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# TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS

Report on Examination of the Basic Financial Statements and Additional Information

Year Ended June 30, 2021

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

The Honorable Members of the Board of Selectmen Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

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 Lincoln, Massachusetts, (the "Town") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, 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

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 of 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 those 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 purposes 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.

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## **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, and each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town as of June 30, 2021 and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Restatement of Prior Year Ending Balances**

As more fully described in Note IV, a restatement of prior year ending net position balances was made to the Town's governmental activities and business-type activities and its nonmajor governmental funds and water enterprise fund. Our opinion was not modified with respect to this matter.

## **Other Matters**

## Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and the schedules listed under the required supplementary information section in the accompanying table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context.

We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 2, 2022, on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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.

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That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control over the financial reporting and compliance.

Roselli, Clarke Associates

Roselli, Clark & Associates Certified Public Accountants Woburn, Massachusetts March 2, 2022

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

As the management of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts (The Town), we offer readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with their review of the basic financial statements, notes to the basic financial statements and required supplementary information found in this report.

## **Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by nearly \$60.7 million (*total net position*). Approximately \$52.1 million represented net position of the governmental and the net position of the business-type activities was approximately \$8.6 million.
- The government's total net position increased by approximately \$6.1 million. The governmental activities increased net position by approximately \$5.2 million while the business-type activities increased net position by nearly \$0.9 million.
- The Town's unassigned fund balance reported in the General Fund was approximately \$10.9 million (23.8% of General Fund expenditures). Total fund balance in the General Fund was approximately \$19.0 million (41.4% of General Fund expenditures). The Town reported a restricted fund balance of nearly \$7.4 million in the Hanscom School Fund, a restricted fund balance of over \$28.4 million in the School Building Capital Project Fund and reported total fund balances of over \$7.9 million in the combined Nonmajor Governmental Funds.
- The Town's debt decreased over \$0.1 million. During the fiscal year the Town issued nearly \$2.0 million of business-type activity debt and refunded approximately \$4.1 million of governmental activities debt.

## **Overview of the Financial Statements**

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

**Government-wide Financial Statements** - The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The *statement of position* presents information on all of the Town's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the two reported net as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

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

The government-wide financial statements consist of two classifications; (1) those whose activities are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenue (*governmental activities*), and (2) those

whose activities are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*).

The governmental activities of the Town include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, education, health and human services, culture and recreation, fringe benefits, and debt service. The business-type activities of the Town consist of water utility activities.

**Fund Financial Statements** - A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds distinguish fund balance between amounts that are considered nonspendable, such as fund balance associated with inventories, and other amounts that are classified based on the relative strength of the constraints that control the purposes for which specific amounts can be spent. Beginning with the most binding constraints, fund balance amounts will be reported in the following classifications:

- Nonspendable —amounts cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact
- Restricted—amounts constrained by external parties, constitutional provision, or enabling legislation
- Committed—amounts constrained by a government using its highest level of decisionmaking authority
- Assigned—amounts a government intends to use for a particular purpose
- Unassigned—amounts that are not constrained at all will be reported in the general fund.

*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. Reconciliations are provided in the financial statements to help the reader understand the differences, as indicated with the table of contents.

The Town maintains a number of individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund, Hanscom school fund and school building capital project fund which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation.

The Town adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund and its enterprise fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget. This schedule has been prepared as required supplementary information and can be found after the notes to the financial statements.

**Proprietary Funds** – Proprietary funds are used to account for a government's ongoing organizations and activities which are similar to those often found in the private sector. The Town utilizes the proprietary funds to report activities of its enterprise funds. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses enterprise funds to account for its water utility activities.

**Notes to the Financial Statements -** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other Information** - In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which includes the schedules of the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability, contributions to the pension plan, the funding progress and contribution funding of its obligation to provide other postemployment benefits to its employees as well as the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General Fund and notes to this schedule.

#### **Government-wide Financial Analysis**

The condensed statement of net position is as follows:

	Government	al Activities	Business-type	e Activities	Τα	otal
	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
Assets						
Current and other assets	\$ 72,296,668	\$ 108,872,530	\$ 3,231,742	\$ 1,582,527	\$ 75,528,410	\$ 110,455,057
Capital assets, net	119,889,817	75,699,574	8,257,464	7,539,485	128,147,281	83,239,059
Cupital assets, net	119,009,017	10,000,011	0,237,101	1,559,105	120,117,201	05,257,057
Total Assets	192,186,485	184,572,104	11,489,206	9,122,012	203,675,691	193,694,116
Deferred outflows of resources	4,963,860	5,886,361	12,768	11,730	4,976,628	5,898,091
Liabilities						
Long-term liabilities	130,558,717	132,665,403	2,872,513	636,858	133,431,230	133,302,261
Other liabilities	8,932,233	7,036,684	37,242	1,353,996	8,969,475	8,390,680
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Total Liabilities	139,490,950	139,702,087	2,909,755	1,990,854	142,400,705	141,692,941
Deferred inflows of resources	5,557,937	3,683,092	13,541	7,830	5,571,478	3,690,922
Deterred inflows of resources	5,551,751	5,005,072	15,511	1,000	5,571,176	5,676,722
Net Position						
Net investment in capital assets	66,587,698	58,853,919	6,390,444	6,298,265	72,978,142	65,152,184
Restricted	15,570,329	19,508,092	-	-	15,570,329	19,508,092
Unrestricted	(30,056,569)	(31,288,725)	2,188,234	836,793	(27,868,335)	(30,451,932)
Net Position	\$ 52,101,458	\$ 47,073,286	\$ 8,578,678	\$ 7,135,058	\$ 60,680,136	\$ 54,208,344

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The assets and deferred outflows of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows at the close of the most recent fiscal year by nearly \$60.7 million (*total net position*). This was an increase of nearly \$6.1 million over the preceding year, net of beginning net position restatements. This was primarily the result of positive results in the general fund of over \$5.2 million, in the governmental activities and positive water business-type operations of nearly \$0.9 million.

By far the largest portion (approximately \$73.0 million) of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its

capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the Town's net position (approximately \$15.6 million) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. Unrestricted net position reflects the remainder of net position, a deficit of approximately \$27.9 million. This is due to the recognition of the other postemployment benefits liability of approximately \$21.4 million as a result of the implementation of GASB No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, as previously discussed, and the implementation of GASB 68 in 2015, which has resulted in the recognition of almost \$26.5 million in net pension liabilities.

The condensed statement of changes in net position is as follows:

	Government	al Activities	Business-typ	e Activities	To	tal
	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,	June 30,
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
Revenues						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 2,774,751	\$ 18,140,464	\$ 2,395,810	\$ 1,480,786	\$ 5,170,561	\$ 19,621,250
Operating grants and contributions	28,513,185	10,646,286	-	95,316	28,513,185	10,741,602
Capital grants and contributions	882,956	-	-	-	882,956	-
General revenues:						
Property taxes	35,502,451	34,677,211	-	-	35,502,451	34,677,211
Intergovernmental	1,085,981	1,048,344	-	-	1,085,981	1,048,344
Other	1,670,357	3,270,641	5,055	26,195	1,675,412	3,296,836
Total Revenues	70,429,681	67,782,946	2,400,865	1,602,297	72,830,546	69,385,243
Expenses						
General government	4,494,427	3,837,036	-	-	4,494,427	3,837,036
Public safety	7,338,913	5,337,336	-	-	7,338,913	5,337,336
Education	44,095,884	45,063,264	-	-	44,095,884	45,063,264
Public works	3,044,725	2,927,745	-	-	3,044,725	2,927,745
Health and human services	686,268	634,310	-	-	686,268	634,310
Culture and recreation	2,716,755	2,752,932	-	-	2,716,755	2,752,932
Debt service	2,893,662	3,056,685	-	-	2,893,662	3,056,685
Water			1,455,155	1,773,873	1,455,155	1,773,873
Total Expenses	65,270,634	63,609,308	1,455,155	1,773,873	66,725,789	65,383,181
Excess (deficiency) in net position						
before transfers	5,159,047	4,173,638	945,710	(171,576)	6,104,757	4,002,062
Transfers	60,000	60,000	(60,000)	(60,000)		
Change in net position	5,219,047	4,233,638	885,710	(231,576)	6,104,757	4,002,062
Net position, beginning of year	47,073,286	42,839,648	7,135,058	7,366,634	54,208,344	50,206,282
Restatement for agency funds	(190,875)	-	-	-	(190,875)	-
Restatement for unbilled receivables			557,910		557,910	
Net position, beginning of year,						
as restated	46,882,411	42,839,648	7,692,968	7,366,634	54,575,379	50,206,282
Net position, end of year	\$ 52,101,458	\$ 47,073,286	\$ 8,578,678	\$ 7,135,058	\$ 60,680,136	\$ 54,208,344

Governmental Activities - The Town relies significantly on property taxes, which, during 2021, made up approximately 50.4% of total revenues, down from 51.2% in the prior year. Actual revenues increased by 2.4% as expected based on property tax laws in Massachusetts. Operating grants and contributions made up approximately 40.5% of total revenues. In the prior year, revenues were classified in different categories, so it is best to compare total revenues for more accurate comparison. Total revenues increased almost \$2.7 million, made up mostly of the property tax increase previously discussed in addition to a \$1.0 million increase in on-behalf pension payments and a \$0.3 million increase in pandemic assistance.

No other revenues were greater than 10% of total revenues in 2021 or 2020.

Major expenditures were for education which continues to be an area that the town devotes significant resources. Education represented 67.6% of total expenses, down from the prior year of 70.8%. Public safety expenses represented 11.2% of total expenses, up from the prior year of 8.4%. The increase is primarily due to \$0.7 million of public safety detail activity that was previously presented as a fiduciary activity. No other expense types were greater than 10% of total expenses in 2021 or 2020.

**Business-type Activities -** Major revenue sources consist of revenue from user charges, which represented approximately 99.8% of total fiscal year 2021 and 2020 revenues. Water expenses decreased over \$0.3 million, primarily from less non-capital maintenance costs.

## Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

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

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

As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds balance sheet reported a combined ending fund balance surplus of nearly \$63.2 million. This represents a decrease of over \$40.4 million over the previous year from expenditures in the School Building Capital Projects major fund of \$44.9 million which was offset by positive results in the general fund, Hanscom school fund and nonmajor governmental funds of \$1.5 million, \$0.8 million and \$1.0 million, respectively. Of the ending fund balance approximately \$10.8 million is *available for spending* at the government's discretion as *unassigned fund balance*. The remainder is earmarked for specific expenditures.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was approximately \$10.9 million, while total fund balance totaled over \$19.0 million. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents approximately 23.8% of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents approximately 41.4% of that same amount.

The Hanscom School fund was used as a funding source for the education of student from military families. The balance of this fund increased nearly \$0.8 million as revenues exceeded expenditures.

The Capital Building Capital Project fund was used as a funding source for the construction of a new school building. As a result, this fund decreased by approximately \$43.7 million to a fund balance of approximately \$28.8 million as a result of capital outlays in the current year exceeding operating transfers.

The combined Nonmajor funds increased from prior year by approximately \$1.0 million. Fund balances at year end were approximately \$7.9 million. This was mainly due to nearly \$0.4 million in unspent gifts and nearly \$0.4 million of unspent trust income.

**Proprietary Funds** - The Town's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail. At June 30, 2021, net position of the water enterprise fund was approximately \$8.6 million, which represents an increase of approximately \$0.9 from the prior year. The increased was primarily due to revenues exceeding estimates by approximately \$0.4 million and unspent appropriations of approximately \$0.3 million.

