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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable President and Members of the Town Council Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying 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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island, 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 (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*). 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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island, 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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island'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 GAAS 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 GAAS 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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island '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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island '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, budgetary comparison information, and supplementary pension and other postemployment benefit information 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 GAAS, 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements, Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2), other supplementary information and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements, Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2), other supplementary information and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Bacon & Company CPAs, LLC

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 4, 2025 on our consideration of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island '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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island'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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island 's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Warwick, Rhode Island

February 4, 2025

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management of the Town of North Smithfield provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Town's Annual Financial Report for the readers of the Town's financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial statements of the Town of North Smithfield is for the fiscal year end June 30, 2024.

Included within our discussion will be a series of comparative tables, serving to illustrate changes more clearly in the Town's financial position. These tables will reflect governmental activities, business - type activities and total activities for the 2023 and 2024 fiscal years. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in this narrative in conjunction with additional information that we have provided herein.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's annual financial statements. The financial section of this report consists of four parts — management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, required supplementary information and other supplementary information that includes combining statements for non-major governmental funds.

The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the Town's overall status. The remaining statements are fund-financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Town government, reporting the Town's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.

The governmental fund statements tell how general government services, such as public safety, were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.

Proprietary fund statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities the Government operates like a business, such as the water and sewer system.

Fiduciary fund statements provide information about assets that are held by the Town as a trustee or custodian for the benefit of someone or something other than the Town itself. The Town cannot use these assets to support its own programs.

The financial statements also include notes that provide more detailed data about some of the information in the financial statements. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. In addition to these required elements, we have included a section combining statements that provide details about our non-major governmental funds, which are added together and presented in a single column in the basic financial statements. The Town of North Smithfield adopted the provision of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Transactions and Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, Basic Financial statements Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments as of July 1, 2002.

Government-Wide Statements

The government-wide statements report information about the Town as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the government's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. All of the current year's revenue and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the Town's net position and how they have changed. Net position — the difference between the Town's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources — is one way to measure the Town's financial health, or position.

Over time, increases or decreases in the Town's net position are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively. To assess the overall health of the Town, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's infrastructure, such as the Town's roads.

The government-wide financial statements of the Town are divided into two categories:

Governmental activities - Most of the Town's basic services are included here, such as the police, fire, library, public works, parks & recreation, and general administration. Property taxes, charges for services and state funding finance most of these activities.

Business-Type activities - The Town charges fees to customers to cover the costs of certain services it provides. The Town Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds are included here.

The government-wide financial statements are reported on pages 13 and 14.

Fund Financial Statements

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

The fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the Town government, reporting the Town's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds. It is important to note that these fund categories use different accounting approaches and should be interpreted differently.

Governmental Funds - Most of the basic services provided by the Town are financed through 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, the governmental fund statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources. They also focus on the balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the 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 fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and the governmental activities.

The Town maintains 24 governmental funds; 3 are considered major funds for presentation purposes. That is, each major fund is presented in a separate column in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances. Data from the remaining 21 governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of "combining statements" later in this report. The Town's three major governmental funds are:

- 1. General Fund
- 2. School Unrestricted Fund
- 3. American Rescue Plan Fund

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 15 through 18 of this report.

Proprietary Funds - The Town maintains two enterprise funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town maintains an enterprise fund to account for its Water and Sewer operations. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 19 through 22 of this report.

Fiduciary Funds – The Town maintains one other post-employment benefits trust fund and one private-purpose trust fund. 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 because 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. The basic fiduciary funds financial statements can be found on pages 23 and 24 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements - The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements follow the basic financial statements and can be found on pages 25 through 82 of this report.

Other Information - In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information. This section includes budgetary comparison schedules, which include reconciliation between the statutory revenues and expenditures for budgetary purposes and the revenues and expenditures for the General Fund and School Unrestricted Fund as presented in the governmental fund financial statements. Required supplementary information follows the notes to the financial statements and can be found beginning on page 83 of this report. The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with non-major governmental funds and other information related to the individual funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indictor of a government's financial position. The Town's combined net position (government and business-type activities) totaled \$53,150,695 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

Town of North Smithfield Net Position

		June 30, 2024		June 30, 2023			
	Govern- mental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total	Govern- mental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total	
Assets							
Current assets	\$ 25,822,408	\$ 6,152,242	\$ 31,974,650	\$ 26,719,821	\$ 5,356,076	\$ 32,075,897	
Capital assets, net	60,423,706	9,583,597	70,007,303	57,973,319	9,702,373	67,675,692	
Other noncurrent assets	7,358,485	1,737,774	9,096,259	6,373,166	1,854,151	8,227,317	
Total assets	93,604,599	17,473,613	111,078,212	91,066,306	16,912,600	107,978,906	
Deferred outflow of resources							
Deferred pension amounts	4,367,900	-	4,367,900	4,896,692	-	4,896,692	
Deferred other post employment benefit amounts	3,007,919	-	3,007,919	3,529,480	-	3,529,480	
Deferred amounts on refunding	515,419	16,627	532,046	642,128	19,952	662,080	
Total deferred outflow of resources	7,891,238	16,627	7,907,865	9,068,300	19,952	9,088,252	
Liabilities							
Current liabilities	11,732,251	660,907	12,393,158	10,356,149	469,147	10,825,296	
Noncurrent liabilities	40,575,522	2,084,595	42,660,117	48,241,448	2,402,154	50,643,602	
Total liabilities	52,307,773	2,745,502	55,053,275	58,597,597	2,871,301	61,468,898	
Deferred inflow of resources							
Deferred pension amounts	4,901,662	_	4,901,662	4,051,819	_	4,051,819	
Deferred other post employment benefit amounts	3,929,113	_	3,929,113	3,423,672	_	3,423,672	
Deferred sewer assessments	-	1,951,332	1,951,332	-	2,080,749	2,080,749	
Other deferred inflows	-	-	-	10,250	-	10,250	
Total deferred inflow of resources	8,830,775	1,951,332	10,782,107	7,485,741	2,080,749	9,566,490	
Net position							
Net investment in capital assets	45,746,481	7,303,585	53,050,066	40,879,992	7,169,446	48,049,438	
Restricted for specific use	11,092,704	260,000	11,352,704	10,040,327	260,000	10,300,327	
Unrestricted	(16,481,896)	5,229,821	(11,252,075)	(16,869,051)	4,551,056	(12,317,995)	
Total net position	\$ 40,357,289	\$ 12,793,406	\$ 53,150,695	\$ 34,051,268	\$ 11,980,502	\$ 46,031,770	

The largest portion of the Town's net position, \$53,050,066 reflects its investment in capital such as land, building, equipment, and infrastructure, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of 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.

An additional portion of the Town's net position, \$11,352,704, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position of (\$11,252,075) may be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. Internally imposed designations of resources are not presented as restricted net position.

Changes in Net Position

Town of North Smithfield Changes in Net Position

	June 30, 2024			June 30, 2023			
	Govern- mental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total	Govern- mental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total	
Revenues							
Program revenues							
Charges for services	\$ 2,492,691	\$ 3,110,073	\$ 5,602,764	\$ 2,420,173	\$ 2,999,949	\$ 5,420,122	
Operating grants	12,300,411	-	12,300,411	11,324,029	-	11,324,029	
Capital grants	219,683	-	219,683	782,223	-	782,223	
General Revenues							
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	35,567,261	-	35,567,261	34,761,923	-	34,761,923	
State aid	5,018,975	-	5,018,975	4,962,272	-	4,962,272	
Interest income	624,088	123,151	747,239	342,746	59,654	402,400	
Miscellaneous	564,513	-	564,513	391,002	260,000	651,002	
Total revenues	56,787,622	3,233,224	60,020,846	54,984,368	3,319,603	58,303,971	
Expenses							
General government	3,533,439	-	3,533,439	2,547,047	-	2,547,047	
Financial administration	866,688	_	866,688	872,096	-	872,096	
Public safety	9,605,258	_	9,605,258	8,829,592	_	8,829,592	
Public works	3,924,076	-	3,924,076	3,646,954	-	3,646,954	
Settlements	-	-	-	300,000	-	300,000	
Education	31,729,046	-	31,729,046	31,227,436	-	31,227,436	
Interest	436,729	-	436,729	583,347	-	583,347	
Water	-	544,501	544,501	-	575,591	575,591	
Sewer	-	2,262,184	2,262,184	-	2,043,787	2,043,787	
Total expenses	50,095,236	2,806,685	52,901,921	48,006,472	2,619,378	50,625,850	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)							
expenses before transfers	6,692,386	426,539	7,118,925	6,977,896	700,225	7,678,121	
Transfers in (out)	(386,365)	386,365		(154,718)	154,718		
Change in net position	6,306,021	812,904	7,118,925	6,823,178	854,943	7,678,121	
Net position - beginning	34,051,268	11,980,502	46,031,770	27,228,090	11,125,559	38,353,649	
Net position - ending	\$ 40,357,289	\$ 12,793,406	\$ 53,150,695	\$ 34,051,268	\$ 11,980,502	\$ 46,031,770	

Governmental Activities - To aid in the understanding of the Statement of Activities, some additional explanation is given. Of particular interest is the format which is different than a typical Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. You will notice that expenses are listed in the first column with revenues from that particular program reported to the right. The result is a net (expense)/revenue. The reason for this kind of format is to highlight the relative financial burden to our taxpayers of each of the Town's functions. It also identifies how much each function draws from the general revenues or if it is self-financing through fees and grants. Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$6,306,021.

Business-Type activities - Business-type activities increased the Town's net position by \$812,904.

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 the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's 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 current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$16,689,510 a decrease of \$1,866,347 (10.06%) in comparison with the prior year beginning fund balance. The General Fund and School Unrestricted Fund are the chief operating funds of the Town.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the total fund balance of the General Fund was \$11,566,939, of which \$9,936,914 is unassigned (85.91%). The General Fund total fund balance decreased by \$404,804 (-3.38%) during the current fiscal year. The unassigned fund balance in the General Fund represents 22.96% of the total Fiscal Year 2024 General Fund budgeted expenditures (excludes School Pass-thru).

At the end of the current fiscal year, the total fund balance of the School Unrestricted Fund was \$2,749,586, of which \$2,127,956 is restricted for education with the balance being assigned for specific purposes. There are no unassigned balances in the School Unrestricted Fund. The School Unrestricted Fund total fund balance has increased by \$424,774 (18.27%) during the current fiscal year.

Proprietary Funds: The Town's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements but in more detail.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the net position of the Water Fund amounted to \$3,601,948, an increase of \$473,997 (15.15%) from the prior year Net Position. In the Sewer Fund, net position amounted to \$9,191,458, an increase of \$338,907 (3.83%) from the prior year Net Position.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The following Revenue Sources had revenue that was materially over/(under) budget for the fiscal year:

Tax Revenue was \$536,676 over budget. The positive variance is attributed to a higher collection percentage of billed taxes, use of collection agency and DMV registry blocks which aided in the collection of motor vehicle taxes.

Intergovernmental and grant revenue was \$52,673 under budget due to a less than expected amount of grant revenue received from outside sources.

Town Clerk licenses and fees were \$62,572 under budget due to less real estate stamps and recording fees.

Other departmental fines and fees were over budget by \$161,741 due to permit certificates and miscellaneous receipts such as a vehicle surplus sale.

Investment and interest income was \$404,244 over budget due to the more aggressive investment of town liquid assets without compromising risk.

Use of fund balance was under budget by \$520,910 since the use of fund balance was not necessary in fiscal year 2024.

The following Departments had expenditures that were materially over/(under) budget for the fiscal year:

General Government was \$47,172 overbudget due to the demolition of Halliwell building.

Public Safety was overbudget by \$58,180 mainly due to the overtime line of the Police and Dispatch Departments.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets - The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2024, amounted to \$70,007,303 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, machinery and equipment, roads, and construction in progress.

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements of this report. A summary of the Town's capital assets is presented below:

Town of North Smithfield Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)

	June 30, 2024					June 30, 20				3		
	Govern- mental Activities		mental Type		Total		Govern- mental Activities		Business Type Activities			Total
Land	\$	9,309,242	\$	16,141	\$	9,325,383	\$	9,309,242	\$	16,141	\$	9,325,383
Construction in progress		3,330,103		594,185		3,924,288		1,026,276		184,714		1,210,990
Land improvements		2,354,435		9,393		2,363,828		2,319,670		10,256		2,329,926
Buildings and improvements		38,723,252		1,220,315		39,943,567		38,896,534		1,266,805		40,163,339
Infrastructure		2,667,220	(5,534,524		9,201,744		2,872,004	(5,743,355		9,615,359
Machinery, equipment and furniture		1,061,464		1,209,039		2,270,503		984,763		1,481,102		2,465,865
Vehicles		2,718,932		-		2,718,932		2,443,214		-		2,443,214
Leased Equipment		56,347		-		56,347		43,752		-		43,752
Subscription Assets		202,711		-		202,711		77,864		-		77,864
Total	\$	60,423,706	\$ 9	9,583,597	\$	70,007,303	\$	57,973,319	\$ 9	9,702,373	\$	67,675,692

Long-Term Obligations – At the end of the fiscal year, the Town had total long-term obligations outstanding of \$46,277,437. General obligation bonds are backed by the full faith and credit of the Town, including the Town's power to levy additional taxes to ensure repayment of the debt. A summary of the Town's Long-Term Obligations is presented below:

Town of North Smithfield Long-Term Obligations

		June 30, 2024			June 30, 2023	
	Govern- mental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total	Govern- mental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total
General Obligation Bonds & Loans	\$ 13,974,898	\$ 2,277,915	\$ 16,252,813	\$ 17,239,061	\$ 2,530,410	\$ 19,769,471
Lease liabilities	79,067	-	79,067	62,275	-	62,275
Financed purchase payable	43,735	-	43,735	57,558	-	57,558
Subscription liability	53,277	-	53,277	70,116	-	70,116
Amortized premium on bonds	1,460,096	18,724	1,478,820	1,806,762	22,469	1,829,231
Accrued compensated absences	1,265,080	-	1,265,080	1,251,362	-	1,251,362
Settlements payable	100,100	-	100,100	100,100	-	100,100
Net OPEB obligation	8,804,933	-	8,804,933	9,791,851	-	9,791,851
Net pension liabilities	18,199,612		18,199,612	21,188,184		21,188,184
Totals	\$ 43,980,798	\$ 2,296,639	\$ 46,277,437	\$ 51,567,269	\$ 2,552,879	\$ 54,120,148

The Town retired bond debt of \$3,264,111 for Governmental Activities and \$252,495 for Business-Type Activities during the current fiscal year. State statute limits the amount of bonds a governmental entity can issue to 3% of its total assessed valuation. Currently, the Town is in compliance with the Legal Debt margin requirement.

Additional information on the Town's long-term obligations can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

Independent Audit

State statutes and the Town Charter require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants. The accounting firm of Bacon & Company CPAs, LLC provided this service for the purpose of issuing basic financial statements and supplementary information for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$53,035,025.47, an increase of \$1,779,315.70 (3.47%) from the prior year. Education, at \$30,656,377.15 or 57.80% of the total budgeted expenditures. The increase for education was \$1,000,470.15 which is made up half State Aid and the other half Town Appropriation.

For the fiscal year 2024-2025, the tax rate was broken down into three tiers: residential, commercial, and personal property, with rates of \$14.774, \$20.432, and \$43.632, respectively. The breakdown consists of 42.20% for municipal and 57.80% for education. For the fiscal year 2023-2024, the tax rate was broken down into the same three tiers, with rates of \$14.246, \$19.399, and \$43.632, respectively. The breakdown consists of 42.14 % for municipal and 57.86 % for education.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Finance Director, North Smithfield Town Hall, 83 Greene Street, North Smithfield, Rhode Island 02896.

Thank you,

Antony St Onge Finance Director

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS INCLUDE:

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Fund Financial Statements:

- Governmental Funds
- Proprietary Funds
- Fiduciary Funds

In addition, the notes to the financial statements are included to provide information that is essential to a user's understanding of the basic financial statements.

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

	Governmental	Business-Type	
	Activities	Activities	Total
Assets:			
Current assets:	\$ 24.946.218	\$ 3,903,465	\$ 20.040.602
Cash and cash equivalents Real estate and personal property tax receivable, net	\$ 24,946,218 637,044	\$ 3,903,465	\$ 28,849,683 637,044
Water and sewer use fees receivable, net	-	250,146	250,146
Sewer assessments receivable, net	_	290,682	290,682
Due from federal and state government	674,363		674,363
Accrued interest receivable, net	288,790	-	288,790
Other receivables	596,249	-	596,249
Internal balances	(1,707,949)	1,707,949	-
Prepaid expenses	387,693		387,693
Total current assets	25,822,408	6,152,242	31,974,650
Noncurrent assets:			
Sewer assessments receivable, net	-	1,737,774	1,737,774
Capital assets: (Note 6)	12 620 245	610 226	12 240 671
Non-depreciable assets Depreciable buildings, property, equipment, infrastructure, net	12,639,345 47,784,361	610,326 8,973,271	13,249,671 56,757,632
Capital assets, net	60,423,706	9,583,597	70,007,303
Net pension assets	7,358,485	-	7,358,485
Total noncurrent assets	67,782,191	11,321,371	79,103,562
Total assets	93,604,599	17,473,613	111,078,212
	93,004,399	17,473,013	111,076,212
Deferred outflows of resources:			
Deferred pension amounts	4,367,900	-	4,367,900
Deferred other post-employment benefit amounts	3,007,919	-	3,007,919
Deferred amounts on refunding	515,419	16,627	532,046
Total deferred outflows of resources	7,891,238	16,627	7,907,865
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,811,520	312,989	3,124,509
Accrued interest payable	76,130	34,104	110,234
Performance bonds payable	1,573,946	-	1,573,946
Unearned revenue Lease liabilities - due within one year	3,865,379 25,329	-	3,865,379 25,329
Financed purchase payable - due within one year	14,194	-	14,194
Subscription liability - due within one year	17,291	_	17,291
Settlements payable - due within one year	14,300	-	14,300
Long-term debt - due within one year (Note 7)	3,334,162	313,814	3,647,976
Total current liabilities	11,732,251	660,907	12,393,158
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Long-term debt - due in more than one year (Note 7)	12,100,832	1,982,825	14,083,657
Lease liabilities - due in more than one year	53,738	-	53,738
Financed purchase payable - due in more than one year	29,541	-	29,541
Subscription liability - due in more than one year	35,986	-	35,986
Accrued compensated absences	1,265,080	-	1,265,080
Settlements payable - due in more than one year Other liabilities	85,800	101,770	85,800 101,770
Net pension liabilities	18,199,612	101,770	18,199,612
Net other post-employment benefit liabilities	8,804,933	_	8,804,933
Total noncurrent liabilities	40,575,522	2,084,595	42,660,117
Total liabilities		2,745,502	
	52,307,773	2,743,302	55,053,275
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Deferred pension amounts	4,901,662	-	4,901,662
Deferred other post-employment benefit amounts	3,929,113	1.051.222	3,929,113
Deferred sewer assessments Total deferred inflows of resources	8,830,775	1,951,332 1,951,332	1,951,332 10,782,107
	0,030,773	1,931,334	10,762,107
Net Position:			
Net investment in capital assets	45,746,481	7,303,585	53,050,066
Restricted for:	2 201 070		2 201 070
Education programs Public sofety programs	2,391,069	-	2,391,069
Public safety programs Historical records preservation	720,748 63,328	-	720,748 63,328
Employee benefit plans	7,358,485	- -	7,358,485
Other programs	559,074	260,000	7,336,463 819,074
Unrestricted	(16,481,896)	5,229,821	(11,252,075
Total net position	\$ 40,357,289	\$ 12,793,406	\$ 53,150,695

Statement of Activities
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net (Expense) Revenue

		Program Revenues			and Changes in Net Position			
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Gra	apital nts and ributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:								
General government	\$ 3,533,439	\$ 355,977	\$ 514,780	\$	57,750	\$ (2,604,932)	\$ -	\$ (2,604,932)
Financial administration	866,688	67,272	· -		-	(799,416)	-	(799,416)
Public safety	9,605,258	998,483	16,560		161,933	(8,428,282)	-	(8,428,282)
Public works	3,924,076	331,797	23,132		-	(3,569,147)	-	(3,569,147)
Education	31,729,046	739,162	10,642,876		-	(20,347,008)	-	(20,347,008)
Interest on long-term debt	436,729	-	1,103,063		-	666,334	-	666,334
Total governmental activities	50,095,236	2,492,691	12,300,411		219,683	(35,082,451)		(35,082,451)
Business-Type Activities:								
Water	544,501	632,133	-		-	-	87,632	87,632
Sewer	2,262,184	2,477,940	-		-	-	215,756	215,756
Total business-type activities	2,806,685	3,110,073			_		303,388	303,388
Total	\$ 52,901,921	\$ 5,602,764	\$ 12,300,411	\$	219,683	(35,082,451)	303,388	(34,779,063)
		General Revenues:						
		Taxes:						
		Property taxes				35,567,261	-	35,567,261
		State aid and in lieu	of taxes,					
		not restricted for a	specific purpose			5,018,975	-	5,018,975
		Investment earnings				624,088	123,151	747,239
		Miscellaneous				564,513	-	564,513
		Transfers				(386,365)	386,365	-
		Total general rev	venues and transfers			41,388,472	509,516	41,897,988
		Change in net positi	ion			6,306,021	812,904	7,118,925
		Net position - begin				34,051,268	11,980,502	46,031,770
		Net position - end of				\$ 40,357,289	\$ 12,793,406	\$ 53,150,695

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

	General Fund	School Unrestricted Fund	American Rescue Plan Fund	Other Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets	ф. 2 0.000 572	Ф. 2.020.072	Φ.	Φ 2.10 < <72	ф. 2 4.04< 2 10
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,800,573	\$ 2,038,972	\$ -	\$ 2,106,673	\$ 24,946,218
Real estate and personal property tax receivable (net)	637,044	21.005	-	- (52.479	637,044
Due from federal and state governments	504,141	21,885	-	652,478 92,108	674,363
Other receivables Due from other funds	794,850	1,277,129	3,502,190	1,672,422	596,249 7,246,591
Prepaid expenditures	21,949	170,118	3,302,190	195,626	387,693
Total assets	\$ 22,758,557	\$ 3,508,104	\$ 3,502,190	\$ 4,719,307	\$ 34,488,158
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Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,					
and Fund Balances (Deficits)					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures	\$ 1,680,461	\$ 505,821	\$ 297,925	\$ 191,944	\$ 2,676,151
Due to other funds	7,300,687	252,697	-	1,401,156	8,954,540
Performance bonds payable	1,573,946	-	-	-	1,573,946
Unearned revenue	-	-	3,204,265	661,114	3,865,379
Other liabilities	135,369				135,369
Total liabilities	10,690,463	758,518	3,502,190	2,254,214	17,205,385
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Deferred property taxes	501,155	-	-	-	501,155
Other deferred revenues				92,108	92,108
Total deferred inflows of resources	501,155			92,108	593,263
Fund Balances (Deficits):					
Nonspendable:					
Prepaid expenditures	21,949	170,118	-	-	192,067
Restricted for:					
Education programs	-	2,127,956	-	263,113	2,391,069
Public safety programs	-	-	-	720,748	720,748
Historical records preservation	-	-	-	63,328	63,328
Capital projects	-	-	-	418,429	418,429
Other programs	-	-	-	466,966	466,966
Committed for:					
Road resurfacing and repairs	127,829	-	-	-	127,829
Revaluation	134,400	-	-	-	134,400
Capital assets and projects	515,122	-	-	393,377	908,499
Public safety programs	-	_	-	100,837	100,837
Halliwell	31,426	-	-	-	31,426
Other	116,751	-	-	-	116,751
Assigned to:					
Road resurfacing and repairs	101,515	-	-	-	101,515
Capital assets and projects	170,000	-	-	-	170,000
Other	411,033	-	-	-	411,033
Building and field maintenance	-	369,427	-	-	369,427
Preschool program	-	56,387	-	-	56,387
Extraordinary special education costs	-	25,698	-	-	25,698
Unassigned	9,936,914	· -	-	(53,813)	9,883,101
Total fund balances (deficits)	11,566,939	2,749,586		2,372,985	16,689,510
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of					
	\$ 22,758,557	\$ 3,508,104	\$ 3,502,190	\$ 4,719,307	

