566
long-term liabilities					

Business-Type Activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds and notes payable	\$ 14,216,316	\$ -	\$ (1,074,709)	\$ 13,141,607	\$ 1,076,249
Add: Unamortized Premiums	1,004,580	-	(55,810)	948,770	55,810
Total Bonds and Notes Payable	15,220,896	-	(1,130,519)	14,090,377	1,132,059
Compensated absences	42,496	-	(1,088)	41,408	35,169
Net pension liability	1,006,617	126,295	-	1,132,912	-
Postemployment Benefits	517,797	16,018	-	533,815	-
 Total business-type activities	 \$ 16,787,806	 \$ 142,313	 \$ (1,131,607)	 \$ 15,798,512	 \$ 1,167,228
long-term liabilities					

The governmental activities long-term liabilities are generally liquidated by the general fund.

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**Overlapping Debt**

The Town pays assessments under formulas which include debt service payments to other governmental agencies providing services to the Town, (commonly referred to as overlapping debt). The following summary sets forth the long-term debt of such governmental agencies and the estimated share being financed by the Town as of June 30, 2024:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Total Long- Term Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Town's Estimated Share</u>	<u>Town's Indirect Debt</u>
Norfolk County	<u>\$ 14,600,000</u>	1.73%	<u>\$ 252,580</u>

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**NOTE 11 – GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATIONS**

The Town has classified its governmental fund balances with the following hierarchy.

	GENERAL FUND	NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL
<b>Fund Balances</b>			
<b>Restricted For:</b>			
General Government	\$ -	\$ 3,154,080	\$ 3,154,080
Public Safety	-	1,276,128	1,276,128
Education	-	3,766,638	3,766,638
Public Works	-	1,155,327	1,155,327
Human Services	-	317,731	317,731
Culture & Recreation	-	223,726	223,726
Employee Benefits	-	112,256	112,256
Pension Reserve	3,300,778	-	3,300,778
Expendable Trust Funds	-	2,219,633	2,219,633
	<hr/> <hr/> 3,300,778	<hr/> <hr/> 12,225,519	<hr/> <hr/> 15,526,297
<b>Committed To:</b>			
Continuing Appropriations			
General Government	495,596	-	495,596
Public Safety	106,359	-	106,359
Education	1,576,976	-	1,576,976
Public Works	321,817	-	321,817
Human Services	345,100	-	345,100
Culture & Recreation	279,806	-	279,806
	<hr/> <hr/> 3,125,654	<hr/> <hr/> -	<hr/> <hr/> 3,125,654
<b>Assigned To:</b>			
Encumbered For:			
General Government	78,755	-	78,755
Public Safety	17,593	-	17,593
Education	204,370	-	204,370
Culture & Recreation	3,026	-	3,026
Public Works	50,656	-	50,656
Employee Benefits	912	-	912
Human Services	4,684	-	4,684
Municipal Building Stabilization Fund	810,759	-	810,759
Opiod Stabilization Fund	127,164	-	127,164
Capital Budget Stabilization Fund	1,029,208	-	1,029,208
	<hr/> <hr/> 2,327,127	<hr/> <hr/> -	<hr/> <hr/> 2,327,127
<b>Unassigned</b>			
General Fund	10,674,112	-	10,674,112
General Fund Stabilization	3,831,048	-	3,831,048
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	-	(642,046)	(642,046)
	<hr/> <hr/> 14,505,160	<hr/> <hr/> (642,046)	<hr/> <hr/> 13,863,114
<b>Total Governmental Fund Balances</b>	<b><hr/><hr/>\$ 23,258,719</b>	<b><hr/><hr/>\$ 11,583,473</b>	<b><hr/><hr/>\$ 34,842,192</b>

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**NOTE 12 – STABILIZATION FUNDS**

The Town has established four funds where the Town has set aside amounts for emergency and capital needs. These funds consist of the following;

