Annual Financial Statements

For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Town of Hanover, Massachusetts

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Report on the Financial Statements

Town of Hanover, Massachusetts

To the Board of Selectmen

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Hanover, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Town's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that

are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Hanover, Massachusetts, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of Funding Progress, the Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 20, 2016 on our consideration of the Town of Hanover, Massachusetts'

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 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 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's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

April 20, 2016

Melanson Heath

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Hanover, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Hanover for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

<u>Government-wide financial statements</u>. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

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

<u>Fund financial statements</u>. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental 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 governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as businesstype activities in the government-wide financial statements. Specifically, enterprise funds are used to account for water operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the water operations, which is considered to be a major fund.

<u>Fiduciary funds</u>. 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.

Notes to 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.

<u>Other information</u>. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$37,190,336 (i.e., net position), a change of \$564,303 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$22,521,062, a change of \$12,596,486 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$4,800,580, a change of \$(1,161,052) in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$51,302,472, a change of \$7,178,132 in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

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		Governmental Activities			Business-Type <u>Activities</u>				<u>Total</u>			
		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>			<u>2014</u>
Current and other assets Deferred outflows Capital assets	\$	33,559 1,152 98,459	\$	34,067 - 98,634	\$	2,877 61 9,697	\$	3,020 - 10,117	\$	36,436 1,213 108,156	\$	37,087 - 108,751
Total assets and deferred outflows	3	133,170		132,701		12,635		13,137		145,805		145,838
Current liabilities Noncurrent liabilities Deferred inflows	_	9,275 92,892 39	_	20,143 58,764 25	•	598 5,810 -		709 4,621 -		9,873 98,702 39	<u>-</u>	20,852 63,385 25
Total liabilities		102,206		78,932		6,408		5,330		108,614		84,262
Net position:												
Net investment in capital assets		52,383		50,063		5,760		5,955		58,143		56,018
Restricted		9,853		7,873		-		-		9,853		7,873
Unrestricted	-	(31,272)	_	(4,167)		467	-	1,852		(30,805)	-	(2,315)
Total net position	\$_	30,964	\$_	53,769	\$	6,227	\$	7,807	\$	37,191	\$	61,576

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

		Gove <u>Ac</u>	rnm tiviti			Business-Type <u>Activities</u>				<u>Total</u>		
		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>
Revenues:												
Program revenues:												
Charges for services	\$	4,596	\$	4,135	\$	3,425	\$	3,490	\$	8,021	\$	7,625
Operating grants and												
contributions		11,850		14,096		-		-		11,850		14,096
Capital grants and												
contributions		2,523		542		-		-		2,523		542
General revenues:												
Property taxes		39,420		37,416		-		-		39,420		37,416
Excises		2,520		2,241		-		-		2,520		2,241
Penalties and interest on												
taxes		526		528		-		-		526		528
Grants and contributions												
not restricted to specific		0.405						•		0.40=		0.000
programs		2,135		2,228		2		2		2,137		2,230
Investment income		82		184		-		-		82		184
Other	_	357	-	502	_		-	-	-	357	-	502
Total revenues		64,009		61,872		3,427		3,492		67,436		65,364
Expenses:												
General government		3,193		2,922		-		-		3,193		2,922
Public safety		7,508		7,105		-		-		7,508		7,105
Education		36,128		37,302		-		-		36,128		37,302
Public works		4,437		3,660		-		-		4,437		3,660
Human services		586		667		-		-		586		667
Culture and recreation		1,205		963		-		-		1,205		963
Employee benefits		8,011		9,425		-		-		8,011		9,425
Interest on long-term debt		1,793		1,778		-		-		1,793		1,778
Intergovernmental		517		548		-		-		517		548
Miscellaneous		287		186		-		-		287		186
Water	_	-	_	-		3,206	_	3,217	_	3,206	_	3,217
Total expenses	_	63,665	_	64,556	_	3,206	_	3,217	_	66,871	_	67,773
Change in net position												
before transfers		344		(2,684)		221		275		565		(2,409)
Transfers in (out)	_	392	-	359	_	(392)	_	(359)	-	-	-	
Change in net position		736		(2,325)		(171)		(84)		565		(2,409)
Net position - beginning of year, as restated	_	30,228	_	56,094	_	6,398	_	7,891	_	36,626	_	63,985
Net position - end of year	\$	30,964	\$	53,769	\$	6,227	\$	7,807	\$	37,191	\$	61,576
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As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net position was \$37,190,336, a change of \$564,303 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position \$58,143,664 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in 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 net position \$9,852,415 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position reflects a deficit balance of \$(30,805,743) caused primarily by accrued but unfunded other post-employment benefits (see Note 18) and the net pension liability (see Note 19).

<u>Governmental activities</u>. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$735,924. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further		
in Section D	\$	1,097,190
High school capital project fund - accrual basis		(13,133)
Community preservation fund - operating results		503,228
Ambulance fund - operating results		373,915
Nonmajor funds - accrual basis		371,881
Principal debt service in excess of depreciation		
expense		191,269
MSBA receipts		2,212,125
Change in accrued other post-employment benefits		(1,385,720)
Increase in bond premiums		(1,211,895)
Other	_	(1,402,936)
Total	\$_	735,924

<u>Business-type activities</u>. Business-type activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$(171,621) from water operations.

Water operations	\$ (171,621)
Total	\$ (171,621)

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

<u>Governmental funds</u>. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources.

Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$22,521,062, a change of \$12,596,486 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operating results	\$ 1,097,190
High school capital project operations	6,011,867
MSBA receipts	2,212,125
Community preservation revenues over expenditures	503,228
Ambulance fund revenues over expenditures	373,915
Nonmajor funds revenues over expenditures	2,398,161
Total	\$ 12,596,486

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$4,800,580, while total fund balance was \$11,341,412. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

				% of
				Total General
General Fund	<u>6/30/15</u>	6/30/14	<u>Change</u>	Fund Expenditures
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 4,800,580	\$ 5,961,632	\$ (1,161,052)	9%
Total fund balance	\$ 11.341.412	\$ 10.244.222	\$ 1.097.190	21%

The total fund balance of the general fund changed by \$1,097,190 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenue surplus	\$	1,792,722
Appropriation turnbacks by departments		243,140
Excess property tax collections		216,593
Prior year encumbrances to be spent in the current		
year over current year encumbrances to be spent in		
the subsequent year		(180,533)
Use of free cash as a funding source		(1,378,386)
Use of overlay surplus as a funding source		(200,000)
Change in stabilization		479,589
Other	_	124,065
Total	\$_	1,097,190

Included in the total general fund balance are the Town's stabilization accounts with the following balances:

		<u>6/30/15</u>		<u>6/30/14</u>		<u>Change</u>
General stabilization	\$	1,869,990	\$	1,909,462	\$	(39,472)
OPEB stabilization	_	1,123,741	_	604,680	_	519,061
Total	\$_	2,993,731	\$_	2,514,142	\$_	479,589

<u>Proprietary funds</u>. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$466,205, a change of \$(127,049) in comparison to the prior year, as restated.

Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget resulted in an overall change in appropriations of \$661,909. Major reasons for these amendments include:

- \$24,713 for general government appropriations
- \$22,546 for public safety appropriations
- \$64,650 for education appropriations.
- \$250,000 for Snow and ice appropriations
- \$200,000 transfer to general stabilization.
- \$100,000 transfer to capital stabilization.