# **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The final amended budget was unchanged however the budgets for individual functions and transfers were affected by subsequent appropriations. The schedule of budgetary information, which summarizes these changes, is provided as *Required Supplementary Information*.

## **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets** - The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2021, amounts to approximately \$128.1 million (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, infrastructure, machinery, equipment and vehicles and reflects an increase of approximately \$44.9 million due to capital additions exceeding annual depreciation. The majority of the Town's capital expenditures are for the construction of a new school which is presented in the School Building Capital Projects major fund. The Town is also funding variance community preservation, water infrastructure and other projects.

Additional information on the Town capital assets can be found Note II. Subsection D of this report.

**Long-term Debt** - At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town had total bonded debt outstanding of approximately \$70.1 million. Of this amount approximately \$78.6 million represents debt of the governmental activities and approximately \$0.5 million represents general obligation bonds of business-type activities.

The Town's total debt, including unamortized bond premiums, decreased over \$0.1 million. During the fiscal year the Town issued nearly \$2.0 million of business-type activity debt and refunded approximately \$4.1 million of governmental activities debt.

The Town maintains a bond rating of "AAA" as set by Standard and Poor's for general obligation debt.

State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt a governmental entity may issue to 5.0% percent of its total assessed valuation. The current debt limitation for the Town is approximately \$116 million, which is in excess of the Town's outstanding general obligation debt.

The Town also holds a proportionate share of debt of other governmental units that provide services to the Town. The debt service from such arrangements is assessed annually to the Town.

Additional information on the Town's debt can be found in Notes II. Subsection F, G and H of this report.

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

- The Town's real estate tax base is made up predominantly of residential taxes, which comprise over 95% of the Town's real estate tax base. The Town also relies to a much lesser extent on its commercial and industrial real estate tax base, which in aggregate comprise over 2% of the Town's real estate tax base. In addition, Chapter 580 of the Acts of 1980, more commonly referred to as Proposition 2 ½, limits the Town's ability to increase taxes in any one year by more than two and one-half percent (2 ½%) of the previous year tax levy. This limit may be exceeded through a majority vote at Board of Selectmen along with ballot approval.
- The Town's property values have been steadily increasing over the past several years. Property values are at all-time highs in many Town neighborhoods and the Town's equalized valuation is over \$2.3 billion.

- The Town's unemployment rate remains stable, however unemployment rates throughout the Commonwealth and the nation have fluctuated due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Town anticipates receiving approximately the same amount of state aid for 2022 as in the previous fiscal year based on state budget estimates.

The above items were considered when the Town developed its budget for fiscal year 2022.

## **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or request for additional financial information should be addressed to the Finance Department, PO Box 6353, 16 Lincoln Road, Lincoln, Massachusetts 01773.

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 59,638,431	\$ 2,563,584	\$ 62,202,015
Investments	9,947,592	-	9,947,592
Receivables (net):	, ,		, ,
Property taxes	475,879	-	475,879
Excise taxes	272,190	-	272,190
User fees	-	668,158	668,158
Departmental and other	503,935	-	503,935
Intergovernmental	1,402,491	-	1,402,491
Tax foreclosures	31,150	-	31,150
Other asset	25,000	-	25,000
Capital assets, not being depreciated	99,562,132	4,574,901	104,137,033
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	20,327,685	3,682,563	24,010,248
Total Assets	192,186,485	11,489,206	203,675,691
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Related to net other postemployment benefits liability	3,318,209	12,768	3,330,977
Related to net pension liability	1,645,651	-	1,645,651
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	4,963,860	12,768	4,976,628
Liabilities			
Warrants and accounts payable	3,264,850	21,398	3,286,248
Accrued payroll and withholdings	1,882,902	15,844	1,898,746
Retainage payable	2,267,362	13,044	2,267,362
Accrued interest expense	977,083	_	977,083
Unearned revenue	369,061	_	369,061
Other liabilities	170,975	_	170,975
Long-term liabilities:	170,975	-	170,975
Due within one year	2,124,689	529,862	2,654,551
Due in more than one year	128,434,028	2,342,651	130,776,679
Total Liabilities	139,490,950	2,909,755	142,400,705
Defensed Inflores of Deservaces			
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b> Related to net other postemployment benefits liability	3,519,156	13,541	3,532,697
Related to net pension liability		15,541	
	2,038,781 5,557,937	13,541	2,038,781 5,571,478
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	5,557,957	15,541	5,571,476
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	66,587,698	6,390,444	72,978,142
Restricted:			
Nonexpendable permanent funds	699,610	-	699,610
Expendable permanent funds	1,007,382	-	1,007,382
Community preservation	2,175,523	-	2,175,523
Hanscom School	7,375,827	-	7,375,827
Other purposes	4,311,987	-	4,311,987
Unrestricted	(30,056,569)	2,188,234	(27,868,335)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	\$ 52,101,458	\$ 8,578,678	\$ 60,680,136

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

			Program Revenues		Net (Expenses)	Revenues and Chang	ges in N	et Position
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities		Total
Primary Government: Governmental Activities General government Public safety Education Public works Health and human services Culture and recreation Debt service Total Governmental Activities	\$ 4,494,427 7,338,913 44,095,884 3,044,725 686,268 2,716,755 2,893,662 65,270,634	\$ 482,963 1,323,391 286,242 60,461 81,615 540,079 - - 2,774,751	\$ 84,200 134,551 28,087,630 26,010 129,797 50,997 - - 28,513,185	\$ 193,209 178,410 126,353 384,984 - - - 	\$ (3,734,055) (5,880,971) (15,543,602) (2,831,901) (474,856) (1,740,695) (2,893,662) (33,099,742)		\$	(3,734,055) (5,880,971) (15,543,602) (2,831,901) (474,856) (1,740,695) (2,893,662) (33,099,742)
<i>Business-Type Activities:</i> Water	1,455,155	2,395,810				\$ 940,655		940,655
Total Business-Type Activities	1,455,155	2,395,810		<u> </u>		940,655		940,655
Total Primary Government	\$ 66,725,789	\$ 5,170,561	\$ 28,513,185	\$ 882,956	(33,099,742)	940,655		(32,159,087)
		Motor vehicle Penalities and Grants and co to specific	onal property taxes and other excise interest on taxes ntributions not restric	cted	35,502,451 1,119,695 104,937 1,085,981 445,725	- - - 5,055 -		35,502,451 1,119,695 104,937 1,085,981 450,780
		Transfers (net):			60,000	(60,000)	)	-
		Total General	Revenues and Trans	fers	38,318,789	(54,945)	)	38,263,844
		Change in	Net Position		5,219,047	885,710		6,104,757
		<u>Net Position:</u> Beginning of End of year	year, as restated (see	Note IV)	46,882,411 \$ 52,101,458	7,692,968 <b>\$ 8,578,678</b>	<u>\$</u>	54,575,379 <b>60,680,136</b>

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2021

	General Fund	Hanscom School Fund	School Building Capital Project Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,725,700	\$ 6,716,647	\$ 25,481,509	\$ 6,714,575	\$ 59,638,431
Investments	-	-	8,287,088	1,660,504	9,947,592
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:					
Property taxes	465,114	-	-	10,765	475,879
Excise taxes	272,190	-	-	-	272,190
Departmental and other	347,677	-	-	156,258	503,935
Intergovernmental	-	1,325,800	-	76,691	1,402,491
Tax foreclosures	31,150	-	-	-	31,150
Other assets	25,000	-	-	-	25,000
Total Assets	21,866,831	8,042,447	33,768,597	8,618,793	72,296,668
Deferred Outflows of Resources					
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 21,866,831	\$ 8,042,447	\$ 33,768,597	\$ 8,618,793	\$ 72,296,668
Liabilities:					
Warrants and accounts payable	\$ 479,626	\$ 40,770	\$ 2,658,177	\$ 86,277	\$ 3,264,850
Accrued payroll and withholdings	1,218,146	625,850	-	38,906	1,882,902
Retainage payable	-	-	2,267,362	-	2,267,362
Other liabilities	146,748	-	-	24,227	170,975
Unearned revenues		-	-	369,061	369,061
Total Liabilities	1,844,520	666,620	4,925,539	518,471	7,955,150
Deferred Inflows of Resources:					
Unavailable revenues - property taxes	340,890	-	-	10,765	351,655
Unavailable revenues - excise taxes	272,190	-	-	-	272,190
Unavailable revenues - other	378,827	-		156,258	535,085
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	991,907			167,023	1,158,930
Fund Balances:					
Nonspendable	-	-	-	699,610	699,610
Restricted	-	7,375,827	28,843,058	7,342,007	43,560,892
Committed	462,304	-	-	-	462,304
Assigned	7,645,674	-	-	-	7,645,674
Unassigned	10,922,426			(108,318)	10,814,108
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	19,030,404	7,375,827	28,843,058	7,933,299	63,182,588
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources					
and Fund Balance	\$ 21,866,831	\$ 8,042,447	\$ 33,768,597	\$ 8,618,793	\$ 72,296,668

#### RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TOTAL FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 63,182,588
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	119,889,817
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue in the governmental funds.	1,158,930
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources to be recognized in future fiscal years	
are not available resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Deferred outflows related to other postemployment benefits	3,318,209
Deferred outflows related to pensions	1,645,651
Deferred inflows related to other postemployment benefits	(3,519,156)
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(2,038,781)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore,	
are not reported in the government funds:	
Bonds and notes payable	(78,565,000)
Less: Unamortized bond premiums	(3,594,315)
Compensated absences	(628,346)
Net pension liability	(26,477,563)
Net other postemployment benefits liability	 (21,293,493)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 52,101,458

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	General Fund	Hanscom School Fund	School Building Capital Project Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Real estate and personal property taxes, net	\$ 34,465,500	s -	s -	\$ 928,501	\$ 35,394,001
Intergovernmental	10,983,101	15,937,667	-	2,902,200	29,822,968
Motor vehicle and other excises	1,068,506	-	-	-	1,068,506
Departmental and other revenue	980,951	-	-	1,584,395	2,565,346
Licenses and permits	369,003	-	-	-	369,003
Penalties and interest on taxes	104,937	-	-	-	104,937
Fines and forfeitures	15,394	-	-	-	15,394
Investment income	86,003	-	-	359,722	445,725
Contributions and donations	-	-	-	659,154	659,154
<b>Total Revenues</b>	48,073,395	15,937,667		6,433,972	70,445,034
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	2,982,175	-	-	434,727	3,416,902
Public safety	4,492,225	-	-	749,462	5,241,687
Education	15,911,571	15,107,932	44,862,161	2,472,278	78,353,942
Public works	2,101,126	-	-	150,774	2,251,900
Health and human services	362,908	-	-	115,102	478,010
Culture and recreation	1,561,881	-	-	649,478	2,211,359
Pensions and other fringes	14,043,665	-	-	-	14,043,665
State and county tax assessments	161,734	-	-	-	161,734
Debt service:					
Principal	1,440,000	-	-	290,000	1,730,000
Interest	2,928,887	-		209,000	3,137,887
Total Expenditures	45,986,172	15,107,932	44,862,161	5,070,821	111,027,086
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over (Under) Expenditures	2,087,223	829,735	(44,862,161)	1,363,151	(40,582,052)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Issuance of refunding bonds	3,900,000	-	-	-	3,900,000
Premiums from issuance of bonds and notes	329,771	-	-	-	329,771
Payments on refunding bonds	(4,135,000)	-	-	-	(4,135,000)
Transfers in	167,092	-	1,153,945	290,197	1,611,234
Transfers out	(830,142)	(71,000)		(650,092)	(1,551,234)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(568,279)	(71,000)	1,153,945	(359,895)	154,771
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,518,944	758,735	(43,708,216)	1,003,256	(40,427,281)
Fund Balances - Beginning, as restated (see Note IV)	17,511,460	6,617,092	72,551,274	6,930,043	103,609,869
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 19,030,404	\$ 7,375,827	\$ 28,843,058	\$ 7,933,299	\$ 63,182,588

#### RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Fund Balances		\$ (40,427,281)
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. The net amounts are reflected here as reconciling items: Capital outlays Depreciation expense	45,769,645 (1,579,402)	
Net effect of reporting capital assets		44,190,243
The issuance of long-term debt 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 has any effect on net position. Also governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are amortized in the Statement of Activities. The net amounts are reflected here as reconciling items: Repayments of debt Repayments of capital lease obligations Payments on refunded debt Amortization of premiums from issuance of bonds and notes Premiums from issuance of bonds and notes Issuance of refunding bonds	1,730,000 2,724 4,135,000 213,881 (329,771) (3,900,000)	
Net effect of reporting long-term debt		1,851,834
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are unavailable in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenues for various types of accounts receivable differ between the two statements. The amount presented represents the following differences derived from unavailable revenue.		(15,353)
In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in		
governmental funds interest is not reported until due. This represents the difference between the accruals between this year and the prior year.		30,344
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds: Compensated absences Pension benefits Other postemployment benefits	(109,527) (336,328) 35,115	
Net effect of reporting long-term liabilities		(410,740)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 5,219,047

#### PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

		usiness-type Activities erprise Funds
		Water
Assets:		
Current Assets: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,563,584
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:	Ψ	2,000,001
User charges		668,158
Intergovernmental		-
Other		-
Total Current Assets		3,231,742
Noncurrent assets:		
Capital assets, not being depreciated		4,574,901
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		3,682,563
Total Noncurrent Assets		8,257,464
Total Assets		11,489,206
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Related to net other postemployment benefits liability		12,768
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		12,768
Liabilities: Current Liabilities:		
Warrants and accounts payable		21,398
Accrued payroll and withholdings		15,844
Bonds and notes payable		524,922
Compensated absences Total Current Liabilities		4,940
		507,101
Noncurrent Liabilities:		2 245 000
Bonds and notes payable Compensated absences		2,245,900 14,818
Net other postemployment benefits liability		81,933
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		2,342,651
Total Liabilities		2,909,755
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Related to net other postemployment benefits liability		13,541
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		13,541
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets		6,390,444
Unrestricted		2,188,234
Total Net Position	\$	8,578,678

# PROPRIETARY FUNDS ATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITI( YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Act	ess-type ivities ise Funds
	W	ater
Operating Revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 2	,252,746
Other operating income	÷ –	143,064
Total Operating Revenues	2	,395,810
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>		
Operating costs	1	,237,072
Depreciation		183,284
Total Operating Expenses	1	,420,356
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>		975,454
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):		
Interest income		5,055
Interest expense		(34,799)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses), net		(29,744)
Income (Loss) Before Transfers		945,710
Transfers out		(60,000)
Change in Net Position		885,710
Net Position - Beginning, as restated (see Note IV)	7	,692,968
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$</u> 8	5,578,678

#### PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

		isiness-type Activities erprise Funds
		Water
Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Receipts from users	\$	2,209,778
Other receipts	¢	143,064
Payments to employees		(552,216)
Payments to vendors		(713,726)
Net Cash Provided by (Used For) Operating Activities		1,086,900
Cash Flows from Noncapital Related Financing Activities:		
Transfers out		(60,000)
Net Cash Provided by (Used For) Noncapital Related Financing Activities		(60,000)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of bond and note debt		1,990,000
Proceeds from bond premiums		257,000
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(901,262)
Principal payments on bonds and notes		(1,260,000)
Interest expense		(69,356)
Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities		16,382
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		5.055
Investment income		5,055
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities		5,055
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		1,048,337
Cash and Cash Equivalents:		1 515 0 45
Beginning of year		1,515,247
End of year	\$	2,563,584
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided By (Used For) for Operating Activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$	975,454
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation expense		183,284
Changes in assets and liabilities:		(12.0(0))
Receivables Deferred outflows		(42,968) (1,038)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(23,104)
Compensated absences		(5,631)
Net other postemployment benefits liability		(4,808)
Deferred inflows		5,711
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	\$	1,086,900
Noncash Investing, Capital, and Financing Activities:		
Amortization of bond premium	\$	23,619
See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.		

# FIDUCIARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

	Other Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund		]	Private Purpose ust Funds
Assets: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	400,000	\$	-
Investments: Pooled investments - State PRIM Equity mutual funds		14,086,390		- 833,508
Total Assets	14,486,390			833,508
Liabilities:				
Other liabilities Total Liabilities				- -
Net Position:				
Restricted for other postemployment benefits Held in trust for other purposes		14,486,390		- 833,508
<b>Total Net Position</b>	\$	14,486,390	\$	833,508

# FIDUCIARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Other temployment Benefits Trust Fund	Private Purpose Trust Funds		
Additions:				
Investment income Employer contributions Other contributions	\$ 3,155,979 2,359,415 -	\$	168,105 - 9,265	
<b>Total Additions</b>	 5,515,394	177,37		
<b>Deductions:</b> Retiree benefits	1,569,415			
Scholarships	 -		8,374	
<b>Total Deductions</b>	 1,569,415		8,374	
Change in Net Position	3,945,979		168,996	
Net Position - Beginning	 10,540,411		664,512	
Net Position - Ending	\$ 14,486,390	\$	833,508	

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

#### I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of the Town have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to state and local governments. GAAP is prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which is the primary standard-setting body for state and local governmental entities. The following is a summary of the more significant policies and practices used by the Town:

#### A. Reporting Entity

The Town of Lincoln is located in Middlesex County and was incorporated as a town in 1754. An elected five-member Board of Selectmen governs the Town with an appointed Town Administrator. The Town provides governmental services for the territory within its boundaries, including police and fire protection, highway services, water, street maintenance, parks and recreational facilities. Water services are funded almost entirely with user charges.

Component units, while separate entities, are in substance part of the governmental operations if the significance of their operations and/or financial relationship with the Town meet certain criteria. Pursuant to these criteria there are no component units required to be included in the financial statements.

The Town is a member community of the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District that provides a public high school to the two member communities. This joint venture assesses each community its share of operational and debt service costs based on student population and other factors. In fiscal year 2021, the Town's share of the operating and debt service expenses was \$3,629,702. There is no equity interest reported in these financial statements. Complete audited financial statements can be obtained directly from the District's administrative office located at 390 Lincoln Road, Sudbury, MA 01776.

#### B. Government-Wide and Fund 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 non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. 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.

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

Major Fund Criteria – Major funds must be reported if both of the following criteria are met:

- 1) The total assets and deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of an individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least ten percent of the corresponding element (assets and deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, etc.) for all funds of that category or type (total governmental or total enterprise funds), and
- 2) The total assets and deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental fund or enterprise fund are at least five percent of the corresponding element for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

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

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

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider are met.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is 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*. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from the government-wide financial statements.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using *the current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e. 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. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when payment is due, certain compensated absences, claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with current expendable available resources.

The Town considers property tax revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year. Investment income associated with the current fiscal period is susceptible to accrual and has been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when the cash is received and are recognized as revenue at that time.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> – 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.

<u>*Hanscom School Fund*</u> – is used to account for educational services for children of military personnel.

<u>School Building Capital Project Fund</u> – is used to account for a kindergarten through eighth grade school building renovation project.

The *Nonmajor Governmental Funds* consist of other special revenue, capital project and permanent funds that are aggregated and presented in the Nonmajor Governmental Funds column on the Governmental Funds financial statements. The following describes the general use of these fund types:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> – are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

<u>Capital Project Funds</u> – are used to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets of the governmental funds.

<u>*Permanent Funds*</u> – are used to account for financial resources that are restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, may be used for purposes that support the governmental programs.

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

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* 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 are user charges and fees, while operating expenses consist of salaries, ordinary maintenance, indirect costs and depreciation. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The government reports the following major proprietary funds:

<u>*Water Enterprise Fund*</u> – is used to account for user charges collected to finance costs associated with operating and maintaining the Town's water utility.

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

The government reports the following fiduciary funds:

<u>Other Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund</u> – is used to accumulate funds for future payments of other postemployment benefits for retirees such as health and life insurance.

<u>*Private-Purpose Trust Funds*</u> – is used to account for trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations or other governments. This fund is used for educational scholarships.

## D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Equity

<u>Deposits and Investments</u> – The Town's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Investments of the Town are recorded at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Accordingly, the change in fair value of investments is recognized as an increase or decrease to investment assets and investment income.

<u>Receivables</u> – Real estate and personal property taxes are assessed on January 1 every year. Bills are due in two installments on November 1 and May 1, or thirty days subsequent to the mailing date. Interest accrues on delinquent taxes at the rate of 14% per annum. The Town is allowed to take delinquent tax accounts into tax title fourteen days subsequent to the mailing of demand of delinquent taxes. Property taxes levied are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year of the levy.

Real estate taxes and water user fees and betterments may be secured through a lien process and are considered 100% collectible. Accordingly, an allowance for uncollectible accounts for these receivables is not reported. All personal property tax and excise tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts comprised of those outstanding amounts greater than five years old. Departmental and other receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts greater than five accounts comprised of those outstanding amounts greater than five accounts comprised of those outstanding amounts greater than five accounts comprised of those outstanding amounts greater than five accounts comprised of those outstanding amounts greater than ninety days old.

<u>Inventories and Prepaid Items</u> – Inventories, which are not material to the basic financial statements, are considered to be expenditures at the time of purchase.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

<u>*Capital Assets*</u> – Capital assets, which include land, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, vehicles, library materials and infrastructure (e.g. roads, water mains, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets, donated works of art and similar items, and capital assets received in a service concession arrangement are reported at acquisition value rather than fair value. Net interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities, if material is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

All purchases and construction costs in excess of \$5,000 are capitalized at the date of acquisition or construction, respectively, with expected lives of greater than two years. 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.

Capital assets (excluding land and construction-in-process) are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and improvements	3-40 years
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	3-25 years
Infrastructure	10-50 years

<u>Interfund Balances</u> – Activity between funds that are representative of lending arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either *due to/from other funds* or *advances to/from other funds*. All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as due to/from other funds. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as *internal balances*.

<u>Interfund Transfers</u> – During the course of its operations, resources are permanently reallocated between and within funds. These transactions are reported as transfers in and transfers out in the individual fund statements. Transfers between and within governmental and fiduciary funds are eliminated from the governmental activities in the statement of activities. Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and the business –type activities are reported in the statement of activities as *transfers, net*.

<u>Investment Income</u> – Excluding the permanent funds, investment income derived from major and nonmajor governmental funds is legally assigned to the general fund unless otherwise directed by state law. Investment income of the proprietary funds is retained in the water fund.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> – It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick leave benefits. Compensated absence liabilities related to both governmental and business-type activities are normally paid from the funds reporting the payroll and related expenditures. Amounts related to these benefits are accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in Governmental Funds only if they have matured.

<u>Long-term Obligations</u> – Long-term debt is reported as liabilities in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bond anticipation notes payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of long-term debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on a debt issuance are reported as other financing sources while discounts are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are exclusively reported as general government expenditures regardless of whether they are withheld from the actual proceeds.