- *The Stabilization Fund* is used to account for any appropriation, as approved by a 2/3 vote at the annual or special town meeting for additions or reductions to the fund. Any interest shall be added to and become part of the fund. The Stabilization fund balance is \$3,831,048 as of June 30, 2024. The fund was established under chapter 40, sub-section 5B of the Massachusetts General Law.
- *The Municipal Buildings Capital Stabilization Fund* is used to account for Town building improvements and repairs. The Municipal Buildings Capital Stabilization fund balance is \$810,759 as of June 30, 2024. The Town may appropriate into and out of the fund at Annual or Special Town Meeting by 2/3 vote. This fund was established under Chapter 40 sub-section 5B of **MGL**.
- *The Capital Budget Stabilization Fund* is used to account for capital improvements and purchases that are not building related. The Capital Budget Stabilization fund balance is \$1,029,208 as of June 30, 2024. The Town may appropriate into and out of the fund at Annual or Special Town Meeting by 2/3 vote. This fund was established under Chapter 40 sub-section 5B of **MGL**.
- *The Pension Reserve Fund* is used to offset the Norflok County Pension Assessment and to fund the pension liability. The Pension Reserve Fund balance is \$3,300,778 as of June 30, 2024. The Town may appropriate into and out of the fund at Annual or Special Town Meeting by 2/3 vote. This fund was established under Chapter 40 sub-section 5B of **MGL**.
- *The Opioid Stabilization Fund* is used for the funding of opioid prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery programs as further detailed in the Massachusetts State Subdivision Agreement for State Wide Opioid Settlements. The Opioid Stabilization Fund balance is \$127,164 as of June 30, 2024. This fund was established under Chapter 40 sub-section 5B of **MGL**.

**NOTE 13 – RISK FINANCING**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employee's health and life; and natural disasters.

Buildings are insured against fire, theft, to the extent that losses exceed \$1,000 per incident. Buildings are not insured against flood and earthquake damage, however they have a water damage special deductible of \$10,000 per incident.

The Town's workers compensation program is based on class types and payroll. The Town's Workers Comp limits are \$1,000,000 higher than the State's Statutory Limits. The policy is limited to Massachusetts Statutory Benefits.

The Town is insured for general liability; however, Chapter 258 of the Massachusetts General Laws limits the Town's liability to a maximum of \$100,000 per claim in all matters except in actions relating to federal civil rights, eminent domain and breach of contract. Such claims are charged to the general fund.

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There were no such claims in 2024.

The Town has several contributory health care options. There are 615 employees and retirees who participate in the Town's health care programs. The Town contributes 50% of the costs for those active employees selecting the PPO plan. The Town contributes 62% of the costs for those active employees selecting HMO plans. The Town contributes 50 % of the costs for all retirees regardless of the plan type selected.

**NOTE 14 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS**

The GASB Standards for *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, requires the following disclosures in the financial statements related to the retiree medical, and life insurance benefits:

**Plan Description.** Town of Medfield Other Postemployment Benefits Plan (The Plan) is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by the Town of Medfield. The plan provides medical, and life insurance benefits to eligible retirees and their spouses. Town meeting vote is the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Town. The Town has accepted various sections of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32B to provide 50% of the premium cost of retirees' health and life insurance costs.

**Funding Policy.** The contribution requirements of plan members and the Town are established and may be amended by Town ordinances. For the period ending on the June 30, 2024 measurement date total Town premiums plus implicit costs for the retiree medical program were \$1,400,266. The Town also contributed \$525,000 to an OPEB Trust for a total contribution during the measurement period of \$1,925,266 to be reported on the financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts passed special legislation that has allowed the Town to establish a postemployment benefit trust fund and to enable the Town to begin pre-funding its other postemployment benefit (OPEB) liabilities. During 2024 the Town pre-funded future OPEB liabilities totaling \$525,000 by contributing funds to the other postemployment benefits fund in excess of the pay-as-you-go required contribution. These funds are reported within the Fiduciary Funds financial statements. As of June 30, 2024, the balance of this fund totaled \$7,960,803.

***GASB Statement #75 – OPEB Employer Financial Reporting***

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and OPEB expenses, information about the fiduciary net position of the Plan and additions to/deductions from the Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plan. For this purpose, the Plan recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

***Measurement Date - GASB #75*** requires the net OPEB liability to be measured as of a date no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year and no later than the end of the employer's current fiscal year, consistently applied from period to period. Accordingly, the net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2024 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2023.