These supplemental appropriations were funded by \$164,650 from free cash, \$200,000 from overlay surplus and \$297,259 transferred from other funds.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

<u>Capital assets</u>. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year-end amounted to \$108,155,352 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(596,098) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

\$2,073,182 increase in infrastructure relating to various road improvements

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the Notes to Financial Statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$51,302,472, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on long-term debt can be found in the Notes to Financial Statements.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Hanover's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of Finance Director
Town of Hanover, Massachusetts
550 Hanover Street
Hanover, MA 02339

TOWN OF HANOVER, MASSACHUSETTS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2015

	G	Sovernmental Activities	E	Business-Type Activities		<u>Total</u>
ASSETS						
Current: Cash and short-term investments	\$	14,612,812	\$	1,622,169	\$	16 23/ 081
Investments	φ	11,635,512	φ	1,022,109	φ	16,234,981 11,635,512
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:		11,000,012				11,000,012
Property taxes		701,466		-		701,466
Excises		132,320		-		132,320
User fees		-		1,250,199		1,250,199
Departmental and other		327,166		-		327,166
Intergovernmental		304,372		6,000		310,372
Other assets		171,866		-		171,866
Noncurrent:						
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:		222 250				222 250
Property taxes Intergovernmental		323,258 5,349,717		-		323,258 5,349,717
Capital Assets:		5,549,717		-		3,349,717
Land and construction in progress		10,034,520		827,766		10,862,286
Other assets, net of accumulated depreciation		88,424,997		8,868,069		97,293,066
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
	-	1,151,933		60,628		1,212,561
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED						
OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		133,169,939		12,634,831		145,804,770
LIABILITIES						
Current:						
Warrants payable		1,513,902		84,315		1,598,217
Accrued liabilities		516,961		7,771		524,732
Tax refunds payable		30,000		-		30,000
Notes payable		2,303,455		6,000		2,309,455
Other current liabilities		382,650		-		382,650
Current portion of long-term liabilities: Bonds payable		4,045,868		494,700		4,540,568
Compensated absence		176,308		6,231		182,539
Bond premium		305,139		-		305,139
Noncurrent:		,				,
Bonds payable, net of current portion		43,357,604		3,404,300		46,761,904
Compensated absence		3,349,845		118,380		3,468,225
Bond premium		2,314,199		-		2,314,199
Accrued other post-employment benefits		18,959,994		975,449		19,935,443
Net pension liability		24,910,815		1,311,096		26,221,911
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	_	39,452		-		39,452
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED						
INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		102,206,192		6,408,242		108,614,434
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Net investment in capital assets Restricted for:		52,383,280		5,760,384		58,143,664
Grants and other statutory restrictions		9,594,011		_		9,594,011
Permanent funds:		0,001,011				0,004,011
Nonexpendable		166,460		-		166,460
Expendable		91,944		-		91,944
Unrestricted	_	(31,271,948)		466,205		(30,805,743)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	30,963,747	\$	6,226,589	\$	37,190,336
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TOWN OF HANOVER, MASSACHUSETTS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

			Program Revenue	es	Net (Expenses) I	Revenues and Chang	jes in Net Position
			Operating	Capital		Business-	
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Type	
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Services</u>	Contributions	Contributions	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Governmental Activities:							
General government	\$ 3,197,329	\$ 360,802	\$ 456,494	\$ 320,797	\$ (2,059,236)	\$ -	\$ (2,059,236)
Public safety	7,497,274	1,328,933	23,647	-	(6,144,694)	-	(6,144,694)
Education	36,128,222	2,367,346	11,161,040	1,835,328	(20,764,508)	-	(20,764,508)
Public works	4,391,044	173,813	-	367,223	(3,850,008)	-	(3,850,008)
Health and human services	585,663	97,029	101,312	-	(387,322)	-	(387,322)
Culture and recreation	1,205,430	267,750	107,412	-	(830,268)	-	(830,268)
Employee benefits	8,023,181	-	-	-	(8,023,181)	-	(8,023,181)
Interest	1,792,649	-	-	-	(1,792,649)	-	(1,792,649)
Intergovernmental	562,748	-	-	-	(562,748)	=	(562,748)
Miscellaneous	281,777				(281,777)		(281,777)
Total Governmental Activities	63,665,317	4,595,673	11,849,905	2,523,348	(44,696,391)	-	(44,696,391)
Business-Type Activities:							
Water services	3,206,588	3,424,224		<u> </u>	-	217,636	217,636
Total Business-Type Activities	3,206,588	3,424,224				217,636	217,636
Total	\$ 66,871,905	\$ 8,019,897	\$ 11,849,905	\$ 2,523,348	(44,696,391)	217,636	(44,478,755)
		General Revenue	s and Transfers:				
		Property taxes			39,419,968	=	39,419,968
		Excises			2,520,568	=	2,520,568
		Penalties, intere	st and other taxes		526,063	-	526,063
		Grants and cont	ributions not restricte	ed			
		to specific prog	grams		2,135,268	2,333	2,137,601
		Investment incor	me		82,103	-	82,103
		Miscellaneous			356,755	-	356,755
		Transfers, net			391,590	(391,590)	
		Total general reve	nues and transfers		45,432,315	(389,257)	45,043,058
		Change in Net P	osition		735,924	(171,621)	564,303
		Net Position:					
		Beginning of y	ear, as restated		30,227,823	6,398,210	36,626,033
		End of year			\$ 30,963,747	\$ 6,226,589	\$ 37,190,336

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2015

	Total General	High School Capital Project	Community Preservation	Ambulance	Nonmajor Governmental	Total Governmental
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
ASSETS						
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 2,051,986	\$ 2,766,000	\$ 2,935,227	\$ 1,791,339	\$ 5,068,260	\$ 14,612,812
Investments	10,978,993	-	-	-	656,519	11,635,512
Receivables: Property taxes	1,270,126	_	_	-	_	1,270,126
Excises	176,616	- -	-	-	580	177,196
Departmental and other	-	-	13,678	1,121,700	80,000	1,215,378
Due from other governments	-	-	-	-	304,372	304,372
Other assets					171,866	171,866
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 14,477,721	\$ 2,766,000	\$ 2,948,905	\$ 2,913,039	\$ 6,281,597	\$ 29,387,262
LIABILITIES						
Warrants payable	\$ 1,395,287	\$ -	\$ 11,897	\$ -	\$ 106,718	\$ 1,513,902
Accrued liabilities	10,043	-	-	-	-	10,043
Tax refunds payable	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
Notes payable Other liabilities	- 202.650	1,476,698	-	-	826,757	2,303,455
	382,650					382,650
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,817,980	1,476,698	11,897	-	933,475	4,240,050
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,318,329	-	13,675	1,121,700	172,446	2,626,150
FUND BALANCES						
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-	166,460	166,460
Restricted	2,108,983	1,289,302	<u>-</u>	1,791,339	5,952,066	11,141,690
Committed	1,897,432	-	2,923,333	-	-	4,820,765
Assigned Unassigned	2,534,417 4,800,580	-	-	-	(942,850)	2,534,417 3,857,730
						
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	11,341,412	1,289,302	2,923,333	1,791,339	5,175,676	22,521,062
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>14,477,721</u>	\$ 2,766,000	\$ 2,948,905	\$ 2,913,039	\$ 6,281,597	\$ 29,387,262

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2015

Total governmental fund balances	\$	22,521,062
 Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. 		98,459,517
 Revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are not deferred until collection. 		1,408,208
 Noncurrent assets, including MSBA reimbursements for contracted assistance projects, are not receivable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. 		5,349,717
 In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due. 		(506,918)
 Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, compensated absences, and landfill liability are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. 		(72,508,957)
 Certain changes in the net pension liability, which are deferred to future reporting periods, are not reported in the governmental funds. 	_	(23,758,882)
Net position of governmental activities	\$_	30,963,747