<u>Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources</u> – In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows* of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Town has two types of items that are reported on the government-wide statement of net position which relate to outflows from changes in the net pension liability and the other postemployment benefit liability. The deferred pensions will be recognized in pension expense in future years as more fully described in Note III, subsection A.

The deferred other postemployment benefits will be recognized in employee benefits expense in future years as more fully described in Note III, subsection C.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows or resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Town has three types of items, which qualify for reporting in this category. The first arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting and, accordingly, the item *unavailable revenue* is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from three sources: property taxes, excise taxes and other. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts became available. The other types of items that qualify for reporting as a deferred inflow are reported on the government-wide statement of net position. This relates to inflows from changes in the net pension liability which will be recognized in pension expense in future years as more fully described in Note III subsection A and inflows from the changes in the net other postemployment benefits liability which will be recognized in employee benefits expense in future years as more fully described in Note III, subsection C.

<u>Net Position</u> – In the government-wide financial statements, net position reported as "net investment in capital assets" includes capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, less the principal balance of outstanding debt used to acquire capital assets. Unspent proceeds of capital related debt are not considered to be capital related debt.

Net position is reported as restricted when amounts are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific use. Net position has been *restricted for* the following:

*Nonexpendable permanent funds* represent the endowment portion of donor restricted trusts that support governmental programs.

*Expendable permanent funds* represent amounts held in trust whereby expenditures are subject to various trust agreements.

*Community preservation* represents assets that are restricted by state law for the purposes of acquiring or developing open space, recreational facilities, historic resources and affordable housing associated with the Massachusetts Community Preservation Act.

*Hanscom School* represents assets that are restricted for educational services for children of military personnel.

*Other purposes* represent assets that are restricted by grantors, donors and state laws for specific governmental programs and uses.

<u>Fund Equity</u> – In the fund financial statements, fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent in which the Town is required to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent.

Fund balance is reported in five components – nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned as described below:

*Nonspendable* represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form (i.e. inventory or prepaid) or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact such as the corpus of an endowment.

*Restricted* represents amounts that have constraints placed either externally by thirdparties (creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments) or by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation authorizes the Town to assess, levy, charge or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement (compelled by external parties) that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.

*Committed* 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, which consists of the Town Meeting members through Town Meeting votes. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Town Meeting removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (through Town Meeting votes) it employed previously to commit those amounts.

*Assigned* represents amounts that are constrained by the Town's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The Town has by ordinance authorized the Town Administrator to assign fund balance. The Board of Selectmen may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget.

*Unassigned* represents amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund is the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. Other governmental funds besides the general fund can only report a negative unassigned fund balance amount.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources (committed, assigned and unassigned) as they are needed. When unrestricted resources (committed, assigned and unassigned) are available for use it is the Town's policy to use committed resources first, then assigned, and then unassigned as they are needed. The Town has not established financial policies with respect to maintaining minimum fund balance amounts.

<u>Stabilization Fund</u> – The Town maintains a capital stabilization fund under MGL Chapter 40, Section 5B which may be used for any capital purpose upon a two-thirds vote of the Board of Selectmen. The balance of the fund totals \$2,504,585 at June 30, 2021 and is reported as unassigned fund balance in the General Fund.

<u>Encumbrances</u> - The Town's encumbrance policy regarding the general fund is to (1) classify encumbrances that arise from the issuance of purchase orders resulting from normal purchasing activity approved by the Town Administrator and Town Accountant as assigned, and (2) classify encumbrances that result from an action of the Town Meeting as committed. Encumbrances of funds already restricted, or committed are included within the classification of those fund balances and not reported separately. The Town reports \$1,761,861 of encumbrances from normal purchasing activity in the general fund as assigned and \$462,304 of encumbrances from Town Meeting votes in the general fund as committed. There are no encumbrances reported in any other fund.

	General	Hanscom School Fund	School Building Capital Project Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Nonspendable:	<b>^</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>^</b>	<b>*</b> (00 (10	¢ (00 (10
Perpetual permanent funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 699,610	\$ 699,610
Restricted:					
General government	-	-	-	432,078	432,078
Ambulance	-	-	-	415,463	415,463
Other public safety	-	-	-	223,171	223,171
Education	-	7,375,827	-	2,049,911	9,425,738
Public works	-	-	-	159,550	159,550
Health and human services	-	-	-	302,362	302,362
Culture and recreation	-	-	-	250,035	250,035
Community preservation	-	-	-	2,164,758	2,164,758
Affordable housing	-	-	-	590,078	590,078
Capital outlay	-	-	28,843,058	14,138	28,857,196
Cemetery trusts	-	-	-	175,792	175,792
Library trusts	-	-	-	461,104	461,104
Other purposes	-	-	-	103,567	103,567
Committed:				ŕ	ŕ
General government	229,228	-	-	-	229,228
Other purposes	233,076	-	-	-	233,076
Assigned:					
Purchase orders	1,761,861	-	-	-	1,761,861
Subsequent years' budget	5,883,813	-	-	-	5,883,813
Unassigned	10,922,426	-	-	(108,318)	10,814,108
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	\$19,030,404	\$7,375,827	\$ 28,843,058	\$ 7,933,299	\$63,182,588

The following table reflects the Town's fund equity categorizations:

#### **D.** Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations and Deficits

The Town incurred individual fund deficits totaling \$108,318 in the nonmajor governmental funds. These deficits will be funded through grants, bond proceeds and available funds in future fiscal years.

#### E. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure 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.

## II. Detailed Notes to All Funds

#### A. Deposits and Investments

A cash and investment pool is maintained that is available for use by all funds. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the balance sheet as "cash and cash equivalents". The deposits and investments of trust funds are held separately from those of other funds.

State laws and regulations require the Town to invest funds only in pre-approved investment instruments which include but are not necessarily limited to bank deposits, money markets, certificates of deposit, U.S. obligations, repurchase agreements, and State Treasurer's investment pool ("the Pool"). In addition, the statutes impose various limitations on the amount and length of investments and deposits. Repurchase agreements cannot be for a period of over ninety days, and the underlying security must be a United States obligation. During the fiscal year, the Town did not enter into any repurchase agreements.

The Pool meets the criteria of an external investment pool. The Pool is administered by the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust ("the MMDT"), which was established by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth who serves as Trustee. The fair value of the position in the Pool is the same as the value of the Pool shares.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk: Deposits</u> - In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk relative to cash holdings.

At year-end, the carrying amount of the Town's deposits was \$41,857,139 and the bank balance was \$36,619,671. Of the Town's bank balance, \$2,498,615 was covered by either federal depository insurance or by the depositors' insurance fund; \$19,212,064 was collateralized and the remainder was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk: Investments</u> – In the case of investments, this is the risk that in the event of the invested party not being able to provide required payments to investors, ceasing to exist, or filing of bankruptcy, the Town may not be able to recover the full amount of its principal investment and/or investment earnings.

The Town's investments in mutual funds are exposed to custodial credit risk because the related securities are uninsured, unregistered and held by the counterparty. The Town's common stock investments totaling are not exposed to custodial credit risk because they are held with the Town. The Town's investments in negotiable certificates of deposit are fully insured by federal depository insurance. The Town does not have a formal investment policy related to custodial credit risk.

<u>*Fair Value of Investments*</u> – The Town reports its investments at fair value. When actively quoted observable prices are not available, the Town generally uses either implied pricing from similar investments or valuation models based on net present values of estimated future cash flows (adjusted as appropriate for liquidity, credit, market and/or other risk factors).

The Town categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GAAP. This hierarchy is based on valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset or liability. The three levels of the hierarchy are as follows:

- *Level 1* Inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical investments at the measurement date.
- *Level 2* Inputs (other than quoted prices included in Level 1) are either directly or indirectly observable for the investment through correlation with market data at the measurement date and for the duration of the instrument's anticipated life.
- *Level 3* Inputs reflect the Town's best estimate of what market participants would use in pricing the investment at the measurement date.

The following table presents the Town's investments carried at fair value on a recurring basis in the statement of net position at June 30, 2021:

L L	,	Fair Value Measurements Using					
	Fair value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
Investments by fair value level							
Debt securities:							
Negotiable certificates of deposit	\$ 8,287,088	\$ -	\$ 8,287,088	\$ -			
Bond mutual funds	645,728	-	645,728				
Total debt securities	8,932,816	-	8,932,816	-			
Equity securities:							
Common stock	942	942	-	-			
Equity mutual funds	1,847,342	-	1,847,342	-			
Total equity securities	1,848,284	942	1,847,342	-			
Total investments by fair value level	10,781,100	\$ 942	\$ 10,780,158	\$ -			
Investments measured at amortized	cost						
State investment pool - MMDT	7,445,794						
Money market mutual funds	13,299,082						
Total investments by fair value level	20,744,876						
Investments measured at net asset	value						
Pension Reserve Investment Trust (P	R 14,086,390						
Total investments	\$ 45,612,366						
		М	aturities in Yea	rs			
Investments	Fair value	Less than 1	1 - 5	6 - 10			
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Negotiable certificates of deposit	\$ 8,287,088	\$ 5,745,082	\$ 2,542,006	\$ -			
Bond mutual funds	645,728	645,728	-	-			
Total investments with maturities	\$ 8,932,816	\$ 6,390,810	\$ 2,542,006	\$ -			

Equity securities classified in Level 1 are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Negotiable certificates of deposit and mutual funds classified in Level 2 are valued using matrix pricing based on the securities' relationship to benchmark quoted prices.

The State Treasurer's investment pool (MMDT) is valued at amortized cost. The MMDT's investment advisor may value the pool using an alternative valuation method that more accurately reflects the fair value in accordance with the pools fair value pricing policies should amortized

cost not approximate the fair value of the pool. There are no restrictions or limits on withdrawals from the pool and no direct fees are charged to participants.

The Town's investment in PRIT are shown at net asset value (NAV) and are administered by the Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (PRIM). Investments at NAV are commonly calculated by subtracting the fair value of liabilities from the fair value of the assets.

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u> – The Town does not have formal investment policies that limit investment maturities as a way of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates.

		Maturities in Years					
Investments	Fair value	Less than 1	1 - 5	6 - 10			
Negotiable certificates of deposit	\$ 8,287,088	\$ 5,745,082	\$ 2,542,006	\$	-		
Bond mutual funds	645,728	645,728					
Total investments with maturities	\$ 8,932,816	\$ 6,390,810	\$ 2,542,006	\$	-		

At June 30, 2021, the Town had the following investments with maturities:

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> – The Town has a formal policy for trust funds that limits to 5% (except U.S. government obligations) the amount it may invest in an individual issuer or a company. The policy for the Town's general investments is not specific.

<u>Credit Risk</u> – The Town's formal policy on credit risk requires that investments in corporate bonds must be rated A or higher by Moody's or Standard and Poor's. Town's investments in negotiable certificates of deposit and bond mutual funds are not rated.