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*Plan Membership* – The following table represents the Plan’s membership as January 1, 2023:

Active Members	524
Inactive plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	7
Inactive members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	<u>265</u>
 Total	 <u>796</u>

*Components of OPEB Liability* – The following table represents the components of the Plan’s OPEB liability as of June 30, 2024:

Total OPEB Liability	\$ 36,815,656
Less: OPEB plan's fiduciary net position	<u>(7,960,803)</u>
 Net OPEB Liability	 <u>\$ 28,854,853</u>
 The OPEB plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	 21.60%

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*Significant Actuarial Methods and Assumptions* – The plan's total OPEB liability, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified, that was updated to June 30, 2024 to be in accordance with GASB Statement #75.

Valuation Date:	Actuarially Determined Contribution was calculated as of January 1, 2023
Actuarial Cost Method:	Entry Age Normal
Asset-Valuation Method:	Market value of assets with payables and receivables
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.
Municipal Bond Rate:	3.93% as of June 30, 2024 (20 year Municipal General Obligation Bond as shown in the bond buyer 20 Bond index)
Interest Rate/Discount Rate	7.00% per year net of investment expense as of June 30, 2024
Inflation:	2.50% as of June 30, 2024 and for future periods
Participation Rate:	67.5% of all retirees
Salary Increases:	3.00% annually as of June 30, 2024 and for future periods
Healthcare Cost Trend Rates	8.30% for 2024, fluctuating to an ultimate rate of 5.00% as of 2032.
Cost of Living Adjustment	Not Applicable
Pre-Retirement & Post-Retirement Mortality:	<p>Active: The Pub-2010 Headcount-weighted Mortality Tables, sex-distinct, for Employees projected using generational mortality and scale MP-2021; General (Groups 1&amp;2 and Spouses), Safety (Group 4), Teachers.</p> <p>Retirees: The Pub-2010 Headcount-weighted Mortality Tables, sex-distinct, for Healthy Retirees projected using generational mortality and scale MP-2021; General (Groups 1&amp;2 and Spouses), Safety (Group 4), and Teachers.</p>
Disabled Mortality:	Disabled: The Pub-2010 Headcount-weighted Mortality Tables, sex-distinct, for Healthy Retirees projected using generational mortality and scale MP-2021; General (Groups 1&2 and Spouses), Safety (Group 4), and Teachers. Set forward 2 years.

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*Rate of Return* – For the year ended June 30, 2024 the annual money-weighted rate on investments, net of investments expense, was 9.62%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expenses, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

The long-term expected real rate of return reflects the expected rate of return on plan assets adjusted for the expected rate of inflation. Note that the discount rate includes the effect of inflation. The long-term expected real rate of return removes the effect of inflation on the return amounts. It is a long-term assumption and is meant to reflect a reasonable estimate of future experience, based on the expected asset allocation.

Allocation percentages are based on the information provided by the Town of Medfield and the Pension Reserve Investment Management (PRIM) Board. The real rates of return below are based on 30-year return estimates provided by NEPC through the Pension Reserve Investment Management, adjusted using NEPC's 2.60% inflation assumption.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	36%	
US Equity		4.19%
International Equities		3.90%
Emerging Equities		6.43%
Core Fixed Income	15%	
Core Bonds		2.24%
Short-Term Fixed Income		1.56%
Treasury STRIPS		1.56%
TIPS/ILBs		1.66%
Value-Added Fixed Income	9.00%	5.07%
Private Equity	16.00%	7.41%
Real Estate	10.00%	3.90%
Timberland	4.00%	4.39%
Portfolio Completion (PCS)	10.00%	3.70%

*Discount Rate* – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2024. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made in accordance with the Town's funding policy.