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Total General <u>Fund</u>	High School Capital Project <u>Fund</u>	Community Preservation <u>Fund</u>	Ambulance <u>Fund</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Revenues:						
Property taxes	\$ 38,436,058	\$ -	\$ 881,253	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,317,311
Excises	2,514,965	-	-	-	983	2,515,948
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	525,763	-	-	-	300	526,063
Charges for services	331,186	-		1,049,010	2,711,958	4,092,154
Licenses and permits	439,668	-	-	-	-	439,668
Fines and forfeitures	107,736	-	-	-	-	107,736
Intergovernmental	9,614,614	2,212,125	320,797	-	2,043,687	14,191,223
Investment income	54,469	-	370	-	27,264	82,103
Miscellaneous	1,270,746				641,135	1,911,881
Total Revenues	53,295,205	2,212,125	1,202,420	1,049,010	5,425,327	63,184,087
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	2,468,033	-	132,817	-	473,862	3,074,712
Public safety	7,106,848	-	-	-	600,263	7,707,111
Education	27,535,974	13,133	-	-	3,441,187	30,990,294
Public works	3,263,385	-	-	-	2,746,526	6,009,911
Health and human services	469,794	-	-	-	114,904	584,698
Culture and recreation	616,719	-	-	-	288,753	905,472
Employee benefits	6,581,223	-	-	-	-	6,581,223
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	281,777	281,777
Debt service	5,091,245	-	-	-	-	5,091,245
Intergovernmental	562,748	<u>-</u>				562,748
Total Expenditures	53,695,969	13,133	132,817		7,947,272	61,789,191
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over expenditures	(400,764)	2,198,992	1,069,603	1,049,010	(2,521,945)	1,394,896
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Proceeds of bonds	-	6,025,000	-	-	4,785,000	10,810,000
Transfers in	1,707,954	-	-	-	310,000	2,017,954
Transfers out	(210,000)		(566,375)	(675,095)	(174,894)	(1,626,364)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,497,954	6,025,000	(566,375)	(675,095)	4,920,106	11,201,590
Change in fund balance	1,097,190	8,223,992	503,228	373,915	2,398,161	12,596,486
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year, as restated	10,244,222	(6,934,690)	2,420,105	1,417,424	2,777,515	9,924,576
Fund Equity, at End of Year	\$ 11,341,412	\$ 1,289,302	\$ 2,923,333	\$ 1,791,339	\$ 5,175,676	\$ 22,521,062

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	12,596,486
 Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense: 		
Capital outlay purchases		2,884,193
Depreciation		(3,209,599)
 Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are fully deferred in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (e.g., property taxes) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in deferred revenue. 		(313,308)
 Some revenues reported in the Statement of Activities, such as MSBA reimbursements for contracted assistance, do not provide current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds. 		(888,679)
 The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds and leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position: 		
Issuance of debt		(10,810,000)
Repayments of debt		3,400,868
Issuance of bond premium		(1,211,895)
Amortization of bond premium		100,914
 In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due. 		(203,186)
 Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. 		
Compensated absences		(167,912)
Net OPEB obligation		(1,385,720)
 Certain changes in the net pension liability, which are deferred to future reporting periods, are not reported in the governmental funds. 	_	(56,238)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$_	735,924

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES, AND EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Revenues and other sources:	Original <u>Budget</u>	Final <u>Budget</u>	Actual Amounts (Budgetary <u>Basis)</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Property taxes	\$ 38,219,465	\$ 38,219,465	\$ 38,219,465	\$ -
Excises	1,786,525	1,786,525	2,514,965	728,440
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	90,000	90,000	2,314,903	118,237
Charges for services	332,671	332,671	331,186	(1,485)
Licenses and permits	427,588	427,588	439,668	12,080
Fines and forfeitures	84,250	84,250	107,736	23,486
Intergovernmental	9,594,562	9,594,562	9,614,614	20,052
Investment income	35,000	35,000	42,406	7,406
Other revenues	27,500	27,500	1,270,746	1,243,246
Other financing sources:	21,300	21,500	1,270,740	1,243,240
Transfers in	2,019,435	2,316,694	1,957,954	(358,740)
Use of overlay surplus	2,013,433	200,000	200,000	(330,740)
Use of fund balance	1,213,736	1,378,386	1,378,386	_
Total Revenues	53,830,732	54,492,641	56,285,363	1,792,722
Expenditures and other uses: Current:				
General government	4,883,090	4,915,138	4,935,825	(20,687)
Public safety	6,867,572	6,890,118	6,775,563	114,555
Education	25,319,338	25,404,934	25,404,713	221
Public works	2,839,964	3,089,964	3,212,793	(122,829)
Health and human services	431,214	410,268	402,044	8,224
Culture and recreation	518,597	518,597	539,091	(20,494)
Employee benefits	6,827,839	6,819,977	6,576,862	243,115
Debt service	5,173,314	5,173,841	5,171,081	2,760
Intergovernmental	601,023	601,023	562,748	38,275
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out	310,000	610,000	610,000	-
Other uses	58,781	58,781	58,781	
Total Expenditures	53,830,732	54,492,641	54,249,501	243,140
Excess of revenues and other sources				
over expenditures and other uses	\$	\$	\$ 2,035,862	\$ 2,035,862

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2015

	Business-Type Activities <u>Enterprise Funds</u> Water Fund
ASSETS	<u>r unu</u>
Current: Cash and short-term investments User fees, net of allowance for uncollectibles Intergovernmental receivables	\$ 1,622,169 1,250,199 6,000
Total current assets Noncurrent: Capital Assets: Land and construction in progress Other assets, net of accumulated depreciation	2,878,368 827,766 8,868,069
Total noncurrent assets	9,695,835
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	60,628
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	12,634,831
LIABILITIES	
Current: Warrants payable Accrued liabilities Notes payable Current portion of long-term liabilities: Bonds payable Compensated absence	84,315 7,771 6,000 494,700 6,231
Total current liabilities Noncurrent: Bonds payable, net of current portion Compensated absence, net of current portion Net OPEB obligation Net pension liability	599,017 3,404,300 118,380 975,449 1,311,096
Total noncurrent liabilities	5,809,225
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	6,408,242
NET POSITION	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted	5,760,384 466,205
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 6,226,589

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Business-Type Activities <u>Enterprise Funds</u>		
		Water <u>Fund</u>	
Operating Revenues:			
Charges for services Other	\$	3,386,205 37,730	
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Total Operating Revenues		3,423,935	
Operating Expenses:			
Operating expenses		2,582,784	
Depreciation		379,552	
Employee benefits		81,827	
Total Operating Expenses		3,044,163	
Operating Income (Loss)		379,772	
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):			
Intergovernmental revenue		2,333	
Investment income		289	
Interest expense		(162,425)	
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses), Net		(159,803)	
Income (Loss) Before Transfers		219,969	
Transfers:			
Transfers out		(391,590)	
Change in Net Position		(171,621)	
Net Position at Beginning of Year		6,398,210	
Net Position at End of Year	\$	6,226,589	

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds
	Water <u>Fund</u>
Cash Flows From Operating Activities: Receipts from customers and users Payments to vendors and employees	\$ 3,608,557 (2,669,066)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	939,491
Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities:	
Transfers out	(391,590)
Net Cash (Used For) Noncapital Financing Activities	(391,590)
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:	
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(108,861)
Principal payments on bonds and notes	(525,000)
Interest expense	(162,425)
Intergovernmental subsidy Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>2,333</u> (793,953)
	(100,000)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities: Investment income	289
Net Cash Provided By Investing Activities	289
Net Change in Cash and Short-Term Investments	(245,763)
Cash and Short-Term Investments, Beginning of Year	1,867,932
Cash and Short-Term Investments, End of Year	\$1,622,169
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash	
Provided by (Used For) Operating Activities:	
Operating income	\$ 379,772
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net	
cash provided by (used for) operating activities:	270 552
Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities:	379,552
User fees	184,622
Deferred outflows	(60,628)
Warrants and accounts payable	(76,562)
Accrued liabilities	(9,720)
Compensated absences	5,934
Accrued other post-employment	72,933
Net pension liability	63,588
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	\$ 939,491

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2015

<u>ASSETS</u>	Private Purpose Trust <u>Funds</u>	Agency <u>Funds</u>
Cash and short-term investments Accounts receivable	\$ 146,113 	\$ 958,055 36,938
Total Assets	146,113	994,993
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
Warrants payable	-	26,166
Escrow deposits	<u> </u>	968,827
Total Liabilities		994,993
NET POSITION		
Total net position held in trust	\$ 146,113	\$

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Private Purpose <u>Trust Funds</u>
Additions:	Φ 40.000
Contributions Interest income	\$ 10,000 14
Total additions	10,014
Deductions: Other	9,250
Total deductions	9,250
Net increase (decrease)	764
Net position: Beginning of year	145,349
End of year	\$ <u>146,113</u>

Notes to Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Town of Hanover (the Town) conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the government and applicable component units for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. In fiscal year 2015, it was determined that no entities met the required GASB 14 (as amended) criteria of component units.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental

funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. <u>Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement</u> Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *eco-nomic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as is the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes and excises.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers property tax revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The High School Construction Fund reports activities related to the construction of a new high school whose costs are funded in part by

the Massachusetts School Building Authority and through long-term debt.