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position June 30, 2024

Total Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 16,689,510
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in Governmental Activities are not current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. See note 6 to the financial statements.	60,423,706
Accrued interest receivable on property taxes is reported as revenue in Government-Wide financial statements in the period earned. In Governmental Funds financial statements, interest on property taxes is reported when received.	288,790
Other long-term receivables are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in Governmental Funds financial statements.	92,108
Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the period for which levied in the Government-Wide financial statements, but are reported as revenue when received in Governmental Funds financial statements.	501,155
Interest payable on long-term debt does not require current financial resources. Therefore, interest payable is not reported as a liability in Governmental Funds Balance Sheet.	(76,130)
Long-term liabilities (including bonds and loans payable, leases liabilities, financed purchase payable, subscription liability, compensated absences, settlements, net other post-employment benefit liabilities, and net pension liabilities) are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. See Note 7 to the financial statements.	(43,980,798)
Deferred outflows related debt refunding are not reported in the Governmental Funds financial statements, but are reported in the Government-Wide financial statements.	515,419
Net pension assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are not reported in Governmental Funds financial statements.	7,358,485
Deferred outflows and inflows related to pensions and other-post employment benefits are not reported in the Governmental Funds financial statements, but are reported in the Government-Wide financial statements.	4.267.000
Deferred outflows - pension Deferred inflows - pension	4,367,900 (4,901,662)
Deferred outflows - other post-employment benefits	3,007,919
Deferred inflows - other post-employment benefits	 (3,929,113)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 40,357,289

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	General Fund	School Unrestricted Fund	American Rescue Plan Fund	Other Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 35,942,218	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,942,218
Motor vehicle excise in lieu of tax	4,398,531	-	-	-	4,398,531
Intergovernmental and grant revenue	1,832,605	9,166,424	371,866	2,010,122	13,381,017
Town clerk licenses and fees	278,928	-	-	-	278,928
Other departmental fines and fees	722,180	281,379	-	128,869	1,132,428
Investment and interest income	579,244	-	-	44,844	624,088
Other revenues	377,468	429,418		1,103,148	1,910,034
Total revenues	44,131,174	9,877,221	371,866	3,286,983	57,667,244
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	2,949,256	-	-	363,540	3,312,796
Financial administration	942,004	-	-	-	942,004
Public safety	9,107,347	-	-	156,387	9,263,734
Public works	4,192,207	-	-	26,404	4,218,611
Education	-	31,142,306	-	2,585,527	33,727,833
Other	-	-	-	76,421	76,421
Capital outlay	1,694,596	-	-	2,008,923	3,703,519
Debt service:					
Principal	3,264,111	-	-	-	3,264,111
Interest and issuance costs	675,682				675,682
Total expenditures	22,825,203	31,142,306		5,217,202	59,184,711
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)					
expenditures before other financing					
sources (uses)	21,305,971	(21,265,085)	371,866	(1,930,219)	(1,517,467)
Other financing sources (uses):					
Lease issued	-	37,485	-	-	37,485
Transfers from other funds	-	21,652,374	-	43,902	21,696,276
Transfers to other funds	(21,710,775)	-	(371,866)	-	(22,082,641)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(21,710,775)	21,689,859	(371,866)	43,902	(348,880)
Net change in fund balances	(404,804)	424,774	-	(1,886,317)	(1,866,347)
Fund balances - beginning of year	11,971,743	2,324,812		4,259,302	18,555,857
Fund balances - end of year	\$ 11,566,939	\$ 2,749,586	\$ -	\$ 2,372,985	\$ 16,689,510

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in the Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Net Changes in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (1,866,347)
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental Funds financial statements report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful life as depreciation expense.	
This is the amount of capital assets recorded in the current period.	5,140,713
Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities, but does not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, depreciation expense is not reported in the Governmental Funds financial statements.	(2,634,035)
The loss on the disposal of capital assets does not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, the loss on the disposal of capital assets is not reported as an expenditure in the Governmental Funds financial statements.	(56,291)
Long-term compensated absences, net pension liabilities (assets) and net other post-employment benefit (OPEB) liabilities are reported in the Government-Wide financial statements, but do not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, compensated absences, net pension liabilities (assets) and net OPEB liabilities are not reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds financial statements. This amount represents the change in these long-term liabilities from the prior year.	2,541,458
Bond and loan proceeds provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position. Repayment of debt principal are expenditures or uses of current financial resources in Governmental Funds, but the payments reduce long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position. This amount represents long-term debt principal payments during the current period.	3,264,163
Debt issued at a premium provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, but are deferred and amortized in the Government-Wide financial statements. Deferred amounts on refunding are expenditures in the Governmental Funds but are deferred and amortized in the Government-Wide financial statements. This amount represents amortization of deferred amounts on refunding during the current period. This amount represents amortization of premium on debt during the current period.	, ,
Leases, financed purchase and subscription liabilities provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, but they increase long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position. Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide statements.	
This amount represents lease principal payments during the current period. This amount represents financed purchase principal payments during the current period. This amount represents subscription principal payments during the current period. This amount represents lease agreements entered into during the current period.	20,693 13,823 16,839 (37,485)
Accrued interest expense on long-term debt is reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities, but does not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore, accrued interest expense is not reported as an expenditure in Governmental Funds financial statements. The following amount represents the change in accrued interest from prior year.	18,944
	10,744
New loans are reported as an increase in accounts receivable in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position, but are reported as expenditures in the Governmental Funds financial statements.	38,550
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that are not available in Governmental Funds are not reported as revenue in the Governmental Funds.	(374,961)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 6,306,021

Statement of Net Position Proprietary Funds June 30, 2024

Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds

		Emerprise Funus			
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total		
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 3,903,465	\$ 3,903,465		
Accounts receivable:					
Water and sewer use fees, net	138,759	111,387	250,146		
Sewer assessments, net	-	290,682	290,682		
Due from other funds	936,942	771,007	1,707,949		
Total current assets	1,075,701	5,076,541	6,152,242		
Noncurrent assets:					
Sewer assessments receivable, net	-	1,737,774	1,737,774		
Capital assets:					
Non-depreciable assets	601,381	8,945	610,326		
Depreciable assets - net	3,065,509	5,907,762	8,973,271		
Total noncurrent assets	3,666,890	7,654,481	11,321,371		
Total assets	4,742,591	12,731,022	17,473,613		
Deferred outflows of resources					
Deferred amounts on refunding		16,627	16,627		
Total deferred outflows of resources		16,627	16,627		
Liabilities					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	185,052	127,937	312,989		
Accrued interest payable	22,528	11,576	34,104		
Current portion of long term debt	75,335	238,479	313,814		
Total current liabilities	282,915	377,992	660,907		
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Long-term debt	814,428	1,168,397	1,982,825		
Other liabilities	43,300	58,470	101,770		
Total noncurrent liabilities	857,728	1,226,867	2,084,595		
Total liabilities	1,140,643	1,604,859	2,745,502		
Deferred inflows of resources					
Deferred sewer assessments	 _	1,951,332	1,951,332		
Total deferred inflows of resources		1,951,332	1,951,332		
Net position					
Net investment in capital assets	2,777,127	4,526,458	7,303,585		
Restricted for water connections	260,000	-	260,000		
Unrestricted	564,821	4,665,000	5,229,821		
Total net position	\$ 3,601,948	\$ 9,191,458	\$ 12,793,406		

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Proprietary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Water	Sewer	
	Fund	Fund	Total
Operating revenues			
Assessments and user fees	\$ 614,148	\$ 2,364,748	\$ 2,978,896
Other revenues	17,985	113,192	131,177
Total operating revenues	632,133	2,477,940	3,110,073
Operating expenses			
Salaries and benefits	36,759	210,917	247,676
Service	283,272	1,400,302	1,683,574
Operating supplies	2,387	8,211	10,598
Fixed and general charges	86,150	197,093	283,243
Depreciation	106,296	421,951	528,247
Total operating expenses	514,864	2,238,474	2,753,338
Operating income	117,269	239,466	356,735
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)			
Interest income	-	123,151	123,151
Interest expense	(29,637)	(23,710)	(53,347)
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	(29,637)	99,441	69,804
Income before transfers	87,632	338,907	426,539
Transfer in	386,365		386,365
Change in net position	473,997	338,907	812,904
Total net position - beginning of year	3,127,951	8,852,551	11,980,502
Total net position - end of year	\$ 3,601,948	\$ 9,191,458	\$ 12,793,406

Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Water	Sewer	
	Fund	Fund	Total
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash received from customers	\$ 676,838	\$ 2,617,711	\$ 3,294,549
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(355,077)	(1,406,568)	(1,761,645)
Cash payments to employees for services	(36,602)	(210,028)	(246,630)
Net cash provided by operating activities	285,159	1,001,115	1,286,274
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities			
Transfers from other funds	386,365	-	386,365
Interfund transactions	(166,909)	(790,138)	(957,047)
Net cash provided by (used for) non-capital			
financing activities	219,456	(790,138)	(570,682)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities			
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(400,526)	(8,945)	(409,471)
Principal paid on bonds and loans	(73,544)	(178,951)	(252,495)
Interest paid on bonds and loans	(30,545)	(23,081)	(53,626)
Net cash used for capital and related			
financing activities	(504,615)	(210,977)	(715,592)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income		123,151	123,151
Net cash provided by investing activities		123,151	123,151
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	-	123,151	123,151
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	-	3,780,314	3,780,314
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ -	\$ 3,903,465	\$ 3,903,465
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Statement of Cash Flows (Continued)
Proprietary Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds

	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Reconciliation of operating income to net			
cash provided by operating activities			
Operating income	\$ 117,269	\$ 239,466	\$ 356,735
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to			
net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	106,296	421,951	528,247
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	44,705	355,704	400,409
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable			
and accrued expenses	16,889	113,411	130,300
Increase (decrease) in deferred sewer assessments		(129,417)	(129,417)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 285,159	\$ 1,001,115	\$ 1,286,274

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds June 30, 2024

	Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund		Private-Purpose Trust Buxton Family Association	
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	869
Investments:				
Pooled investments		2,552,257		-
Total assets		2,552,257		869
Net position				
Restricted for other post employment				
benefits and other purposes	\$	2,552,257	\$	869

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Fiduciary Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund		Private-Purpose Trust Buxton Family	
Additions	<u> </u>	si F una	Association	
Contributions:	¢	921 215	¢	
Employer	\$	821,215	\$	
Total contributions	-	821,215		
Investment earnings:				
Net increase (decrease) in fair				
value of investments		252,341		-
Interest and dividends		-		23
Total investment earnings		252,341		23
Less investment expense		6,723		-
Net investment income		245,618		23
Total additions		1,066,833		23
Deductions				
Benefits		546,215		_
Total deductions	-	546,215		_
Change in net position		520,618		23
-				
Net position - beginning of year		2,031,639		846
Net position - end of year	\$	2,552,257	\$	869

The financial statements of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island, have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the Town's financial statements.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. REPORTING ENTITY

The Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island was incorporated under the provisions of Chapter 728 of the Public Laws of Rhode Island. The Town operates under a Town Council-Administrator form of government and provides the following services as authorized by its charter: public safety (police and fire), highway and streets, sanitation, health and social services, culture-recreation, education, public improvements, planning, zoning and inspection, and general administrative services.

In evaluating the inclusion of potential component units within its financial reporting entity, the Town applied the criteria prescribed by GASB Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units", and GASB Statement No. 61 "Financial Reporting Entity-Omnibus". A component unit is a legally separate organization for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable or other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading. Through the application of GASB Statements Nos. 14, 39 and 61 criteria, the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust has been presented as a fiduciary component unit of the Town in the Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements.

The Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust is an other post-employment benefit plan established by a trust agreement adopted effective August 21, 2017. The Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust does not have a governing board, and the Town Council performs the duties of a governing board and, thus, can impose its will on the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust. The fiscal year of the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust ends on June 30. The Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust does not issue separate financial statements.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND ACCOUNTING

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Town's Government-Wide Financial Statements include a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These statements report information about the reporting entity as a whole. Fiduciary activities of the Town are not included in these statements. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through property taxes, intergovernmental revenue, and other non-exchange revenues. Business-

type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods and services rendered.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenue for the business-type activities and for each function of the Town's governmental activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including property taxes and general state aid, are presented as general revenues.

These statements are presented on an "economic resources" measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, all the Town's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, including capital assets, infrastructure assets, and long-term liabilities, are included in the accompanying Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Activities presents changes in net position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period earned while expenses are recognized in the period the liability is incurred.

Certain eliminations have been made as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34 in regard to interfund activities, payables, and receivables. All internal balances in the Statement of Net Position have been eliminated except those representing balances between the governmental activities and the business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances and eliminated in the total column. In the Statement of Activities, those transactions between governmental and business-type activities have not been eliminated.

Fund Financial Statements

The Fund Financial Statements of the Town are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to specific Town functions or activities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. Funds are organized into three categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Major individual governmental funds and enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the Fund Financial Statements.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements

Governmental Fund Financial Statements include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for all major governmental funds and non-major funds aggregated. An accompanying schedule is presented to reconcile and explain the differences in fund balances and changes in fund balances as presented in these statements to the net position and changes in net position presented in the Government-Wide Financial Statements.

All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "current financial resources" measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, only current assets,

deferred outflows of resources, current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are included on the Balance Sheet. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Accordingly, revenues are recorded when received in cash, except those revenues subject to accrual (generally collected 60 days after year-end) are recognized when due. The primary revenue sources which have been treated as susceptible to accrual by the Town are property tax and intergovernmental revenues. Expenditures are recorded in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured.

Major Governmental Funds:

General Fund – The General Fund is used to account for resources devoted to financing the general services that the Town performs for its citizens and is always classified as a major fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for or reported in another fund.

School Unrestricted Fund – The School Unrestricted Fund is used to account for the budgeted resources devoted to financing the general operations of the School Department.

American Rescue Plan Fund – The American Rescue Plan Fund is used to account for federal ARPA funds received by the Town.

Proprietary Fund Financial Statements

Proprietary Fund Financial Statements include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows.

Proprietary funds are accounted for using the "economic resources" measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources (whether current or noncurrent) are included in the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period earned while expenses are recognized in the period the liability is incurred.

Operating revenues in the proprietary funds are those revenues that are generated from the primary operations of the fund. All other revenues are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are those expenses that are essential to the primary operations of the fund. All other expenses are reported as non-operating expenses.

The Town has two Enterprise Funds, which are major funds, as follows:

Water Fund – The Water Fund is used to account for the water use fees and the expenses associated with providing water services to Town residents.

Sewer Fund – The Sewer Fund is used to account for the sewer use and assessment fees and the expenses associated with providing sewer services to Town residents.

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements

Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements include a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. The Town's Fiduciary Funds include an Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund and a Private Purpose Trust Fund. Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity or as a custodian for individuals, private organizations, or other governments. The Fiduciary Funds are accounted for on a spending or "economic resources" measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund – This fund accounts for assets held under a trust arrangement to finance other post-employment benefits of Town employees and payments of these benefits as they come due.

Private Purpose Trust Funds – This fund accounts for assets held by the Town under a trust arrangement for the benefit of certain individuals.

C. RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The Town has implemented the following new accounting pronouncements:

- GASB Statement No. 99 *Omnibus 2022*, requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 effective for the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
- GASB Statement No. 100 Accounting Changes and Error Corrections an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62, effective for the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

The adoption of GASB Statement No. 100 and portions of GASB Statement No. 99 applicable in fiscal year 2024 did not have an impact on the Town's financial position or results of operations.

The Town will adopt the following new accounting pronouncements in future years:

- GASB Statement No. 101 *Compensated Absences*, effective for the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.
- GASB Statement No. 102 *Certain Risk Disclosures*, effective for the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

- GASB Statement No. 103 Financial Reporting Model Improvements, effective for the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.
- GASB Statement No. 104 *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets*, effective for the Town's fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

The impact of these pronouncements on the Town's financial statements has not been determined.

D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Town considers cash and cash equivalents in the Proprietary Funds to include cash on hand, time and demand deposits and short-term investments maturing within three months from the date of acquisition.

E. INVESTMENTS

The Town's investments are reported at fair value, except for pooled investments which are reported at net asset value per share or its equivalent (which approximates fair value).

F. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND TAXES RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable and taxes receivable are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts. The allowances are calculated based on the age of the individual receivables.

G. PREPAID ITEMS

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenditures/expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

H. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position. In the Fund Financial Statements, capital assets used in governmental fund activities are accounted for as capital expenditures. Capital assets used in proprietary fund operations are accounted for in the same manner as in the Government-Wide Financial Statements.

All capital assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value as of the date received.

Capitalized assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Infrastructure assets are defined generally as capital assets that are immovable and of value only to the governmental unit, including roads, bridges, sidewalks, and street lighting.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Years
Land improvements	20-50
Buildings and improvements	20-50
Motor vehicles, equipment, and heavy machinery	5-20
Furniture and office equipment	5-10
Infrastructure	25-40
Water lines and projects	30-65
Sewer mains and laterals	30-65

I. DEBT PREMIUMS

In the Governmental Fund Financial Statements, debt premiums are reported as an "other financing source." In the Government-Wide Statements, debt premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the debt. Debt premiums are presented as an addition to the face amount of the debt payable.

J. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

In the Governmental Fund Financial Statements, deferred inflows of resources are reported for receivables recorded in the Governmental Fund Financial Statements for which the revenue is not available, or amounts received before the period for which property taxes are levied. In the Government-Wide Financial Statements, deferred amounts are reported for amounts related to refunding debt issues which will be amortized as a component of interest expense in future years. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are also reported for amounts related to the Town's other post-employment benefits plans and pension plans that will be amortized as a component of other post-employment benefit expense and pension expense in future years.

K. PROPERTY TAXES

The Town is permitted by state law to levy property taxes. Current tax collections for the Town were approximately 99% of the total 2023 levy. The Town's fiscal 2023-2024 property taxes were levied on June 27, 2023 on assessed valuation as of December 31, 2022. Upon levy, taxes are due and payable on August 15 or may be paid quarterly on August 15, October 15, January 15, and April 15. Failure to mail payments by due dates will result in a lien on taxpayer's property. Taxable assessed values are established by the Tax Assessor's Office and are currently calculated at approximately 100% of current market value for real estate.

L. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Under the terms of various contracts and agreements, Town employees are granted vacation and sick leave in varying amounts based on length of service.

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability based on the accumulated benefits earned on June 30. Sick leave benefits are accrued based on the sick leave accumulated as of June 30 by those employees who are currently eligible to receive termination payments and those employees for whom it is probable, they will become eligible to receive termination benefits in the future. The liability is calculated at the rate of pay in effect on June 30, 2024.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported in the Government-Wide Financial Statements. For Governmental Fund Financial Statements, the amount of accumulated vacation and sick leave has been recorded as a current liability to the extent that the amounts are due to employees that have resigned or retired.

M. ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND LONG-TERM DEBT

All accrued liabilities and long-term debt are reported in the Government-Wide Financial Statements.

For Governmental Fund Financial Statements, the accrued liabilities are generally reported as a governmental fund liability if due for payment as of the balance sheet date regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current financial resources. However, claims and judgments and compensated absences paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the Governmental Fund Financial Statements only for the portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources. Long-term debt paid from governmental funds is not recognized as a liability in the Governmental Fund Financial Statements until due.

N. LEASES

The Town is lessee for noncancellable leases of office equipment. The Town recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the Government-Wide Financial Statements. At the commencement of the lease, the Town initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of the lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how the Town determines the discount rate it uses to discount the expected leases payments to present value, lease term, and lease payments. The Town uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that the Town is reasonably certain to exercise. The Town monitors changes in circumstances that would require a

remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position.

O. SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS (SBITA)

The Town has entered into SBITA contracts to use vendor provided IT software. The Town recognizes a subscription liability and intangible right-to-use subscription asset (subscription asset) in the Government-Wide Financial Statements.

At the commencement of a SBITA, the Town initially measures the subscription liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the subscription term. Subsequently, the subscription liability is reduced by the principal portion of the payments made. The subscription asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the subscription liability, adjusted for payments made at or before the subscription commencement date, plus certain capitalizable initial implementation costs. Subsequently, the subscription asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments include how the Town determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected subscription payments to present value, (2) subscription term, and (3) subscription payments.

- The Town uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for subscriptions.
- The subscription term includes the noncancellable period of the SBITA, and periods covered by the Town's option to extend the subscription if it is reasonably certain, based on all relevant factors, that the Town will exercise that option. Subscription payments included in the measurement of the subscription liability are composed of fixed payments made by the Town

The Town monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its subscriptions and will remeasure the subscription asset and subscription liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the subscription liability.

Subscription assets are reported with capital assets and subscription liabilities are reported with long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position.

P. PENSIONS

For the purposes of measuring the net pension liabilities (assets), deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Rhode Island, Teachers' Survivor Benefit and Municipal Employees' Retirement System plans and the additions to/deductions from each plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they

are reported by the plans. 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-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Town of North Smithfield's Other Post-Employment Benefits Plan (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.

R. USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of 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 differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. LEGAL DEBT MARGIN

The Town's legal debt margin as set forth by State Statute is limited to three percent of total taxable assessed value, which approximates \$61,580,196. As of June 30, 2024, the Town's debt subject to the legal debt margin is \$1,170,893 and the Town is under the debt limit by \$60,409,303. The debt subject to the debt limitation is based on the type of debt that is issued.

B. DEFICIT FUND BALANCES

The following nonmajor fund had a deficit fund balance as of June 30, 2024: CDBG Fund \$(53,813).

NOTE 3 – CASH DEPOSITS

DEPOSITS – are in three financial institutions and are carried at cost. The carrying amount of deposits is separately displayed on the Balance Sheet of the Fund Financial Statements and the Statement of Net Position as "Cash and Cash Equivalents".

	Carrying
	<u>Amount</u>
Total Deposits	\$28,849,327
Add: Petty cash	1,225
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	
Reported in the Financial Statements	\$28,850,552

CUSTODIAL CREDIT RISK – custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Town will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Town does not have a formal deposit policy for custodial credit risk but is governed by State laws as described below. As of June 30, 2024, \$28,379,001 of the Town's bank balance of \$29,379,001 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	Bank
	Balance
Insured (Federal depository insurance funds)	\$1,000,000
Collateralized with securities held by pledging financial	
institution or its agent in the Town's name	10,805,453
Collateralized with securities held by pledging financial	
institution or its agent, but not in the Town's name	17,573,548
Uninsured and uncollateralized	
Total	\$29,379,001
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Under Rhode Island general laws, depository institutions holding deposits of the State, its agencies, or governmental subdivisions of the State, shall at a minimum, insure or pledge eligible collateral equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the deposits, which are time deposits with maturities greater than sixty (60) days. Any of these institutions which do not meet minimum capital standards prescribed by federal regulators shall insure or pledge eligible collateral equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the deposits, regardless of maturity. On June 30, 2024, the Town had no uncollateralized deposits with institutions.

NOTE 4 – INVESTMENTS

On June 30, 2024, the Town's investment balances were as follows:

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Trust OPEB Funding Program	\$2,552,257
Total Investments Reported	
in the Financial Statements	\$2,552,257

The Town's General Fund investments are governed by Title 35, Chapter 10, Section 11 of the State's General Laws. This law generally allows for short-term investments, such as certificate of deposits, money market funds, obligations guaranteed by the U.S. Government, etc. with the goal of seeking responsible income while preserving capital.

Interest Rate Risk – The Town does not have a formal policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk –The Town does not have a formal policy that limits investment choices.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The Town does not have a formal policy that limits the amount that can be invested with one issuer.

Custodial Credit Risk – Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that in the failure of the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Town does not have a policy governing custodial credit risk.

NOTE 5 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Town categorizes its fair value measurements 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 asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; and Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The Town had no recurring or nonrecurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2024.

The valuation method for pooled investments measured at net asset value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) is presented in the following table:

		Redemption	Redemption Notice
	Fair Value	Frequency	Period
Trust OPEB Funding			
Program	\$2,552,257	Daily	None

The Trust OPEB Funding Program investment utilizes a balanced strategy seeking both a reasonable level of income and long-term growth of capital and income. The Program invests in eight index, exchange-traded and money market funds: total market index fund, total international stock exchange-traded fund, high yield bond exchange-traded fund, 5–10-year investment grade bond exchange-traded fund, US aggregate exchange-traded fund, global infrastructure exchange-traded fund, real estate exchange-traded fund, and government obligations money market fund. The fair values of the underlying investments are used to determine NAV per share (or its equivalent) of the Trust OPEB Funding Program investment.