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***Changes in the Net OPEB Liability***

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total OPEB Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net OPEB Liability (a) - (b)
Balance at June 30, 2023	\$ 34,747,954	\$ 6,758,942	\$ 27,989,012
<b>Charges for the year:</b>			
Service cost	1,013,664	-	1,013,664
Interest on Total OPEB Liability, Service Cost, and Benefit Payments	2,454,304	-	2,454,304
Net Investment Income	-	676,861	(676,861)
Employer Contributions to Trust	-	1,925,266	(1,925,266)
Benefit payments withdrawn from trust	-	(1,400,266)	1,400,266
Benefit payments including implicit costs	<u>(1,400,266)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,400,266)</u>
Net Changes	<u>2,067,702</u>	<u>1,201,861</u>	<u>865,841</u>
Balance at June 30, 2024	<u><u>\$ 36,815,656</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,960,803</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 28,854,853</u></u>

*Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate* – The following table presents the Plan’s net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00% as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (6.00%) or 1 percentage-point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
Net OPEB liability	\$ 33,274,567	\$ 28,854,853	\$ 25,167,745

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*Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare trend* – The following table presents the net other postemployment benefit liability calculated using the current healthcare trend rate of 8.30% as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare trend rate that is 1% point lower or 1% point higher.

	1% Decrease (7.70%)	Current Trend (8.70%)	1% Increase (9.70%)
Net OPEB liability	\$ 24,242,572	\$ 28,854,853	\$ 34,551,279

*Postemployment Benefits Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources*

For the year ended June 30, 2024 the Town reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to postemployment benefits of \$902,551 and \$7,616,419 respectively.

The balances of deferred outflows and inflows at June 30, 2024 consist of the following:

<u>Deferred Category</u>	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Total
Difference between actual and expected experience	\$ -	\$ (6,131,552)	\$ (6,131,552)
Changes of Assumptions	902,551	(1,431,157)	(528,606)
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	-	(53,710)	(53,710)
Total Deferred Outflows (Inflows) of Resources	<u><u>\$ 902,551</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (7,616,419)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (6,713,868)</u></u>

The Town's net deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to other postemployment benefits will be recognized in future years other postemployment benefits are as follows:

Period Year ended June 30	Amount
2025	\$ (2,591,883)
2026	(1,372,262)
2027	(1,023,770)
2028	(1,037,619)
2029	(688,334)
Therafter	-
Total Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) Recognized in Future Years	<u><u>\$ (6,713,868)</u></u>

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*Changes of Assumption* – None

*Changes in Plan Provisions* - None

**NOTE 15 – PENSION PLANS**

**A. Plan Descriptions**

The Town is a member of the Norfolk County Retirement System (The System), a cost-sharing multiple-employer, contributory defined benefit pension plan covering eligible employees of the 42 member units deemed eligible by the system. Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Law assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the system. Substantially all employees are members of the system except for school teachers and certain school administrators.

The System issues a publically available audited financial report that may be obtained by contacting the system's executive director at 480 Neponset Street, Building #15, Canton, Massachusetts 02021.

The Town is a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (MTRS), a cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit plan. MTRS is managed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Commonwealth) on behalf of municipal teachers and municipal teacher retirees. The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is responsible for 100% of the contributions and future benefit requirements of the MTRS. The MTRS covers certified teachers in cities (except Boston), towns, regional school districts, charter schools, educational collaboratives, and Quincy College. The MTRS is part of the Commonwealth's reporting entity and the audited financial report may be obtained by contacting MTRS at One Charles Park, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142-1206.

*Special Funding Situation*

The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make 100% of all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the Town to the MTRS. Therefore, the Town is considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No.68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* and the Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor in MTRS. Since the Town does not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize. The total of the Commonwealth provided contributions have been allocated based on each employer's covered payroll to the total covered payroll of employers in MTRS as of the measurement date of June 30, 2023. The Town's portion of the collective pension expense, contributed by the Commonwealth, of \$7,838,566 is reported in the general fund as intergovernmental revenue and pension expense in the current fiscal year. The portion of the Commonwealth's collective net pension liability associated with the Town is \$83,951,537 as of the measurement date.

The “System” and the MTRS are contributory defined benefit plans and membership in both the “System” and the MTRS is mandatory upon commencement of employment for all permanent, full-time employees.

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**B. Benefits Provided**

The System and MTRS provide retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Massachusetts Contributory Retirement System benefits are with certain minor exceptions, uniform from system to system. The System provides for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of an employee's highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation for those hired prior to April 2, 2012. For persons who became employees on or after April 2, 2012, average salary is the average annual rate of regular compensation received during the five consecutive years that produce the highest average, or, if greater, during the last five years (whether or not consecutive) preceding retirement. Benefit payments are based upon an employees' age, length of creditable service, level of compensation, and group classification. Employees become vested after ten years of creditable service. There are three classes of membership in the retirement system: group 1, group 2, and group 4. Group 1 consists of general employees which includes clerical, administrative, technical and not otherwise classified positions. Group 2 consists of positions that have been specified as hazardous. Lastly, group 4 consists of police officers, firefighters, and other hazardous positions.