#### **B.** Receivables

Receivables as of year-end for the Town's individual major and non-major governmental funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	Gross Amount		Allowance for Uncollectibles		Net Amount	
Receivables:						
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$	465,114	\$	-	\$	465,114
Community preservation surcharges		10,765		-		10,765
Excise		272,190		-		272,190
Tax liens and deferrals		342,633		-		342,633
Ambulance fees		49,498		-		49,498
Public safety detail fees		103,760		-		103,760
Departmental and other		8,044		-		8,044
Intergovernmental		1,402,491		-		1,402,491
Total	\$	2,654,495	\$	-	\$	2,654,495

Receivables as of year-end for Town's proprietary funds are as follows:

	Gross		Allowance for		Net	
	Amount		Uncollectibles		Amount	
Receivables:						
Water - user fees	\$	668,158	\$	-	\$	668,158
Total	\$	668,158	\$	-	\$	668,158

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Governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. The following identifies the components of deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds:

	Other					
	(	General	Governmental			
		Fund	Funds			Total
Receivable and other asset type:						
Real estate and personal property taxes	\$	340,890	\$	-	\$	340,890
Community preservation surcharges		-		10,765		10,765
Tax liens and deferrals		342,633		-		342,633
Excise		272,190		-		272,190
Ambulance fees		-		49,498		49,498
Public safety detail fees		-		103,760		103,760
Departmental and other		5,044		3,000		8,044
Tax foreclosures		31,150		-		31,150
Total	\$	991,907	\$	167,023	\$	1,158,930

## C. Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, are as follows:

	Transfers In								_
		School Building		Nonmajor					
	General	eral Capital Project		Go	vernmental				
Transfers Out	Fund	Fund Fund Funds T		Fund		Total	_		
General Fund	\$ -		\$	828,945	\$	1,197	\$	830,142	(1)
Hanscom School Fund	71,000			-		-		71,000	(2)
Nonmajor Governmental Funds	36,092			325,000		289,000		650,092	(3)
Water Enterprise Fund	60,000			-		-		60,000	(4)
Total	\$ 167,092		\$	1,153,945	\$	290,197	\$	1,611,234	

(1) Transfers for school building and other capital outlays.

(2) Transfers to general fund to supplement operating budgets.

(3) Transfers to general fund to supplement operating budgets, transfers for school buildings and transfers between nonmajor governmental funds for conservation and education purposes.

(4) Transfers to general fund for indirect costs.

# D. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:	Buluite		Deereuses	Bulune
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 40,055,313	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,055,313
Construction in process	15,139,176	44,367,643		59,506,819
Total capital assets not being depreciated	55,194,489	44,367,643		99,562,132
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	22,834,761	962,813	-	23,797,574
Infrastructure	19,862,711	87,856	-	19,950,567
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	9,178,392	351,333	-	9,529,725
Total capital assets being depreciated	51,875,864	1,402,002		53,277,866
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(10,790,569)	(774,802)	-	(11,565,371)
Infrastructure	(13,470,294)	(321,807)	-	(13,792,101)
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	(7,109,916)	(482,793)	-	(7,592,709)
Total accumulated depreciation	(31,370,779)	(1,579,402)		(32,950,181)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	20,505,085	(177,400)		20,327,685
Total governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 75,699,574	\$ 44,190,243	\$ -	\$ 119,889,817
Business-type Activities: Water				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 3,210,787	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,210,787
Construction in process	494,852	869,262		1,364,114
Total capital assets not being depreciated	3,705,639	869,262	-	4,574,901
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Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	165,570	-	-	165,570
Infrastructure	8,363,431	-	-	8,363,431
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	1,077,194	32,000		1,109,194
Total capital assets being depreciated	9,606,195	32,000		9,638,195
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(103,997)	(7,970)	-	(111,967)
Infrastructure	(4,676,564)	(149,349)	-	(4,825,913)
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	(991,787)	(25,965)		(1,017,752)
Total accumulated depreciation	(5,772,348)	(183,284)		(5,955,632)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	3,833,847	(151,284)		3,682,563
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 7,539,486	\$ 717,978	\$ -	\$ 8,257,464

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs as follows:

Governmental Activities:		<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>	
General government	\$ 257,449	Water	\$ 183,284
Health and human services	105,038		\$ 183,284
Culture and recreation	267,715		
Education	150,692		
Public Safety	366,313		
Public Works	432,195		
	\$ 1,579,402		

#### F. Temporary Debt

The Town is authorized to borrow on a temporary basis to fund the following:

<u>*Current Operating Costs*</u> – Prior to the collection of revenues, expenditures may be financed through the issuance of revenue (RANS) or tax anticipation notes (TANS).

<u>Capital Projects and Other Approved Costs</u> – Projects may be temporarily funded through the issuance of bond anticipation notes (BANS) or grant anticipation notes (GANS). In certain cases, prior to the issuance of these temporary notes, the governing body must take the necessary legal steps to authorize the issuance of the general obligation bonds. Temporary notes may not exceed the aggregate amount of bonds authorized or the grant award amount.

Temporary notes are general obligations of the Town and carry maturity dates that are limited by state law. Interest expenditures and expenses for temporary debt are accounted for in the general fund and enterprise funds, respectively.

Temporary notes outstanding at June 30, 2021, are payable as follows:

Type	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Maturity Date	Beginning Balance	Addi	tions	<u>Retirements</u>	Ending <u>Balance</u>
BAN	2.00%	Matured	\$ 1,010,000	\$	-	\$ (1,010,000)	\$ -
Total Ter	nporary Note	es Payable	\$ 1,010,000	\$	-	\$ (1,010,000)	\$ -

BAN activity during the fiscal year was for various water enterprise projects.

#### G. Long-Term Obligations

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 80,530,000	\$ 3,900,000	\$ (5,865,000)	\$ 78,565,000	\$ 1,710,000
Unamortized bond premium	3,478,425	329,771	(213,881)	3,594,315	257,602
Compensated absences	518,819	420,818	(311,291)	628,346	157,087
Net pension liability	27,767,333	4,416,700	(5,706,470)	26,477,563	-
Net other postemployment benefits liability	22,543,043	5,633,466	(6,883,016)	21,293,493	-
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	\$ 134,837,620	\$ 14,700,755	\$ (18,979,658)	\$ 130,558,717	\$ 2,124,689
Business-type Activities: Water					
General obligation bonds	\$ -	\$ 1,990,000	\$ -	\$ 1,990,000	\$ 210,000
Unamortized bond premium	22,441	257,000	(23,619)	255,822	54,922
Notes from direct borrowings and placements	775,000	-	(250,000)	525,000	260,000
Compensated absences	25,389	2,747	(8,378)	19,758	4,940
Net other postemployment benefits liability	86,741	21,676	(26,484)	81,933	-
Total Business-type Activities: Water	\$ 909,571	\$ 2,271,423	\$ (308,481)	\$ 2,872,513	\$ 529,862

The following reflects the current year activity in the Town's long-term liability accounts:

The governmental activities will be liquidated by the general fund. The business-type activities liabilities will be liquidated by the water enterprise fund.

#### H. Long–Term Debt

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

State law permits the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 10, to authorize indebtedness up to a limit of 5% of its equalized valuation. Debt issued in accordance with this section of the law is designated as being "inside the debt limit." In addition, the Town may authorize debt in excess of that limit for specific purposes. Such debt, when issued, is designated as being "outside the debt limit".

The following is a summary of outstanding long-term debt obligations as of June 30, 2021:

Description of Issue	Interest Rate	Beginning Balance	Issuances	Maturities	Ending Balance
<u>Governmental Activities:</u> General Obligation Bonds Refunding Bonds Total General Obligation Bonds Add: Unamortized bond premium	2.08 - 3.84% 1.00 - 4.00%	\$ 80,530,000 80,530,000 3,478,425	\$ - 3,900,000 3,900,000 329,771	\$ (5,865,000) (5,865,000) (213,881)	\$ 74,665,000 3,900,000 78,565,000 3,594,315
Total General Obligation Bonds, net Total Governmental Activities debt		84,008,425 \$ 84,008,425	4,229,771 \$ 4,229,771	(6,078,881) \$ (6,078,881)	82,159,315 \$ 82,159,315
<u>Business-Type Activities - Water</u> General Obligation Bonds Total General Obligation Bonds Add: Unamortized bond premium Total General Obligation Bonds, net	4.00%	\$ - 22,441 22,441	\$ 1,990,000 1,990,000 257,000 2,247,000	\$ (23,619) (23,619)	\$ 1,990,000 1,990,000 255,822 2,245,822
Massachusetts Water Resource Authority Total notes from direct borrowings and placemer Total Business-type Activities - Water debt	5.00%	775,000 775,000 \$ 797,441	\$ 2,247,000	(250,000) (250,000) \$ (273,619)	525,000 525,000 \$ 2,770,822

Payments on long-term debt due in future years consist of the following:

<u>Authorized and Unissued Debt</u> - At June 30, 2021, the Town had authorized and unissued debt of \$8,500,000 for Lincoln School construction.

<u>*Current Refunding*</u> – On March 4, 2021, the Town issued general obligation refunding bonds of \$3,900,000, paying interest at rates of 1% - 4% per annum. The proceeds, along with \$329,771 of premiums and \$81,313 of available funds, were used to retire \$4,135,000 of callable general obligation bonds. As a result of the current refunding, the Town reduced its total debt service requirements by \$1,278,600, which resulted in an economic gain (difference between the present value of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$1,126,375.

Payments on long-term debt due in future years consist of the following:

Year Ending June 30         General Obligation Bonds Principal         and Placements           Governmental Activities         Principal         Interest           2022         \$ 1,710,000         \$ 3,006,641         \$ -         \$ -           2023         1,800,000         2,907,660         -         -           2024         1,875,000         2,819,810         -         -           2025         1,955,000         2,728,210         -         -           2026         2,045,000         2,632,610         -         -           2027-2031         11,545,000         11,623,650         -         -           2032-2036         13,380,000         9,222,513         -         -           2042-2046         17,085,000         4,380,802         -         -           2047-2049         11,910,000         965,200         -         -           Total         \$ 78,565,000         \$ 47,329,736         \$ -         \$ -           Business-Type Activities: Water         -         -         -           2022         \$ 210,000         \$ 75,400         \$ 260,000         \$ 19,750           2023         205,000         67,100         265,000         -         -						Direct Bo			
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Business-Type Activities: Water           2022         \$ 210,000         \$ 75,400         \$ 260,000         \$ 19,750           2023         205,000         67,100         265,000         6,625           2024         215,000         58,700         -         -           2025         225,000         49,900         -         -           2026         230,000         40,800         -         -           2027-2031         905,000         90,900         -         -	2047-2049		11,910,000		965,200		-		-
2022       \$ 210,000       \$ 75,400       \$ 260,000       \$ 19,750         2023       205,000       67,100       265,000       6,625         2024       215,000       58,700       -       -         2025       225,000       49,900       -       -         2026       230,000       40,800       -       -         2027-2031       905,000       90,900       -       -	Total	\$	78,565,000	\$	47,329,736	\$	-	\$	-
2022       \$ 210,000       \$ 75,400       \$ 260,000       \$ 19,750         2023       205,000       67,100       265,000       6,625         2024       215,000       58,700       -       -         2025       225,000       49,900       -       -         2026       230,000       40,800       -       -         2027-2031       905,000       90,900       -       -									
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2025       225,000       49,900       -       -         2026       230,000       40,800       -       -         2027-2031       905,000       90,900       -       -	2023		205,000		67,100		265,000		
2025       225,000       49,900       -       -         2026       230,000       40,800       -       -         2027-2031       905,000       90,900       -       -	2024		215,000		58,700		-		-
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	2027-2031		<i>,</i>				-		-
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#### III. Other Information

#### A. Retirement System

<u>Plan Description</u> – The Town contributes to the Middlesex County Regional Retirement System (the System), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Chapter 32 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) and administered by the Middlesex Regional Retirement Board. Stand-alone audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2020 were issued and may be obtained by writing to the Middlesex County Regional Retirement System, 25 Linnell Circle, Billerica, Massachusetts 01865. <u>Membership</u> – Membership in the System as of December 31, 2019, was as follows:

Retired participants and beneficiaries	
receiving benefits	5,862
Inactive participants entitled to a return of	
their employee contributions	3,082
Active members	9,282
Inactive participants with a vested right	
to a deferred or immediate benefit	381
Total	18,607

<u>Benefit Terms</u> – The System provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Chapter 32 of the MGL assigns authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the plan. Cost-of-living adjustments granted between 1981 and 1997 and any increase in other benefits imposed by the Commonwealth's state law during those years are borne by the Commonwealth and are deposited into the pension fund directly. Cost-of-living adjustments granted after 1997 must be approved by the Board and are borne by the System.