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Beginning Balance	Addi	itions	Ret	irements	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:	 					
Nondepreciable assets:						
Land and land easements	\$ 9,309,242	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 9,309,242
Construction in progress	1,026,276	3,2	81,438		977,611	3,330,103
	10,335,518	3,2	81,438		977,611	 12,639,345
Depreciable assets:						
Land improvements	5,222,659	2	39,072		50,000	5,411,731
Buildings and improvements	67,018,581	1,1	32,975		593,872	67,557,684
Infrastructure	25,927,042		-		-	25,927,042
Machinery, equipment and furniture	4,831,430	3	17,648		146,676	5,002,402
Vehicles	6,454,033	9	63,668		218,372	7,199,329
Leased equipment	86,967		37,485		-	124,452
Subscription assets	86,516	1	46,038		-	232,554
	109,627,228	2,8	36,886	1	,008,920	 111,455,194
Total capital assets	119,962,746	6,1	18,324	1	,986,531	124,094,539
Less accumulated depreciation for:						
Land improvements	2,902,989	2	04,307		50,000	3,057,296
Buildings and improvements	28,122,047	1,2	84,786		572,401	28,834,432
Infrastructure	23,055,038	2	04,784		-	23,259,822
Machinery, equipment and furniture	3,846,667	2	29,637		135,366	3,940,938
Vehicles	4,010,819	6	64,440		194,862	4,480,397
Less accumulated amortization for:						
Leased equipment	43,215		24,890		-	68,105
Subscription assets	8,652		21,191		-	29,843
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization	 61,989,427	2,6	34,035		952,629	 63,670,833
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 57,973,319	\$ 3,4	84,289	\$ 1	,033,902	\$ 60,423,706

	_	nning					Ending
	Bal	ance	Addi	tions	Retire	ments	 Balance
Business-Type Activities							
Nondepreciable assets:							
Land	\$	16,141	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 16,141
Construction in progress		184,714		09,471			 594,185
		200,855	4	09,471			 610,326
Depreciable assets:							
Land improvements	_	32,405		-		-	32,405
Buildings and improvements		2,395,497		-		-	2,395,497
Infrastructure		3,773,279		-		-	13,773,279
Machinery, equipment and furniture	19	9,380,881		-		-	19,380,881
Vehicles		139,110					 139,110
	35	5,721,172		-			35,721,172
Total capital assets	35	5,922,027	4	09,471			36,331,498
Less accumulated depreciation for:							
Land improvements		22,149		863		_	23,012
Buildings and improvements	1	,128,692		46,490		_	1,175,182
Infrastructure		7,029,924		08,831		_	7,238,755
Machinery, equipment and furniture		7,899,779		72,063		_	18,171,842
Vehicles	- ,	139,110	_	-		-	139,110
Total accumulated depreciation	26	5,219,654	5	28,247			26,747,901
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 9	0,702,373	\$ (1	18,776)	\$	-	\$ 9,583,597
Depreciation and amortization expense was charged as follo	ws:			_			
Governmental activities:			Φ.1				
General government				55,727			
Public safety				87,330			
Public works				31,915			
Education			1,4	59,063			
Total depreciation and amortization expense, governme	ntal activit	ies	\$ 2,6	34,035			
Business-type activities:							
Water fund			\$ 1	06,296			
Sewer fund				21,951			
Total depreciation expense, business-type activities				28,247			

NOTE 7 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES A. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:

Changes in long-term liabilities during the year ended June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Retirements	Ending Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
Bonds and loans payable:					
Bonds and loans payable	\$ 16,049,061	\$ -	\$ 2,854,163	\$ 13,194,898	\$ 2,959,162
Bonds from direct placements	60,000	-	60,000	-	-
Loans from direct borrowings	1,130,000	-	350,000	780,000	375,000
•	17,239,061	-	3,264,163	13,974,898	3,334,162
Plus amortized premium on bonds	1,806,762		346,666	1,460,096	
Total bonds and loans	19,045,823	-	3,610,829	15,434,994	3,334,162
Other liabilities:					
Lease liabilities	62,275	37,485	20,693	79,067	25,329
Financed purchase payable	57,558	· -	13,823	43,735	14,194
Subscription liability	70,116	-	16,839	53,277	17,291
Accrued compensated absences	1,251,362	104,372	90,654	1,265,080	-
Settlements payable	100,100	· -	· <u>-</u>	100,100	14,300
Net other post-employment benefit					
liabilities	9,791,851	-	986,918	8,804,933	_
Net pension liabilities	21,188,184		2,988,572	18,199,612	
Total Governmental Activities					
Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 51,567,269	\$ 141,857	\$ 7,728,328	\$ 43,980,798	\$ 3,405,276
Business- type activities:					
Bonds and loans payable:					
Bonds payable	\$ 240,102	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 240,102	\$ 55,838
Bonds and loans from direct borrowings	2,290,308		252,495	2,037,813	257,976
	2,530,410	-	252,495	2,277,915	313,814
Plus amortized premium on bonds	22,469		3,745	18,724	212.014
Total bonds and loans	2,552,879		256,240	2,296,639	313,814
Total Business- Type Activities					
Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 2,552,879	\$ -	\$ 256,240	\$ 2,296,639	\$ 313,814

Loans from direct borrowings in Business-Type Activities include a loan issued on May 21, 2020 in the amount of \$1,400,000. The loan agreement includes principal forgiveness in the amount of \$850,000 for a net loan amount of \$550,000 that will be repaid by the Town. As of June 30, 2024, a loan payable of \$390,892 is reported in the Water Fund.

All debt of the Government Activities is general obligation debt. The payments on the bonds and loans are paid from the General Fund. The payments on the bonds and loans in the Business-Type Activities are paid from the Water Fund and Sewer Fund. The lease liabilities are paid from the School Unrestricted Fund. The financed purchase payable and subscription liability are paid from

the General Fund. The compensated absences, net other post-employment benefit liabilities, and net pension liabilities are paid from the General Fund and School Unrestricted Fund.

B. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND LOANS DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The debt service requirements on June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	Governmen	tal Activities	Governmen	ental Activities		
Fiscal Year	Bonds and I	oans Payable	Loans from Di	rect Borrowings		
Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest		
2025	\$ 2,959,162	\$ 532,231	\$ 375,000	\$ 29,952		
2026	3,060,558	412,684	405,000	15,552		
2027	2,334,163	282,487	-	-		
2028	2,421,954	172,326	-	-		
2029	269,061	79,016	-	-		
2030-2034	1,075,000	274,125	-	-		
2035-2039	1,075,000	96,750	-	-		
	\$ 13,194,898	\$ 1,849,619	\$ 780,000	\$ 45,504		

Fiscal Year		Business-Type Activities Bonds Payable				Business-Ty Bonds a from Direct	nd Lo	ans
Ended June 30,	P	rincipal		nterest		rincipal		Interest
2025	\$	55,838	\$	4,244	\$	257,976	\$	46,240
2026		54,442		3,141		264,037		40,333
2027		55,837		2,038		270,151		34,136
2028		53,046		949		272,101		27,885
2029		20,939		209		278,329		21,459
2030-2034		-		-		462,007		77,455
2035-2039		-		-		190,105		40,365
2040		-		-		43,107		2,185
	\$	240,102	\$	10,581	\$	2,037,813	\$	290,058

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C. SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND LOANS PAYABLE

Purpose	Date Issued	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Authorized and Issued	Outstanding June 30, 2023	New Issues	Refundings/ Maturities During Year	Outstanding June 30, 2024
Governmental Activities:								
Bonds and loans payable:		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	- 4 4-0-0					
Refunding bond	6/30/2016	2.00-4.00%	7/1/2028	\$ 1,441,624	\$ 764,061	\$ -	\$ 144,163	\$ 619,898
General obligation bond	6/30/2016	2.00-4.00%	6/15/2026	7,350,000	2,410,000	-	785,000	1,625,000
Refunding loan	8/10/2016	2.00-5.00%	5/15/2028	17,115,000	9,435,000	-	1,710,000	7,725,000
School general obligation bond	5/16/2019	3.00-4.00%	5/15/2039	4,300,000	3,440,000	-	215,000	3,225,000
Bonds from direct placements:								
General obligation bond	12/30/2013	2.25%	12/15/2023	545,000	60,000	-	60,000	-
Loans from direct borrowings:								
School loan	9/2/2010	3.84%	4/1/2026	3,550,000	1,130,000		350,000	780,000
	1	Total Government	al Activities	34,301,624	17,239,061		3,264,163	13,974,898
Business-Type Activities: Water Fund: Bonds and loans from direct borrowings:								
Water bond	8/26/1999	5.00%	8/26/2039	790,900	518,986	-	20,115	498,871
Water loan	5/21/2020	0.77-1.20%	9/1/2030	1,400,000	444,321	-	53,429	390,892
				2,190,900	963,307		73,544	889,763
Sewer Fund: Bonds payable:								
Refunding bond Bonds and loans from direct borrowings:	6/30/2016	2.00-4.00%	7/1/2028	558,376	240,102	-	-	240,102
Clean water revolving loan	10/6/2009	0.49-1.93%	9/1/2029	4,750,000	1,327,001	-	178,951	1,148,050
-				5,308,376	1,567,103	-	178,951	1,388,152
	7	Total Business-Typ	pe Activities	7,499,276	2,530,410		252,495	2,277,915
	2	Total Bonds and L	oans Payable	\$ 41,800,900	\$ 19,769,471	\$ -	\$ 3,516,658	\$ 16,252,813

D. LEASE LIABILITIES

The Town entered into three five-year lease agreements for the acquisition and use of office equipment in March 2021, March 2022, and September 2023, respectively. As of June 30, 2024, the value of the lease liabilities was \$79,067. The Town is required to make monthly principal and interest payments of \$952, \$982, and \$795, respectively. The leases have an interest rate of 12.7%, 11.3%, and 9.9%, respectively. In addition, the Town may purchase equipment for \$1 at the end of the lease term for the March 2021 and March 2022 leases. The equipment has a 5-year estimated useful life. The value of the right-to-use assets as of the end of the current fiscal year was \$124,452 and accumulated amortization was \$68,105.

The future principal and interest payments as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

Fiscal Year		Governmental Activities Leases Liabilities								
Ended June 30,	P	rincipal		Total						
2025	\$	25,329	\$	7,416	\$	32,745				
2026		25,511		4,378		29,889				
2027		16,362		2,010		18,372				
2028		8,751		785		9,536				
2029		3,114		65		3,179				
	•	70.067	•	14654	•	02 721				

E. FINANCED PURCHASE PAYABLE

The Town acquired police equipment valued at \$71,020 using a financed purchase agreement.

The future principal and interest payments as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

		Governmental Activities							
Fiscal Year		Financed Purchase Payable							
Ended June 30,	P	Principal Interest				Total			
2025	\$	14,194	-	\$	1,173	\$	15,367		
2026		14,575			792		15,367		
2027		14,966	_		401		15,367		
	\$	43,735		\$	2,366	\$	46,101		

F. SUBSCRIPTION LIABILITY

The Town entered into a subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA) contract to use vendor provided IT software. As of June 30, 2024, the value of the subscription liability was \$53,277. The related subscription asset has an estimated useful life of 5 years. The value of the associated right-to-use asset as of June 30, 2024 was \$86,516 and accumulated amortization was \$25,955.

The future principal and interest payments as of June 30, 2024 were as follows:

Fiscal Year		Governmental Activities Subscription Liability							
Ended June 30,	Principal		Principal Interest			Total			
2025	\$	17,291	\$	1,429	\$	18,720			
2026		17,755		965		18,720			
2027		18,231		489		18,720			
	\$	53,277	\$	2,883	\$	56,160			

NOTE 8 – INTERFUND BALANCES

The Town reports interfund balances between many of its funds. Interfund balances on June 30, 2024 were as follows:

	Due From:						
				School	Λ	Vonmajor	
	Gen	eral	Un	restricted	Go	vernmental	
	Fı	ınd		Fund	und Funds		 Total
Due To:							
General Fund	\$	(1)	\$	-	\$	794,851	\$ 794,850
School Unrestricted Fund	(570,824		-		606,305	1,277,129
American Rescue Plan Fund	3,	502,190		-		-	3,502,190
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	1,4	419,725		252,697		-	1,672,422
Water Fund	9	936,942		-		-	936,942
Sewer Fund		771,007					 771,007
Total	\$ 7,3	300,687	\$	252,697	\$	1,401,156	\$ 8,954,540

The balances primarily result from the time lag between the dates the 1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur; 2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system; and 3) payments between funds are made.

NOTE 9 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS

	Transj			
		American	_	
	General Rescue Plan			
	Fund Fund		Total	
Transfer To:				
School Unrestricted Fund	\$ 21,652,374	\$ -	\$ 21,652,374	
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	43,902	-	43,902	
Water Fund	14,499	371,866	386,365	
Total	\$ 21,710,775	\$ 371,866	\$ 22,082,641	

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that the budget requires to collect them, to the funds that the budget requires to expend them.

NOTE 10 – DISAGGREGATION OF RECEIVABLE AND PAYABLE BALANCES A. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The Town disaggregates significant components of receivables in the financial statements. On June 30, 2024, other receivables included the following:

	Police Detail	CDBG Loan	Other	Total
Governmental Activities:				
General Fund	\$ 451,765	\$ -	\$ 52,376	\$ 504,141
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	-	92,108	-	92,108
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 451,765	\$ 92,108	\$ 52,376	\$ 596,249

The Town expects to receive all receivables within the subsequent year, except for CDBG loan receivables which are due in accordance with individual loan amortization schedules and sewer assessment receivables which are payable over 20 years. The following allowances for doubtful accounts are included in the financial statements:

	<u>Allowance for</u>
Fund/Description	Doubtful Accounts
Governmental Activities/General Fund – Real estate and	
personal property tax receivable	\$907,439
Governmental Activities – Accrued interest receivable	265,462
Business-Type Activities/Water Fund – Use fees receivable	1,441
Business-Type Activities/Sewer Fund – Use fees receivable	3,479
Business-Type Activities/Sewer Fund – Sewer assessments	
receivable	2,385

B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

The accounts payable and accrued liabilities on June 30, 2024, were as follows:

		Salaries		
	Vendors	and Benefits	Other	Total
Governmental Activities:				
General Fund	\$1,335,854	\$ 344,607	\$ -	\$ 1,680,461
School Unrestricted Fund	88,178	417,643	-	505,821
American Rescue Plan Fund	297,925	-	-	297,925
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	190,474	1,470	-	191,944
Reconciliation of balances in fund				
financial statements to government-				
wide financial statements	-	-	135,369	135,369
Total Governmental Activities	\$1,912,431	\$ 763,720	\$ 135,369	\$ 2,811,520
Business-Type Activities:				
Water Fund	\$ 83,466	\$ 1,230	\$ 100,356	\$ 185,052
Sewer Fund	120,970	6,967		127,937
Total Business-Type Activities	\$ 204,436	\$ 8,197	\$ 100,356	\$ 312,989

NOTE 11 – NET POSITION/FUND BALANCES

The Government-Wide Financial Statements and Proprietary Fund Statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is segregated into the following three categories:

Net Investment in Capital Assets – This category groups all capital assets into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balance of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduce the balance in this category.

Restricted Net Position — This category represents balances limited to uses specified either externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments or imposed through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted Net Position – This category represents the residual component of net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

The Town considers restricted resources to have been spent when an expense is incurred for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

In the Fund Financial Statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the Town is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Nonspendable Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criteria include items that are not expected to be converted to cash (e.g., inventories, prepaid amounts, and noncurrent receivables).

Restricted Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts that have constraints placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Town's highest level of decision-making authority. These committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Town removes or changes the specific use by taking the same type of action it employed to previously commit those amounts.

Assigned Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts constrained by the Town's intent to be used for specific purposes but are neither restricted nor committed.

Unassigned Fund Balance – This classification is the residual fund balance for the General Fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to another fund and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund.

Committed fund balances are established, modified, or rescinded by an ordinance or resolution adopted by the Town Council. Assigned fund balances are authorized by the Town Council or an official that the governing body has delegated the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. The Town considers restricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available. The Town considers unrestricted fund balance classifications to be used in the following order when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used: 1) committed; 2) assigned; and 3) unassigned.

The Town has established the following fund balance policies:

- General Fund unassigned fund balance will be maintained at a minimum of 12% but not more than 16% of General Fund expenditures in any given year.
- Enterprise Funds unrestricted net position will be maintained at a minimum of three months operating expenses plus 25% of the accumulated depreciation of the capital assets of the fund.

NOTE 12 – DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AND GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A. DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET AND STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The total fund balances for Governmental Funds of \$16,689,510 differs from the total net position for Governmental Activities of \$40,357,289 reported in the Statement of Net Position. The differences arise primarily from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the current financial resources focus of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. The effect of the differences is illustrated below.

Balance Sheet/Statement of Net Position:

	Ge	Total overnmental Funds	ong-Term Assets/ abilities (1)	Reclassifications and Eliminations		Statement Net Position Totals	
Assets:				 			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	24,946,218	\$ -	\$ -	\$	24,946,218	
Real and personal property							
tax receivable, net		637,044	-	-		637,044	
Due from federal and state governments		674,363	-	-		674,363	
Accrued interest receivable, net		-	288,790	-		288,790	
Other receivables		596,249	-	-		596,249	
Internal balances		7,246,591	-	(8,954,540)		(1,707,949)	
Prepaid items		387,693	-	-		387,693	
Capital assets, net		-	60,423,706	-		60,423,706	
Net pension assets			 7,358,485	 		7,358,485	
Total assets	\$	34,488,158	\$ 68,070,981	\$ (8,954,540)	\$	93,604,599	
Total deferred outflows of resources	\$		\$ 7,891,238	\$ 	\$	7,891,238	
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures	\$	2,676,151	\$ -	\$ 135,369	\$	2,811,520	
Accrued interest payable		-	76,130	-		76,130	
Internal balances		8,954,540	-	(8,954,540)		-	
Performance bonds payable		1,573,946	-	_		1,573,946	
Unearned revenue		3,865,379	-	-		3,865,379	
Other liabilities		135,369	-	(135,369)		-	
Long-term liabilities:							
Due within one year		-	3,405,276	-		3,405,276	
Due in more than one year		-	40,575,522	-		40,575,522	
Total liabilities	\$	17,205,385	\$ 44,056,928	\$ (8,954,540)	\$	52,307,773	
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$	593,263	\$ 8,237,512	\$ 	\$	8,830,775	
Total fund balances/net position	\$	16,689,510	\$ 23,667,779	\$ 	\$	40,357,289	

(1) When capital assets (land, buildings, equipment) that are to be used in Governmental Activities are purchased or constructed, the cost of these assets are reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds. However, the Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets of the Town as a whole.

	Cost of capital assets Accumulated depreciation and amortization	\$	124,094,539 (63,670,833) 60,423,706
Because the focus of Governmental Funds is on short term financial for current-period expenditures. Those assets (for example, receive the Governmental Funds and thus are not included in the fund balance.)	ables) are offset by deferred revenues in		
	Adjustment of deferred revenue	\$	(593,263)
Accrued interest receivable on property taxes is reported as revenu statements in the period earned and in the Governmental Funds when the control of the co		\$	288,790
Long-term liabilities (assets) applicable to the Town's Government the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund assets of current and long-term, are reported in the Statement of Net Positio long-term liabilities (assets) are also not reported in the Governme	or liabilities. All assets and liabilities, both n. Deferred inflows and outflows related to		
	Bonds and loans payable	\$	15,434,994
	Lease liabilities	_	79,067
	Financed purchase payable		43,735
	Subscription liability		53,277
	Accrued compensated absences		1,265,080
	Settlements payable		100,100
	Net OPEB liabilities		8,804,933
	Net pension liabilities		18,199,612
	Accrued interest payable		76,130
		\$	44,056,928
	Deferred outflows - refunding	\$	515,419
	Net pension assets	\$	7,358,485
	Deferred outflows - pension	\$	4,367,900
	Deferred outflows - OPEB		3,007,919
		\$	7,375,819
	Deferred inflows - pension	\$	4,901,662
	Deferred inflows - OPEB		3,929,113
		\$	8,830,775

B. DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS OPERATING STATEMENT AND STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The net change in the fund balances for Governmental Funds of \$(1,866,347) differs from the change in net position for Governmental Activities of \$6,306,021 reported in the Statement of Activities. The differences arise primarily from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Activities versus the current financial resources focus of the Governmental Funds. The effect of the differences is illustrated below.

 $Statement\ of\ Revenues,\ Expenditures,\ and\ Changes\ in\ Fund\ Balances/Statement\ of\ Activities:$

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	Total Governmental Funds	Long-Term Revenues/ Expenses (1)	Capital- Related Items (2)	Long-Term Liability Transactions (3)	Reclassifications and Eliminations	Statement of Activities Totals
Revenues:	<u> </u>					
Property taxes	\$ 35,942,218	\$ (374,961)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4	\$ 35,567,261
Motor vehicle excise in lieu of tax	4,398,531	-	-	-	(4,398,531)	-
Intergovernmental and grant revenue	13,381,017	(596,337)	-	-	4,754,389	17,539,069
Town clerk licenses and fees	278,928	-	-	-	-	278,928
Other departmental fines and fees	1,132,428	-	-	-	1,081,335	2,213,763
Investment and interest income	624,088	-	-	-	-	624,088
Other revenues	1,910,034		91,676	<u> </u>	(1,437,197)	564,513
Total revenues	57,667,244	(971,298)	91,676			56,787,622
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	3,312,796	(38,550)	147,360	(195,708)	307,541	3,533,439
Financial administration	942,004	-	-	(160,737)	85,421	866,688
Public safety	9,263,734	-	501,270	(420,104)	260,358	9,605,258
Public works	4,218,611	-	(162,459)	(133,999)	1,923	3,924,076
Education	33,727,833	(596,337)	279,815	(1,682,265)	-	31,729,046
Other	76,421	-	-	-	(76,421)	-
Capital outlay	3,703,519	-	(3,124,697)	-	(578,822)	-
Debt service:						
Principal	3,264,111	-	-	(3,264,163)	52	-
Interest	675,682	(18,944)		(219,957)	(52)	436,729
Total expenditures	59,184,711	(653,831)	(2,358,711)	(6,076,933)		50,095,236
Other financing sources (uses):						
Debt issued/SBITAs	37,485	-	-	(37,485)	-	-
Transfer from (to) other funds	(386,365)	-	-	-	-	(386,365)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(348,880)			(37,485)		(386,365)
Net change for the year	\$ (1,866,347)	\$ (317,467)	\$ 2,450,387	\$ 6,039,448	\$ -	\$ 6,306,021

⁽¹⁾ Because some property taxes and other revenues will not be collected soon enough after the Town's fiscal year end, they are not considered to be "available" revenues in the Governmental Funds.

o de avanable Tevenues in the Governmental Funds.	Change in deferred property taxes Change in accrued interest receivable	\$ (358,728) (16,233)
	-	\$ (374,961)
ccrued interest on long-term debt is reported in the Government-Wide Statement of A	activities, but does not require the use of	
irrent financial resources. Therefore, it is not reported in the Governmental Funds fin	ancial statements.	
	Change in accrued interest payable	\$ (18,944)

Change in on-behalf pension payments made by the State related to recording the net pension liability in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities.

Statement of Activities.	sion hability in the Government-wide	
Sutchient of Activities.	Change in intergovernmental and grant revenue	\$ (596,337)
	Change in education expense	\$ (596,337)
New loans are reported as an increase in accounts receivable in the Government-Wide States expenditures in the Governmental Funds.	atement of Net Position, but are reported as	\$ (38,550)
(2) When capital assets that are to be used in Governmental Activities are purchased or const are reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds. However, in the Statement of Activities and reported as depreciation expense. As a result, fund balance de expended, whereas net position decreases by the amount of depreciation expense charged	vities, the cost of those assets is allocated over the creases by the amount of financial resources	
	Capital outlay Depreciation expense	\$ (5,049,037) 2,634,035 (2,415,002)
Capital assets contributed to the Town or replaced through reimbursements do not provide these items are not reported as a revenue in the Governmental Funds financial statements		\$ 91,676
The loss on disposal of capital assets does not require the use of current financial resourc capital assets is not reported as an expenditure in the Governmental Fund financial states	•	\$ 56,291
(3) Repayment of debt principal is reported as an expenditure in the Governmental Funds and because current financial resources have been used. For the Town as a whole, however, the Statement of Net Position and do not result in an expense in the Statement of Activiti	the principal payments reduce the liabilities in	
•	Bond and loan principal payments made	\$ (3,264,163)
Lease, financed purchase and subscription liabilities provide current financial resources t liabilities in the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position. Repayment of principal is the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Government-Wide financial statements	s an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but	
	Lease issued	\$ (37,485)
	Lease principal payments made Financed purchase principal payments made Subscription principal payments made	\$ (20,693) (13,823) (16,839) (51,355)
Debt issued at a premium provide current financial resources to Governmental Funds, b Wide financial statements. Deferred amounts on refunding are expenditures in the Government-Wide financial statements.		
	Amortization of premium on long-term debt Amortization of deferred amounts on refunding	\$ (346,666) 126,709 (219,957)
Certain accrued expenditures that do not use current financial resources are not reported However, in the Statement of Activities these accrued expenses are recognized and charge		
	Net increase in compensated absences Net change in net OPEB liabilities	\$ 13,718
	and related deferred outflows/inflows Net change in net pension liabilities (assets)	40,080
	and related deferred outflows/inflows	\$ (2,595,256) (2,541,458)

NOTE 13 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town of North Smithfield is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. As a result, the Town participates in a non-profit, public entity risk pool (Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust, Inc.) which provides coverage for property/liability claims and workers' compensation claims. Upon joining the Trust, the Town signed a participation agreement which

outlines the rights and responsibilities of both the Trust and the Town. The agreement states that for premiums paid by the Town, the Trust will assume financial responsibility for the Town's losses up to the maximum amount of insurance purchased, minus the Town's deductible amounts. The Trust provides this insurance coverage through a pooled, self-insurance mechanism which includes reinsurance purchased by the Trust to protect against large, catastrophic claims above the losses the Trust retains internally for payment from the pooled contributions of its members. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the Trust coverage in any of the past three fiscal years except for in fiscal year 2023.