Employees become vested after ten years of creditable service. A superannuation retirement allowance may be received upon the completion of 20 years of service or upon reaching the age of 55 with 10 years of service if hired after 1978 and if classified in groups 1 or 2. A person who became an employee on or after April 2, 2012 is eligible for a superannuation retirement allowance upon reaching the age of 60 with 10 years of service in group 1, 55 years of age with 10 years of service if in group 2 and 55 years of age if hired prior to 1978 or if classified in group 4. Normal retirement for most employees occurs at age 65 (except for certain hazardous duty and public safety positions, whose normal retirement is at age 55).

Employees who become permanently and totally disabled for further duty may be eligible to receive a disability retirement allowance. The amount of benefits to be received in such cases is dependent on several factors, including whether or not disability is work related, the employee's age, years of creditable service, level of compensation, veterans' status and group classification.

Employees who resign from service and who are not eligible to receive a retirement allowance or are under the age of 55 are entitled to request a refund of their accumulated total deductions. In addition, with at least ten years of creditable service, such employees are entitled to receive one hundred (100%) percent of the regular interest which has accrued upon those deductions. Survivor benefits are extended to eligible beneficiaries of members whose death occurs prior to or following retirement.

Cost-of-living adjustments granted between 1981 and 1997 and any increase in other benefits imposed by the Commonwealth's state law during those years are borne by the Commonwealth and are deposited in to the pension fund. Cost-of-living adjustments granted after 1997 must be approved by the system and all costs are borne by the system.

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**C. Contributions**

*Norfolk County Contributory Retirement System*

Chapter 32 of MGL governs the contributions of plan members and member employees. Active regular plan members are required to contribute to the system at rates ranging from 5 to 9% of their gross regular compensation. Members joining the system after January 1, 1979 must contribute an additional 2% on regular compensation earned at a rate in excess of \$30,000. The percentage rate is keyed to the date upon which an employee's membership commences. The member units are required to pay into the system, a legislatively mandated actuarial determined contribution that is apportioned among the employers based on actuarial computation. The Town's proportionate share of the required contribution for the year ended December 31, 2023 which was \$3,296,275 and 26.51% of covered payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that when combined with plan member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by plan members during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

**D. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

*Pension Liabilities*

At June 30, 2024 the Town reported a liability of \$23,602,339 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2024. Accordingly, updated procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The Town's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Town's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating members actuarially determined, at December 31, 2023, the Town's proportion was 3.39% which had a minor decrease from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2022.

*Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources*

For the year ended June 30, 2024 the Town recognized pension expense of \$2,894,510. At June 30, 2024 the Town reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions of \$11,330,856 and \$3,662,948 respectively.

The balances of deferred outflows and inflows as June 30, 2024 consist of the following:

Deferred Category	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Total
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,700,248	\$ -	\$ 1,700,248
Changes of Assumptions	3,989,835	-	3,989,835
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	5,633,626	(2,716,655)	2,916,971
Changes in proportionate share of contributions	7,147	(946,293)	(939,146)
 Total Deferred Outflows (Inflows) of Resources	 \$ 11,330,856	 \$ (3,662,948)	 \$ 7,667,908

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The Town's net deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in future years are as follows:

<u>Year ended June 30</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	\$ 1,901,702
2025	2,021,600
2026	2,881,870
2027	862,736
Totals	<u><u>\$ 7,667,908</u></u>

**E. Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability in the January 1, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement date that was rolled forward to December 31, 2023.

