TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT AUDIT REPORT JUNE 30, 2022

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Independent Auditor's Report

Selectboard Town of Whitingham, Vermont 2948 Vt Rte 100 Jacksonville, Vermont 05342

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Summary of Opinions

<u>O</u>	pinion Unit	<u>T</u> y	Y1	oe of O	pinion

Governmental Activities Qualified **Oualified** General Fund Unmodified Highway Fund Highway Equipment Fund Unmodified Eames Fund Unmodified Cemetery Trust Fund Oualified Sewer Fund Unmodified Aggregate Remaining Fund Information Unmodified

Qualified Opinions on the Governmental Activities, the General Fund and Cemetery Trust Fund

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, the General Fund and the Cemetery Trust Fund of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont, as of June 30, 2022, and the changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, as described in Note I.D.

Unmodified Opinions on the Highway Fund, the Highway Equipment Fund, the Eames Fund, the Sewer Fund and the Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Highway Fund, the Highway Equipment Fund, the Eames Fund, the Sewer Fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the Highway Fund for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, as described in Note I.D.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in "Government Auditing Standards", issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified and unmodified audit opinions.

Matters Giving Rise to the Qualified Opinions on the Governmental Activities, the General Fund and the Cemetery Trust Fund

We did not audit the transfer station fees because of inadequacies in the Town's controls over transfer station fees receipts during the year. We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence about the completeness of the transfer station fees in the accompanying Statement of Activities – Modified Cash Basis and Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Modified Cash Basis Fund Balances – General Fund and Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Changes in Modified Cash Basis Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund (stated at \$39,952) by other auditing procedures.

In addition, the modified cash basis of accounting requires the Town to record its investments at historical cost. Currently, the Town's investments in the governmental activities and the Cemetery Trust Fund are recorded at current market value. The difference between the historical cost and current value is not reasonably determinable.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note I.D. to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to that matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note I; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and "Government Auditing Standards" will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and "Government Auditing Standards", we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's basic financial statements. The combining fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. These schedules have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Other Reporting Required by "Government Auditing Standards"

In accordance with "Government Auditing Standards", we have also issued our report dated November 10, 2022 on our consideration of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards" in considering the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Sullivan, Powers & Company

November 10, 2022 Montpelier, Vermont VT Lic. #92-000180

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS JUNE $30,\,2022$

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ 2,283,857	\$ 291,568	\$ 2,575,425
Investments	250,618	0	250,618
Internal Balances	(86,758)	86,758	0
Total Assets	2,447,717	378,326	2,826,043
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Due to State of Vermont	145	0	145
Due to Town Clerk	170	0	170
Prepaid Sewer Fees	0	744	744
Total Liabilities	315	744	1,059
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid Property Taxes	31,854	0	31,854
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	31,854	0	31,854
NET POSITION			
Restricted:			
Non-Expendable:			
Other	161,774	0	161,774
Expendable:			
Eligible ARPA Uses	160,082	0	160,082
Cemetery	224,824	0	224,824
Other	74,214	0	74,214
Unrestricted	1,794,654	377,582	2,172,236
Total Net Position	\$ <u>2,415,548</u>	\$ 377,582	\$ 2,793,130

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Position

		Prog				ogram Cash Receip	Receipts			Changes in Net Position			
	<u>D</u>	Cash isbursements		Charges for Services	_	Operating Grants and Contributions	-	Capital Grants/Loans and Contributions	_	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities		Total
Functions/Programs: Primary Government: Governmental Activities:													
General Government	\$	527,901	\$	73,646	\$	18,101	\$	22,515	\$	(413,639) \$	0	\$	(413,639)
Public Safety		97,685		1,251		0		0		(96,434)	0		(96,434)
Highways and Streets		1,408,075		5,038		163,563		175,044		(1,064,430)	0		(1,064,430)
Culture and Recreation Community Development		110,070 4,395		0		16,568 0		0		(93,502) (4,395)	0		(93,502) (4,395)
Cemetery		26,303		1,400		100		0		(24,803)	0		(24,803)
Solid Waste		112,515		41,021		0		0		(71,494)	0		(71,494)
Sond Waste		112,010		11,021	_		-			(/1,1,7.)			(71,121)
Total Governmental Activities		2,286,944		122,356	_	198,332	-	197,559		(1,768,697)	0		(1,768,697)
Business-type Activities:													
Sewer		255,591	_	295,804	_	0	-	18,179	_	0	58,392		58,392
Total Business-type Activities		255,591	_	295,804	_	0	_	18,179		0	58,392		58,392
Total Primary Government	\$	2,542,535	\$	418,160	\$_	198,332	\$	215,738	_	(1,768,697)	58,392		(1,710,305)
	General Rec Property									2,020,798	0		2,020,798
	1 *	s and Interest on	Delin	quent Taxes						56,166	0		56,166
		State Grants		1						66,134	0		66,134
	ARPA F	unds								160,082	0		160,082
	Unrestri	cted Investment	Earnin	ngs/(Loss)						(22,795)	602		(22,193)
	Proceed	s from Sale of La	and Ea	sement						270,000	0		270,000
	Other R	evenues								673	0		673
	Tota	l General Receip	ots							2,551,058	602		2,551,660
	Change in N	Net Position								782,361	58,994		841,355
	Net Position	n - July 1, 2021							_	1,633,187	318,588		1,951,775
	Net Position	n - June 30, 2022	!						\$	2,415,548 \$	377,582	\$	2,793,130