NOTE 14 – LITIGATION AND CONTINGENCIES

A. LITIGATION

The Town is a party to various claims, legal actions, and complaints. The potential liability to the Town, if any, or an evaluation of the outcome of these matters cannot be made at the present time.

B. FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

The Town participates in a number of federally funded programs. Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

NOTE 15 – OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS

A. TOWN PLAN

Plan Description

Plan Administration - The Town of North Smithfield administers a single-employer, defined benefit post-employment benefit plan. This plan does not include the pension benefits discussed in Note 16. On August 21, 2017, the Town Council authorized the creation of an OPEB Trust Fund. The Finance Director is responsible for administration of the plan in accordance with the Trust Agreement effective August 21, 2017 with Town Council oversight. The plan is reported as a Trust Fund in the Town's financial statements. The plan does not issue a publicly available financial report.

Plan Membership - As of June 30, 2024, the plan membership data is as follows:

Active employees	74
Inactive employees receiving benefits	15
	89

Benefits Provided - The plan provides medical and dental insurance for eligible retirees and their dependents through the Town's group insurance plans, which cover both active and retired

members. Benefit provisions are established and amended by the union contracts through negotiations between the Town and the respective unions. The plan provides the following benefits based on employee group upon retirement:

- *Police Officers* Medical and dental coverage (single or family) for police officers who were hired on or before June 30, 2022 and retire on or after June 30, 1990 until the retiree secures employment with equivalent coverage or until Medicare eligible. Police officers hired on or after July 1, 2022 will be provided with single coverage only upon retirement. Police officers hired on or after July 1, 2022 have the option to purchase an additional single plan for his/her spouse but must contribute 100% of the cost of coverage. Effective July 1, 2007, the retiree will receive the same coverage in effect at the date of retirement and will continue to pay any co-share in effect at the date of retirement. Members who retire before July 1, 2007 will not contribute to the cost of coverage.
- Local 937 Municipal and Public Works Employees Medical and dental coverage (single or family) for employees hired prior to July 1, 2005 who retire with 20 years of service. Coverage will continue for a period of 5 years from the date of retirement.

Contributions - Contribution requirements are negotiated between the Town and the respective unions. The Town is required to contribute the cost of medical and dental benefits, less the amount of any applicable retiree share of premiums. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Town's contribution was based on the current year cost of retiree benefits plus amounts committed for OPEB in the current fiscal year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, the Town contributed \$821,215 to the plan. Administrative costs are paid from plan assets.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting – The Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan.

Method Used to Value Investments – Investments are reported at fair value. Securities traded on national or international exchanges are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates.

Investments

Investment Policy – The Finance Director may invest funds held in the OPEB Trust Fund in accordance with the Trust Agreement and State Law. The Town has selected a balanced investment strategy which seeks to provide capital appreciation and current income.

Rate of Return – For the year ended June 30, 2024, the annual money-weighted rate of return on investments, net of investment expense, was 11.83%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses

investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for changing amounts actually invested.

Net OPEB Liability of the Town Plan

The components of the net OPEB liability of the Town on June 30, 2024, were as follows:

Total OPEB Liability	\$7,692,210
OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position	(2,552,257)
Net OPEB Liability	\$5,139,953
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of	

the Total OPEB Liability

33.18%

Actuarial Assumptions – The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 rolled forward to June 30, 2024, the measurement date. The following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Cost Method	
Salary Increases	3% per annum	
Inflation	3% per annum	
Discount Rate	4.36%	
Long-Term Expected Rate of Return on Plan Assets	6.75%	
Municipal Bond Rate	4.21% - S&P Municipal Bond 20-year High Grade Rate Index	
Mortality	PUB-2010 mortality table with MP-2021 projection	
Health Care Trend Rates	<u>Year</u> <u>Medical</u> <u>Dental</u> 4 50%	

lealth Care Trend Rates	<u>Year</u>	Medical	Dental
	1	7.00%	4.50%
	2	6.50%	4.50%
	3	6.25%	4.50%
	4	6.00%	4.50%
	5	5.75%	4.50%
	6	5.50%	4.50%
	7	5.25%	4.50%
	8	5.00%	4.50%
	9	4.75%	4.50%
	10+	4.50%	4.50%

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB 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 OPEB 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 weighing 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 in the following table:

	Target	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	36%	7.5%
International Equity	18%	7.1%
Fixed Income	40%	5.4%
Alternatives	6%	7%
Cash	0%	0%
	100%	

The following changes in actuarial assumptions have been made since the prior measurement date:

- The discount rate was changed from 4.13% to 4.36%.
- The municipal bond rate was changed from 4.13% to 4.21%.
- The medical health care trend rates were changed from 8% in year 1 decreasing to 5% in year 7 going forward to 7% in year 1 decreasing to 4.5% in year 10 going forward. The dental health care trend rate was changed from 5% to 4.5%.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the OPEB liability was 4.36% for the Town Plan. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made in accordance with the plan's funding policy. Based on those assumptions, the Town Plan's net fiduciary position was projected to be insufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan assets was first applied to projected future benefit payments and the municipal bond rate was applied thereafter. The prior valuation used a discount rate of 4.13%.

Town Plan - Changes in the Net OPEB Liability

-	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total OPEB Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net OPEB Liability
Balances as of June 30, 2023	\$7,899,082	\$2,031,639	\$5,867,443
Changes for the Year:			
Service cost	327,371	-	327,371
Interest on the total OPEB liability	314,953	-	314,953
Changes in benefits	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual			
experience	(155,265)	-	(155,265)
Changes in assumptions	(147,716)	-	(147,716)
Employer contributions	-	821,215	(821,215)
Plan member contributions	-	-	-
Net investment income	-	245,618	(245,618)
Benefit payments, including employee refunds	(546,215)	(546,215)	-
Administrative expense	-	-	-
Other changes	-	-	-
Net changes	(206,872)	520,618	(727,490)
Balances as of June 30, 2024	\$7,692,210	\$2,552,257	\$5,139,953

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the net OPEB liability of the Town Plan, as well as what the Town Plan's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1-percentage-point lower (3.36%) and 1-percentage-point higher (5.36%) than the current discount rate:

	Current		
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
	<u>(3.36%)</u>	<u>(4.36%)</u>	<u>(5.36%)</u>
Net OPEB Liability	\$5,956,518	\$5,139,953	\$4,429,464

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - The following presents the net OPEB liability of the Town Plan, as well as what the Town Plan's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rates 1-percentage-point lower (6% decreasing to 3.5%) and 1-percentage-point higher (8% decreasing to 5.5%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	1% Decrease	Current Healthcare	1% Increase
	(6% decreasing to	Cost Trend Rates	(8% decreasing to
	<u>3.5%)</u>	(7% decreasing to 4.5%)	<u>5.5%)</u>
Net OPEB Liability	\$4,314,569	\$5,139,953	\$6,126,771

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Town recognized OPEB expense of \$692,128. On June 30, 2024, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and		
actual experience	\$1,957,595	\$278,817
Change of assumptions	326,701	1,025,237
Net difference between projected and		
actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	<u> </u>	105,854
Total	\$2,284,296	\$1,409,908

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$140,430
2026	188,334
2027	129,922
2028	145,058
2029	197,957
Thereafter	72,687

B. SCHOOL PLAN

Plan Description

Plan Administration - The North Smithfield School Department's defined benefit OPEB plan (the plan) provides OPEB for administrators, certified teachers, and support staff of the School Department. The plan is a single employer, defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the School Department. Benefit terms and financing requirements are established and amended by the union contracts through negotiations between the School Department and the respective unions or by School Committee policy for administrators. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

Plan Membership - As of June 30, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Active employees	223
Inactive employees receiving benefits	5
	228

Benefits Provided - The Plan provides medical and dental insurance for eligible retirees through the School Department's group health and dental insurance plans, which cover both active and inactive members. Benefit provisions are established and amended by the union contracts through negotiations between the School Department and the respective unions or by School Committee policy for administrators. The plan provides the following benefits based on employee group upon retirement:

- Administrators For retirees who have completed at least 10 years of service, individual health and dental insurance for a maximum period of 7 years from retirement, but in no event beyond the date the retiree attains age 65. Eligible retirees may obtain a family plan from the School Department if the retiree pays the difference between the individual and family plan if no other employer-sponsored plan is available. Retirees shall contribute the same cost share as contributed by employees.
- Certified Teachers For employees retiring on or after the completion of the 1997-1998 school year with 25 or more years of service in North Smithfield who are at least 58 years of age, individual health and dental insurance for a maximum period of 7 years from retirement, but in no event beyond the date the retiree attains age 65. For employees retiring upon the completion of the 2019-2020 school year only who are at least 58 years of age and have between 10 and 14 years of service in North Smithfield, individual health and dental insurance for a maximum period of 3 years from retirement, but in no event beyond the date the retiree attains age 65. For employees retiring upon the completion of the 2019-2020 school year only who are at least 58 years of age and have between 15 and 24 years of service in North Smithfield, individual health and dental insurance for a maximum period of 5 years from retirement, but in no event beyond the date the retiree attains age 65. Retirees receive the same health and dental insurance and shall contribute the same cost share as contributed by employees per the union agreement and successive union agreements. Benefits shall terminate if the retiree or spouse secures employment with comparable coverage or if the retiree becomes eligible for Medicare.
- Support Staff For retirees who have completed 15 or more years of service in North Smithfield, individual health insurance for a maximum period of 5 years from retirement, but in no event beyond the date the retiree attains age 65. Retirees receive the same health insurance and shall contribute the same cost share as contributed by employees per the union agreement and successive union agreements. Eligible retirees may obtain a family plan from the School Department if the retiree pays the difference between the individual and family plan. The family plan is available until the earlier of the retiree's or spouse's attainment of age 65. Benefits shall terminate if the retiree or spouse secures employment with comparable coverage or if the retiree becomes eligible for Medicare.

Total OPEB Liability of the School Plan

The School Department's total OPEB liability of \$3,664,980 was measured as of June 30, 2024, the measurement date, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2023 rolled forward to June 30, 2024.

Actuarial Assumptions – The total OPEB liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Cost Method		
Salary Increases	3% per annum		
Inflation	3% per annum		
Discount Rate	4.21%		
Mortality	PUB-2010 mortality table with MP-2021 projection		th MP-2021
Health Care Trend Rates	Year 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Medical 7.00% 6.50% 6.25% 6.00% 5.75% 5.50% 5.25% 5.00% 4.75%	Dental 4.50% 4.50% 4.50% 4.50% 4.50% 4.50% 4.50% 4.50%

The discount rate was based on the S&P Municipal Bond 20-year High Grade Rate Index.

The following changes in actuarial assumptions have been made since the prior measurement date:

- The discount rate was changed from 4.13% to 4.21%.
- The medical health care trend rates were changed from 8% in year 1 decreasing to 5% in year 7 going forward to 7% in year 1 decreasing to 4.5% in year 10 going forward. The dental health care trend rate was changed from 5% to 4.5%.

10 +

4.50%

4.50%

School Plan - Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

<u>.</u>	Total OPEB Liability
Balance at of June 30, 2023	\$3,924,408
Changes for the Year:	
Service cost	268,551
Interest on the total OPEB liability	160,606
Changes of benefit terms	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	(533,281)
Changes in assumptions and other inputs	(83,998)
Benefit payments	(71,306)
Net change	(259,428)
Balance at of June 30, 2024	\$3,664,980

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the School Department, as well as what the School Department's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1-percentage-point lower (3.21%) and 1-percentage-point higher (5.21%) than the current discount rate:

	Current		
	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
	<u>(3.21%)</u>	<u>(4.21%)</u>	<u>(5.21%)</u>
Total OPEB Liability	\$4,002,331	\$3,664,980	\$3,353,347

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the School Department, as well as what the School Department's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rates 1-percentage-point lower (6% decreasing to 3.5%) and 1-percentage-point higher (8% decreasing to 5.5%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	Current Healthcare		
	1% Decrease	Cost Trend Rates	1% Increase
	(6% decreasing to	(7% decreasing to	(8% decreasing to
	<u>3.5%)</u>	<u>4.5%)</u>	<u>5.5%)</u>
Total OPEB Liability	\$3,230,896	\$3,664,980	\$4,175,537

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the School Department recognized OPEB expense of \$240,473. On June 30, 2024, the School Department reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$292,818	\$1,971,384
Change of assumptions	430,805	547,821
Total	\$723,623	\$2,519,205

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:

2025	\$(188,684)
2026	(188,684)
2027	(188,684)
2028	(188,684)
2029	(200,807)
Thereafter	(840,039)

C. AGGREGATE OPEB AMOUNTS REPORTED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Deferred Outflows of Resources – OPEB Amounts	Deferred Inflows of Resources - OPEB Amounts	Net OPEB Liability	OPEB Expense
Town Plan	\$2,284,296	\$1,409,908	\$5,139,953	\$692,128
School Plan	723,623	2,519,205	3,664,980	240,473
Total	\$3,007,919	\$3,929,113	\$8,804,933	\$932,601

NOTE 16 – PENSION PLANS

A. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLANS

Defined Benefit Plan

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description – Certain employees of the North Smithfield School Department participate in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan - the Employees' Retirement System plan - administered by the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Rhode Island (System). Under a cost-sharing plan, pension obligations for employees of all employers are pooled and plan assets are available to pay the benefits of the employees of any participating employer providing pension benefits through the plan, regardless of the status of the employers' payment of its pension obligation to the plan. The plan provides retirement and disability benefits and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries.

The System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plans administered by the System. The report may be obtained at http://www.ersri.org.

Benefit Provisions – The level of benefits provided to participants is established by Chapter 36-10 of the General Laws, which is subject to amendment by the General Assembly. Member benefit provisions vary based on service credits accumulated at dates specified in various amendments to the General Laws outlining minimum retirement age, benefit accrual rates and maximum benefit provisions. In general, members accumulate service credits for each year of service subject to maximum benefit accruals of 80% or 75%. For those hired after June 30, 2012, the benefit accrual rate is 1% per year with a maximum benefit accrual of 40%. For members retiring after July 1, 2024, retiree benefit amounts are based on the average three consecutive years of compensation. Members eligible to retire on September 30, 2009 may retire with 10 years of service at age 60 or after 28 years of service at any age. The retirement eligibility age increases proportionately for other members reflecting years of service and other factors until it aligns with the Social Security Normal Retirement Age, which applies to any member with less than 5 years of service as of July 1, 2012. Members are vested after 5 years of service.

The plan provides for survivor's benefits for service-connected death and certain lump sum death benefits. Joint and survivor benefit provision options are available to members.

Cost-of-living adjustments are provided to retirees based on statutory provisions (Section 36-10-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws). For members and/or beneficiaries of members who retired on or before June 30, 2012, cost-of-living adjustments are computed annually. For members retiring on or after July 1, 2012, twenty-five percent (or 1/4th) of the cost-of-living adjustment is computed annually until the plan reaches a 75% funded status. The full benefit adjustment is reinstated for all members upon the plan reaching the 75% funded status.

The plan also provides nonservice-connected disability benefits after five years of service and service-connected disability benefits with no minimum service requirement.

Contributions - The funding policy, as set forth in the General Laws, Section 16-16-22, provides for actuarially determined periodic contributions to the plan. For fiscal 2024, North Smithfield School Department teachers were required to contribute 3.75% of their annual covered salary, except for teachers with twenty or more years of service as of June 30, 2012 must contribute 11% of their annual covered salary. The State and the North Smithfield School Department are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate, 40% of which is to be paid by the State and the remaining 60% is to be paid by the North Smithfield School Department; the rates were 11.13% and 15.03% of annual covered payroll for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 for the State and the North Smithfield School Department, respectively. The North Smithfield School Department contributed \$2,114,175, \$2,110,520, and \$2,031,681 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2023, and 2022, respectively, equal to 100% of the required contributions for each year. The State's share of contributions totaling \$1,536,041 for fiscal year 2024 are reflected as on-behalf payments and are included as both revenue and expenditures in the Governmental Funds financial statements.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

On June 30, 2024, the North Smithfield School Department reported a liability of \$16,456,596 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for contributions made by the State. The amount recognized by the North Smithfield School Department as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the North Smithfield School Department were as follows:

North Smithfield School Department's proportionate share of	
the net pension liability	\$16,456,596
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability	
associated with the North Smithfield School Department	11,926,810
Total net pension liability	\$28,383,406

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, the measurement date, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022 rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The North Smithfield School Department's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the North Smithfield School Department's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers and the State, actuarially determined. On June 30, 2023, the North Smithfield School Department's proportion was 0.67810881%.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the North Smithfield School Department recognized in the Government-Wide financial statements gross pension expense of \$2,065,532 and revenue of \$939,704 for support provided by the State. On June 30, 2024, the North Smithfield School

Department reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Deferred outflows of resources:				
Contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date	\$2,114,175			
Change of assumptions	70,453			
Differences between expected				
and actual experience	190,809			
Changes in proportion and differences				
between employer contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions	409,903			
Total	\$2,785,340			
Deferred inflows of resources:				
Change of assumptions	\$650,648			
Differences between expected				
and actual experience	382,743			
Changes in proportion and differences				
between employer contributions and				
proportionate share of contributions	667,182			
Net difference between projected and				
actual earnings on pension plan				
investments	584,565			
Total	\$2,285,138			

\$2,114,175 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the North Smithfield School Department contributions in fiscal year 2024 subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent period. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$(443,731)
2026	(877,438)
2027	188,511
2028	(277,467)
2029	(132,253)
Thereafter	(71,595)

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.5%

Salary increases 3% to 13%

Investment rate of return 7%

Mortality – Variants of the PUB (10) Tables for Healthy and Disabled Retirees, projected with Scale Ultimate MP16.

The actuarial assumptions used in the calculation of the total pension liability on the June 30, 2023 measurement date were based on the 2023 Actuarial Experience Investigation Study for the six-year period ended June 30, 2022 as approved by the System's Board on May 17, 2023.

The long-term expected rate of return best-estimate on pension plan investments was determined by the actuary using a building-block method. The actuary started by calculating best-estimate future expected real rates of return (expected returns net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class, based on a collective summary of capital market expectations from 42 sources. The June 30, 2023 expected arithmetic returns over the long-term (20-years) by asset class are summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Target Asset	Long-Term Expected Arithmetic Real
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	Rate of Return
GROWTH		
Global Equity		
U.S. Equity	25.10%	6.46%
International Developed Equity	10.70%	6.91%
Emerging Markets Equity	4.20%	8.92%
Subtotal	40.00%	
Private Growth		
Private Equity	12.50%	10.30%
Non-Core Real Estate	2.50%	5.01%
Subtotal	15.00%	
INCOME		
Equity Options	2.00%	6.20%
Liquid Credit	5.00%	4.56%
Private Credit	3.00%	4.56%
Collateralized Loan Obligations (CLO)	2.00%	4.56%
Subtotal	12.00%	
STABILITY		
Crisis Protection Class		
Treasury Duration	5.00%	0.76%
Systematic Trend	5.00%	4.07%
Subtotal	10.00%	
Inflation Protection		
Core Real Estate	4.00%	5.01%
Private Infrastructure	4.00%	5.91%
Subtotal	8.00%	
Volatility Protection		
IG Corp. Credit	3.25%	2.46%
Securitized Credit	3.25%	2.46%
Absolute Return	6.50%	4.07%
Cash	2.00%	0.76%
Subtotal	15.00%	
Total	100.00%	

These return assumptions are then weighted by the target asset allocation percentage, factoring in correlation effects, to develop the overall long-term expected rate of return best-estimate on an arithmetic basis.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from the employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, the pension plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7 percent as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate.

	Current Discount		
1% Decrease	Rate	1% Increase	
<u>(6%)</u>	<u>(7%)</u>	<u>(8%)</u>	
\$21,102,250	\$16,456,596	\$12,235,487	

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ERSRI financial report.

Defined Contribution Plan

Plan Description

Employees participating in the defined benefit plan with less than 20 years of service as of June 30, 2012, as described above, also participate in a defined contribution plan authorized by General Law Chapter 36-10.3. The defined contribution plan is established under IRS section 401(a) and is administered by TIAA-CREF. Employees may choose from various investment options available to plan participants.

Employees contribute 7% of their annual covered salary and employers contribute between 3% and 3.5% of annual covered salary depending on the employee's total years of service as of June 30, 2012. The employer contribution is split between the State and the school department. Employee contributions are immediately vested while employer contributions and any investment earnings thereon are vested after three years of contributory service. Benefit terms and contributions required under the plan by both the employee and employer are established by the General Laws, which are subject to amendment by the General Assembly.

Amounts in the defined contribution plan are available to participants in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines for such plans.

The North Smithfield School Department recognized pension expense of \$419,047 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. For financial reporting purposes, the State's share of contributions totaling \$59,006 for fiscal year 2024 are reflected as on behalf-payments and are included as both revenue and expenditures in the accompanying financial statements.

The System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plans administered by the System. The report may be obtained at http://www.ersri.org.

B. TEACHERS' SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description - Certain employees of the North Smithfield School Department participate in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan - the Teachers' Survivors Benefit (TSB) plan - administered by the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Rhode Island (System). Under a cost-sharing plan, pension obligations for employees of all employers are pooled and plan assets are available to pay the benefits of the employees of any participating employer providing pension benefits through the plan, regardless of the status of the employers' payment of its pension obligation to the plan. The plan provides a survivor benefit to public school teachers in lieu of Social Security since not all school districts participate in Social Security.

The System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plans administered by the System. The report may be obtained at http://www.ersri.org.

Eligibility and Plan Benefits - The plan provides a survivor benefit to public school teachers in lieu of Social Security since not all school districts participate in the plan. Specific eligibility criteria and the amount of the benefit are subject to the provisions of Chapter 16-16 of the Rhode Island General Laws which are subject to amendment by the General Assembly. Spouse, parents, family, and children's benefits are payable following the death of a member. A spouse shall be entitled to benefits upon attaining the age of sixty (60) years. Children's benefits are payable to the child, including a stepchild or adopted child of a deceased member if the child is unmarried and under the age of eighteen (18) years or twenty-three (23) years and a full-time student, and was dependent upon the member at the time of the member's death. Family benefits are provided if at the time of the member's death the surviving spouse has in his or her care a child of the deceased member entitled to child benefits. Parents benefits are payable to the parent or parents of a deceased member if the member did not leave a widow, widower, or child who could ever qualify for monthly benefits on the member's wages and the parent has reached the age of 60 years, has not remarried, and received support from the member.

In January, a yearly cost-of-living adjustment for spouse's benefits is paid and based on the annual social security adjustment.

Survivors are eligible for benefits if the member has made contributions for at least six months prior to death or retirement.

The TSB plan provides benefits based on the highest salary at the time of retirement of the teacher. Benefits are payable in accordance with the following table:

Highest Annual	Basic Monthly
Salary	Spouse's Benefit
\$17,000 or less	\$825.00
\$17,001 to \$25,000	\$962.50
\$25,001 to \$33,000	\$1,100.00
\$33,001 to \$40,000	\$1,237.50
\$40,001 and over	\$1,375.00

Benefits payable to children and families are equal to the spousal benefit multiplied by the percentage below:

	Parent and	One	Two	Three or more	
Parent and	2 or more	Child	Children	Children	Dependent
1 Child	Children	Alone	Alone	Alone	Parent
150%	175%	75%	150%	175%	100%

Contributions - The contribution requirements of active employees and the participating school districts were established under Chapter 16-16 of the Rhode Island General Laws, which may be amended by the General Assembly. The cost of the benefits provided by the plan are two percent (2%) of the member's annual salary up to but not exceeding an annual salary of \$11,500; one-half (1/2) of the cost is contributed by the member by deductions from his or her salary, and the other half (1/2) is contributed and paid by the respective school district by which the member is employed. These contributions are in addition to the contributions required for regular pension benefits.

The North Smithfield School Department contributed \$18,975, \$19,474, and \$18,975, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2023, and 2022, respectively, equal to 100% of the required contributions for each year.