Valuation date	January 1, 2024
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost method
Amortization Method	Open – Level percent of payroll
Cost of Living Increase	2.75% of first \$18,000 of retirement income
Asset valuation method	market value
Inflation rate	2.75%
Projected Salary increases	4.0% - 5.5%
Mortality rates	Pub-2010 public retirement plans mortality tables report form the society of actuaries dated January 2019 with scale MP-2021.
Investment rate of return	7.65%

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## **F. Long-Term Expected Rate of Return**

The long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	30.5%	7.30%
International Equities	15.5%	7.90%
Fixed Income	20.5%	4.90%
Private Equity	10.0%	10.20%
Real Estate	9.5%	7.00%
Real Assets	2.5%	8.90%
Hedge Funds	11.5%	8.60%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

The system's policy in regard to the allocation of invested plan assets is established and may be amended by the Board. Plan assets are managed with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the plan.

For the year ended December 31, 2023 the System's annual money-weighted rate of return on investments net of investment expense was 9.9%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

## **G. Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability as of December 31, 2023 was 7.625%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Under Chapter 32 of the MGL, employers are required to make the necessary contributions such that the plan reaches full funding status by 2040. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued Norfolk County Retirement System financial report.

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**NOTE 16 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

The Town participates in a number of federal award programs. Although the grant programs have been audited in accordance with the provisions of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 through June 30, 2024, these programs are still subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although it is believed the amount, if any, would not be material.

Various legal actions and claims are pending. Litigation is subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual litigated matters is not always predictable. Although the amount of liability, if any, at June 30, 2024, cannot be ascertained, management believes any resulting liability should not materially affect the financial position at June 30, 2024.

**NOTE 17 – IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW GASB PRONOUNCEMENTS**

During fiscal year 2024, the following GASB pronouncements were implemented:

The GASB issued **Statement #100**, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*, was implemented in 2024. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will not have a significant impact on the Basic Financial Statements.

*Future GASB Pronouncements:*

The GASB issued **Statement #101**, *Compensated Absences*, which is required to be implemented in 2025. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will not have a significant impact on the Basic Financial Statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #102**, *Certain Risk Disclosures*, which is required to be implemented in 2025. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will not have a significant impact on the Basic Financial Statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #103**, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*, which is required to be implemented in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will not have a significant impact on the Basic Financial Statements.

The GASB issued **Statement #104**, *Disclosures of Certain Capital Assets*, which is required to be implemented in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2025. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will not have a significant impact on the Basic Financial Statements.

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**Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Town's proportion of the net pension liability	3.39%	3.63%	3.62%	3.71%	3.70%	3.62%	3.50%	3.68%	3.68%	3.57%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 23,602,339	\$ 20,971,179	\$ 13,354,528	\$ 18,950,015	\$ 21,746,679	\$ 23,536,703	\$ 19,954,056	\$ 19,233,924	\$ 20,014,556	\$ 18,532,460
Town's covered-employee payroll	\$ 12,435,374	\$ 12,341,003	\$ 11,923,674	\$ 12,167,429	\$ 11,755,970	\$ 11,517,097	\$ 11,127,630	\$ 10,548,923	\$ 10,076,580	\$ 9,226,088
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	189.80%	169.93%	112.00%	155.74%	184.98%	204.36%	179.32%	182.33%	198.62%	200.87%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	66.60%	68.60%	79.40%	70.20%	64.60%	58.30%	63.50%	61.60%	58.60%	60.10%

**Note:** This schedule is intended to present information for 10 years. Until a 10 year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which the information is available.

See notes to Required Supplementary Information

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**SCHEDULE OF TOWN'S CONTRIBUTION**

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Actuarily determined contribution	\$ 3,296,275	\$ 3,332,086	\$ 3,104,509	\$ 2,971,533	\$ 2,774,283	\$ 2,529,530	\$ 2,309,695	\$ 2,084,180	\$ 2,354,129	\$ 1,686,967
Contribution in relation to the actuarily determined contribution	(3,296,275)	(3,332,086)	(3,104,509)	(2,971,533)	(2,774,283)	(2,529,530)	(2,309,695)	(2,084,180)	(2,354,129)	(1,686,967)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Town's covered-employee payroll	\$ 12,435,374	\$ 12,341,003	\$ 13,511,111	\$ 13,030,785	\$ 11,991,089	\$ 11,747,439	\$ 11,350,183	\$ 10,759,901	\$ 10,278,112	\$ 9,410,610
Contribution as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	26.51%	27.00%	22.98%	22.80%	23.14%	21.53%	20.53%	19.37%	22.90%	17.93%

**Note:** This Town schedule is intended to present information for 10 years. Until a 10 year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which the information is available.