- The Community Preservation Fund reports all open space, historic resources, and community housing activities whose costs are principally funded through Community Preservation Act revenues.
- The Ambulance fund is used to track the activities related to providing ambulance services to the Town.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The government reports the following major proprietary funds:

Water Enterprise Fund

The *private-purpose trust fund* is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the pension trust fund or permanent fund, under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

D. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Cash balances from all funds, except those required to be segregated by law, are combined to form a consolidation of cash. Cash balances are invested to the extent available, and interest earnings are recognized in the general fund. Certain special revenue, proprietary, and fiduciary funds segregate cash, and investment earnings become a part of those funds.

Deposits with financial institutions consist primarily of demand deposits, certificates of deposits, and savings accounts. A cash and investment pool is maintained that is available for use by all funds. Each fund's portion of this pool is reflected on the combined financial statements under the caption "cash and short-term investments". The interest earnings attributable to each fund type are included under investment income.

For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the proprietary funds consider investments with original maturities of three months or less to be short-term investments.

E. Investments

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available. Deposits in any financial institution may not exceed certain levels within the financial institution. Non-fiduciary fund investments can be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guaranteed by the U.S. Government or agencies that have a maturity of one year or less from the date of purchase and repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase.

Investments for the Trust Funds consist of marketable securities, bonds, and short-term money market investments. Investments are carried at market value.

F. Property Tax Limitations

Legislation known as "Proposition 2½" has limited the amount of revenue that can be derived from property taxes. The prior fiscal year's tax levy limit is used as a base and cannot increase by more than 2.5 percent (excluding new growth), unless an override is voted. The actual fiscal year 2015 tax levy reflected an excess capacity of \$596,383.

G. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (for enterprise funds only) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$10,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of five years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

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

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	40
Building improvements	40
Infrastructure	40 - 50
Vehicles	5 - 15
Office equipment	5 - 10
Computer equipment	5 - 10

H. Compensated Absences

It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vested sick and vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

I. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt, and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type Statement of Net Position.

J. Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as "fund balance". Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as "net position".

<u>Fund Balance</u> - Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities. The Town reserves those portions of fund balance that are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available, spendable resources and therefore, are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unassigned fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance that is available for appropriation in future periods.

The Town's fund balance classification policies and procedures are as follows:

 Nonspendable funds are either unspendable in the current form (i.e., inventory or prepaid items) or can never be spent (i.e., perpetual care).

- 2) Restricted funds are used solely for the purpose in which the fund was established. In the case of special revenue funds, these funds are created by statute or otherwise have external constraints on how the funds can be expended.
- 3) <u>Committed funds</u> are reported and expended as a result of motions passed by the highest decision making authority in the government (i.e., Town Meeting).
- 4) Assigned funds are used for specific purposes as established by management. These funds, which include encumbrances, have been assigned for specific goods and services ordered but not yet paid for. This account also includes fund balance (free cash) voted to be used in the subsequent fiscal year.
- 5) Unassigned funds are available to be spent in future periods.

When an expenditure is incurred that would qualify for payment from multiple fund balance types, the Town uses the following order to liquidate liabilities: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

<u>Net Position</u> - Net position represents the difference between assets/ deferred outflows and liabilities/deferred inflows. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Town or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The remaining net position is reported as unrestricted.

K. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenditures/expenses during the fiscal year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

2. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

A. Budgetary Information

At the annual town meeting, the Advisory Committee presents an operating and capital budget for the proposed expenditures of the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget, as enacted by town meeting,

establishes the legal level of control and specifies that certain appropriations are to be funded by particular revenues. The original budget is amended during the fiscal year at special town meetings as required by changing conditions. In cases of extraordinary or unforeseen expenses, the Advisory Committee is empowered to transfer funds from the Reserve Fund (a contingency appropriation) to a departmental appropriation. "Extraordinary" includes expenses which are not in the usual line, or are great or exceptional. "Unforeseen" includes expenses which are not foreseen as of the time of the annual meeting when appropriations are voted.

Departments are limited to appropriations as voted. Certain items may exceed the department budget as approved if it is for an emergency and for the safety of the general public. These items are limited by the Massachusetts General Laws and must be raised in the next year's tax rate.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and Proprietary Funds. Effective budgetary control is achieved for all other funds through provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws.

At year-end, appropriation balances lapse, except for certain unexpended capital items and encumbrances which will be honored during the subsequent year.

B. Budgetary Basis

The general fund final appropriation appearing on the "Budget and Actual" page of the fund financial statements represents the final amended budget after all reserve fund transfers and supplemental appropriations.

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation

The budgetary data for the general and proprietary funds is based upon accounting principles that differ from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Therefore, in addition to the GAAP basis financial statements, the results of operations of the general fund are presented in accordance with budgetary accounting principles to provide a meaningful comparison to budgetary data.

The following is a summary of adjustments made to the actual revenues and other sources, and expenditures and other uses, to conform to the budgetary basis of accounting.

General Fund	<u>Fir</u>	Revenues and Other nancing Sources		Expenditures and Other inancing Uses
Revenues/Expenditures (GAAP basis)	\$	53,295,205	\$	53,695,969
Other financing sources/uses (GAAP basis)	_	1,707,954	_	210,000
Subtotal (GAAP Basis)		55,003,159		53,905,969
Adjust tax revenue to accrual basis		(216,593)		-
Reverse beginning of year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures		-		(1,121,891)
Add end-of-year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures		-		941,358
To record use of overlay surplus		200,000		-
To record use of free cash		1,378,386		-
To remove unbudgeted stabilization fund		(79,589)		400,000
Other timing issues	_		_	124,065
Budgetary basis	\$	56,285,363	\$_	54,249,501

D. Deficit Fund Equity

The following funds had deficits as of June 30, 2015:

Special Revenue Funds: FEMA/FY15 Winter Storm FY14 BVP Grant FFY 2013-2014 EMPG 2014-2015 HMEP ECC FY15 911 EMD ECC FY15 Support & Incentive FY14 BVP School Store	\$	(221,057) (9,938) (5,995) (1,128) (10,552) (37,153) (9,938) (834)
Capital Projects:		(001)
Fire Breath Apparatus SCBA		(269,925)
Fire Portable Radio Equip		(115,049)
DPW 4X4 Pickup/Purch Equip		(37,745)
DPW 1 Ton Dump Truck Pur/Equ		(63,951)
DPW Large Dump Truck Purch/Equ		(156,526)
Energy Management Controls		(3,054)
Chapter 90	_	(5)
	\$	(942,850)

The deficits in these funds will be eliminated through future departmental revenues, bond proceeds, and transfers from other funds.

3. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the deposits may not be returned. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of a failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party.

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55, limits the Town's deposits "in a bank or trust company or banking company to an amount not exceeding sixty percent of the capital and surplus of such bank or trust company or banking company, unless satisfactory security is given to it by such bank or trust company or banking company for such excess." The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

As of June 30, 2015, \$614,562 of the Town's bank balance of \$17,636,298 was exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured or uncollateralized.

4. <u>Investments</u>

A. Credit Risk

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

Presented below (in thousands) is the actual rating as of year-end for each investment of the Town. (All federal agency securities have an implied credit rating of AAA.):

			Minimum Exempt				Rating as of					
		Fair	Legal From		Year End							
Investment Type		<u>Value</u>	Rating	<u>D</u>	<u> isclosur</u>	<u>e</u>	<u>AA+</u>	<u>AA</u>		<u>A-</u>		BBB+
U.S. Treasury notes	\$	126	N/A	\$	-	\$	126 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Certificates of deposits		7,949			7,949		-	-		-		-
Corporate bonds		302			-		151	40		60		51
Mutual funds		2,505	N/A		2,505		-	-		-		-
Federal agency securities	_	754		_	-		<u> </u>	754		-		-
Total investments	\$_	11,636		\$_	10,454	\$_	277 \$	794	\$_	60	\$	51

B. Custodial Credit Risk

The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The Town does not have policies for custodial credit risk.