Membership in the System is mandatory for all full-time employees and non-seasonal, part-time employees who, in general, regularly work more than twenty hours per week. Members of the System do not participate in the Federal Social Security retirement system.

Massachusetts contributory retirement system benefits are uniform from retirement system to retirement system. The System provides for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a participant's highest three-year or five-year average annual rate of regular compensation, depending on the participant's date of hire. Benefit payments are based upon a participant's age, length of creditable service, level of compensation and job classification.

<u>Contributions Requirements</u> – The System has elected provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22D (as amended) of Massachusetts General Laws, which require that a funding schedule be established to fully fund the pension plan by June 30, 2040. Under provisions of this law, participating employers are assessed their share of the total retirement cost based on the entry age, normal actuarial cost method.

The Town contributed \$247,338 to the System in fiscal year 2021, which was the actuarially determined contribution requirement for the fiscal year. The Town's contributions as a percentage of covered payroll was approximately 33.6% in fiscal year 2021.

<u>Net Pension Liability</u> – At June 30, 2021, the Town reported a liability of \$3,240,627 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2020 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was

determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2020. These figures were updated by the independent actuary as of December 31, 2020. There were no material changes made in this update to the actuarial assumptions (see below) nor were there any material changes to the System's benefit terms since the actuarial valuation.

The Town's proportion of the net pension liability is based on a projection of the Town's longterm share of contributions to the System relative to the projected contributions of all employers. The Town's proportion was approximately 0.21% at December 31, 2020.

<u>Pension Expense</u> – The Town recognized \$374,736 in pension expense in the statement of activities in fiscal year 2021.

<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> – At June 30, 2021, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		Deferr	Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows	
		of F	of Resources		Resources	
Net differences between projected and						
actual earnings on pension plan investments		\$	-	\$	183,706	
Differences between expected and						
actual experience			59,270		3,835	
Changes of assumptions			123,707		-	
Changes in proportion and differences						
between District contributions and						
proportionate share of contributions			68,943		94,000	
	Total	\$	251,920	\$	281,541	

The deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are expected to be recognized in the Town's pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30,		
2022	\$	55,721
2023		(9,130)
2024		(42,763)
2025	_	(33,449)
Total	\$	(29,621)

<u>Discount Rate</u> – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.30%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed plan member contributions were made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

<u>Actuarial Valuation</u> – The measurement of the System's total pension liability is developed by an independent actuary. The latest actuarial valuation was performed as of January 1, 2020. The significant actuarial assumptions used in the January 1, 2020 actuarial valuation included:

Investment rate of return	Full prefunding: 7.3% per year, net of investment expenses
Discount Rate	7.30%
Inflation	3.25%
Salary Increases	Varies by length of service 4.00% group one, 4.25% group two, and 4.50% group four
Cost of Living Adjustment	3% of first \$16,000 of retirment income
Pre-Retirement Mortality	RP-2014 Blue Collar with Scale MP-2017 (projected generationally)
Post-Retirement Mortality	RP-2014 Blue Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortaility with Scale MP-2017 (projected generationally)
Disabled Mortality	RP-2014 Blue Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortaility with Scale MP-2017; set forward one year (projected generationally)

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 real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocations and best estimates of arithmetic real returns for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

	Target	Long-Term Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Domestic equity	22.00%	6.28%
International developed markets equity	12.00%	7.00%
International emerging markets equity	5.00%	8.82%
Core fixed income	15.00%	0.38%
High-yield fixed income	8.00%	2.97%
Real estate	10.00%	3.50%
Timber	4.00%	3.45%
Hedge funds PCS	10.00%	2.35%
Private equity	14.00%	10.11%
Total	100.00%	

<u>Sensitivity Analysis</u> – The following presents the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.30% as well as the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.30%) or one percentage point higher (8.30%) than the current rate:

	Current rate	Decrease 1%	Current	Increase 1%
Net pension liability	7.30%	\$ 32,993,895	\$ 26,477,563	\$ 20,995,247

#### B. Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System

Teachers and certain administrative employees of the School Department participate in the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System ("MTRS"), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. The MTRS is managed by the Commonwealth on behalf of municipal teachers and municipal teacher retirees. Like the System, MTRS was established under Chapter 32 of Massachusetts General Laws. The Commonwealth's legislature has the authority to amend or modify the MTRS's funding policies.

The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor to the MTRS and is legally responsible by statute for all actuarially determined employer contributions and future benefit requirements of the MTRS. Therefore, the Town is considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Commonwealth contributed \$3,258,152 to the MTRS on behalf of the Town. The Town's proportionate share of the collective MTRS net pension liability at this reporting date was 0.209739%, which was based on the actual, actuarially determined contribution made by the Commonwealth on behalf of the Town as a percentage of the total annual contribution made by the Commonwealth on behalf of all employers.

The table below presents the Town's proportionate share of the following:

	Commonwealth	Paid (or assumed) On Behalf	Town
	Portion	of the Town	Portion
Net pension liability	\$ 59,869,615	\$ (59,869,615)	\$ —
Pension expense	7,394,755	(7,394,755)	

In addition to pension expense reported as previously discussed, the Town has recognized intergovernmental revenue and pension expense of \$7,394,755 associated with this arrangement.

#### C. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

In addition to the pension benefits previously described, the Town provides health and life insurance benefits (other postemployment benefits, or OPEB) to current and future retirees, their dependents and beneficiaries in accordance with Massachusetts General Law ("MGL") Chapter 32B Section 20 (hereinafter referred to as the "OPEB Plans").

The Town operate OPEB Plans, while all benefits are provided through the Town's insurance program. Specific benefit provisions and contribution rates are established by collective bargaining agreements, state law and Town ordinance. The OPEB Plan does not require a standalone financial report since there are no assets legally segregated for the sole purpose of paying benefits under the OPEB Plans.

OPEB Plan disclosures that impact the net OPEB liability using a measurement date of June 30, 2021, are summarized as follows:

*Employees Covered by Benefit Terms* – The following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Active employees	313
Inactive employees or	
benefiiaries currently	
receiving benefits	240
Total	553

<u>Contributions</u> – The contribution requirements of OPEB Plan members and the Town are established and may be amended by the Town. Retirees contribute 50% of premiums for medical plans and the group term life insurance plan. The remainder of the cost is funded by general revenues of the Town. The Town currently contributes enough money to the Plan to satisfy current obligations on a pay-as-you-go basis and annually anticipates contributing additional funding above that amount into the OPEB Trust Fund. The costs of administering the OPEB Plan are paid by the Town. For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Town's average contribution rate was approximately 10.3% of covered payroll.

<u>Net OPEB Liability</u> – The Town's net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, using an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2019. The components of the net OPEB liability are as follows:

Total OPEB Liability Plan fiduciary net position	\$ 35,861,816 (14,486,390)
Net OPEB liability	\$ 21,375,426
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total	
OPEB liability	40.4%

The total OPEB liability in the most recent actuarial valuations was determined using the following key actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Investment rate of return	6.77%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.
Muncipal bond rate	2.18% as of June 30, 2021
Discount Rate	6.77%, net of OPEB plan investment expense including inflation.
Inflation	2.50% annually as of July 1, 2019 and for future periods
Health Care Trend Rate	4.50%
Salary Increases	3.00% annually as of July 1, 2019 and for future periods
Cost of Living Adjustment	Not applicable.
Pre-Retirement Mortality	General: RP-2014 Mortality Table for Blue Collar Employees projected generationally with scale MP-2016 for males and females Teachers: RP-2014 Mortality Table for White Collar Employees projected generationally with scale MP-2016 for males and females
Post-Retirement Mortality	General: RP-2014 Mortality Table for Bue Collar Healthy Annuitants projected generationally with scale MP-2016 for males and females Teachers: RP-2014 Mortality Table for White Collar Healthy Annuitants projected generationally with scale MP-2016 for males and females
Disabled Mortality	General: RP-2014 Mortality Table for Blue Collar Healthy Annuitants projected generationally with scale MP-2016 for males and females, set forward 1 year Teachers: RP-2014 Mortality Table for White Collar Healthy Annuitants projected generationally with scale MP-2016 for males and females
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age Normal

<u>Discount Rate</u> – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 6.77%. This was reduced from the amount used in the prior year of 7.00% and reflects the Town's estimate of investment return.

<u>Long Term Expected Rate of Return</u> – The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB Plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB Plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class.

These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return were as reflected in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Expected Investment Rate of Return
Domestic Equity - Large Cap	14.50%	4.90%
Domestic Equity - Small/Mid Cap	3.50%	5.40%
International Equity - Developed Market	16.00%	5.32%
International Equity - Emerging Market	6.00%	6.26%
Domestic Fixed Income	20.00%	1.40%
International Fixed Income	3.00%	1.30%
Alternatives	23.00%	6.32%
Real Estate	14.00%	6.25%
	100.00%	
Real rate of return		4.77%
Inflation assumption		2.50%
Total nominal rate of return		7.27%
Investment expense		-0.50%
Net investment return		6.77%

<u>Sensitivity Analyses</u> – The following presents the Town's net OPEB liability as well as what the Town's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current discount rate as well as if the healthcare cost trend rates are 1% lower or higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

		Discount Rate				
	Current Rate	1% Decrease At Current Rate 1% Increase				
Net OPEB liability	6.77%	\$ 26,053,718	\$ 21,375,426		\$	17,512,447
			Healt	h Care Trend I	Rate	
Net OPEB liability	4.50%	\$ 17,066,783	\$	21,375,426	\$	26,652,531

<u>Changes in the Net OPEB Liability</u> – The following table summarizes the changes in the net OPEB liability for the year ended June 30, 2021:

	Total OPEB Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)		Net OPEB Liability (a) - (b)	
Balances at June 30, 2020	\$ 33,170,195	\$	10,540,411	\$	22,629,784
Changes for the year:					
Service cost	834,538		-		834,538
Interest	2,326,331		-		2,326,331
Change in assumptions	1,100,167		-		1,100,167
Net investment income	-		3,155,979		(3,155,979)
Employer contributions	-		2,359,415		(2,359,415)
Benefit payments withdrawn from trust	(1,569,415)		(1,569,415)		
Net changes	2,691,621		3,945,979		(1,254,358)
Balances at June 30, 2021	\$ 35,861,816	\$	14,486,390	\$	21,375,426

<u>OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB</u> – For the year
ended June 30, 2021, the Town recognized OPEB expense of approximately \$2.4 million.
Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB were reported
as follows:

	Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows	
	of Resources		of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual earnings	\$	328,727	\$	1,992,798
Changes of assumptions		2,961,225		-
Differences between actual and expected experience	41,025			1,539,899
	\$ 3,330,977		\$	3,532,697

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

June 30	
2022	\$ (96,816)
2023	(41,702)
2024	(77,000)
2025	(175,115)
2026	185,253
thereafter	 3,660
	\$ (201,720)

<u>Investment Custody</u> – In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, the Town Treasurer is the custodian of the OPEB Plan and since the Town has not designated a Board of Trustees, the Town Treasurer is also the Trustee and as such is responsible for the general supervision of the management, investment and reinvestment of the OPEB Plan assets. OPEB Plan assets may be invested and reinvested by the custodian consistent with the prudent investor rule established in Chapter 203C and may, with the approval of the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund Board of Trustees, be invested in the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in Section 24 of Chapter 32A. OPEB Plan assets must be segregated from other funds and not be subject to the claims of any general creditor of the Town.