Pension Asset, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

On June 30, 2024, the North Smithfield School Department reported an asset of \$5,111,075 for its proportionate share of the net pension asset related to its participation in TSB. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2023, the measurement date, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022 rolled forward to June 30, 2023. The North Smithfield School Department's proportion of the net pension asset was based on its share of contributions to the TSB for fiscal year 2023 relative to the total contributions of all participating employers for that fiscal year. On June 30, 2023, the North

Smithfield School Department's proportion was 2.54210829%.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the North Smithfield School Department recognized pension expense of \$(449,918) – an increase in the net pension asset. On June 30, 2024, the North Smithfield School Department reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

Contributions subsequent to the measurement date \$18,975 Change of assumptions 60,969)
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Change of assumptions 60,969	
	}
Difference between expected	3
and actual experience 35,198	
Changes in proportion and differences	
between employer contributions and	
proportionate share of contributions 106,099)
<i>Total</i> \$221,241	
Deferred inflows of resources:	
Difference between expected and actual	
experience \$438,876)
Change of assumptions 273,494	ŀ
Changes in proportion and differences	
between employer contributions and	
proportionate share of contributions 70,455	,
Net difference between projected and	
actual earnings on pension plan	
investments 147,314	<u> </u>
<i>Total</i> \$930,139)

\$18,975 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the North Smithfield School Department's contributions in fiscal year 2024 subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as an addition to the net pension asset in the subsequent period. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:

2025	\$(228,411)
2026	(299,705)
2027	47,480
2028	(118,992)
2029	(54,226)
Thereafter	(74,019)

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.5%

Salary increases 3% to 13%

Investment rate of return 7%

Mortality – Variants of the PUB (10) Tables for Healthy and Disabled Retirees, projected with Scale Ultimate MP16.

Cost of Living Adjustments – Eligible survivors receive a yearly cost of living adjustment based on the annual social security adjustment – for valuation purposes, a 2.5% cost of living adjustment is assumed.

The actuarial assumptions used in the calculation of the total pension liability on the June 30, 2023 measurement date were based on the 2023 Actuarial Experience Investigation Study for the six-year period ended June 30, 2022 as approved by the System's Board on May 17, 2023.

The long-term expected rate of return best-estimate on pension plan investments was determined by the actuary using a building-block method. The actuary started by calculating best-estimate future expected real rates of return (expected returns net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class, based on a collective summary of capital market expectations from 42 sources. The June 30, 2023 expected arithmetic returns over the long-term (20 years) by asset class, are summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Target Asset	Long-Term Expected Arithmetic Real
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	Rate of Return
GROWTH		
Global Equity		
U.S. Equity	25.10%	6.46%
International Developed Equity	10.70%	6.91%
Emerging Markets Equity	4.20%	8.92%
Subtotal	40.00%	
Private Growth		
Private Equity	12.50%	10.30%
Non-Core Real Estate	2.50%	5.01%
Subtotal	15.00%	
INCOME		
Equity Options	2.00%	6.20%
Liquid Credit	5.00%	4.56%
Private Credit	3.00%	4.56%
Collateralized Loan Obligations (CLO)	2.00%	4.56%
Subtotal	12.00%	
STABILITY		
Crisis Protection Class		
Treasury Duration	5.00%	0.76%
Systematic Trend	5.00%	4.07%
Subtotal	10.00%	
Inflation Protection		
Core Real Estate	4.00%	5.01%
Private Infrastructure	4.00%	5.91%
Subtotal	8.00%	
Volatility Protection		
IG Corp. Credit	3.25%	2.46%
Securitized Credit	3.25%	2.46%
Absolute Return	6.50%	4.07%
Cash	2.00%	0.76%
Subtotal	15.00%	
Total	100.00%	

These return assumptions are then weighted by the target asset allocation percentage, factoring in correlation effects, to develop the overall long-term expected rate of return best-estimate on an arithmetic basis.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from the employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, the pension plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 7 percent as well as what the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate.

Current Discount			
1% Decrease	Rate	1% Increase	
<u>(6%)</u>	<u>(7%)</u>	<u>(8%)</u>	
\$4,570,581	\$5,111,075	\$5,602,156	

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ERSRI financial report.

C. MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLANS

Defined Benefit Plans

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan Description - The Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) – an agent multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan - provides certain retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. MERS was established under Rhode Island General Law and placed under the management of the Employee's Retirement System of Rhode Island (ERSRI) Board to provide retirement allowances to employees of municipalities, housing authorities, water and sewer districts, and municipal police and fire persons that have elected to participate. Benefit provisions are subject to amendment by the General Assembly.

MERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. This report may be obtained by accessing the ERSRI website at http://www.ersri.org.

Benefits Provided – General employees, police officers and firefighters employed by electing municipalities participate in MERS. Eligible employees become members at their date of employment. Anyone employed by a municipality at the time the municipality joins MERS may elect not to be covered. Elected officials may opt to be covered by MERS. Employees covered

under another plan maintained by the municipality may not become members of MERS. Police officers and/or firefighters may be designated as such by the municipality, in which case the special contribution and benefit provisions described below will apply to them, or they may be designated as general employees with no special benefits. Members designated as police officers and/or firefighters are treated as belonging to a unit separate from the general employees, with separate contribution rates applicable. The Town of North Smithfield has only general employees and police officers that participate in the MERS Plan.

Salary: Salary includes the member's base earnings plus any payments under a regular longevity or incentive plan. Salary excludes overtime, unused sick and vacation leave, severance pay, and other extraordinary compensation. Certain amounts that are excluded from taxable wages, such as amounts sheltered under a Section 125 plan or amounts picked up by the employer under IRC Section 414(h), are not excluded from salary.

Service: Employees receive credit for service while a member. In addition, a member may purchase credit for certain periods by making an additional contribution to purchase the additional service. Special rules and limits govern the purchase of additional service and the contribution required.

Final Average Compensation (FAC): Prior to July 1, 2012 and for general employee members eligible to retire as of June 30, 2012, the average was based on the member's highest three consecutive annual salaries. Effective July 1, 2012, the average was based on the member's highest five consecutive annual salaries. Once a member retires or is terminated, the applicable FAC will be the greater of the member's highest three-year FAC as of July 1, 2012 or the five-year FAC as of the retirement/termination date. For members retiring after July 1, 2024, retiree benefit amounts are based on the average three consecutive years of compensation. Monthly benefits are based on one-twelfth of this amount.

General Employees - Members with less than five years of contributory service as of June 30, 2012 and members hired on or after that date are eligible for retirement on or after their Social Security normal retirement age (SSNRA).

Members who had at least five years of contributory service as of June 30, 2012 will be eligible for retirement at an individually determined age. This age is the result of interpolating between the member's prior retirement date, described below, and the retirement age applicable to members hired after June 30, 2012 as described above. The interpolation is based on service as of June 30, 2012 divided by projected service at the member's prior retirement date. The minimum retirement age is 59.

Members with 10 or more years of contributory service on June 30, 2012 may choose to retire at their prior retirement date if they continue to work and contribute until that date. If this option is elected, the retirement benefit will be calculated using the benefits accrued as of June 30, 2012, i.e., the member will accumulate no additional defined benefits after this date, but the benefit will be paid without any actuarial reduction.

Effective July 1, 2015, members will be eligible to retire with full benefits at the earlier of their current Rhode Island Retirement Security Act (RIRSA) date described above or upon the attainment of age 65 with 30 years of service, age 64 with 31 years of service, age 63 with 32 years of service, or age 62 with 33 years of service.

A member who is within five years of reaching their retirement eligibility date and has 20 or more years of service, may elect to retire at any time with an actuarially reduced benefit.

Prior to July 1, 2012, members were eligible for retirement on or after age 58 if they had credit for 10 or more years of service, or at any age if they had credit for at least 30 years of service. Members eligible to retire before July 1, 2012 were not impacted by the changes to retirement eligibility above.

The annual benefit is equal to 2% of the member's monthly FAC for each year of service prior to July 1, 2012 and 1% of the member's monthly FAC for each year of service from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015. For all service after June 30, 2015, the annual benefit is equal to 1% per year unless the member had 20 or more years of service as of June 30, 2012 in which case the benefit accrual is 2% per year for service after June 30, 2015. The benefit cannot exceed 75% of the member's FAC. Benefits are paid monthly.

Police and Fire Employees - Members are eligible to retire when they are at least 50 years old and have a minimum of 25 years of contributing service or if they have 27 years of contributing service at any age. Members with less than 25 years of contributing service are eligible for retirement on or after their Social Security normal retirement age.

Members who, as of June 30, 2012, had at least 10 years of contributing service, had attained age 45, and had a prior retirement date before age 52 may retire at age 52.

Active members on June 30, 2012 may choose to retire at their prior retirement date if they continue to work and contribute until that date. If this option is elected, the retirement benefit will be calculated using the benefits accrued as of June 30, 2012, i.e., the member will accumulate no additional defined benefits after this date, but the benefit will be paid without any actuarial reduction.

A member who is within five years of reaching their retirement eligibility date, as described in this section, and has 20 or more years of service, may elect to retire at any time with an actuarially reduced benefit.

Prior to July 1, 2012, members designated as police officers or firefighters were eligible for retirement at or after age 55 with credit for at least 10 years of service or at any age with credit for 25 or more years of service. Members were also eligible to retire and receive a reduced benefit if they are at least age 50 and have at least 20 years of service. If the municipality elected to adopt the 20-year retirement provisions for police officers and/or firefighters, then such a member was

eligible to retire at any age with 20 or more years of service. Members eligible to retire before July 1, 2012 were not impacted by the changes to retirement eligibility above.

A monthly benefit is paid equal to 2% of the member's monthly FAC for each year of service, up to 37.5 years (75% of FAC maximum).

If the optional 20-year retirement provisions were adopted by the municipality prior to July 1, 2012, benefits are based on 2.5% of the member's FAC for each year of service prior to July 1, 2012 and 2% of the member's FAC for each year of service after July 1, 2012. The benefit cannot exceed 75% of the member's FAC. The Town of North Smithfield has elected to participate in the 20-year retirement provision.

Active members (including future hires), members who retire after July 1, 2015 and after attaining age 57 with 30 years of service will have a benefit equal to the greater of their current benefit described above and one calculated based on a 2.25% multiplier for all years of service.

Other Benefit Provisions - Death and disability benefits are also provided to members. A member is eligible for a disability retirement provided he/she has credit for at least five years of service or if the disability is work-related. Members are not eligible for an ordinary disability benefit if they are eligible for unreduced retirement.

Joint and survivor benefit options are available to retirees. For some employees, a Social Security option is also available where an annuity is paid at one amount prior to age 62, and at a reduced amount after age 62, designed to provide a level total income when combined with the member's age 62 Social Security benefit. Benefits cease upon the member's death.

Post-retirement benefit increases are paid to members who retire after June 30, 2012. Members will be eligible to receive cost-of-living increases at the later of the member's third anniversary of retirement and the month following their SSNRA (age 55 for members designated as police officers and/or firefighters). When a municipality elects coverage, it may elect either COLA C (covering only current and future active members and excluding members already retired) or COLA B (covering current retired members as well as current and future active members). The Town of North Smithfield has elected the optional cost-of-living provision for general employees and police officers.

Cost-of-living adjustments are provided to retirees based on statutory provisions (Section 36-10-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws). For members and/or beneficiaries of members who retired on or before June 30, 2012, cost-of-living adjustments are computed annually. For members retiring on or after July 1, 2012, twenty-five percent (or 1/4th) of the cost-of-living adjustment is computed annually until the plan reaches a 75% funded status. The full benefit adjustment is reinstated for all members upon the plan reaching the 75% funded status.

- a) Effective July 1, 2015, the COLA is determined based on 50% of the plan's five-year average investment rate of return less 5.5% limited to a range of 0% to 4%, plus 50% of the lesser of 3% or last year's CPI-U increase for a total maximum increase of 3.5%. Previously, it was the plan's five-year average investment rate of return less 5.5% limited to a range of 0% to 4%.
- b) The COLA will be limited to the first \$25,000 of the member's annual pension benefit. For retirees and beneficiaries who retired on or before July 1, 2015, years in which a COLA is payable based on the every fourth year provision described above will be limited to the first \$30,000. These limits will be indexed annually to increase in the same manner as COLAs, with the known values of \$27,608 for 2021, \$27,901 for 2022 and \$28,878, for 2023.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms - At the June 30, 2022 valuation date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

	General Employees Plan	Police Officers Plan
Retirees and Beneficiaries	73	22
Inactive, Nonretired Members	78	4
Active Members	93	26
Total	244	52

Contributions - The amount of employee and employer contributions have been established under Rhode Island General Law Chapter 45-21. General employees with less than 20 years of service as of June 30, 2012 are required to contribute 2% of their salaries. General employees with more than 20 years of service as of June 30, 2012 are required to contribute 9.25%. Police officers are required to contribute 10% of their salaries. The Town of North Smithfield contributes at a rate of covered employee payroll as determined by an independent actuary on an annual basis. The General Assembly can amend the amount of these contribution requirements. The Town of North Smithfield contributed the following amounts in the year ended June 30, 2024: general employees plan - \$190,403 and police officers plan - \$483,729. The Town's contributions represented the following percentages of annual covered payroll: general employees plan - 3.96%; and police officers plan - 21.35%.

Net Pension Liability - The total pension liability was determined by actuarial valuations performed as of June 30, 2022 and rolled forward to June 30, 2023, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Summary of Actuarial Assumptions Used in the Valuations to Determine the Net Pension Liability at the June 30, 2023 Measurement Date (June 30, 2022 valuation rolled forward to June 30, 2023)		
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal - The Individual Entry Age Actuarial Cost methodology is used	
Amortization Method	Level Percent of Payroll – Closed	
Actuarial Assumptions:		
Investment Rate of Return	7%	
Projected Salary Increases	General Employees - 3.25% to 7.25%; Police Officers - 4% to 14%	
Inflation	2.5%	
Mortality	Variants of the PUB (10) Tables for Healthy and Disabled Retirees, projected with Scale Ultimate MP16	
Cost of Living Adjustments	All future COLAs are assumed to be 2.1% per annum for all MERS units with the COLA provision.	

The actuarial assumptions used in the calculation of the total pension liability on the June 30, 2023 measurement date were based on the 2023 Actuarial Experience Investigation Study for the six-year period ended June 30, 2022 as approved by the System's Board on May 17, 2023.

The long-term expected rate of return best-estimate on pension plan investments was determined by the actuary using a building-block method. The actuary started by calculating best-estimate future expected real rates of return (expected returns net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class, based on a collective summary of capital market expectations from 42 sources. The June 30, 2023 expected arithmetic returns over the long-term (20-years) by asset class are summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term Target Asset	Long-Term Expected Arithmetic Real
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	Rate of Return
GROWTH		
Global Equity		
U.S. Equity	25.10%	6.46%
International Developed Equity	10.70%	6.91%
Emerging Markets Equity	4.20%	8.92%
Subtotal	40.00%	
Private Growth		
Private Equity	12.50%	10.30%
Non-Core Real Estate	2.50%	5.01%
Subtotal	15.00%	
INCOME		
Equity Options	2.00%	6.20%
Liquid Credit	5.00%	4.56%
Private Credit	3.00%	4.56%
Collateralized Loan Obligations (CLO)	2.00%	4.56%
Subtotal	12.00%	
STABILITY		
Crisis Protection Class		
Treasury Duration	5.00%	0.76%
Systematic Trend	5.00%	4.07%
Subtotal	10.00%	
Inflation Protection		
Core Real Estate	4.00%	5.01%
Private Infrastructure	4.00%	5.91%
Subtotal	8.00%	
Volatility Protection		
IG Corp. Credit	3.25%	2.46%
Securitized Credit	3.25%	2.46%
Absolute Return	6.50%	4.07%
Cash	2.00%	0.76%
Subtotal	15.00%	
Total	100.00%	

These return assumptions are then weighted by the target asset allocation percentage, factoring in correlation effects, to develop the overall long-term expected rate of return best-estimate on an arithmetic basis.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability of the plans was 7 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from the employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, and the projection of cash flows as of each fiscal year ending, the pension plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

General Employees Plan
Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset)

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Liability (Asset)
Balances as of June 30, 2022	\$16,435,616	\$18,395,210	\$(1,959,594)
Changes for the Year:			_
Service cost	349,294	-	349,294
Interest on the total pension liability	1,124,000	-	1,124,000
Changes in benefits	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	684,644	-	684,644
Changes in assumptions	(58,896)	-	(58,896)
Employer contributions	-	275,434	(275,434)
Employee contributions	-	104,927	(104,927)
Net investment income	-	1,560,954	(1,560,954)
Benefit payments, including employee refunds	(1,106,247)	(1,106,247)	-
Administrative expense	-	(16,801)	16,801
Other changes	_	462,344	(462,344)
Net changes	992,795	1,280,611	(287,816)
Balances as of June 30, 2023	\$17,428,411	\$19,675,821	\$(2,247,410)

Police Officers Plan Changes in the Net Pension Liability

	Increase (Decrease)		
		Plan	_
_	Total Pension Liability	Fiduciary Net Position	Net Pension Liability
Balances as of June 30, 2022	\$15,396,335	\$12,968,420	\$2,427,915
Changes for the Year:			
Service cost	425,573	-	425,573
Interest on the total pension liability	1,064,615	-	1,064,615
Changes in benefits	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	(272,275)	-	(272,275)
Changes in assumptions	(59,858)	-	(59,858)
Employer contributions	-	514,989	(514,989)
Employee contributions	-	228,088	(228,088)
Net investment income	-	1,111,527	(1,111,527)
Benefit payments, including employee refunds	(800,678)	(800,678)	-
Administrative expense	-	(11,964)	11,964
Other changes	-	314	(314)
Net changes	357,377	1,042,276	(684,899)
Balances as of June 30, 2023	\$15,753,712	\$14,010,696	\$1,743,016

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of the employer calculated using the discount rate of 7 percent, as well as what the employer's net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate.

	Current Discount		
Plan	1% Decrease	<i>Rate</i> (7%)	1% Increase (8%)
Fian	(6%)	(770)	(070)
General Employees	\$(573,690)	\$(2,247,410)	\$(3,768,068)
Police Officers	\$3,236,931	\$1,743,016	\$385,849

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued ERSRI financial report.

Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the Town recognized pension expense as follows: general employees plan - \$(579,603); and police officers plan - \$131,930. The employer reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	General Employees Plan	Police Officers Plan
Deferred outflows of resources:		
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	\$190,403	\$483,729
Assumption changes	-	152,901
Difference between expected and actual		
experience	534,286	
Total	\$724,689	\$636,630
Deferred inflows of resources:		
Assumption changes	\$62,995	\$52,330
Difference between expected and actual		
experience	379,005	758,094
Net difference between projected and actual		
actual investment earnings	249,792	184,169
Total	\$691,792	\$994,593

The deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Town contributions in fiscal year 2024 subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent period. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	Net Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) of Resources		
Year Ending	General Employees	Police Officers	
June 30	Plan	Plan	
2025	\$(230,242)	\$(231,901)	
2026	(291,542)	(345,384)	
2027	384,187	90,693	
2028	(19,909)	(159,707)	
2029	-	(83,938)	
Thereafter	-	(111,455)	

Defined Contribution Plan

Plan Description

Certain general employees participating in the defined benefit plan with less than 20 years of service as of June 30, 2012, as described above, also participate in a defined contribution plan of the Employees' Retirement System as authorized by General Law Chapter 36-10.3. The defined

contribution plan is established under IRS section 401(a) and is administered by TIAA-CREF. Employees may choose among various investment options available to plan participants.

Certain general employees contribute 5% of their annual covered salary and employers contribute between 1% and 1.5% of annual covered salary depending on the employee's total years of service as of June 30, 2012. Employee contributions are immediately vested while employer contributions and any investment earnings thereon are vested after three years of contributory service. Benefit terms and contributions required under the plan by both the employee and employer are established by the General Laws, which are subject to amendment by the General Assembly.

Amounts in the defined contribution plan are available to participants in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines for such plans.

The Town of North Smithfield recognized pension expense of \$48,040 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

The System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for plans administered by the System. The report may be obtained at http://www.ersri.org.

D. AGGREGATE PENSION AMOUNTS REPORTED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Deferred Outflows of Resources - Pension Amounts	Deferred Inflows of Resources - Pension Amounts	Net Pension Asset	Net Pension Liability	Pension Expense	
Employees' Retirement System Plan Teachers' Survivor	\$ 2,785,340	\$ 2,285,138	\$ -	\$ 16,456,596	\$ 2,065,532	
Benefits Plan	221,241	930,139	5,111,075	-	(449,918)	
General Employees Plan	724,689	691,792	2,247,410	-	(579,603)	
Police Officers Plan	636,630	994,593		1,743,016	131,930	
Total	\$ 4,367,900	\$ 4,901,662	\$ 7,358,485	\$ 18,199,612	\$ 1,167,941	

NOTE 17 – TAX ABATEMENTS

Renewable Energy Systems - The Town established in 2014 by ordinance a tax stabilization program for qualifying property that is used for renewable energy systems pursuant to Section 44-3-21 of Rhode Island General Laws. The purpose of the program is to encourage the development of cost-effective, domestically produced renewable energy.

The Town Council has the authority to exempt from payment of personal property taxes, in whole or in part, or to stabilize the amount of personal property taxes on property that will be used exclusively for the production of renewable energy for sale beyond the property. The Town shall

enter into a contractual agreement approved by the Town Council. The Town had four taxpayers participating in the tax stabilization program established under the 2014 ordinance and the total tangible property abatement granted to these taxpayers in fiscal year 2024 was \$297,828.

As the result of a change in the Rhode Island General Laws, which changes how cities and towns tax "renewable energy resources and associated equipment" the Town amended in October 2017 the ordinance establishing the tax stabilization program described above. The four taxpayers that had an agreement with the Town under the prior ordinance were not affected by the change and will continue to pay taxes under the existing stabilization agreements.

The Town has entered into tax stabilization agreements related to renewable energy projects with three taxpayers in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws and as approved by the Town Council under the revised ordinance. The tax payments due are based on a dollar amount per kilowatt alternating current ("kW AC"). The total tangible property abatement granted to these taxpayers under the revised ordinance in fiscal year 2024 was \$2,155,795.

Commercial Expansion and New Development – The Town established in 2017 by ordinance a tax stabilization program to encourage and facilitate the expansion of the Town's real property tax base through the expansion, re-development, and rehabilitation of existing commercial property. The program does not apply to retail, residential or mixed-use property. The Town Council may authorize, for a period not to exceed 10 years, to exempt from payment in whole or in part real and/or personal property used for manufacturing or commercial purposes or to determine a stabilized amount of taxes to be paid on such property, notwithstanding the valuation or the rate of tax. Applications shall be filed with the Town Administrator. The Town Council shall conduct a public hearing and after the public hearing make a determination to grant or deny the tax exemption or stabilization. The granting of the exemption or stabilization will inure to the benefit of the Town by reason of:

- a) The willingness of the manufacturing or commercial firm or concern to locate in Town;
- b) The willingness of the manufacturing or commercial firm or concern to expand facilities with an increase in employment; or
- c) The willingness of the manufacturing or commercial firm or concern to replace, reconstruct, expand, or remodel existing buildings, facilities, fixtures, machinery or equipment with modern buildings, facilities, fixtures, machinery or equipment resulting in an increase in plant or commercial building investment by the firm or concern in the Town.

The Town has two taxpayers participating in the tax stabilization program. A five-year tax stabilization agreement for tangible property was granted on March 19, 2018 and became effective with the fiscal year 2020 tax bill. The tangible property abatement granted in fiscal year 2024 was \$3,976. A ten-year tax stabilization agreement for real property was granted on August 16, 2021 and became effective with the fiscal year 2023 tax bill. The real property property abatement granted in fiscal year 2024 was \$3,469.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Required supplementary information includes financial information and disclosures that are required by the GASB but are not considered a part of the basic financial statements. Such information includes:

Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios - OPEB Plans

Schedule of Town Contributions - OPEB Plans

Schedule of Investment Returns – OPEB Plans

Schedule of Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – Pension Plans

Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Ratios – Pension Plans

Schedule of Town Contributions – Pension Plans

Budgetary Comparison Schedules - General Fund & School Unrestricted Fund

In addition, the notes to the required supplementary information are included to provide information that is essential to a user's understanding of the required supplementary information.