The Town's investments are exposed to custodial credit risk because the related securities are uninsured, unregistered, and/or held by the Town's brokerage firm, which is also the Counterparty to these securities. The Town manages this custodial credit risk with SIPC, excess SIPC, and by maintaining investments in the Town's name.

C. Concentration of Credit Risk

The Town does not have an investment in one issuer greater than 5% of total investments.

D. Interest Rate Risk

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

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

		Investment Maturities						
				(in Years)				
		Fair		Less				
Investment Type		<u>Value</u>		Than 1		<u>1-5</u>		<u>N/A</u>
U.S. Treasury notes	\$	126	\$	-	\$	126	\$	-
Certificates of deposit		7,949		7,814		135		-
Corporate bonds		302		101		201		-
Mutual funds		2,505		-		-		2,505
Federal agency securities	_	754		-		754		
Total	\$_	11,636	\$	7,915	\$	1,216	\$	2,505

E. Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in foreign exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Town does not have policies for foreign currency risk.

5. Taxes Receivable

Real estate and personal property taxes are levied and based on values assessed on January 1 of every year. Assessed values are established by the Board of Assessor's for 100% of the estimated fair market value. Taxes are due on a quarterly basis and are subject to penalties and interest if they are not paid by the respective due date. Real estate and personal property taxes levied are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year they relate to.

Fourteen days after the due date for the final tax bill for real estate taxes, a demand notice may be sent to the delinquent taxpayer. Fourteen days after the demand notice has been sent, the tax collector may proceed to file a lien against the delinquent taxpayers' property. The Town has an ultimate right to foreclose on property for unpaid taxes. Personal property taxes cannot be secured through the lien process.

Taxes receivable at June 30, 2015 consist of the following (in thousands):

Real Estate		
2015	\$ 503	
2014	73	
2013	54	
2012	46	
2011	13	
2010	11	
2009	4	
2008	4	
Prior	3_	
		711
Personal Property		
2015	28	
2014	11	
2013	5	
2012	4	
2011	5	
2010	12_	
		65
Tax Liens		359
Deferred Taxes		135
Total		\$ <u>1,270</u>

6. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The receivables reported in the accompanying entity-wide financial statements reflect the following estimated allowances for doubtful accounts (in thousands):

	Government	<u>Business-Type</u>
Property taxes	\$ 245	\$ -
Excises	\$ 45	\$ -
Utilities	\$ -	\$ 79
Other	\$ 888	\$ -

7. <u>Intergovernmental Receivables</u>

This balance represents reimbursements requested from Federal and State agencies for expenditures incurred in fiscal 2015.

8. <u>Capital Assets</u>

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 was as follows (in thousands):

	Beginning Balance Increases Decr						6	Ending Balance	
Governmental Activities:			_				_		
Capital assets, being depreciated:									
Buildings and improvements	\$	100,198	\$	203	\$	-	\$	100,401	
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings		3,329		385		-		3,714	
Vehicles		6,838		220		-		7,058	
Infrastructure		26,895		2,073	-			28,968	
Total capital assets, being depreciated		137,260		2,881		-		140,141	
Less accumulated depreciation for:									
Buildings and improvements		(24,625)		(2,304)		-		(26,929)	
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings		(2,010)		(149)		-		(2,159)	
Vehicles		(5,948)		(242)		-		(6,190)	
Infrastructure		(15,924)		(514)	-			(16,438)	
Total accumulated depreciation		(48,507)		(3,209)	_	-		(51,716)	
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		88,753		(328)		-		88,425	
Capital assets, not being depreciated:									
Land		10,031		-		-		10,031	
Construction in progress		-		3	_	-		3	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		10,031		3	_	-		10,034	
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	98,784	\$	(325)	\$	-	\$	98,459	

Business-Type Activities:		Beginning <u>Balance</u>	<u>l</u>	ncreases	<u>De</u>	ecreases	<u> </u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:								
Buildings and improvements	\$	6,415	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,415
Vehicles		24		66		-		90
Infrastructure	_	12,120		43	_			12,163
Total capital assets, being depreciated		18,559		109		-		18,668
Less accumulated depreciation for:		(, , , , , ,)		(,,,,,)				(5.4.5)
Buildings and improvements		(1,976)		(136)		-		(2,112)
Vehicles		(7)		(12)		-		(19)
Infrastructure	-	(7,437)		(231)	_			(7,668)
Total accumulated depreciation	_	(9,420)		(379)	_	-		(9,799)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		9,139		(270)		-		8,869
Capital assets, not being depreciated:								
Land		828		-		-		828
Construction in progress	_	-			_			-
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	_	828			_	-		828
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$_	9,967	\$	(270)	\$_		\$	9,697

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the Town as follows (in thousands):

Governmental Activities:		
General government	\$	119
Public safety		344
Education		1,790
Public works		660
Culture and recreation	_	296
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$_	3,209
Business-Type Activities:		
Water	\$_	379
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	\$_	379

9. <u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>

Deferred outflows of resources represent the consumption of net assets by the Town that is applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred outflows of resources have a positive effect on net position, similar to assets. The following is a summary of deferred outflow of resources balances as of June 30, 2015:

		Entity-wide Basis					
	C	Sovernmental	Bu	siness-type			
		<u>Activities</u>		<u>Activities</u>			
Net difference between projected and							
actual pension investment earnings	\$	1,151,933	\$	60,628			

10. Warrants Payable

Warrants payable represent 2015 expenditures paid by July 15, 2015.

11. <u>Anticipation Notes Payable</u>

The Town had the following notes outstanding at June 30, 2015:

	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Date of <u>Issue</u>	Date of Maturity	Balance at <u>6/30/15</u>
Bond anticipation	0.00%	01/15/12	01/15/16	\$ 6,000
Bond anticipation	0.20%	08/19/14	09/11/15	1,476,698
Bond anticipation	0.00%	06/08/15	06/24/16	826,757
Total				\$ 2,309,455

The following summarizes activity in notes payable during fiscal year 2015:

		Balance						Balance
		Beginning		New				End of
		of Year		<u>Issues</u>		<u>Maturities</u>		<u>Year</u>
	\$_	13,585,000	\$_	2,303,455	\$_	(13,579,000)	\$_	2,309,455
Total	\$	13,585,000	\$	2,303,455	\$	(13,579,000)	\$	2,309,455

12. Long-Term Debt

A. General Obligation Bonds

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds have been issued for both governmental and business-type activities. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Serial Maturities <u>Through</u>	Interest <u>Rate(s) %</u>		Amount Outstanding as of 6/30/15
General purpose refunding	05/15/17	2.00%	\$	14,500
General purpose refunding	05/15/18	2.00%		60,000
Police station construction refunding	05/15/17	2.00%		350,500
General purpose	06/15/19	3.25-4.50%		40,000
General purpose	08/15/16	4.00%		145,000
General purpose	05/15/27	3.25-4.00%		1,720,000
General purpose	05/15/29	3.00%		15,430,000
School reconstruction refunding	05/15/21	4.50%		5,970,000
Library reconstruction refunding	05/15/21	4.50%		620,000
Septic betterment	08/01/18	0.00%		43,472
Landfill closure refunding	05/15/18	2.00%		230,000
General obligation loan	06/30/32	2.87%		11,970,000
General obligation loan	09/01/34	3.96%	_	10,810,000
Total Governmental Activities:			\$	47,403,472
				Amount
	Serial			Outstanding
	Maturities	Interest		as of
Business-Type Activities:	<u>Through</u>	Rate(s) %		6/30/15
Stormwater management	08/01/22	3.00%	\$	85,000
Well and mains refunding	06/30/15	2.00%		2,505,000
Plant construction and mains	06/15/24	3.25-4.80%		255,000
Water building and mains	08/15/16	4.00%		145,000
Plant and mains	05/15/27	3.25-4.00%		615,000
Alternative Energy	06/30/32	2.87%	_	294,000
Total Business-Type Activities:			\$_	3,899,000