<u>Investment Policy</u> – The OPEB Plan follows the same investment policies that apply to all other Town Trust funds. Notably it can be invested in accordance with State Statutes that govern Trust investments including PRIM which is an external investment pool managed by the State.

<u>Investment Rate of Return</u> – For the year ended June 30, 2021, the annual money-weighted rate of return on investments, net of investment expense, was 29.35%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

#### D. Risk Financing

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. The amount of claim settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the previous three years.

The Town participates in a health insurance risk pool administered by the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association, Inc. (MIIA). MIAA offers a variety of premium based health plans to its members with each participating governmental unit charged a premium for coverage based on rates established by the MIIA.

#### E. Commitments and Contingencies

The Town is party to certain legal claims, which are subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual litigation matters is not always predictable with assurance. Although the amount of liability, if any, at June 30, 2021, cannot be ascertained, management believes that any resulting liability, if any, should not materially affect the basic financial statements of the Town at June 30, 2021.

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

The Town is subject to certain Federal arbitrage laws in accordance with long-term borrowing agreements. Failure to comply with the rules could result in the payment of penalties. The amount of penalties, if any, cannot be determined at this time, although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

#### F. Implementation of GASB Pronouncements

#### Current Year Implementations -

In January 2017, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. The objective of the Statement was to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how these activities should be reported. The provisions of this Statement became effective for the Town in fiscal year 2021. In connection with the adoption of this accounting standard, certain previously reported agency balances are now reported in the governmental funds and government-wide financial statements. See Note IV for the impact on the Town's financial statements.

In August 2018, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 90, *Majority Equity Interest – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61*. The objective of this Statement was to improve the consistency and comparability of reporting a government's majority equity interest in a legally separate organization and to improve the relevance of financial statement information for certain component units. The provisions of this Statement became effective for the Town in fiscal year 2021. The adoption of this standard did not have an impact on the Town's financial statements.

In March 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. In addition to accounting and financial reporting implications that result from the replacement of an interbank offered rate (which become effective in fiscal year 2022), this Statement eliminated the use of LIBOR as an appropriate benchmark interest rate for derivative instruments that hedge interest rate risk of taxable debt for reporting periods effective fiscal year 2021. The adoption of this standard did not have an impact on the Town's financial statements.

#### Future Implementations -

In June 2017, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. This Statement redefines the manner in which long-term leases are accounted and reported. As amended, the provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021 (fiscal year 2022). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In June 2018, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred Before the End of a Construction Period*. This statement establishes accounting requirements for interest costs incurred before the end of a construction period. As amended, the provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2020 (fiscal year 2022). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In May 2019, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The objective of this Statement is to standardize the reporting of conduit debt obligations by issuers by clarifying the existing definition of conduit debt obligation, among other matters. As amended, the provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021 (fiscal year 2023). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In March 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. The objective of this Statement is to address accounting and financial reporting implications that result from the replacement of an interbank offered rate. The reporting provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2020 (fiscal year 2022). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In March 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. The objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022 (fiscal year 2023). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. The objective of this Statement is to address accounting for subscription-based information technology arrangements to government end users based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, as amended. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2022 (fiscal year 2023). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

In June 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 97, *Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 84, and a Supersession of GASB Statement No. 32.* The objective of this Statement is to (1) increase consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units in circumstances in which a potential component unit does not have a governing board and the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution OPEB plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans) as fiduciary component units in fiduciary fund financial statements; and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 deferred compensation plans that meet the definition of a pension plan and for benefits provided through those plans. The provisions of this Statement are effective for financial reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021 (fiscal year 2022). The Town is currently evaluating whether adoption will have a material impact on the financial statements.

#### IV. Prior Period Restatement

The adoption of GASB Statement No. 84 required certain accounts previously reported as agency accounts in the Statement of Fiduciary Activities to be reclassified into nonmajor governmental funds. Also, the Town reported an adjustment to its unbilled water enterprise fund receivables.

The impact is illustrated in the table below:

	Governmental	Business-type	
	Activities	Activities	Water
Prior year as presented	\$ 47,073,286	\$ 7,135,058	\$ 7,135,058
Restate agency funds	(190,875)	-	-
Restate unbilled receivable		557,910	557,910
As restated	\$ 46,882,411	\$ 7,692,968	\$ 7,692,968
	Nonmajor		
	Governmental		
Prior year as presented	\$ 7,120,918		
Restate agency funds	(190,875)		
As restated	\$ 6,930,043		

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PENSIONS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

#### SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY

(dollar amounts are in thousands)

	Year Ended June 30,						
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Town's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	1.73%	1.74%	1.78%	1.75%	1.80%	1.83%	1.81%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 26,477,563	\$ 27,767,333	\$ 27,722,484	\$ 24,841,810	\$ 25,563,964	\$ 23,666,611	\$ 21,739,395
Town's covered payroll	\$ 11,002,408	\$ 10,549,034	\$ 10,130,693	\$ 9,736,776	\$ 9,468,363	\$ 9,595,007	\$ 9,225,968
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	240.7%	263.2%	273.6%	255.1%	270.0%	246.7%	235.6%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	53.4%	49.5%	46.4%	49.3%	45.5%	46.1%	47.7%
SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO PENSION PLAN							

(dollar amounts are in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 2,434,008	\$ 2,274,023	\$ 2,148,246	\$ 2,015,466	\$ 1,922,136	\$ 1,802,909	\$ 1,622,193
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	2,434,721	2,274,023	2,153,104	2,015,466	1,922,136	1,802,909	1,622,193
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ (713)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (4,858)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Town's covered payroll	\$ 11,002,408	\$ 10,549,034	\$ 10,130,693	\$ 9,736,776	\$ 9,468,363	\$ 9,595,007	\$ 9,225,968
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	22.1%	21.6%	21.3%	20.7%	20.3%	18.8%	17.6%

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for ten years. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years in which information is available.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PENSIONS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

#### SCHEDULE OF THE COMMONWEALTH'S COLLECTIVE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY MASSACHUSETTS TEACHER'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM

(dollar amounts are in thousands)

	Year Ended June 30,						
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	
Commonwealth's proportion of the collective net pension liability (asset)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
Town's proportion of the collective net pension liability (asset)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Commonwealth's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$28,544,844	\$25,214,020	\$23,711,289	\$22,885,391	\$22,357,928	\$20,489,643	
Commonwealth's actuarially determined contribution	\$1,553,433	\$1,443,710	\$1,314,783	\$1,235,515	\$1,124,583	\$1,021,930	

Contributions to MTRS are the responsibility of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for ten years. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years in which information is available.

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# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - UNAUDITED YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS							
	LAST 10 FISC.	AL YEARS	June 30				
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017		
Total OPEB liability:							
Service cost	\$ 834,538	\$ 793,183	\$ 930,633	\$ 877,083	\$ 1,664,991		
Interest	2,326,331	2,171,593	2,068,064	1,951,373	2,429,044		
Change in benefit terms	-	-	-	(9,924,742)	-		
Difference between expected and actual plan experience	-	(2,306,015)	-	(12,519,029)	(263,639)		
Change in assumptions	1,100,167	3,060,629	-	(12,658,695)	5,068,773		
Benefit payments	(1,569,415)	(1,531,623)	(1,237,865)	(1,186,642)	(1,487,353)		
Net change in total OPEB liability	2,691,621	2,187,767	1,760,832	(33,460,652)	7,411,816		
Total OPEB liability - beginning of year	33,170,195	30,982,428	29,221,596	62,682,248	55,270,432		
Total OPEB liability - end of year (a)	\$ 35,861,816	\$ 33,170,195	\$ 30,982,428	\$ 29,221,596	\$ 62,682,248		
Plan fiduciary net position:							
Contributions - employer	\$ 2,359,415	\$ 2,421,623	\$ 2,517,865	\$ 2,066,642	\$ 2,367,353		
Net investment income	3,155,979	202,404	498,271	631,220	655,540		
Benefit payments	(1,569,415)	(1,531,623)	(1,237,865)	(1,186,642)	(1,487,353)		
Administrative expenses	-	-	-	-	-		
Other	-	-	-	-	-		
Net change in Plan fiduciary net position	3,945,979	1,092,404	1,778,271	1,511,220	1,535,540		
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning of year	10,540,411	9,448,007	7,669,736	6,158,516	4,622,976		
Plan fiduciary net position - end of year (b)	\$ 14,486,390	\$ 10,540,411	\$ 9,448,007	\$ 7,669,736	\$ 6,158,516		
Net OPEB liability - end of year (a) - (b)	\$ 21,375,426	\$ 22,629,784	\$ 21,534,421	\$ 21,551,860	\$ 56,523,732		
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total							
OPEB liability	40.40%	31.78%	30.49%	26.25%	9.82%		
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 22,950,092	\$ 22,281,643	\$ 22,466,191	\$ 26,015,853	\$ 21,176,540		
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-							
employee payroll	93.14%	101.56%	95.85%	82.84%	266.92%		

Note: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years in which information is available.

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#### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - UNAUDITED YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	SCHEDULE	OF CONTRIBUTI	ONS		
	LAST 1	10 FISCAL YEARS			
	2021	2020	June 30	2010	2017
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Actuarially-determined contribution Contributions in relation to the actuarially-	\$ 1,975,787	\$ 2,497,532	\$ 2,552,485	\$ 5,134,134	\$ 1,715,840
determined contribution	(2,359,415)	(2,421,623)	(2,517,865)	(2,066,642)	(2,367,353)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (383,628)	\$ 75,909	\$ 34,620	\$ 3,067,492	\$ (651,513)
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 22,950,092	\$ 22,281,643	\$ 22,466,191	\$ 26,015,853	\$ 21,176,540
Contribution as a percentage of covered- employee payroll	10.3%	10.9%	11.2%	7.9%	11.2%
Valuation Date	July 1, 2019				
Amortization Period	30 years				
Investment rate of return	6.77%				
Municipal Bond Rate	2.18%				
Single Equivalent Discount Rate	6.75%				
Inflation	2.50%				
Healthcare cost trend rates	4.50%				
Salary increases	3.00%				
Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry	Age Normal			
Asset Valuation Method	Market Value of	Assets as of Reporting	g Date		
		F INVESTMENT RI 10 FISCAL YEARS			
			June 30		
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	29.35%	2.08%	5.94%	9.58%	12.95%

Note: These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years in which information is available.