Required Supplementary Information
Town Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plan

Schedule of Changes in the Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (1)
"Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB liability:							
Service cost	\$ 327,371	\$ 314,311	\$ 342,200	\$ 295,920	\$ 247,948	\$ 209,996	\$ 213,275
Interest	314,953	306,571	140,093	158,362	167,014	157,289	162,163
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(155,265)	67,047	2,376,297	93,360	(117,148)	583,511	(226,133)
Changes of assumptions	(147,716)	(30,706)	(1,305,078)	372,408	91,788	126,198	-
Benefits payments	(546,215)	(507,551)	(460,741)	(433,725)	(410,934)	(327,084)	(298,581)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(206,872)	149,672	1,092,771	486,325	(21,332)	749,910	(149,276)
Total OPEB liability - beginning	7,899,082	7,749,410	6,656,639	6,170,314	6,191,646	5,441,736	5,591,012
Total OPEB liability - ending (a)	\$ 7,692,210	\$ 7,899,082	\$ 7,749,410	\$ 6,656,639	\$ 6,170,314	\$ 6,191,646	\$ 5,441,736
Plan fiduciary net position:							
Contributions - employer	\$ 821,215	\$ 762,434	\$ 737,422	\$ 724,385	\$ 660,934	\$ 527,084	\$ 804,219
Net investment income	245,618	142,523	(256,875)	267,617	54,559	42,550	3,403
Benefits payments	(546,215)	(507,551)	(460,741)	(433,725)	(410,934)	(327,084)	(298,581)
Administrative expense	-	-	· · · ·	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	520,618	397,406	19,806	558,277	304,559	242,550	509,041
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	2,031,639	1,634,233	1,614,427	1,056,150	751,591	509,041	-
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 2,552,257	\$ 2,031,639	\$ 1,634,233	\$ 1,614,427	\$ 1,056,150	\$ 751,591	\$ 509,041
Town's net OPEB liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 5,139,953	\$ 5,867,443	\$ 6,115,177	\$ 5,042,212	\$ 5,114,164	\$ 5,440,055	\$ 4,932,695
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	33.18%	25.72%	21.09%	24.25%	17.12%	12.14%	9.35%
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Covered employee payroll	\$ 5,562,413	\$ 4,308,337	\$ 4,786,456	\$ 4,425,000	\$ 4,422,886	\$ 4,280,154	\$ 4,162,840
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	92.41%	136.19%	127.76%	113.95%	115.63%	127.10%	118.49%

⁽¹⁾ This schedule is intended to show 10 years - additional information will be presented as it becomes available.

Required Supplementary Information School Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plan Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (1) (2) "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB liability:							
Service cost	\$ 268,551	\$ 268,539	\$ 254,874	\$ 221,638	\$ 265,018	\$ 224,452	\$ 229,225
Interest	160,606	150,912	116,928	121,679	134,182	116,904	104,115
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(533,281)	(137,345)	(1,337,604)	88,142	(688,126)	408,211	133,387
Changes of assumptions	(83,998)	(14,050)	(632,451)	430,860	106,899	178,652	-
Benefits payments	(71,306)	(66,840)	(84,425)	(61,732)	(44,179)	(39,359)	(35,769)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(259,428)	201,216	(1,682,678)	800,587	(226,206)	888,860	430,958
Total OPEB liability - beginning	3,924,408	3,723,192	5,405,870	4,605,283	4,831,489	3,942,629	3,511,671
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$ 3,664,980	\$ 3,924,408	\$ 3,723,192	\$ 5,405,870	\$ 4,605,283	\$ 4,831,489	\$ 3,942,629
Covered employee payroll	\$ 17,336,939	\$ 17,039,815	\$ 16,738,951	\$ 15,966,567	\$ 15,640,624	\$ 15,808,069	\$ 15,595,383
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Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	21.14%	23.03%	22.24%	33.86%	29.44%	30.56%	25.28%

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⁽²⁾ No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

Required Supplementary Information - Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plans Schedule of Contributions (1) "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
<u>Town OPEB Plan</u> Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 764,092	\$ 889,080	\$ 756,403	\$ 697,734	\$ 656,087	\$ 540,938	\$ 588,384
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	821,215	762,434	737,422	724,385	660,934	527,084	804,219
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (57,123)	\$ 126,646	\$ 18,981	\$ (26,651)	\$ (4,847)	\$ 13,854	\$ (215,835)
Covered employee payroll	\$ 5,562,413	\$ 4,308,337	\$ 4,786,456	\$ 4,425,000	\$ 4,422,886	\$ 4,280,154	\$ 4,162,840
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	14.76%	17.70%	15.41%	16.37%	14.94%	12.31%	19.32%
<u>School OPEB Plan</u> Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 560,649	\$ 544,686	\$ 591,249	\$ 521,537	\$ 583,498	\$ 488,969	\$ 464,828
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	71,306	66,840	84,425	61,732	44,179	39,359	35,769
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 489,343	\$ 477,846	\$ 506,824	\$ 459,805	\$ 539,319	\$ 449,610	\$ 429,059
Covered employee payroll	\$ 17,336,939	\$ 17,039,815	\$ 16,738,951	\$ 15,966,567	\$ 15,640,624	\$ 15,808,069	\$ 15,595,383
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	0.41%	0.39%	0.50%	0.39%	0.28%	0.25%	0.23%

⁽¹⁾ This schedule is intended to show 10 years - additional information will be presented as it becomes available.

Required Supplementary Information - Town Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plan Schedule of Investment Returns (1) "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Town OPEB Plan							
Annual money-weighted rate of return	rn,						
net of investment expense	11.83%	8.49%	-14.07%	23.62%	5.63%	6.47%	1.43%

⁽¹⁾ This schedule is intended to show 10 years - additional information will be presented as it becomes available.

Required Supplementary Information Employees' Retirement System Pension Plan Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Town's proportion of the net pension liability	0.67810881%	0.69463981%	0.67959791%	0.68631146%	0.69785462%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$16,456,596	\$ 18,760,269	\$ 15,993,645	\$ 21,927,691	\$ 22,266,927
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town	11,926,810	13,874,537	11,860,721	16,292,812	16,680,234
Total	\$28,383,406	\$ 32,634,806	\$ 27,854,366	\$ 38,220,503	\$ 38,947,161
Town's covered payroll	\$13,683,258	\$ 13,523,008	\$ 12,928,085	\$ 12,927,974	\$ 12,952,332
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	120.27%	138.73%	123.71%	169.61%	171.91%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	65.80%	62.10%	66.50%	54.30%	54.60%
Fiscal Year	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fiscal Year Town's proportion of the net pension liability	2019 0.70081983%	2018 0.64346444%	2017 0.69273594%	2016 0.68486334%	2015 0.70243536%
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Town's proportion of the net pension liability	0.70081983%	0.64346444%	0.69273594%	0.68486334%	0.70243536%
Town's proportion of the net pension liability Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability State's proportionate share of the net pension liability	0.70081983% \$22,266,785	0.64346444%	0.69273594% \$ 20,668,314	0.68486334% \$ 18,854,306	0.70243536%
Town's proportion of the net pension liability Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town	0.70081983% \$22,266,785 16,609,422	0.64346444% \$ 20,295,425 15,338,465	0.69273594% \$ 20,668,314 14,154,760	0.68486334% \$ 18,854,306 12,880,670	0.70243536% \$ 17,097,279 11,724,392
Town's proportion of the net pension liability Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town Total	0.70081983% \$22,266,785 16,609,422 \$38,876,207	0.64346444% \$ 20,295,425 15,338,465 \$ 35,633,890	0.69273594% \$ 20,668,314 14,154,760 \$ 34,823,074	0.68486334% \$ 18,854,306 12,880,670 \$ 31,734,976	0.70243536% \$ 17,097,279 11,724,392 \$ 28,821,671

Required Supplementary Information Teachers' Survivor Benefit Pension Plan Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset ''Unaudited''

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Town's proportion of the net pension asset	2.54210829%	2.51157758%	2.53058541%	2.52423504%	2.62114869%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset	\$ 5,111,075	\$ 4,413,572	\$ 4,952,184	\$ 2,997,871	\$ 2,973,584
Town's covered payroll	\$ 13,510,980	\$ 13,235,463	\$ 12,714,299	\$ 12,721,083	\$ 12,763,683
Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset as a percentage of its covered payroll	37.83%	33.35%	38.95%	23.57%	23.30%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	190.20%	177.70%	185.70%	153.10%	150.20%
Fiscal Year	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fiscal Year Town's proportion of the net pension asset	2019 2.63602381%	2018 2.53880669%	2017 2.67548651%	2016 2.71030550%	2015 2.69832872%
Town's proportion of the net pension asset	2.63602381%	2.53880669%	2.67548651%	2.71030550%	2.69832872%
Town's proportion of the net pension asset Town's proportionate share of the net pension asset	2.63602381% \$ 2,352,105	2.53880669% \$ 2,100,264	2.67548651% \$ 2,664,032	2.71030550% \$ 2,530,222	2.69832872% \$ 3,354,582

Required Supplementary Information General Employees Pension Plan Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Ratios "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total pension liability:					
Service cost	\$ 349,294	\$ 352,868	\$ 352,880	\$ 360,493	\$ 370,138
Interest	1,124,000	1,130,556	1,113,646	1,089,112	1,052,631
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	684,644	(530,014)	(239,220)	142,605	65,207
Changes of assumptions	(58,896)	-	-	(237,995)	-
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(1,106,247)	(984,333)	(987,100)	(1,012,744)	(911,268)
Net change in total pension liability	992,795	(30,923)	240,206	341,471	576,708
Total pension liability - beginning	16,435,616	16,466,539	16,226,333	15,884,862	15,308,154
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 17,428,411	\$ 16,435,616	\$ 16,466,539	\$ 16,226,333	\$ 15,884,862
Plan fiduciary net position:					
Contributions - employer	\$ 275,434	\$ 259,718	\$ 228,401	\$ 205,452	\$ 236,973
Contributions - employee	104,927	95,858	97,357	98,769	107,390
Net investment income	1,560,954	(515,086)	4,164,880	570,995	977,938
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(1,106,247)	(984,333)	(987,100)	(1,012,744)	(911,268)
Administrative expense	(16,801)	(17,559)	(15,869)	(15,732)	(15,283)
Other	462,344	300,266	128,359	(425)	(3,123)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	1,280,611	(861,136)	3,616,028	(153,685)	392,627
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	18,395,210	19,256,346	15,640,318	15,794,003	15,401,376
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 19,675,821	\$ 18,395,210	\$ 19,256,346	\$ 15,640,318	\$ 15,794,003
Town's net pension liability (asset) - ending (a) - (b)	\$ (2,247,410)	\$ (1,959,594)	\$ (2,789,807)	\$ 586,015	\$ 90,859
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	112.90%	111.92%	116.94%	96.39%	99.43%
Covered payroll	\$ 4,512,844	\$ 4,378,017	\$ 4,272,152	\$ 4,236,110	\$ 4,254,460
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of covered payroll	-49.80%	-44.76%	-65.30%	13.83%	2.14%
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Required Supplementary Information (Continued)
General Employees Pension Plan
Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Ratios
''Unaudited''

Fiscal Year	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total pension liability:		-	-		
Service cost	\$ 361,872	\$ 338,709	\$ 320,223	\$ 313,382	\$ 323,197
Interest	1,040,601	976,100	965,788	940,220	906,468
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	248,558	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(327,828)	749,911	(211,249)	(287,684)	-
Changes of assumptions	-	711,147	-	-	29,011
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(902,565)	(970,223)	(922,792)	(831,170)	(776,322)
Net change in total pension liability	172,080	1,805,644	151,970	383,306	482,354
Total pension liability - beginning	15,136,074	13,330,430	13,178,460	12,795,154	12,312,800
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 15,308,154	\$ 15,136,074	\$ 13,330,430	\$ 13,178,460	\$ 12,795,154
Plan fiduciary net position:					
Contributions - employer	\$ 186,431	\$ 232,064	\$ 228,318	\$ 202,160	\$ 193,061
Contributions - employee	104,875	99,685	93,355	65,426	77,177
Net investment income	1,152,455	1,575,569	(4,755)	325,291	1,880,372
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(902,565)	(970,223)	(922,792)	(831,170)	(776,322)
Administrative expense	(15,342)	(14,885)	(12,792)	(13,127)	(11,775)
Other	39,176	214,436	437,862	13,836	(104,407)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	565,030	1,136,646	(180,804)	(237,584)	1,258,106
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	14,836,346	13,699,700	13,880,504	14,118,088	12,859,982
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 15,401,376	\$ 14,836,346	\$ 13,699,700	\$ 13,880,504	\$ 14,118,088
Town's net pension liability (asset) - ending (a) - (b)	\$ (93,222)	\$ 299,728	\$ (369,270)	\$ (702,044)	\$ (1,322,934)
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the					
total pension liability	100.61%	98.02%	102.77%	105.33%	110.34%
Covered payroll	\$ 4,070,547	\$ 3,735,007	\$ 3,530,574	\$ 3,271,216	\$ 3,248,212
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of					
covered payroll	-2.29%	8.02%	-10.46%	-21.46%	-40.73%

Required Supplementary Information
Police Officers Pension Plan
Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios
"Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total pension liability:					
Service cost	\$ 425,573	\$ 392,340	\$ 381,320	\$ 385,575	\$ 361,594
Interest	1,064,615	1,032,498	997,729	978,166	951,218
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(272,275)	(195,738)	(114,290)	(393,248)	(182,868)
Changes of assumptions	(59,858)	-	-	79,421	-
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(800,678)	(773,120)	(774,035)	(762,604)	(751,310)
Net change in total pension liability	357,377	455,980	490,724	287,310	378,634
Total pension liability - beginning	15,396,335	14,940,355	14,449,631	14,162,321	13,783,687
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 15,753,712	\$ 15,396,335	\$ 14,940,355	\$ 14,449,631	\$ 14,162,321
Plan fiduciary net position:					
Contributions - employer	\$ 514,989	\$ 487,870	\$ 498,153	\$ 457,315	\$ 380,133
Contributions - employee	228,088	208,581	201,437	193,369	179,988
Net investment income	1,111,527	(363,130)	2,902,689	387,108	640,166
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(800,678)	(773,120)	(774,035)	(762,604)	(751,310)
Administrative expense	(11,964)	(12,379)	(11,060)	(10,666)	(10,004)
Other	314	-	11	-	(35,507)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	1,042,276	(452,178)	2,817,195	264,522	403,466
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	12,968,420	13,420,598	10,603,403	10,338,881	9,935,415
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 14,010,696	\$ 12,968,420	\$ 13,420,598	\$ 10,603,403	\$ 10,338,881
Town's net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 1,743,016	\$ 2,427,915	\$ 1,519,757	\$ 3,846,228	\$ 3,823,440
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	88.94%	84.23%	89.83%	73.38%	73.00%
Covered payroll	\$ 2,263,688	\$ 2,085,804	\$ 2,014,369	\$ 1,933,678	\$ 1,799,871
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	77.00%	116.40%	75.45%	198.91%	212.43%
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Required Supplementary Information (Continued) Police Officers Pension Plan Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios

"Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total pension liability:				<u> </u>	
Service cost	\$ 329,221	\$ 304,609	\$ 293,881	\$ 257,868	\$ 234,523
Interest	926,217	909,400	878,066	808,451	783,066
Changes of benefit terms	-	-	-	451,265	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(125,562)	(71,474)	(111,065)	9,656	-
Changes of assumptions	-	697,862	-	-	(61,666)
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(826,486)	(666,252)	(630,681)	(603,406)	(654,847)
Net change in total pension liability	303,390	1,174,145	430,201	923,834	301,076
Total pension liability - beginning	13,480,297	12,306,152	11,875,951	10,952,117	10,651,041
Total pension liability - ending (a)	\$ 13,783,687	\$ 13,480,297	\$ 12,306,152	\$ 11,875,951	\$ 10,952,117
Plan fiduciary net position:					
Contributions - employer	\$ 331,340	\$ 343,389	\$ 356,690	\$ 312,414	\$ 182,437
Contributions - employee	162,981	164,628	163,316	126,484	104,549
Net investment income	743,448	1,012,481	(3,040)	208,093	1,177,979
Benefits payments, including refunds of member contributions	(826,486)	(666,252)	(630,681)	(603,406)	(654,847)
Administrative expense	(9,897)	(9,566)	(8,177)	(8,485)	(7,376)
Other	(1)	(68,281)	(1)	1	(1)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	401,385	776,399	(121,893)	35,101	802,741
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	9,534,030	8,757,631	8,879,524	8,844,423	8,041,682
Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)	\$ 9,935,415	\$ 9,534,030	\$ 8,757,631	\$ 8,879,524	\$ 8,844,423
Town's net pension liability - ending (a) - (b)	\$ 3,848,272	\$ 3,946,267	\$ 3,548,521	\$ 2,996,427	\$ 2,107,694
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the					
total pension liability	72.08%	70.73%	71.16%	74.77%	80.76%
Covered payroll	\$ 1,629,806	\$ 1,657,283	\$ 1,635,400	\$ 1,581,045	\$ 1,441,443
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	236.12%	238.12%	216.98%	189.52%	146.22%

Required Supplementary Information - Pension Plans Schedule of Contributions "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Employees' Retirement System Plan Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 2,114,175	\$ 2,110,520	\$ 2,031,681	\$ 1,897,166	\$ 1,841,002	\$ 1,757,474	\$ 1,685,417	\$ 1,515,153	\$ 1,575,318	\$ 1,506,269
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	2,114,175	2,110,520	2,031,681	1,897,166	1,841,002	1,757,474	1,685,417	1,515,153	1,575,318	1,506,269
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$ 13,953,437	\$ 13,683,258	\$ 13,523,008	\$ 12,928,085	\$ 12,927,974	\$ 12,952,332	\$ 12,649,393	\$ 12,065,776	\$ 11,951,207	\$ 11,674,039
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15.15%	15.42%	15.02%	14.67%	14.24%	13.57%	13.32%	12.56%	13.18%	12.90%
<u>Teachers' Survivor Benefit Plan</u> Statutorily determined contribution	\$ 18,975	\$ 19,474	\$ 18,975	\$ 18,630	\$ 18,825	\$ 19,550	\$ 19,613	\$ 14,976	\$ 17,184	\$ 16,354
Contributions in relation to the statutorily determined contribution	18,975	19,474	18,975	18,630	18,825	19,550	19,613	14,976	17,184	16,354
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$ 13,664,890	\$ 13,510,980	\$ 13,235,463	\$ 12,714,299	\$ 12,721,083	\$ 12,763,683	\$ 12,527,696	\$ 12,065,776	\$ 11,951,207	\$ 11,674,039
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.16%	0.12%	0.14%	0.14%

Required Supplementary Information - Pension Plans Schedule of Contributions "Unaudited"

Fiscal Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
General Employees Plan Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 190,403	\$ 275,434	\$ 259,718	\$ 228,401	\$ 205,452	\$ 236,973	\$ 186,431	\$ 232,064	\$ 228,318	\$ 202,160
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	190,403	275,434	259,718	228,401	205,452	236,973	186,431	232,064	228,318	202,160
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$ 4,806,324	\$ 4,512,844	\$ 4,378,017	\$ 4,272,152	\$ 4,236,110	\$ 4,254,460	\$ 4,070,547	\$ 3,735,007	\$ 3,530,574	\$ 3,271,216
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	3.96%	6.10%	5.93%	5.35%	4.85%	5.57%	4.58%	6.21%	6.47%	6.18%
<u>Police Officers Plan</u> Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 483,729	\$ 514,989	\$ 487,870	\$ 498,153	\$ 457,315	\$ 380,133	\$ 331,340	\$ 343,389	\$ 356,690	\$ 312,414
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	483,729	514,989	487,870	498,153	457,315	380,133	331,340	343,389	356,690	312,414
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$ 2,265,707	\$ 2,263,688	\$ 2,085,804	\$ 2,014,369	\$ 1,933,678	\$ 1,799,871	\$ 1,629,806	\$ 1,657,283	\$ 1,635,400	\$ 1,581,045
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	21.35%	22.75%	23.39%	24.73%	23.65%	21.12%	20.33%	20.72%	21.81%	19.76%

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual General Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted	Amounts	Actual Amounts	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final	(Budgetary Basis)		
Revenues			,	(g,	
Property taxes	\$ 35,405,542	\$ 35,405,542	\$ 35,942,218	\$ 536,676	
Motor vehicle excise in lieu of tax	4,398,531	4,398,531	4,398,531	-	
Intergovernmental and grant revenue	1,880,278	1,880,278	1,827,605	(52,673)	
Town clerk licenses and fees	341,500	341,500	278,928	(62,572)	
Other departmental fines and fees	235,300	235,300	397,041	161,741	
Investment and interest income	175,000	175,000	579,244	404,244	
Other revenues	327,272	327,272	377,468	50,196	
Use of fund balance	520,910	520,910	-	(520,910)	
Total revenues	43,284,333	43,284,333	43,801,035	516,702	
Expenditures					
General Government:	45.102	45.400	40.000	(1.006)	
Town council	47,103	47,103	48,989	(1,886)	
Probate court	9,320	9,320	8,450	870	
Legal	168,367	168,367	168,367	- 022	
Municipal court	52,946	50,946	50,123	823	
Administration	214,085	214,085	208,891	5,194	
Town clerk	297,362	297,362	287,322	10,040	
Planning	205,165	205,165	199,899	5,266	
Board of canvassers	29,115	29,115	22,716	6,399	
Conservation commission Historic district commission	1,200 2,500	1,200	2.500	1,200	
	2,300	2,500 200	2,500	200	
Economic development	3,678		2 116		
Juvenile hearing board Art committee	1,000	3,678 1,000	2,116 372	1,562 628	
N.S. Library	488,568	488,568	488,568	028	
Other general government	1,752,235	1,752,235		(77.469)	
Other general government	3,272,844	3,270,844	1,829,703 3,318,016	(77,468) (47,172)	
T					
Financial Administration:	(70 (27	(70 (27	670.542	2.004	
Finance	672,637	672,637	670,543	2,094	
Tax assessor	215,239	215,239	201,612	13,627	
Information technology	79,368 967,244	79,368 967,244	79,308 951,463	15,781	
			<u> </u>	10,701	
Public Safety:					
Police	4,589,998	4,589,998	4,624,750	(34,752)	
Dispatch	294,318	296,318	340,647	(44,329)	
Animal control	120,714	120,714	103,356	17,358	
EMA	27,300	27,300	25,085	2,215	
N.S. Fire and Rescue Department	3,994,031	3,994,031	3,994,031	-	
Building and zoning	228,917	228,917	227,589	1,328	
	9,255,278	9,257,278	9,315,458	(58,180)	

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Continued) General Fund

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Budgeted 2	Amounts	Actual Amounts (Budgetary	Variance With Final Budget	
	Original	Original Final		Positive (Negative)	
Public Works:					
DPW administration	143,767	143,767	141,147	2,620	
Highway	3,567,160	3,567,160	3,557,421	9,739	
Parks and recreation	424,426	424,426	413,672	10,754	
	4,135,353	4,135,353	4,112,240	23,113	
Debt Service:					
Principal	3,277,519	3,277,519	3,277,468	51	
Interest	691,565	691,565	691,523	42	
	3,969,084	3,969,084	3,968,991	93	
Total expenditures	21,599,803	21,599,803	21,666,168	(66,365)	
Excess of revenues over expenditures					
before other financing uses	21,684,530	21,684,530	22,134,867	450,337	
Other financing uses Transfers to other funds:					
School unrestricted fund	(21,652,374)	(21,652,374)	(21,652,374)	-	
School capital fund	(32,156)	(32,156)	(32,156)	-	
Total other financing uses	(21,684,530)	(21,684,530)	(21,684,530)	-	
Net change in fund balance,					
budgetary basis	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450,337	\$ 450,337	

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual School Unrestricted Fund For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual Amounts (Budgetary Basis)	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues					
Local appropriations	\$ 21,652,374	\$21,652,374	\$ 21,652,374	\$ -	
State of Rhode Island - education aid	7,571,377	7,571,377	7,571,377	-	
Medicaid	150,000	150,000	159,610	9,610	
Rental income - fields and buildings	50,000	50,000	77,342	27,342	
Other	200,000	200,000	381,040	181,040	
Total revenues	29,623,751	29,623,751	29,841,743	217,992	
Expenditures					
Salaries	17,083,755	17,083,755	16,744,223	339,532	
Employee benefits	6,265,650	6,265,650	5,820,918	444,732	
Purchased services	4,769,525	4,903,690	5,034,790	(131,100)	
Supplies and materials	1,263,307	1,090,980	1,065,180	25,800	
Property and equipment	187,073	227,135	666,476	(439,341)	
Other costs	54,441	52,541	81,524	(28,983)	
Total expenditures	29,623,751	29,623,751	29,413,111	210,640	
Net change in fund balance -					
budgetary basis	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 428,632	\$ 428,632	

Notes to Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2024 "Unaudited"

NOTE 1 – OPEB PLANS

The actuarial methods and assumptions used to calculate the total OPEB liabilities are described in Note 15 to the financial statements.

The net OPEB liability amount presented for each fiscal year was determined as of the fiscal year-end.

The schedules are intended to present ten years of data. Additional years of data will be presented as they become available.

Actuarially Determined Contributions:

The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine contribution amounts reported in that schedule:

- Actuarial cost method Entry Age Normal
- Amortization method Level percentage of payroll, closed
- Amortization period 20 years
- Asset valuation method fair value
- Inflation 3%
- Investment rate of return Town 4.36%; School 4.21% (prior valuation 4.13%)
- Salary increases 3%
- Mortality PUB-2010 mortality table with MP-2021 projection
- Health care cost trend rate medical 7% decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.5%; dental 4.5% (prior valuation 8% decreasing to an ultimate rate of 5%; dental 5%)

Notes to Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2024 "Unaudited"

NOTE 2 – PENSION PLANS

The net pension liability (asset) amounts presented as of June 30, 2024 were determined as part of actuarial valuations performed as of June 30, 2022 and rolled forward to June 30, 2023, the measurement date. Additional information, including actuarial methods and assumptions, is presented in Note 16 A, B, and C to the financial statements.