B. Future Debt Service

The annual payments to retire all general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of June 30, 2015 are as follows:

<u>Governmental</u>		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2016	\$	4,045,868	\$ 2,128,507	\$ 6,174,375
2017		4,050,868	1,741,856	5,792,724
2018		3,825,868	1,575,203	5,401,071
2019		3,790,868	1,416,163	5,207,031
2020		3,835,000	1,260,061	5,095,061
2021 - 2025		14,715,000	4,207,108	18,922,108
2026 - 2030		10,700,000	1,485,521	12,185,521
2031 - 2034	_	2,440,000	172,750	2,612,750
Total	\$_	47,403,472	\$ 13,987,169	\$ 61,390,641

Business-Type		<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>		<u>Total</u>
2016	\$	494,700	\$	155,767	\$	650,467
2017		504,700		135,440		640,140
2018		359,700		117,577		477,277
2019		359,700		102,544		462,244
2020		359,700		87,242		446,942
2021 - 2025		1,468,500		200,509		1,669,009
2026 - 2030		278,500		21,900		300,400
2031 - 2034	_	73,500		-	_	73,500
Total	\$_	3,899,000	\$_	820,979	\$	4,719,979

C. Changes in General Long-Term Liabilities

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities (in thousands):

												Equals
		Total						Total		Less	Lo	ong-Term
	Е	Balance						Balance		Current		Portion
		<u>7/1/14</u>	P	<u>Additions</u>	Re	eductions		6/30/15		Portion		6/30/15
Governmental Activities												
Bonds payable	\$	39,994	\$	10,810	\$	(3,401)	\$	47,403	\$	(4,046)	\$	43,357
Other:												
Compensated absences		3,358		168		-		3,526		(176)		3,350
Bond premium		1,508		1,212		(101)		2,619		(305)		2,314
Accrued other post-employment benefits		17,574		1,386		-		18,960		-		18,960
Net pension liability		23,703		1,208		-		24,911		-		24,911
Totals	\$	86,137	\$	14,784	\$	(3,502)	¢	97,419	¢	(4 527)	Φ.	92,892
างเลเร	Ψ=	00,137	Ψ=	14,704	Ψ	(3,302)	Ψ.	31,413	Ψ	(4,527)	Ψ.	32,032
Business-Type Activities												
Bonds payable	\$	4,130	\$	294	\$	(525)	\$	3,899	\$	(495)	\$	3,404
Other:	•	,	•		Ť	(/	•	-,	•	(/	•	-, -
Compensated absences		119		6		-		125		(6)		119
1										(-/		
Accrued other post-employment benefits		903		73		-		976		-		976
Net pension liability		1,247		64		-		1,311		-		1,311
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Totals	\$_	6,399	\$_	437	\$	(525)	\$	6,311	\$	(501)	\$	5,810

13. <u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>

Deferred inflows of resources are the acquisition of net assets by the Town that are applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred inflows of resources have a negative effect on net position, similar to liabilities.

The following is a summary of deferred inflow of resources balances as of June 30, 2015:

	Entity-wide Basis		Fund Basis									
_	Governmental		Governmental Funds									
			Community									
			Preservation	Ambulance								
	<u>Activities</u>	General Fund	<u>Major</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Nonmajor</u>							
Unavailable revenues	\$ 39.452	\$ 1318329 \$	13 675	\$ 1 121 700	\$ 172 446							

14. Restricted Net Position

The accompanying entity-wide financial statements report restricted net position when external constraints from grantors or contributors are placed on net position.

Permanent fund restricted net position is segregated between nonexpendable and expendable. The nonexpendable portion represents the original restricted principal contribution, and the expendable represents accumulated earnings which are available to be spent based on donor restrictions.

15. Governmental Funds - Balances

Fund balances are segregated to account for resources that are either not available for expenditure in the future or are legally set aside for a specific future use.

The Town implemented GASB Statement No. 54 (GASB 54), Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, which enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying existing governmental fund type definitions.

The following types of fund balances are reported at June 30, 2015:

<u>Nonspendable</u> - Represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. This fund balance classification includes general fund reserves for prepaid expenditures and nonmajor governmental fund reserves for the principal portion of permanent trust funds.

Restricted - Represents amounts that are restricted to specific purposes by constraints imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances funded by bond issuances, various special revenue funds, and the income portion of permanent trust funds.

<u>Committed</u> - Represents 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. This fund balance classification includes

general fund encumbrances for non-lapsing, special article appropriations approved at Town Meeting, stabilization funds set aside by Town Meeting vote for future capital acquisitions and improvements (now reported as part of the general fund per GASB 54), and various special revenue funds.

<u>Assigned</u> - Represents amounts that are constrained by the Town's intent to use these resources for a specific purpose. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances that have been established by various Town departments for the expenditure of current year budgetary financial resources upon vendor performance in the subsequent budgetary period. Unassigned - Represents amounts that are available to be spent in future

<u>Unassigned</u> - Represents amounts that are available to be spent in future periods.

Following is a breakdown of the Town's fund balances at June 30, 2015:

	General <u>Fund</u>	High School Capital Project <u>Fund</u>	Community Preservation <u>Fund</u>	Ambulance <u>Fund</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Nonspendable Nonexpendable permanent funds	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 166,460	\$ 166,460
Total Nonspendable	-	-	-	-	166,460	166,460
Restricted Bonded projects Debt service Special revenue funds Expendable permanent funds	2,108,983 - -	1,289,302 - - - -	- - - -	- - 1,791,339 	684,188 - 5,175,934 91,944	1,973,490 2,108,983 6,967,273 91,944
Total Restricted	2,108,983	1,289,302	-	1,791,339	5,952,066	11,141,690
Committed Continued appropriations General government Public safety Education Public works Culture and recreation OPEB stabilization Capital stabilization Community preservation	563,707 34,613 14,111 157,200 4,060 923,337 200,404	- - - - - - - -	- - - - - - 2,923,333	- - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - -	563,707 34,613 14,111 157,200 4,060 923,337 200,404 2,923,333
Total Committed	1,897,432	-	2,923,333	-	-	4,820,765
Assigned Encumbrances General government Public safety Education Public works Culture and recreation Employee benefits Reserved for expenditures	29,224 1,231 84,611 51,294 364 943 2,366,750	- - - - - -	- - - - - -	- - - - - -	- - - - - -	29,224 1,231 84,611 51,294 364 943 2,366,750
Total Assigned	2,534,417	-	-	-	-	2,534,417
Unassigned Special revenue funds Capital projects General stabilization Unassigned	1,869,990 2,930,590	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	(296,595) (646,255) -	(296,595) (646,255) 1,869,990 2,930,590
Total Unassigned	4,800,580	<u> </u>			(942,850)	3,857,730
Total Fund Balances	\$ 11,341,412	\$ 1,289,302	\$ 2,923,333	\$ 1,791,339	\$ 5,175,676	\$ 22,521,062

16. General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance

The unassigned general fund balance reported on the balance sheet is stated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which differs in certain respects from the Massachusetts Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS).

The accompanying financial statements include an estimate for future potential tax refunds, which is not recognized under UMAS

The following summarizes the specific differences between GAAP basis and budgetary basis of reporting the general fund unassigned fund balance:

GAAP basis balance	\$ 4,800,580
Stabilization fund	(1,869,990)
Tax refund estimate	 30,000
Statutory (UMAS) Balance	\$ 2,960,590

17. Commitments and Contingencies

<u>Outstanding Legal Issues</u> - There are several pending legal issues in which the Town is involved. The Town's management is of the opinion that the potential future settlement of such claims would not materially affect its financial statements taken as a whole.

<u>Grants</u> - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount 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.