See notes to Required Supplementary Information

**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**MASSACHUSETTS TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

**Schedule of the Commonwealth's Collective amounts of the Net Pension Liability**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the member employers which creates a special funding situation. Since the Town does not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize. This schedule discloses the Commonwealth's 100% share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the Town; the portion of the collective pension expense as both revenue and pension expense recognized by the Town; and the Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of total liability.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Commonwealth's 100% Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the Town</u>	<u>Town's Expense and Revenue Recognized for the Commonwealth's Support</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</u>
2024	\$ 83,951,537	\$ 7,838,566	58.48%
2023	83,801,558	6,893,496	57.75%
2022	77,031,875	5,931,636	62.03%
2021	94,400,113	5,137,329	50.67%
2020	83,458,318	4,778,675	53.95%
2019	77,805,403	4,314,283	54.84%
2018	73,186,215	3,951,109	54.25%
2017	68,911,336	3,466,176	52.73%
2016	64,245,956	3,204,295	55.38%
2015	49,960,101	2,946,057	61.64%

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
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**JUNE 30, 2024**

**Schedule of the Town's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios**

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>								
Service Cost	\$ 1,013,664	\$ 982,546	\$ 932,630	\$ 1,057,821	\$ 1,467,327	\$ 1,573,811	\$ 1,591,851	\$ 1,532,499
Interest on total OPEB liability, service cost, and benefit payments	2,454,304	2,434,438	2,304,617	2,685,903	2,358,216	2,456,470	2,143,436	2,034,393
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(2,325,723)	-	(7,383,628)	-	(5,360,645)	-	-
Changes of assumptions	-	573,196	395,656	505,522	(4,702,087)	(2,381,294)	(248,102)	-
Benefit Payments Including Implicit Costs	(1,400,266)	(1,423,288)	(1,305,724)	(1,350,223)	(1,385,050)	(1,393,557)	(1,466,077)	(1,407,524)
Net Change in total OPEB liability	2,067,702	241,169	2,327,179	(4,484,605)	(2,261,594)	(5,105,215)	2,021,108	2,159,368
Total OPEB liability-beginning	<u>34,747,954</u>	<u>34,506,785</u>	<u>32,179,606</u>	<u>36,664,211</u>	<u>38,925,805</u>	<u>44,031,020</u>	<u>42,009,912</u>	<u>39,850,544</u>
Total OPEB liability-ending (a)	<u>36,815,656</u>	<u>34,747,954</u>	<u>34,506,785</u>	<u>32,179,606</u>	<u>36,664,211</u>	<u>38,925,805</u>	<u>44,031,020</u>	<u>42,009,912</u>
<b>Plan fiduciary net position</b>								
Contributions-employer	1,925,266	1,923,288	1,730,724	1,775,223	1,810,050	1,793,557	1,866,077	3,392,302
Net investment income	676,861	361,100	(201,217)	1,276,592	76,500	181,475	251,319	253,395
Benefit payments	(1,400,266)	(1,423,288)	(1,305,724)	(1,350,223)	(1,385,050)	(1,393,557)	(1,466,077)	(1,407,524)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	1,201,861	861,100	223,783	1,701,592	501,500	581,475	651,319	2,238,173
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	<u>6,758,942</u>	<u>5,897,842</u>	<u>5,674,059</u>	<u>3,972,467</u>	<u>3,470,967</u>	<u>2,889,492</u>	<u>2,238,173</u>	-
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	<u>7,960,803</u>	<u>6,758,942</u>	<u>5,897,842</u>	<u>5,674,059</u>	<u>3,972,467</u>	<u>3,470,967</u>	<u>2,889,492</u>	<u>2,238,173</u>
Town's net OPEB liability-ending (a)-(b)	<u>\$ 28,854,853</u>	<u>\$ 27,989,012</u>	<u>\$ 28,608,943</u>	<u>\$ 26,505,547</u>	<u>\$ 32,691,744</u>	<u>\$ 35,454,838</u>	<u>\$ 41,141,528</u>	<u>\$ 39,771,739</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability	21.62%	19.45%	17.09%	17.63%	10.83%	8.92%	6.56%	5.33%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 42,017,582	\$ 41,559,025	\$ 40,618,221	\$ 39,397,841	\$ 38,832,423	\$ 37,701,382	\$ 32,351,340	\$ 31,717,000
Plan's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	68.67%	67.34%	70.43%	67.28%	84.19%	94.04%	127.17%	125.40%