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#### SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Budgeted	Amounts	Actual		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final	Budgetary		Budgetary	Postive
	Budget	Budget	Amounts	Encumbrances	Adjusted	(Negative)
Revenues						
Real estate and personal property taxes, net	\$ 34,637,485	\$ 34,637,485	\$ 34,813,512	\$ -	\$ 34,813,512	\$ 176,027
Intergovernmental	1,906,660	1,906,660	3,588,346	-	3,588,346	1,681,686
Motor vehicle and other excises	228,340	228,340	1,068,506	-	1,068,506	840,166
Departmental and other revenue	516,732	516,732	980,951	-	980,951	464,219
Licenses and permits	84,957	84,957	369,003	-	369,003	284,046
Penalities and interest on taxes	34,279	34,279	104,937	-	104,937	70,658
Fines and forfeitures	26,215	26,215	15,394	-	15,394	(10,821)
Investment income	5,573	5,573	49,973		49,973	44,400
Total Revenues	37,440,241	37,440,241	40,990,622		40,990,622	3,550,381
Expenditures						
General government	4,244,951	3,888,122	2,893,994	340,046	3,234,040	654,082
Public safety	4,563,298	4,587,829	4,492,225	70,534	4,562,759	25,070
Education	17,987,366	17,915,491	15,911,571	1,471,134	17,382,705	532,786
Public works	2,260,624	2,463,513	2,101,126	278,184	2,379,310	84,203
Health and human services	292,273	392,273	362,908	2,000	364,908	27,365
Culture and recreation	1,840,454	1,839,330	1,561,881	25,926	1,587,807	251,523
Pensions and fringe benefits	7,388,505	7,453,505	6,298,910	36,341	6,335,251	1,118,254
State and county tax assessments	185,126	185,126	161,734	-	161,734	23,392
Debt service	4,393,888	4,393,888	4,368,887		4,368,887	25,001
Total Expenditures	43,156,485	43,119,077	38,153,236	\$ 2,224,165	40,377,401	2,741,676
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Premiums on bonds and notes	-	-	6,590		6,590	6,590
Transfers in	167,092	167,092	167,092		167,092	-
Transfers out	(1,199,959)	(1,201,156)	(1,363,661)		(1,363,661)	(162,505)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(1,032,867)	(1,034,064)	(1,189,979)		(1,189,979)	(155,915)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing						
Sources Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses						
Of Prior Year Budgetary Fund Balance	(6,749,111)	(6,712,900)	\$ 1,647,407		\$ (576,758)	\$ 6,136,142
Other Budgetary Items						
Use of free cash (unassigned fund balance)	4,727,676	4,727,676				
Prior year encumbrances	2,021,435	2,021,435				
Other items	-	(36,211)				
	\$-	\$-				

See notes to the required supplementary information of this schedule.

# NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

#### I. Budgetary Basis of Accounting

<u>Budgetary Information</u> – An annual budget is legally adopted for the General Fund. Financial orders are initiated by department heads, recommended by the Town Administrator and approved by the Board of Selectmen. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the department level. Department heads may transfer, without Town Meeting approval, appropriation balances from one expenditure account to another within their department or budget. Town Meeting, however, must approve any transfer of unencumbered appropriation balances between departments. At the close of each fiscal year, unencumbered appropriation balances lapse or reverts to unassigned fund balance.

The Town adopts an annual budget for the general fund in conformity with the guidelines described above. During fiscal year 2021, Town Meeting approved subsequent changes between appropriations that did not materially impact the total budget. The Town Accountant has the responsibility to ensure that budgetary control is maintained in the manner in which the appropriations were voted by Town Meeting. Budgetary control is exercised through the Town's accounting system.

<u>Budgetary-to-GAAP Reconciliation</u> – The Town's general fund is prepared on a basis of accounting other than GAAP. A reconciliation of the budgetary-basis to GAAP-basis results for the General Fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, is as follows:

	А	Basis of ccounting ifferences	Fund erspective ifferences	 Total
Revenues on a budgetary basis				\$ 40,990,622
Stabilization revenues	\$	-	\$ 36,030	36,030
60-day accrual		(348,012)	-	(348,012)
On-behalf pension payments		7,394,755	-	7,394,755
Revenues on a GAAP basis	\$	7,046,743	\$ 36,030	\$ 48,073,395
Expenditures on a budgetary basis				\$ 38,153,236
OPEB transfer	\$	-	\$ 350,000	350,000
Refunding transaction		88,181	-	88,181
On-behalf pension payments		7,394,755	-	7,394,755
Expenditures on a GAAP basis	\$	7,482,936	\$ 350,000	\$ 45,986,172
Net other financing sources (uses) on a budgetary basis				\$ (1,189,979)
Stabilization transfers	\$	-	\$ 183,519	183,519
OPEB transfer		-	350,000	350,000
Refunding transaction		88,181	-	88,181
Net other financing sources (uses) on a GAAP basis	\$	88,181	\$ 533,519	\$ (568,279)

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## TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS

FEDERAL AWARD REPORTS

PURSUANT TO THE

UNIFORM GUIDANCE

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

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 2, 2022.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

#### **Purpose of this Report**

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

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Roselli, Clark and Associates Certified Public Accountants Woburn, Massachusetts March 2, 2022



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts

#### **Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' compliance.

#### **Opinion on Each Major Federal Programs**

In our opinion, the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts' internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant efficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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

#### Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts's basic financial statements. We have issued our report thereon dated March 2, 2022, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements.

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The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Roselli, Clark & Associates Certified Public Accountants Woburn, Massachusetts March 25, 2022, except for our report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, for which the date is March 2, 2022

#### TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program Title	CFDA Number	Pass-Through Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures	
U.S. Department of Agriculture					
<b>Child Nutrition Cluster</b> Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education					
COVID-19 - National School Lunch Program National School Lunch Program: Cash Assistance	10.555 10.555	09-157 09-157	\$ - -	\$ 2,921 164,773	
Non-Cash Assistance (Commodities) Total National School Lunch Program			<u> </u>	<u>35,774</u> 203,468	
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				203,468	
<u>U.S. Department of the Treasurv</u> Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Executive Office for Administration and Finance					
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019	COVID19 157	-	329,407	
Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education					
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund Total COVID-19 - Coronavirus Relief Fund	21.019 21.019	102-390348-2021-0157 09-157	- 	133,875 1,330 464,612	
Total U.S. Department of the Treasury				464,612	
U.S. Department of Education					
Special Education Cluster (IDEA) Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education					
Special Education - Grants to States Special Education - Grants to States	84.027 84.027	240-390349-2021-0157 274-482824-2021-0157	-	315,483 7,320	
Special Education - Grants to States Special Education - Grants to States Total Special Education - Grants to States	84.027 84.027	240-291844-2020-0157 240-217682-2019-0157	- - -	8,069 8,000 338,872	
Special Education - Preschool Grants Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173 84.173	262-390350-2021-0157 298-482823-2021-0157	-	16,205 1,988	
Total Special Education - Preschool Grants				18,193	
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				357,065	

See notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

### TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Federal Grantor / Pass-Through Grantor / Program Title	CFDA Number	Pass-Through Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	305-390352-2021-0157	-	20,828
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Total Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	305-291846-2020-0157		9,080 29,908
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant	84.367	140-291843-2020-0157	-	11,411
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants	84.424	309-291847-2020-0157	-	10,000
COVID-19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425D	113-377523-2021-0157	<u> </u>	20,090
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u> </u>	428,474
<u>U.S. Election Assistance Commission</u> Passed through the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts				
COVID-19 - HAVA Election Security Grants	90.404	SCSEC192021RPOSTAGE1	<u> </u>	1,230
Total U.S. Election Assistance Commission			<u> </u>	1,230
U.S. Department of Homeland Security Direct Awards				
COVID-19 - Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program	97.044		-	6,902
Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Total Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program	97.044			755 7,657
Passed through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency				
Disaster Grants: Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared)	97.036	CTFEMA4496LINCN00121	-	81,113
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	FY21EMPG2000000LINCO	-	2,700
Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	FY20EMPG1900000LINCO		519
Total Emergency Management Performance Grants				3,219
Total U.S. Department of Homeland Security				91,989
TOTAL FEDERAL GRANT EXPENDITURES			\$ -	\$ 1,189,773
				(concluded)

See notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

#### TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

#### A. <u>Basis of Presentation</u>

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts (the Town) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2021. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Town, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Town.

#### B. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

Accounting policies and financial reporting practices permitted for municipalities in Massachusetts are prescribed by the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) promulgated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

The accompanying Schedule includes the federal grant transactions of the Town. Although some of these programs may be supplemented with state and other revenue, only federal activity is shown. Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance.

The Town has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

#### C. <u>U.S. Department of Agriculture Programs</u>

The Town receives non-cash commodities from the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a part of the National School Lunch program. The amounts reported as non-cash assistance represent the fair market value of these commodities received during the year.

The amounts reported as cash assistance represent federal reimbursements for meals provided.

#### D. U.S. Department of Homeland Security Programs

U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Disaster Grants – Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disaster) expenditures are recognized when the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) approves the Town's project worksheet (PW) and the Town has incurred the eligible expenditures. The amounts reported in the Schedule include expenditures incurred in prior fiscal years but awarded by FEMA in the current fiscal year.

### TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

## A. <u>Summary of Audit Results</u>

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weaknesses identified	No
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	No
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No
FEDERAL AWARDS	
Internal control over major programs: Material weaknesses identified Significant deficiencies identified not considered	No
to be material weaknesses	No
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200.516	No
IDENTIFICATION OF MAJOR PROGRAMS	
Name of Federal Program	CFDA Number(s)
COVID-19 – Coronavirus Relief Fund Disaster Grants: Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared)	21.019 97.036
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs	\$ 750,000
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?	No
Financial Statement Findings	
None	

## C. <u>Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs</u>

None

B.

REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES OVER COMPLIANCE APPLICABLE TO MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL DISTRICTS' END-OF-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

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## Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures Over Compliance Applicable to Massachusetts School Districts' End-of-Year Financial Report

To the Honorable School Committee Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts

We have performed the procedures specified in the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's (ESE) Compliance Supplement applicable to the Massachusetts School Districts to the End-of-Year Financial Report (EOYR) prepared by the Town of Lincoln, Massachusetts (the "Town") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The Town is responsible for the preparation of the EOYR.

The Town has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of assisting the Town and ESE in evaluating management's assertion that the Town has complied with the ESE requirements applicable to the preparation and filing of a Massachusetts School Districts' End-of-Year Financial Report. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. An agreed-upon procedures engagement involves the performance of specific procedures that the Town has agreed to and acknowledged to be appropriate for the intended purpose of the engagement and reporting on the findings based on the procedures performed.

The associated findings with regards to the procedures performed are as follows:

#### Schedule 1 – Revenue and Expenditure Summary

- *Compliance Item #4.* Trace the amounts reported for a sample of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's: a) functions (i.e. Teaching, Principal), b) state objects (i.e. Professional Salaries (01), Other Salaries (02), Expenditures (04-06)), c) Programs (i.e. Regular Day, Special Education, etc.), in Schedule 1 to the detail in the accounting ledgers or to the crosswalk, if applicable. These amounts should agree.
  - EOYR line 1442 [function 3200]; \$53,256 of other salaries object (03) were reported as object (02).

Corrective Action Taken: The End of Year Report has been amended.

#### **Schedule 3 – Instructional Expenditures**

- *Compliance Item #14.* For Schedule 3 expenditures (a) verify that the district's accounting system includes school location codes and trace the amounts reported by school location on the linked file to the accounting ledgers. These amounts should agree; (b) if staff is assigned to more than one school, determine if the District maintains a payroll system or spreadsheet to document the assignment of staff salaries by school location; (c) if allocations are used to assign salaries to schools, programs, functions, or objects, was the allocation supported by a documented methodology?; (d) if allocations are used for non-salary expenditures, determine if the District maintains a documented methodology for consistency in application. Allocations are acceptable on Schedule 3 for non-salary expenditures although direct assignment or charging is preferable; (e) ensure amounts reported as district-wide cannot be assigned to a specific school.
  - Lincoln School: EOYR Line 3514 [function 2415]; \$39,853 of supplies object (05) were reported as object (04).
  - Hanscom Middle School: EOYR Line 3477, Column 24 [function 2340]; \$22,261 of other salaries object (03) were reported as object (02).

Corrective Action Taken: The End of Year Report has been amended.

We were engaged by the Town to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the End-of-Year Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Town and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Town's School Committee, management, and the ESE and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Roselli Clark + Associates

Roselli, Clark & Associates Certified Public Accountants Woburn, Massachusetts January 21, 2022