18. Post-Employment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits

Other Post-Employment Benefits

GASB Statement 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions, requires governments to account for other post-employment benefits (OPEB), primarily healthcare, on an accrual basis rather than on a pay-as-you-go basis. The effect is the recognition of an actuarially required contribution as an expense on the Statement of Activities when a future retiree earns their post-employment benefits, rather than when they use their post-employment benefit. To the extent that an entity does not fund their actuarially required contribution, a post-employment benefit liability is recognized on the Statement of Net Position over time.

A. Plan Description

In addition to providing the pension benefits described, the Town provides post-employment healthcare and life insurance benefits for retired employees through the Town's plan. The benefits, benefit levels, employee contributions, and employer contributions are governed by Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. As of January 1, 2015, the actuarial valuation date, approximately 400 retirees and 561 active employees meet the eligibility requirements. The plan does not issue a separate financial report.

B. Benefits Provided

The Town provides medical and life insurance to retirees and their covered dependents. All active employees who retire from the Town and meet the eligibility criteria will receive these benefits.

C. Funding Policy

Retirees contribute 50% of the cost of the health plan, as determined by the Town. The Town contributes the remainder of the health plan costs on a pay-as-you-go basis.

D. Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation

The Town's fiscal 2015 annual OPEB expense is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost per year and amortize the unfunded actuarial liability over a period of thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year ending June 30, 2015, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and the change in the Town's net OPEB obligation based on an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2015.

Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$	3,400,181
Interest on net OPEB obligation		822,217
Adjustment to ARC	_	(876,472)
Annual OPEB cost		3,345,926
Contributions made	_	(1,887,273)
Increase in net OPEB obligation		1,458,653
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	_	18,476,790
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	\$_	19,935,443

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation were as follows:

	Percentage of					
	Annual OPEB	Annual OPEB OPEB Net OPEB				
Fiscal Year Ended	Cost	Cost Contributed	Obligation			
2015	\$ 3,345,926	56%	\$ 19,935,443			
2014	\$ 5,118,809	33%	\$ 18,476,790			
2013	\$ 4,806,263	31%	\$ 15,027,457			

The Town's net OPEB obligation as of June 30, 2015 is recorded as a component of the "other long-term liabilities" line item.

E. Funded Status and Funding Progress

The funded status of the plan as of January 1, 2015, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation was as follows (in thousands):

Actuarial accrued liability (AAL) Less actuarial value of plan assets	\$_	34,892 (29)
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	\$_	34,863
Funded ratio (actuarial value of plan assets/AAL)	=	0.09%
Covered payroll (active plan members)	\$_	35,989
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	=	96.9%

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amount and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples included assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the Notes to Financial Statements, presents multiyear trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

F. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the plan as understood by the Town and the plan members and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the Town and plan members

to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the January 1, 2015 actuarial valuation the projected unit credit cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.45% investment rate of return and an initial annual healthcare cost trend rate of between 2.61% and 6.69%, after the initial year trends start at 8% and decrease to 5% or 6% over 6 to 8 years (depending on health insurance plan). The amortization costs for the initial UAAL is a level percentage of payroll for a period of 24 years, on a closed basis. This has been calculated assuming the amortization payment increases at a rate of 3.25%.

19. Retirement System

The Town follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, with respect to the employees' retirement funds.

A. Plan Description

Substantially all employees of the Town (except teachers and administrators under contract employed by the School Department) are members of the Plymouth County Retirement System (the System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system (PERS). Eligible employees must participate in the System. The pension plan provides pension benefits, deferred allowances, and death and disability benefits. Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws establishes the authority of the System, contribution percentages and benefits paid. The System Retirement Board does not have the authority to amend benefit provisions. Additional information is disclosed in the System's annual financial reports publically available from the System located at 10 Cordage Park Circle, Suite 234, Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360.

B. Benefits Provided

The System provides for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member's highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, level of compensation and group classification. Members become vested after 10 years of creditable service. A retirement allowance may be received upon reaching age 65 or upon attaining 20 years of service. The plan also provides for early retirement at age 55 if the participant (1) has a record of 10 years of creditable service, (2) was on the Town payroll on January 1, 1978, (3) voluntarily left Town employment on or after that date, and (4) left accumulated annuity deductions in

the fund. A retirement allowance consists of two parts: an annuity and a pension. A member's accumulated total deductions and a portion of the interest they generate constitute the annuity. The difference between the total retirement allowance and the annuity is the pension. The average retirement benefit is approximately 80-85% pension and 15-20% annuity.

Per Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2011, for members who retire on or after April 2, 2012, if in the 5 years of creditable service immediately preceding retirement, the difference in the annual rate of regular compensation between any 2 consecutive years exceeds 100 percent, the normal yearly amount of the retirement allowance shall be based on the average annual rate of regular compensation received by the member during the period of 5 consecutive years preceding retirement.

Employees who resign from service and who are not eligible to receive a retirement allowance or are under the age of 55 are entitled to request a refund of their accumulated total deductions. In addition, depending upon the number of years of creditable service, such employees are entitled to receive zero, fifty, or one hundred percent of the regular interest which has accrued upon those deductions. However, effective July 1, 2010, members voluntarily withdrawing with less than 10 years of service get credited interest each year at a rate of 3% and do not forfeit any interest previously earned on contributions.

C. Contributions

Participants contribute a set percentage of their gross regular compensation annually. Employee contribution percentages are specified in Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The employee's individual contribution percentage is determined by their date of entry into the system. In addition, all employees hired after January 1, 1979 contribute an additional 2% on all gross regular compensation over the rate of \$30,000 per year. The percentages are as follows:

Before January 1, 1975	5%
January 1, 1975 - December 31, 1983	7%
January 1, 1984 - June 30, 1996	8%
Beginning July 1, 1996	9%

Employers are required to contribute at actuarially determined rates as accepted by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC).

The Town's contribution to the System for the year ended June 30, 2015 was \$2,637,067, which was equal to its annual required contribution.

D. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

E. <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of</u> Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2015, the Town reported a liability of \$26,221,911 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2015. The Town's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Town's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2014, the Town's proportion was 4.498 percent.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the Town recognized pension expense of \$2,711,776. In addition, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred
	Outflows of
	Resources
Net difference between projected and actual	
earnings on pension plan investments	\$ <u>1,212,561</u>
Total	\$ 1,212,561

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year end	ded June 30	:	
2016		\$	303,140
2017			303,140
2018			303,140
2019		_	303,141
	Total	\$_	1,212,561

<u>Actuarial assumptions</u>: The total pension liability in the December 31, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

COLA 3% of the first \$13,000

Salary increases 3.75% per year, including longevity

Investment rate of return 8%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 mortality table (sex-distinct, healthy employees for actives and healthy annuitants for retirees) projected with a scale AA and Generational Mortality. For members retired under an Accidental Disability (job-related), 40% of deaths are assumed to be from the same cause as the disability. Disabled mortality is the healthy retiree table ages set forward 2 years.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was selected from a best estimate range determined using the building block approach. Under this method, an expected future real return range (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) is calculated separately for each asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return net of investment expenses 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 class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-term
	Target	Expected
	Asset	Real Rate
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	of Return
Fixed income	25.50%	7.90%
Domestic equity	33.00%	10.20%
International equity	16.00%	11.00%
Real estate	13.00%	9.30%
Private equity	7.50%	14.60%
Hedge funds	4.00%	8.70%
Cash and cash equivalents	1.00%	4.00%

<u>Discount Rate</u>: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active

and inactive 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.

<u>Sensitivity of the proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate</u>: The following presents the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 8 percent, as well as what the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (7%) or 1 percentage-point higher (9%) than the current rate:

		1%		Current		
		Decrease		Discount	1% Increase	
	Fiscal Year Ended	(7%)	_	Rate (8%)	(9%)	
_	6/30/2015	\$ 22.944.172	\$	26.221.911	\$ 29,499,650	_

<u>Pension plan fiduciary net position:</u> Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued System financial report.