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

**Schedule of the Town's Contribution**

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
Actuarial determined contribution	N/A	\$ 1,423,288	\$ 1,305,724	\$ 1,350,223	\$ 1,385,050	\$ 1,393,557	\$ 1,466,077	\$ 4,108,000
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	N/A	<u>(1,923,288)</u>	<u>(1,730,724)</u>	<u>(1,775,223)</u>	<u>(1,810,050)</u>	<u>(1,793,557)</u>	<u>(1,866,077)</u>	<u>(3,391,778)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>N/A</u>	<u>\$ (500,000)</u>	<u>\$ (425,000)</u>	<u>\$ (425,000)</u>	<u>\$ (425,000)</u>	<u>\$ (400,000)</u>	<u>\$ (400,000)</u>	<u>\$ 716,222</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 42,014,582	\$ 41,559,025	\$ 40,618,221	\$ 39,397,841	\$ 38,832,423	\$ 37,701,382	\$ 32,351,340	\$ 31,717,000
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	N/A	4.63%	4.26%	4.51%	4.66%	4.76%	5.77%	10.69%

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
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**OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

**Schedule of Investment Return**

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2017
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	9.62%	5.86%	-4.12%	29.29%	1.99%	5.57%	11.15%	12.77%

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**TOWN OF MEDFIELD**  
**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**JUNE 30, 2024**

**Pension Plan Schedules**

**A. Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**

The Schedule of Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability details the allocated percentage of the net pension liability; the proportionate share of the net pension liability, and the covered employee payroll. It also demonstrates the net position as a percentage of the pension liability and the net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll.

**B. Schedule of Town's Contribution**

Governmental employees are required to pay an annual appropriation as established by PERAC. The appropriation includes the amounts to pay the pension portion of each member's retirement allowance, an amount to amortize the actuarially determined unfunded liability to zero in accordance with the System's funding schedule, and additional appropriations in accordance with adopted early retirement incentive programs. The appropriations are payable on July 1, and January 1. The Town may choose to pay the entire appropriation in July at a discounted rate. Accordingly, actual contributions may be less than the "total appropriation". The pension fund appropriation is allocated to the Town based on covered payroll.

**C. Schedule of the Commonwealth's Collective amounts of the Net Pension Liability**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the member employers which creates a special funding situation. Since the Town does not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize. This schedule discloses the Commonwealth's 100% share of the collective net pension liability that is associated with the Town; the portion of the collective pension expense as both a revenue and pension expense recognized by the Town; and the Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability.

**D. Changes in Plan Provisions – None**

**Other Postemployment Benefits Schedules**

**A. Schedule of the Town's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios**

The Schedule of the Town's Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios presents multi-year trend information on changes in the plan's total OPEB liability, changes in the plan's net position, and ending net OPEB liability. It also demonstrates the plan's net position as a percentage of the total liability and the plan's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll.

**B. Schedule of the Town's Contribution**

The Schedule of the Town's contributions includes the Town's annual required contribution to the plan, along with the contribution made in relation to the actuarially determined contribution. The Town is not required to fully fund this contribution.

**TOWN OF MEDFIELD**  
**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
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**C. Schedule of Investment Return**

The Schedule of Investment Return includes the money-weighted investment return on the Plan's other postemployment assets, net of investment expense.

**D. Changes in Provisions - None**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON  
COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Honorable Select Board  
Town of Medfield, Massachusetts

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 20, 2025.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements, on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

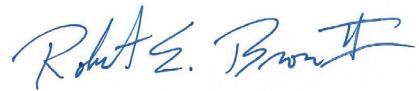
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

**Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert S. Brown, CPA". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Robert S." on the top line and "Brown, CPA" on the bottom line.

Certified Public Accountant

March 20, 2025