The net pension liability (asset) amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the June 30 measurement date prior to the fiscal year-end.

The following summarizes the more significant changes in assumptions and benefits and were reflected in the determination of the net pension liability (asset) as of the:

June 30, 2023 measurement date -

As part of the 2023 Actuarial Experience Study for the six-year period ending June 30, 2022 as approved by the System Board on May 17, 2023, certain assumptions were modified and reflected in the determination of net pension liability (asset) at the June 30, 2023 measurement date. The following summarizes the more significant changes in assumptions:

- Decreased individual salary increases and projected payroll growth for most groups. These two
 items mainly offset each other in calculating contribution requirements, especially as dollar
 amounts, but create a much lower projected annual growth rate in the dollar amounts of
 contributions.
- Updated the mortality projection scales to the ultimate rates of the most recently published ones, this had no material impact to the liabilities or contributions.
- Modestly increased turnover rates.
- Slight modifications to the retirement rates.
- Modified slightly the rates of disability.

June 30, 2020 measurement date -

As part of the 2020 Actuarial Experience Study for the six-year period ending June 30, 2019 as approved by the System Board on May 22, 2020, certain assumptions were modified and reflected in the determination of net pension liability (asset) at the June 30, 2020 measurement date. The following summarizes the more significant changes in assumptions:

- Updated the underlying mortality tables from the RP-2014 set of tables to the public sector-based PUB (10) tables.
- Increased slightly the probabilities of turnover.
- Decreased slightly the probabilities of retirement.
- Modified slightly the probabilities of disability, including adding material incidence of disability for members in the age ranges that historically have been eligible to retire but under prospective provisions are not.

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June 30, 2017 measurement date -

As part of the 2017 Actuarial Experience Investigation Study for the six-year period ending June 30, 2016 as approved by the System Board on May 15, 2017, certain assumptions were modified and reflected in the determination of the net pension liability (asset) at the June 30, 2017 measurement date. The following summarizes the more significant changes in assumptions:

- Decreased the general inflation assumption from 2.75% to 2.50%.
- Decreased the nominal investment return assumption from 7.50% to 7%.
- Decreased the general wage growth assumption from 3.25% to 3%.
- Decreased salary increase assumptions.
- Updated the post-retirement mortality tables to variants of the RP-2014 table. For the improvement scale, update to the ultimate rates of the MP-2016 projection scale.

June 30, 2015 measurement date -

The net pension liability (asset) for the ERS and MERS plans reflects changes in benefits resulting from the settlement of litigation challenging the various pension reform measures enacted in previous years by the General Assembly. The final settlement approved by the Court on July 8, 2015 also included enactment of the pension settlement provisions by the General Assembly. These amended benefit provisions are summarized below:

- Employees with more than 20 years of service on July 1, 2012 will increase their employee contribution rates to 11% for state employees and municipal general employees will contribute 8.25% (9.25% for units with a COLA provision) and participate solely in the defined benefit plan going forward service credit accruals will increase from 1% to 2% per year.
- Members are eligible to retire upon the attainment of: age 65 with 30 years of service, 64 with 31 years of service, 63 with 32 years of service, or 62 with 33 years of service. Members may retire earlier if their RIRSA date is earlier or are eligible under a transition rule.
- MERS public safety employees may retire at age 50 with 25 years of service, or any age with 27 years of service. MERS public safety employees will contribute 9% (10% for units with a COLA provision).
- Employees with more than 10 but less than 20 years of service on July 1, 2012 will receive an increased employer contribution to the defined contribution plan. Also, members who earn less than \$35,000 per year will not be required to pay the administrative fees to the defined contribution plan.
- Members who retired from a COLA eligible plan before July 1, 2012 will receive a one-time cost of living adjustment of 2% of the first \$25,000 paid as soon as administratively possible.
- Retirees as of June 30, 2015 will receive two \$500 stipends; the interim cost of living increases will occur at 4-year rather than 5-year intervals.
- The COLA formula was adjusted to: 50% of the COLA is calculated by taking the previous 5-year average investment return, less 5.5% (5yr Return 5.5%, with a maximum of 4%) and 50% calculated using previous year's CPI-U (maximum of 3%) for a total maximum

Notes to Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2024 "Unaudited"

COLA of 3.5%. This COLA is calculated on the first \$25,855, effective 01/01/16, and indexed as of that date as well. (The indexing formula is run annually regardless of funding level each year.)

• Minor adjustments were made to the actuarial reduction for employees choosing to retire early.

The employee and employer contribution rates for the Teachers' Survivors Benefit Plan were applied to the first \$11,500 of member salary for fiscal year 2018. In fiscal year 2017 and prior years, the rate was applied to salary up to \$9,600.

Employers participating in the Employees' Retirement System are required by RI General Laws, Section 36-10-2, to contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate each year. Employers participating in the Teachers' Survivors Benefit Plan contribute at a rate established by RI General Laws, 16-16-35. Employers participating in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System are required by RI General Laws, Section 45-21-42, to contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate each year.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2024 "Unaudited"

NOTE 3 - BUDGETARY DATA AND BUDGETARY COMPLIANCE

The Town Charter provides that the Administrator, with the Town Budget Committee, must submit a proposed operating budget, capital budget and a budget message containing an explanation of proposed financial policies and the important features of the budget plan to the Town Council by the third Monday in March. The budget must reflect all anticipated revenues and proposed expenditures, and the proposed expenditures cannot exceed anticipated revenues. The budget is presented to the public on the third Monday in May at a public hearing. The Town Council may revise the budget, but the final adoption of the budget shall be voted on no later than June 30th. The Town Charter requires annual budgets for the General Fund and School Unrestricted Fund. The American Rescue Plan Fund, which is a Special Revenue Fund, is not legally required to adopt a budget.

Explanation of Differences between Budgetary Revenues and Other Financing Sources and Expenditures and Other Financing Uses and GAAP Revenues and Other Financing Sources and Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

Revenues and Other Financing Sources	General Fund	School Unrestricted Fund
Actual amounts (budgetary basis)	\$43,801,035	\$29,841,743
Differences – budget to GAAP: The pension contributions made to the Employees' Retirement System by the State on behalf of the Town of North Smithfield are not reported as budgetary revenues but are revenues for financial reporting purposes.	_	1,595,047
The issuance of a lease is not reported as an other financing source for budgetary purposes but is included for financial reporting purposes.	-	37,485
Unbudgeted revenues are not included for budgetary purposes but are included for financial reporting purposes.	330,139	92,805
Total revenues and other financing sources as reported in the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances – governmental funds	\$44,131,174	\$31,567,080

Notes to Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2024 "Unaudited"

Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	General Fund	School Unrestricted Fund
Actual amounts (budgetary basis)	\$43,350,698	\$29,413,111
Differences – budget to GAAP: Increases and carryforwards of commitments and assignments of fund balance are expenditures for budgetary purposes but are not expenditures for financial reporting purposes.	(458,304)	-
Unbudgeted expenditures are not included for budgetary purposes but are included for financial reporting purposes.	1,643,584	96,663
Equipment acquired through a lease is not reported as an expenditure for budgetary purposes but is included for financial reporting purposes.	-	37,485
The pension contributions made to the Employees' Retirement System by the State on behalf of the Town of North Smithfield are not reported as budgetary expenditures but are expenditures for financial reporting purposes.	_	1,595,047
Total expenditures and other financing uses as reported in the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances – governmental funds	\$44,535,978	\$31,142,306

OTHER S	UPPLEME	NTARY IN	N F O R M A T	ION

Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

					Spe	cial R	evenue Fu	nds					
	School Restricted Fund	Jı Com	ernor's istice mission Fund	D .	roject A.R.E. Fund	B Re	usiness evolving an Fund		CDBG Fund	Su	Canine rcharge Fund		Dattco Fund
ASSETS Cook and cook againstants	\$ 187,531	\$		\$		\$	59,400	\$	6,717	\$		\$	
Cash and cash equivalents Due from federal and state governments	\$ 187,531 615,006	Э	-	Þ	-	Э	39,400	Э	0,/1/	ф	-	Э	-
Other receivables	-		_		_		_		92,108		_		_
Due from other funds	275,584		7,809		1,107		_		-		1,685		13,583
Prepaid expenditures	195,626										<u> </u>		
Total assets	\$ 1,273,747	\$	7,809	\$	1,107	\$	59,400	\$	98,825	\$	1,685	\$	13,583
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) Liabilities													
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures	\$ 21,172	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Due to other funds	606,305		-		-		-		60,530		-		-
Unearned revenue	195,626		_				-						-
Total liabilities	823,103								60,530				-
Deferred Inflows of Resources:													
Other deferred revenues							-		92,108				-
Total deferred inflows of resources					_				92,108				-
Fund balances (Deficits)													
Restricted for:	262 112												
Education programs Public safety programs	263,113		7,809		1 107		-		-		-		-
Historical records preservation	-		7,809		1,107		-		-		-		-
Capital projects	_		_		_		_		_		_		_
Other programs	187,531		_		_		59,400		_		1.685		13,583
Committed for:							,				-,		,
Public safety programs	-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital projects	-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned							-		(53,813)				-
Total fund balances (deficits)	450,644		7,809		1,107		59,400		(53,813)		1,685		13,583
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,													
and fund balances (deficits)	\$ 1,273,747	\$	7,809	\$	1,107	\$	59,400	\$	98,825	\$	1,685	\$	13,583

Combining Balance Sheet (Continued) Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

						Special Rev	enue l	Funds				
	EMS Fund		Re	Record Retention Fund		Police Cruiser Fees		Recycling Grant		lean & Green Day		mpkin estival
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	732,575	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Due from federal and state governments	φ	132,313	φ	-	φ	-	φ	-	φ	-	φ	-
Other receivables		-		-		-		-		-		-
Due from other funds		-		64,133		100,837		14,546		2,212		5,199
Prepaid expenditures						-						
Total assets	\$	732,575	\$	64,133	\$	100,837	\$	14,546	\$	2,212	\$	5,199
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) Liabilities												
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures	\$	10,976	\$	805	\$	_	\$	1,000	\$	_	\$	_
Due to other funds	Ψ	64,981	Ψ	-	Ψ	_	Ψ	-	Ψ	_	Ψ	_
Unearned revenue		-		_		_		_		_		_
Total liabilities		75,957		805		-		1,000		_		_
Deferred Inflows of Resources:												
Other deferred revenues		_		_		_		_		_		_
Total deferred inflows of resources	-		-		-			_			-	_
Fund balances (Deficits)			-									
Restricted for:												
Education programs		_		_		_		_		_		_
Public safety programs		656,618		_		_		_		_		_
Historical records preservation		-		63,328		_		_		_		_
Capital projects		_		-		_		_		_		_
Other programs		-		-		-		13,546		2,212		5,199
Committed for:												
Public safety programs		-		-		100,837		-		-		-
Capital projects		-		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned												
Total fund balances (deficits)		656,618		63,328		100,837		13,546		2,212		5,199
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,												
and fund balances (deficits)	\$	732,575	\$	64,133	\$	100,837	\$	14,546	\$	2,212	\$	5,199
									-			

Combining Balance Sheet (Continued) Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

		Special Rev	enue	Funds				
ACCEPTO	EMA Grants	 Opioid Fund		Grants Fund	1	Adopt- A-Spot Fund		Total Special Revenue Funds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Due from federal and state governments Other receivables	\$ -	\$ -	\$	37,472	\$	-	\$	986,223 652,478 92,108
Due from other funds Prepaid expenditures	 58,196	 169,308		428,126		14,392		1,156,717 195,626
Total assets	\$ 58,196	\$ 169,308	\$	465,598	\$	14,392	\$	3,083,152
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) Liabilities								
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures Due to other funds	\$ 2,982	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	36,935
Unearned revenue	-	-		465,488		-		731,816 661,114
Total liabilities	2,982			465,488			_	1,429,865
Deferred Inflows of Resources:								
Other deferred revenues	-	-		_		-		92,108
Total deferred inflows of resources	-	-				-		92,108
Fund balances (Deficits) Restricted for:								
Education programs	-	-		-		-		263,113
Public safety programs	55,214	-		-		-		720,748
Historical records preservation	-	-		-		-		63,328
Capital projects Other programs	-	169,308		110		14,392		466,966
Committed for:	-	109,300		110		14,392		400,900
Public safety programs	-	-		_		-		100,837
Capital projects	-	-		-		-		-
Unassigned		 -		-		_		(53,813)
Total fund balances (deficits)	55,214	169,308		110		14,392		1,561,179
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,								
and fund balances (deficits)	\$ 58,196	\$ 169,308	\$	465,598	\$	14,392	\$	3,083,152

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Combining Balance Sheet (Continued) Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2024

			Capital .	Projec	ct Funds					
A GG PATG	Town Building Bond	School Building Bond		F	Capital Projects Fund	RIDE Revolving Capital		Total Capital Project Funds	Total All Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
ASSETS Cook and each assistants	¢ 1 120 450	¢		\$		¢		¢ 1 120 450	¢ 2.10 <i>c c</i> 72	
Cash and cash equivalents Due from federal and state governments	\$ 1,120,450	\$	-	Э	-	\$	-	\$ 1,120,450	\$ 2,106,673 652,478	
Other receivables	-		-		-		_	-	92,108	
Due from other funds	_		_		88,639		427,066	515,705	1,672,422	
Prepaid expenditures					-		-		195,626	
Total assets	\$1,120,450	\$		\$	88,639	\$	427,066	\$ 1,636,155	\$ 4,719,307	
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES (DEFICITS) Liabilities										
Accounts payable and accrued expenditures	\$ 121,320	\$	_	\$	_	\$	33,689	\$ 155,009	\$ 191,944	
Due to other funds	669,340		-		-		_	669,340	1,401,156	
Unearned revenue	-		-		-		-	-	661,114	
Total liabilities	790,660				-		33,689	824,349	2,254,214	
Deferred Inflows of Resources:										
Other deferred revenues	-		-		-		-	-	92,108	
Total deferred inflows of resources					-		-		92,108	
Fund balances (Deficits)										
Restricted for:									262 112	
Education programs	-		-		-		-	-	263,113 720,748	
Public safety programs Historical records preservation	-		-		-		-	-	63,328	
Capital projects	329,790		_		88,639		_	418,429	418,429	
Other programs	327,770		_		-		_ _	-10,727	466,966	
Committed for:									100,700	
Public safety programs	_		_		_		_	_	100,837	
Capital projects	-		-		-		393,377	393,377	393,377	
Unassigned	-		-		-		_	-	(53,813)	
Total fund balances (deficits)	329,790		-		88,639		393,377	811,806	2,372,985	
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources,										
and fund balances (deficits)	\$ 1,120,450	\$	-	\$	88,639	\$	427,066	\$ 1,636,155	\$ 4,719,307	

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Sp	ecial Revenue Fu	nds		
	School Restricted Fund	Governor's Justice Commission Fund	Project D.A.R.E. Fund	Business Revolving Loan Fund	CDBG Fund	Canine Surcharge Fund	Dattco Fund
Revenues Intergovernmental and grant revenue Other departmental fees Investment and interest income Other revenue	\$ 1,833,557 - - 697,015	\$ 2,287	\$ - - -	\$ - 1,520	\$ - 172	\$ - 747 - -	\$ - 3,000
Total revenues	2,530,572	2,287	-	1,520	172	747	3,000
Expenditures Current: General government Public safety Public works Education Other Capital outlay Total expenditures	2,585,527 - 2,585,527	1,948 - - - - 1,948	- - - - -	- - - - -	60,530	- - - - -	- - - - - -
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures before other financing sources	(54,955)	339		1,520	(60,358)	747	3,000
Other financing sources Transfers from other funds Total other financing sources		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(54,955)	339	-	1,520	(60,358)	747	3,000
Fund balances - beginning of year	505,599	7,470	1,107	57,880	6,545	938	10,583
Fund balances (deficits) - end of year	\$ 450,644	\$ 7,809	\$ 1,107	\$ 59,400	\$ (53,813)	\$ 1,685	\$ 13,583

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances (Continued) Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

			Special Rev	enue Funds		
	EMS Fund			Recycling Grant	Clean & Green Day	Pumpkin Festival
Revenues						
Intergovernmental and grant revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other departmental fees	10.110	12,926	105,537	6,659	-	-
Investment and interest income	10,118	-	-	-	- - 000	17 200
Other revenue	331,433	- 12.026	105.525		5,000	17,389
Total revenues	341,551	12,926	105,537	6,659	5,000	17,389
Expenditures						
Current:						
General government	-	8,898	-	-	-	-
Public safety	142,696	· -	_	_	_	_
Public works	, -	-	-	7,241	2,875	-
Education	-	-	-	_	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	15,891
Capital outlay	351,692	-	169,316	-	-	-
Total expenditures	494,388	8,898	169,316	7,241	2,875	15,891
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)						
expenditures before other financing sources	(152,837)	4,028	(63,779)	(582)	2,125	1,498
Other financing sources						
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources						-
Net change in fund balances	(152,837)	4,028	(63,779)	(582)	2,125	1,498
Fund balances - beginning of year	809,455	59,300	164,616	14,128	87	3,701
Fund balances (deficits) - end of year	\$ 656,618	\$ 63,328	\$ 100,837	\$ 13,546	\$ 2,212	\$ 5,199
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Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances (Continued) Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Special Rev	enue Funds		
	EMA Grants	Opioid Fund	Grants Fund	Adopt- A-Spot Fund	Total Special Revenue Funds
Revenues	Φ 5.500	ď.	Φ 160.770	ф	Φ 2.010.122
Intergovernmental and grant revenue Other departmental fees	\$ 5,500	\$ -	\$ 168,778	\$ -	\$ 2,010,122 128,869
Investment and interest income	-	-	-	-	11,810
Other revenue	_	49,911	-	2,400	1,103,148
Total revenues	5,500	49,911	168,778	2,400	3,253,949
Total revenues		49,911	100,770	2,400	3,233,949
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	-	-	25,200	-	34,098
Public safety	11,743	-	-	-	156,387
Public works	-	-	15,622	666	26,404
Education	-	-	-	-	2,585,527
Other	-	-	-	-	76,421
Capital outlay			127,846		648,854
Total expenditures	11,743		168,668	666	3,527,691
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)					
expenditures before other financing sources	(6,243)	49,911	110	1,734	(273,742)
Other financing sources					
Transfers from other funds	-	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources					
Net change in fund balances	(6,243)	49,911	110	1,734	(273,742)
Fund balances - beginning of year	61,457	119,397		12,658	1,834,921
Fund balances (deficits) - end of year	\$ 55,214	\$ 169,308	\$ 110	\$ 14,392	\$ 1,561,179
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Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances (Continued) Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

	-	Capital I	Project Funds			
	Town Building Bond	School Building Bond	Capital Projects Fund	RIDE Revolving Capital	Total Capital Project Funds	Total All Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues Intergovernmental and grant revenue Other departmental fees Investment and interest income Other revenue	\$ - 28,667	\$ - 4,367	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - 33,034	\$ 2,010,122 128,869 44,844 1,103,148
Total revenues	28,667	4,367			33,034	3,286,983
Expenditures Current:						
General government	-	329,442	-	-	329,442	363,540
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-	156,387
Public works Education	-	-	-	-	-	26,404 2,585,527
Other	_	_	_	_	_	2,383,327 76,421
Capital outlay	785,480	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	574,589	1,360,069	2,008,923
Total expenditures	785,480	329,442		574,589	1,689,511	5,217,202
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under)				(55.4.500)		(4.000.040)
expenditures before other financing sources	(756,813)	(325,075)		(574,589)	(1,656,477)	(1,930,219)
Other financing sources Transfers from other funds				43,902	43,902	42 002
Transfers from other funds Total other financing sources				43,902	43,902	43,902 43,902
Total other futureing sources				+3,702	+3,702	+3,702
Net change in fund balances	(756,813)	(325,075)	-	(530,687)	(1,612,575)	(1,886,317)
Fund balances - beginning of year	1,086,603	325,075	88,639	924,064	2,424,381	4,259,302
Fund balances (deficits) - end of year	\$ 329,790	\$ -	\$ 88,639	\$ 393,377	\$ 811,806	\$ 2,372,985

TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, RHODE ISLAND Tax Collector's Annual Report For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes

Year	Balance June 30, 2023	Levy	A .	dditions		atements and iustments	Amount to be Collected	Current Year Collections		Balance e 30, 2024
2024	\$ -	\$ 35,453,580	\$	96,531	\$	(63,154)	\$ 35,486,957	\$ 35,169,882	\$	317,075
2023	568,130	Ψ 33,133,300 -	Ψ	1,695	Ψ	(53,568)	516,257	442,406	Ψ	73,851
2022	117,408	_		1,431		(738)	118,101	47,911		70,190
2021	78,825	_		1,427		(545)	79,707	12,787		66,920
2020	53,421	_		1,389		(537)	54,273	5,632		48,641
2019	58,875	_		1,407		(1,895)	58,387	3,664		54,723
2018	57,231	_		1,373		(1,608)	56,996	3,824		53,172
2017	71,533	_		-		(5,886)	65,647	3,666		61,981
2016	78,884	_		_		(2,196)	76,688	2,487		74,201
2015	122,028	_		_		(2,440)	119,588	906		118,682
2014	138,368	_		_		(6,534)	131,834	1,771		130,063
2013	106,061	_		_		(4,721)	101,340	2,160		99,180
2012	80,311	_		_		(2,993)	77,318	1,646		75,672
2011	93,105	_		_		(10,820)	82,285	2,171		80,114
2010	63,078	_		_		(11,837)	51,241	1,137		50,104
2009	64,134	_		_		(19,655)	44,479	1,071		43,408
2008	49,734	_		_		(13,753)	35,981	321		35,660
2007	28,110	_		_		(1,818)	26,292	-		26,292
2006	27,455	=		-		(5,876)	21,579	-		21,579
2005	24,875	-		-		(3,993)	20,882	-		20,882
2004	24,886	-		-		(2,274)	22,612	932		21,680
2003	-	-		-		-	-	-		-
2002 and prior	413	<u> </u>		-			413	<u> </u>		413
	\$ 1,906,865	\$ 35,453,580	\$	105,253	\$	(216,841)	\$ 37,248,857	\$ 35,704,374		1,544,483
							Allowance for Un	collectible Accounts		(907,439)

Schedule of Most Recent Net Assessed Property Value by Category

Description of Property	Valuation	Levy
Real property - residential	\$ 1,547,056,440	\$ 22,039,366
Real property - commercial	362,338,530	7,029,005
Real property - FFOS	38,880,950	553,898
Real property - frozen	8,387,360	119,486
Tangible personal property	157,262,600	6,861,682
Total	2,113,925,880	 36,603,437
Exemptions	61,252,672	1,149,857
Net assessed value	\$ 2,052,673,208	\$ 35,453,580

Reconciliation of Current Year Property Tax Revenue

Net Property Tax Receivable

Current year property tax revenue	\$ 35,726,449
Less: Other non-revenue adjustments	(876)
to fiscal year ending June 30, 2023	(112,938)
Less: Revenue collected 60 days subsequent	
to fiscal year ending June 30, 2024	135,889
Add: Revenue collected 60 days subsequent	
Current year collections	\$ 35,704,374

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TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, RHODE ISLAND Tax Collector's Annual Report (Continued) For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

Fiscal Year 2024 Cash Collection Summary

Year	Collection to 60 d	ugust 2023 ons Subject lay FY 23 crual	Ĵ	tember 2023 - June 2024 Collections	tal FY 2024 h Collections	Colle to 6	- August 2024 ctions Subject 0 day FY 24 Accrual
2024	\$	_	\$	35,169,882	\$ 35,169,882	\$	86,783
2023		105,974		336,432	442,406		23,140
2022		5,316		42,595	47,911		2,190
2021		822		11,965	12,787		4,663
2020		84		5,548	5,632		4,639
2019		51		3,613	3,664		2,520
2018		-		3,824	3,824		2,209
2017		80		3,586	3,666		2,087
2016		443		2,044	2,487		2,509
2015		_		906	906		1,593
2014		_		1,771	1,771		1,718
2013		_		2,160	2,160		1,180
2012		_		1,646	1,646		532
2011		136		2,035	2,171		120
2010		_		1,137	1,137		6
2009		32		1,039	1,071		-
2008		-		321	321		-
2007		-		-	-		-
2006		-		-	-		-
2005		-		-	-		-
2004		-		932	932		-
2003		-		-	-		-
2002 and prior		-		-	 -		=
	\$	112,938	\$	35,591,436	\$ 35,704,374	\$	135,889