20. <u>Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (MTRS)</u>

A. Plan Description

The Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (MTRS) is a public employee retirement system (PERS) that administers a cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit plan, as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans. MTRS is managed by the Commonwealth on behalf of municipal teachers and municipal teacher retirees. The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is responsible for all contributions and future benefit requirements of the MTRS. The MTRS covers certified teachers in cities (except Boston), towns, regional school districts, charter schools, educational collaboratives, and Quincy College. The MTRS is part of the Commonwealth's reporting entity and does not issue a standalone audited financial report.

Management of MTRS is vested in the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board (MTRB), which consists of seven members—two elected by the MTRS members, one who is chosen by the six other MTRB members, the State Treasurer (or their designee), the State Auditor (or their designee), a member appointed by the Governor, and the Commissioner of Education (or their designee), who serves ex-officio as the Chairman of the MTRB.

B. Benefits Provided

MTRS provides retirement, disability, survivor, and death benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) establishes uniform benefit and contribution requirements for all contributory PERS. These requirements provide for superannuation retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member's highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation. For employees hired after April 1, 2012, retirement allowances are calculated on the basis of the last five years or any five consecutive years, whichever is greater in terms of compensation. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, and group creditable service, and group classification. The authority for amending these provisions rests with the Legislature.

Members become vested after ten years of creditable service. A superannuation retirement allowance may be received upon the completion of twenty years of creditable service or upon reaching the age of 55 with ten years of service. Normal retirement for most employees occurs at age 65. Most employees who joined the system after April 1, 2012 cannot retire prior to age 60.

The MTRS' funding policies have been established by Chapter 32 of the MGL. The Legislature has the authority to amend these policies. The annuity portion of the MTRS retirement allowance is funded by employees, who contribute a percentage of their regular compensation. Costs of administering the plan are funded out of plan assets.

C. Contributions

Member contributions for MTRS vary depending on the most recent date of membership:

<u>Hire Date</u>	% of Compensation
Prior to 1975 1975 - 1983	5% of regular compensation 7% of regular compensation
1984 to 6/30/1996	8% of regular compensation
7/1/1996 to present	9% of regular compensation
7/1/2001 to present	11% of regular compensation (for teachers hired after 7/1/01 and those accepting provisions of Chapter 114 of the Acts of 2000)
1979 to present	An additional 2% of regular compensation in excess of \$30,000

D. Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2014 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2014 rolled forward to June 30, 2014. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2013 meas-

urement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2014, rolled back to June 30, 2013. This valuation used the following assumptions:

- (a) 8.0% investment rate of return, (b) 3.5% interest rate credited to the annuity savings fund and (c) 3.0% cost of living increase per year.
- Salary increases are based on analyses of past experience but range from 4.0% to 7.5% depending on length of service.
- Mortality rates were as follows:
 - Pre-retirement reflects RP-2000 Employees table adjusted for "white-collar" employment projected 22 years with Scale AA (gender distinct)
 - Post-retirement reflects RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant table adjusted for large annuity amounts and projected 17 years with Scale AA (gender distinct)
 - Disability reflects RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant table adjusted for large annuity amounts and projected 17 years with Scale AA (gender distinct) set forward 3 years for males.

Investment assets of the MTRS are with the Pension Reserves Investment Trust (PRIT) Fund. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage. Best estimates of geometric rates of return for each major asset class included in the PRIT Fund's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2014 and 2013 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term	Expected
	Target	Real Rate	of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Global equity	43.0%	7.2%	7.70%
Core fixed income	13.0%	2.5%	2.00%
Hedge funds	10.0%	5.5%	4.75%
Private equity	10.0%	8.8%	9.00%
Real estate	10.0%	6.3%	6.00%
Value added fixed income	10.0%	6.3%	6.30%
Timber/natural resources	4.0%	5.0%	5.00%
Total	100.0%		

E. Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the Commonwealth's contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rates. Based on those assumptions, the net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

F. Sensitivity Analysis

The following illustrates the sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. In particular, the table presents the MTRS collective net pension liability assuming it was calculated using a single discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate (amounts in thousands):

Fiscal Year	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
Ended	to 7%	Rate 8%	to 9%
June 30, 2014	\$ 20,247,000	\$ 15,896,000	\$ 12,200,000
June 30, 2013	\$ 21,426,000	\$ 17,234,000	\$ 13,672,000

G. Special Funding Situation

The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make all actuarial determined employer contributions on behalf of the member employers. Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (GASB 68) and the Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributing entity in MTRS. Since the employers do not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize for each employer.

H. Town Proportions

In fiscal year 2014 (the most recent measurement period), the Town's proportionate share of the MTRS' collective net pension liability and pension expense was \$46,627,648 and \$3,239,446 respectively, based on a proportionate share of .293323%. As required by GASB 68, the Town has recognized its portion of the collective pension expense as both a revenue and expense in the government-wide Statement of Activities.

21. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and have been no material settlements in excess of coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

22. Beginning Net Position Restatement and Reclassification

The beginning (July 1, 2014) net position of the Town has been restated and reclassified as follows:

Government-Wide Financial Statements:				
	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business- Type Activities Enterprise Funds Water <u>Fund</u>		
As previously reported To reclass water special revenue to enterprise To reclass fixed assets GASB 68 implementation	\$ 53,768,732 11,724 150,011 (23,702,644)	\$ 7,807,451 (11,724) (150,011) (1,247,506)		
As restated	\$ 30,227,823	\$ 6,398,210		
Fund Basis Financial Statements:	Road Reconstruction <u>Fund</u>	Community Preservation <u>Fund</u>	Ambulance <u>Fund</u>	Nonmajor <u>Fund</u>
As previously reported To reclass Community Preservation to major To reclass Ambulance to major To reclass Road Reconstruction to nonmajor To reclass septic to water enterprise	\$ (2,167,702) - - 2,167,702	\$ - 2,420,105 - - -	\$ - - 1,417,424 - -	\$ 8,771,022 (2,420,105) (1,417,424) (2,167,702) 11,724
As restated	\$	\$ 2,420,105	\$ 1,417,424	\$ 2,777,515

TOWN OF HANOVER, MASSACHUSETTS SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

June 30, 2015 (Unaudited) (Amounts Expressed in thousands)

Other Post-Employment Benefits

Actuarial Valuation <u>Date</u>	Val As	uarial ue of sets	Ad Li (A	ctuarial ccrued ability AAL) - try Age (b)	nfunded AAL (UAAL) (<u>(b-a)</u>	Funded Ratio (a/b)	,	Covered Payroll <u>(c)</u>	i	UAAL as a Percent- age of Covered Payroll [(b-a)/c]
01/01/15	\$	29	\$	34,892	\$ 34,863	0.09%	9	35,989		96.9%
01/01/11	\$	-	\$	47,798	\$ 47,798	0.00%	9	28,675		166.7%
07/01/08	\$	-	\$	33,604	\$ 33,604	0.00%	\$	24,891		135.0%

See Independent Auditors' Report.

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SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

JUNE 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Plymouth County Retirement System:		<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability for the most recent measurement date		4.498%
Proportionate share of the net pension liability for the most recent measurement date	\$	26,221,911
Covered-employee payroll for the most recent measurement date	\$	12,506,349
Proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		209.67%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		58.88%
Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System:		
Proportion of the net pension liability for the most recent measurement date		0.293323%
The Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability for the most recent measurement date	\$	-
Commonwealth of Massachusetts' total proportionate share of the net pension liability that is associated with the Town	_	46,627,648
Total net pension liability associated with the Town	\$_	46,627,648
Covered-employee payroll for the most recent measurement date	\$	17,985,082
The Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		0%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		61.64%

Schedules are intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be

TOWN OF HANOVER, MASSACHUSETTS

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION JUNE 30, 2015 (Unaudited)

Plymouth County Retirement System:		<u>2015</u>		
Contractually required contribution for the current fiscal year	\$	2,637,067		
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	_	(2,637,067)		
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$_			
Covered-employee payroll for the current fiscal year	\$	12,506,349		
Contributions as a percentage of covered- employee payroll		21.09%		

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