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The Annual Supplemental Transparency Report Schedules required by the State of Rhode Island General Law § 45-12-22.2 and § 44-35-10

Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2) - Revenue

Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2) - Expenditures

Combining Schedule of Reportable Government Services with Reconciliation to MTP2 - Municipal

Combining Schedule of Reportable Government Services with Reconciliation to MTP2 - Education Department

Notes to Supplementary Information - Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)

Town of North Smithfield Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2) Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

<u>revenue</u>	Municipal	Education Department
Current Year Levy Tax Collection	\$ 34,838,193	\$ -
Last Year's Levy Tax Collection	465,546	- -
Prior Years Property Tax Collection	415,339	_
Interest & Penalty	216,236	_
PILOT & Tax Treaty (excluded from levy) Collection	-	_
Other Local Property Taxes	-	_
Licenses and Permits	213,696	_
Fines and Forfeitures	54,573	_
Investment Income	579,244	_
Departmental	617,835	-
Rescue Run Revenue	310,196	-
Police & Fire Detail	41,770	-
Other Local Non-Property Tax Revenues	147,410	-
Tuition	-	416,186
Impact Aid	-	-
Medicaid	-	159,609
Federal Stabilization Funds	-	-
Federal Food Service Reimbursement	-	225,333
CDBG	-	-
COPS Grants	-	-
SAFER Grants	-	-
Other Federal Aid Funds	-	807,896
COVID - ESSER	-	704,307
COVID - CRF	-	-
COVID - CDBG	-	-
COVID - FEMA	-	-
COVID - Other	-	-
COVID - ARPA	371,866	8,807
MV Excise Tax Reimbursement	183,264	-
State PILOT Program	-	-
Distressed Community Relief Fund	-	-
Library Resource Aid	95,325	-
Library Construction Aid	-	-
Public Service Corporation Tax	166,157	-
Meals & Beverage Tax / Hotel Tax	454,286	-
LEA Aid	-	7,571,377
Group Home	- 017 250	-
Housing Aid Capital Projects Housing Aid Bonded Debt	917,259	-
State Food Service Revenue	185,804	7,229
Incentive Aid	_	7,223
Property Revaluation Reimbursement	_	_
Other State Revenue	13,773	79,987
Motor Vehicle Phase Out	4,215,266	-
Other Revenue	-	832,016
Local Appropriation for Education	_	21,652,374
Regional Appropriation for Education	-	
Supplemental Appropriation for Education	-	_
Regional Supplemental Appropriation for Education	_	_
Other Education Appropriation	-	_
Rounding	-	-
Total Revenue	\$ 44,503,039	\$ 32,465,121
Financing Sources: Transfer from Capital Funds	\$ -	\$ -
Financing Sources: Transfer from Capital Funds	-	-
Financing Sources: Debt Proceeds	-	-
Financing Sources: Other	-	-
Rounding	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources	\$ -	\$ -

Town of North Smithfield Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2) Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	General Government	Finance	Social Services	Centralized IT	Planning	Libraries	Public Works	Parks and Rec	Police Department
Compensation- Group A	\$ 518,836	\$ 537,422	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 308,344	\$ -	\$ 852,986	\$ 432,592	\$ 2,513,482
Compensation - Group B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39,204
Compensation - Group C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Compensation -Volunteer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overtime- Group A	1,866	1,596	-	-	301	-	72,797	1,260	477,745
Overtime - Group B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overtime - Group C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Police & Fire Detail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Active Medical Insurance - Group A Active Medical Insurance- Group B	82,993 -	94,357	-	-	45,721 -	-	194,577 -	34,183	379,616 22,835
Active Medical Insurance- Group C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Active Dental insurance- Group A	2,814	3,094	-	-	1,686	-	7,040	353	15,186
Active Dental Insurance- Group B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	824
Active Dental Insurance- Group C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payroll Taxes	25,291	39,802	-	-	23,853	-	66,139	34,097	264,742
Life Insurance	2,094	3,246	-	-	1,675	-	5,828	1,222	11,657
State Defined Contribution- Group A	3,071	4,806	-	-	2,564	-	8,792	1,458	-
State Defined Contribution - Group B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	488
State Defined Contribution - Group C			-	-		-		-	
Other Benefits- Group A	2,155	3,750	-	-	3,000	-	5,950	42	4,650
Other Benefits- Group B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Benefits- Group C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Local Defined Benefit Pension- Group A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Local Defined Benefit Pension - Group B Local Defined Benefit Pension - Group C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Defined Benefit Pension- Group A	12,165	19,034	-	-	10,498	-	32,845	5,774	493,593
State Defined Benefit Pension - Group B	12,103	19,034	-		10,456	-	32,043	3,774	734
State Defined Benefit Pension - Group C									734
Other Defined Benefit / Contribution	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Purchased Services	111,950	57,073	20,000	28,920	3,994	_	50,889	604	71,767
Materials/Supplies	6,364	4,678	-	35,293	1,533	_	4,513	52,127	17,431
Software Licenses	27,336	23,770	_	44,823	6,268	_	12,578	,	14,651
Capital Outlays	347,287	-	-	-	-	-	119,398	99,000	67,344
Insurance	313,017	-	-		-	-	· -	-	-
Maintenance	231,877	883	-	4,425	915	-	91,090	42,937	38,773
Vehicle Operations	5,718	90	-	-	832	-	62,989	8,098	99,896
Utilities	13,016	20,072	-	1,140	11,701	-	16,601	12,575	37,488
Contingency	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Street Lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-	85,738	-	-
Revaluation	-	20,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snow Removal-Raw Material & External Contracts	-	-	-	-	-	-	144,354	-	-
Trash Removal & Recycling	-	-	-	-	-	-	808,156	-	-
Claims & Settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Community Support	69,621	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Operation Expenditures	34,955	12,829	-	-	4,602	488,568	1,688,875	-	93,872
Tipping Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	233,300	-	-
Local Appropriation for Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Regional Appropriation for Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplemental Appropriation for Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Regional Supplemental Appropriation for Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Education Appropriation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Municipal Debt- Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Municipal Debt- Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
School Debt- Principal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
School Debt- Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retiree Medical Insurance- Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retiree Dental Insurance- Total OPEB Contribution- Total	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rounding	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nounding			<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,812,426	\$ 846,503	\$ 20,000	\$ 114,601	\$ 427,488	\$ 488,568	\$ 4,565,434	\$ 726,321	\$ 4,665,979

Town of North Smithfield Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2) Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	Fire Department		ntralized ispatch	Pul	blic Safety Other	Education Appropriation	n Deb	t	ОРЕВ	Total Municipal	Education Department
Compensation- Group A	\$ -	\$	216,721	Ś	88,881	\$ -	\$	- \$		\$ 5,469,265	\$ 12,981,450
Compensation - Group B	-	•	,	•	-	٠.	•	- '	-	39,204	1,772,894
Compensation - Group C	-		-		-			-	-	-	2,545,416
Compensation -Volunteer	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-
Overtime- Group A	-		48,560		3,538	-		-	-	607,663	-
Overtime - Group B	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-
Overtime - Group C Police & Fire Detail	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	18,118
Active Medical Insurance - Group A	-		38,503		6,255	-		-	-	876,205	1,614,799
Active Medical Insurance- Group B	_		-		- 0,233			-	_	22,835	164,729
Active Medical Insurance- Group C	-		-		-	-		-	-	,	660,410
Active Dental insurance- Group A	-		1,340		175	-		-	-	31,688	103,936
Active Dental Insurance- Group B	-		-		-	-		-	-	824	10,651
Active Dental Insurance- Group C	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	32,709
Payroll Taxes	-		23,535		4,304	-		-	-	481,764	455,958
Life Insurance	-		1,256		419	-		-	-	27,397	78,721
State Defined Contribution- Group A	-		1,571		189	-		-	-	22,451	326,655
State Defined Contribution - Group B	-		-		-	-		-	-	488	35,302
State Defined Contribution - Group C	-				-	-		-	-	-	22,057
Other Benefits- Group A	-		2,500		-	-		-	-	22,047	21,775
Other Benefits- Group B	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	84,725
Other Benefits- Group C Local Defined Benefit Pension- Group A	-		-		-	-			-	-	44,725
Local Defined Benefit Pension - Group B	-		-			-		-		-	-
Local Defined Benefit Pension - Group C	-		-		-			-		_	-
State Defined Benefit Pension- Group A	_		6,222		701				_	580,832	1,886,302
State Defined Benefit Pension - Group B	-		-,		-	-		-		734	235,459
State Defined Benefit Pension - Group C	-		-					-		-	86,838
Other Defined Benefit / Contribution	-		-		-			-	-	-	-
Purchased Services	-		-		-	-		-	-	345,196	5,355,013
Materials/Supplies	26,166		439		3,902	-		-	-	152,445	511,030
Software Licenses	-		-		-	-		-	-	129,426	91,086
Capital Outlays	149,878		-		-	-		-	-	782,907	999,593
Insurance	-		-		-	-		-	-	313,017	301,258
Maintenance	14,000		-		3,241	-		-	-	428,142	286,745
Vehicle Operations	66,250		-		2,875	-		-	-	246,748	215,449
Utilities	204		-		8,609	-		-	-	121,407	685,471
Contingency	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-
Street Lighting	-		-		-	-		-	-	85,738	-
Revaluation	-		-		-	-		-	-	20,000	-
Snow Removal-Raw Material & External Contracts	-		-		-	-		-	-	144,354	-
Trash Removal & Recycling Claims & Settlements	-		-		-	-		-	-	808,156	-
Community Support	-		-			-				69,621	-
Other Operation Expenditures	3,763,699		_		5,823			-		6,093,223	388,897
Tipping Fees	3,703,033		_		3,023	_		_	_	233,300	300,037
Local Appropriation for Education	_		-		-	21,652,374		-	_	21,652,374	_
Regional Appropriation for Education	-		-			-		-	-	-	-
Supplemental Appropriation for Education	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-
Regional Supplemental Appropriation for Education	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-
Other Education Appropriation	-		-		-	-		-	-	-	-
Municipal Debt- Principal	-		-		-	-	880	,481	-	880,481	-
Municipal Debt- Interest	-		-		-	-		,861	-	68,861	-
School Debt- Principal	-		-		-	-	2,383		-	2,383,629	20,258
School Debt- Interest	-		-		-	-	621	,521	-	621,521	8,784
Retiree Medical Insurance- Total	-		-		-	-		-	424,054	424,054	45,942
Retiree Dental Insurance- Total	-		-		-	-		-	14,581	14,581	2,146
OPEB Contribution- Total Rounding	-		-		-			-	275,000	275,000	-
Rounding											
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,020,196	\$	340,647	Ś	128.911	\$ 21,652,374	\$ 3.954	.493 \$	713,635	\$ 44,477,577	\$ 32,095,302
iotal Experiortures	3 4,020,190	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	340,047	7	120,911	7 21,032,374	\$ 3,95	, 433 Ş	713,033	= \$ 44,477,377	ŷ 32,093,302
		Fina	ncing Uses	: Trar	nsfer to Cap	er Funds				\$ - 430,267	\$ - -
Financing Uses: Payment to Bond Escrow Agent Financing Uses: Other Total Other Financing Uses										\$ 430,267	\$ -
		Net	Change in	Fund	Balance ¹					(404,804)	369,819
		Fund	d Balance1	- beg	inning of ye	ear				\$11,971,743	\$2,830,411
						le Government vernment Servi	GS)		-	-	
			period ad	-	nents					-	-
			. Adjustme								
				- beg	inning of ye	ear adjusted				11,971,743	2,830,411
			nding d Balance ¹	- end	of year					\$ 11,566,939	\$ 3,200,230

 $^{^{1}\,\}mathrm{and}\,\mathrm{Net}\,\mathrm{Position}$ if Enterprise Fund activity is included in the transparency portal report.

Town of North Smithfield

Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)
Combining Schedule of
Reportable Government Services with
Reconciliation to MTP2
Municipal
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Per Audited Fund Financial Statements	Total	Total Other		Total	Total Other Financing		Change Fund	ginning Fund und Balance [†]	Prior	Period	stated Beginning Fund Balance †	Fu	Ending nd Balance [†]
Fund Description	 Revenue	Sources	E	xpenditures	Uses	Bal	ance ¹	(Deficit)	Adju	stment	(Deficit)		(Deficit)
Fund Balance ¹ - per MTP-2 at June 30, 2023 No funds removed from RGS for fiscal 2023 No funds added to RGS for Fiscal 2023 No misc. adjustments made for fiscal 2023								\$ 11,971,743 - -		- - -	\$ 11,971,743 - -		
Fund Balance ¹ - per MTP-2 at June 30, 2024 adjusted							=	\$ 11,971,743		-	\$ 11,971,743	-	
General Fund American Rescue Plan	\$ 44,131,174 371,866	\$	- \$ -	22,825,203	\$ 21,710,775 371,866	\$ (404,804)	\$ 11,971,743 -	\$	-	\$ 11,971,743 -	\$	11,566,939
Totals per audited financial statements	\$ 44,503,040	\$	- \$	22,825,203	\$ 22,082,641	\$ (404,804)	\$ 11,971,743	\$	-	\$ 11,971,743	\$	11,566,939
Reconciliation from financial statements to MTP2													
School appropriation to education reflected in financing use in audit but reflected as expenditure in MTP2 Rounding	\$ -	\$	- \$ -	21,652,374	\$ (21,652,374)	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	- -
Totals Per MTP2	\$ 44,503,040	\$ -	\$	44,477,577	\$ 430,267	\$ (404,804)	\$ 11,971,743	\$	-	\$ 11,971,743	\$	11,566,939

 $^{^{\,1}}$ and Net Position if Enterprise Fund activity is included in the transparency portal report.

Town of North Smithfield

Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)

Combining Schedule of

Reportable Government Services with

Reconciliation to MTP2

Education Department

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Per Audited Fund Financial Statements Fund Description	Total Revenue	Total Other Financing Sources	ı	Total Expenditures	Fi	tal Other nancing Uses	Net Chan in Fund Balance	Ĭ	Beginning Fund Fund Balance ¹ (Deficit)	Prior P Adjust		estated Beginning Fund Balance ¹ (Deficit)	Ending Fund Balance ¹ (Deficit)
Fund Balance ¹ - per MTP-2 at June 30, 2023 No misc. adjustments made for fiscal 2023 Fund Balance ¹ - per MTP-2 at June 30, 2024 adjusted								- =	\$ 2,830,411 - 2,830,411		- - -	\$ 2,830,411 - 2,830,411	
School Unrestricted Fund Food Service Special Revenue Fund School Special Revenue Funds	\$ 9,877,221 \$ 690,344 1,840,228	21,689,85	9 \$ - -	31,142,306 741,179 1,844,348	\$	- - -	(50,	774 835) 120)	\$ 2,324,812 309,455 196,144	\$	-	\$ 2,324,812 \$ 309,455 196,144	2,749,586 258,620 192,024
Totals per audited financial statements	\$ 12,407,793 \$	21,689,85	9 \$	33,727,833	\$	-	\$ 369,	819	\$ 2,830,411	\$		\$ 2,830,411 \$	3,200,230
Reconciliation from financial statements to MTP2													
Equipment Lease - GASB87 Municipal appropriation for Education reported as a transfer on financial statements but a revenue on MTP2	\$ - \$ 21,652,374	(37,48 (21,652,37		(37,485)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ - -	\$	-	\$ - \$ -	-
State contributions on behalf of teacher pensions are reported as revenue and expenditures on financial statements only Miscellaneous variances between UCOA & FS Rounding	(1,595,047) - -		- -	(1,595,047) - -		- - -		- - -	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -
Totals Per MTP2	\$ 32,465,121 \$		- \$	32,095,302	\$	-	\$ 369,	819	\$ 2,830,411	\$		\$ 2,830,411 \$	3,200,230
Reconciliation from MTP2 to UCOA													
Appropriation of fund balance recognized as revenue in UCOA but not MTP2 Misc Variance Rounding	\$ 77,339 -		\$	-	-								
Totals per UCOA Validated Totals Report Dated 12/04/2024	\$ 32,542,460		\$	32,095,302	=								

¹ and Net Position if Enterprise Fund activity is included in the transparency portal report.

Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island Reportable Government Services with MTP2 Notes Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Notes to Supplementary Information – Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)

NOTE 1. Basis of Presentation

The *Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)* is a supplemental schedule required by the State of Rhode Island General Laws 45-12-22.2 and 44-35-10. This supplementary schedule included within the annual financial statements is part of a broader project to create a municipal transparency portal (MTP) website to host municipal financial information in a centralized location.

The format of the *Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)* was prescribed by the State Department of Revenue (Division of Municipal Finance), Office of the Auditor General, and the Department of Education.

NOTE 2. Reportable Government Services

Data consistency and comparability are among the key objectives of the State's Municipal Transparency portal. Consistent with that goal, the State has defined "reportable government services", RGS, to include those operational revenues, expenditures, and transfers related to activities which are essential to the achievement of municipal operations. The determination of RGS may be different from the activities included within the legally adopted budget of the municipality. In practice, some communities report certain RGS in separate funds (e.g., special revenue funds, enterprise funds) rather than the municipality's general fund. The *Annual Supplemental Transparency Report (MTP2)* includes a reconciliation to the fund level statements.

NOTE 3. Allocations

The State reporting requires expenditures to be reported by departments, as defined by the State. Some of the departmental groupings are not consistent with the departments reflected in the Town's budget and accounting system. To report these costs, the Town made allocations of costs to the State's departmental groupings based on a reasonable basis.

NOTE 4. Employee Groups - Compensation and Benefit Costs

Compensation includes salaries, longevity, stipends, clothing allowance/maintenance, shift differential, out-of-rank, holiday pay and bonuses.

For Public Safety departments (i.e., police, fire, and centralized dispatch) and the Education Department, compensation and most benefits costs are reported in the following employee groupings:

Group A: This group consists of employees who serve the primary function of the department.

- Police Department police officers (e.g., uniform personnel including, leadership positions)
- Fire Department fire fighters (e.g., uniform personnel including, leadership positions)
- Centralized Dispatch Department civilian dispatchers only
- Education Department professional staff providing direct services to students
- For the remaining departments all employees' compensation and benefits are reported under Group A

Group B: For Police and Fire Departments, compensation and benefits paid to its administrative employees and civilian dispatch employees are reported under Group B. The Education Department reports compensation and benefits paid to executive/mid-level educational administration employees under Group B.

Group C: This group is only used for the Education Department and it includes administrative and support staff.

Other post-employment benefits (OPEB) are not reported by employee groups on the MTP2. They are reported in total as either (1) contributions to a qualified OPEB trust or (2) the amount paid for medical and dental insurance for retirees when an OPEB trust fund has not been established. The detail employee group information for the Education Department can be found on the State's Municipal Transparency portal website.

NOTE 5. Education Revenue and Expenditures

The revenues and expenditures presented on the MTP2 under the Education Department is consistent with existing Uniform Chart of Accounts (UCOA) guidelines. Each MTP account code has been mapped to the corresponding UCOA code or group of UCOA codes to facilitate the preparation of the MTP reporting.

Additional guidance and definitions regarding the State's Municipal Transparency Portal can be found on the State Division of Municipal Finance website: http://www.municipalfinance.ri.gov/.





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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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable President and Members of the Town Council Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island

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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 4, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island'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 North Smithfield, Rhode Island's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-001 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's financial statements are free of 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*.

Town of North Smithfield's Response to Findings

Bacon & Company CPAs, LLC

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the schedule of findings and questioned costs. The Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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.

Warwick, Rhode Island

February 4, 2025



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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable President and Members of the Town Council Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal

determination of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's compliance based on our audit. 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 GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island's internal control
 over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
 appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over
 compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of
 expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode
 Island's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Warwick, Rhode Island

Bacon & Company CPAs, LLC

February 4, 2025

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting	:				
• Material weakness(es) identified?			_ yes	X	no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified	1?	X	_ yes		none reported
Noncompliance material to financial sta	tements noted?		_ yes	X	no
Federal Awards					
Internal control over major federal prog	rams:				
• Material weakness(es) identified?			_ yes	X	no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified	1?		_ yes	X	none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on comp major federal programs: unmodified	liance for				
• Any audit findings disclosed that are reported in accordance with section	*		_ yes	X	no
Identification of major federal program	ns:				
<u>CFDA Number</u>	Name of Program or Cluster				
84.425U	ARP Education Stabilization Fund				
Dollar threshold used to distinguish bet Type A and Type B programs:	ween	\$75	0,000		
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		X	ves		no

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY

Finding: 2024-001

CAPITAL ASSETS

Criteria: An entity's system of internal controls should include policies and procedures for the accounting of the entity's capital assets to ensure the capital assets are properly safeguarded and recorded in an accurate and timely manner in the financial statements.

Condition: The Town does not have formal policies and procedures in place to account for capital assets on a perpetual basis or for the periodic physical inventory of capital assets. Although the Town prepared detailed schedules of capital assets, accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, these schedules were prepared after year-end. We proposed several audit adjustments to record omitted capital asset additions and deletions and to correct recorded capital asset additions.

Effect: The capital asset schedules provided by the Town as of June 30, 2024 were not materially complete and accurate.

Cause: Lack of formal policies and procedures to account for capital assets in the 2024 fiscal year.

Identification of a Repeat Finding: This is a repeat finding from previous audits 2023-002.

Recommendation: We recommend that the Town establish formal policies and procedures to account for capital assets on a perpetual basis. We suggest these policies and procedures include updating capital asset additions and deletions on a quarterly basis, updating depreciation expense on an annual basis, and the performance of a physical inventory of capital assets on at least a bi-annual basis.

Views of Responsible Officials and Corrective Action: The town will consult with other towns to look for guidance in having proper capital asset policies going forward as well as updating the schedule quarterly.

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.

TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, RHODE ISLAND Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Total Federal Expenditures
US Department of Education Pass-through RI Department of Education:			
Special Education Cluster (IDEA): Special Education Grants to States	94.0274	25 2725 12202 401	¢ 421.044
Special Education Grants to States Special Education Preschool Grants	84.027A 84.173A	25-2725-13202-401 25-2725-13502-401	\$ 421,944 15,695
COVID 19 - ARP Special Education Grants to States	84.027X	25-4872-50702-201	8,807
Total Special Education Cluster	·		446,446
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	25-2725-11702-401	219,709
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367A	25-2725-16402-401	63,641
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424A	25-2725-20802-401	25,176
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048A	25-2725-15302-401	35,705
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048A	25-2725-15702-401	632
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048A	25-2725-18502-401	5,393
			41,730
Comprehensive Literacy Development	84.371C	2725-22002-411	20,000
COVID-19 - ARP Education Stabilization Fund - ESSER III	84.425U	25-4872-50502-201	704,307
Total US Department of Education			1,521,009
US Department of Agriculture			
Pass-through RI Department of Education:			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
National School Lunch Program			
Cash assistance	10.555	N/A	209,898
Non-cash assistance (commodities)	10.555	N/A	50,334
School Breakfast Program Total Child Nutrition Cluster	10.553	N/A	15,434
			275,666
Total US Department of Agriculture			275,666
US Department of Treasury Direct Program:			
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	N/A	371,866
Total US Department of Treasury	21.027	17/11	371,866
US Department of Transportation			
Pass-through RI Department of Transportation:			
Highway Safety Cluster: State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	N/A	2,287
Total Highway Safety Cluster	20.000	11/14	2,287
Total US Department of Transportation			2,287

TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, RHODE ISLAND Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Continued) For the Fiscal year Ended June 30, 2024

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Total Federal Expenditures
US Department of Homeland Security			
Pass-through RI Emergency Management Agency:			
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program	97.039	FEMA-4505-DR-RI	25,200
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	28-04-2022 HSGP	3,000
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	28-04-2022 EPMG	5,773
Total US Department of Homeland Security			33,973
US Department of Housing and Urban Development Pass-through RI Executive Office of Commerce, Office of Housing and Community Development:			
Community Development Block Grant	14.228	N/A	6,717
Total US Department of Housing and Urban Development	125	1 1/12	6,717
US Department of Justice			
Direct Program:			
Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Grants Total US Department of Justice	16.710	N/A	127,846 127,846
US Department of Interior			
Pass-through RI Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission:			
Historic Preservation Fund Grant-In-Aid - Certified Local Governments	15.904	N/A	5,000
Total US Department of Interior	10.70		5,000
US Election Assistance Commission			
Pass-through RI Department of State:			
Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Security Grants	90.404	N/A	6,070
Total US Election Assistance Commission	,	- 1/1-2	6,070
Tom Co Dission Indiamete Commission			
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$2,350,434

Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in financial position, or cash flows of the Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

NOTE 3 – INDIRECT COST RATE

The Town of North Smithfield, Rhode Island has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 4 – PREPAID EXPENDITURES

The ARP Education Stabilization Fund grant had \$195,626 in prepaid expenditures as of June 30, 2024 that have not been reported in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards for the year ended June 30, 2024. These prepaid expenditures will be recognized on the modified accrual basis of accounting in future years and reported as expenditures in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards in these future years.