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2022

ASSETS	General Fund	Highway Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	Eames Fund	Cemetery Trust Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total
Cash Investments Due from Other Funds	\$ 1,361,598 0 0	\$ 0 0 359,238	\$ 242,171 0 0	\$ 177,274 0 0	\$ 0 235,557 0	\$ 502,814 15,061 199,615	\$ 2,283,857 250,618 558,853
Total Assets LIABILITIES	\$ <u>1,361,598</u>	\$ 359,238	\$ 242,171	\$ 177,274	\$ 235,557	\$ 717,490	\$_3,093,328
Due to State of Vermont Due to Town Clerk Due to Other Funds	\$ 145 170 645,611	\$ 0 0 0	\$ 0 0 0	\$ 0 0 0	\$ 0 0 0	\$ 0 0 0	\$ 145 170 645,611
Total Liabilities DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCE	645,926 ES	0	0	0	0	0	645,926
Prepaid Property Taxes Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	31,854 31,854	0	0	0	0	0	31,854 31,854
FUND BALANCES							
Nonspendable Restricted Committed Assigned Unassigned Total Fund Balances	0 0 0 74,855 608,963	0 0 359,238 0 0	0 0 242,171 0 0	147,831 0 0 29,443 0	10,733 224,824 0 0 0	3,210 234,296 387,748 92,236 0	161,774 459,120 989,157 196,534 608,963
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ <u>1,361,598</u>	\$ 359,238	\$ 242,171	\$ <u>177,274</u>	\$ 235.557	\$ <u>717,490</u>	\$ 3,093,328

	General Fund	Highway Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	Eames Fund	Cemetery Trust Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total
Cash Receipts:							
Property Taxes	\$ 551,366	\$ 1,182,611	\$ 85,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 201,821	\$ 2,020,798
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes		0	0	0	0	0	56,166
Intergovernmental	73,234	338,607	0	0	0	203,130	614,971
Charges for Services	72,230	5,008	0	0	0	1,400	78,638
Permits, Licenses and Fees	31,286	0	0	0	0	12,402	43,688
Investment Income/(Loss)	2,891	0	470	367	(27,085)	562	(22,795)
Donations	0	0	0	0	0	7,136	7,136
Other	313	30	0	0	0	360	703
Total Cash Receipts	787,486	1,526,256	85,470	367	(27,085)	426,811	2,799,305
Cash Disbursements:							
General Government	481,948	0	0	0	0	3,835	485,783
Public Safety	86,923	0	0	0	0	0	86,923
Highways and Streets	0	966,385	0	0	0	0	966,385
Culture and Recreation	24,745	0	0	0	0	85,325	110,070
Community Development	0	0	0	0	0	4,395	4,395
Cemetery	0	0	0	0	0	26,303	26,303
Solid Waste	112,515	0	0	0	0	0	112,515
Capital Outlay:	112,010	v	v	v	· ·	· ·	112,010
General Government	0	0	0	0	0	42,118	42,118
Public Safety	8,492	0	0	0	0	2,270	10,762
Highways and Streets	0,492	382,285	59,405	0	0	0	441,690
riigiiways and Succis		382,283	39,403				441,090
Total Cash Disbursements	714,623	1,348,670	59,405	0	0	164,246	2,286,944
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	72,863	177,586	26,065	367	(27,085)	262,565	512,361
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):							
Proceeds from Sale of Land Easement	270,000	0	0	0	0	0	270,000
Transfers In	0	0	0	0	0	8,625	8,625
Transfers Out	0	0	0	0	0	(8,625)	(8,625)
Transfers Out						(6,023)	(8,023)
Total Other Financing	270.000	0	0	0	0	0	270.000
Sources/(Uses)	270,000	0	0	0	0	0	270,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	342,863	177,586	26,065	367	(27,085)	262,565	782,361
Fund Balances - July 1, 2021	340,955	181,652	216,106	176,907	262,642	454,925	1,633,187
Fund Balances - June 30, 2022	\$ 683,818	\$ 359,238	\$ 242,171	\$ 177,274	\$ 235,557	\$ 717,490	\$ 2,415,548

Variance

	Budget	Actual	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)		
Cash Receipts:					
Property Taxes	\$ 527,608	\$ 551,366	\$ 23,758		
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	21,000	29,735	8,735		
Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	23,000	26,431	3,431		
Late Homestead Penalty	200	75	(125)		
Current Use Tax VT Reimbursement	48,800	56,804	8,004		
Education Tax Collection (.5%)	9,000	8,795	(205)		
State Land Tax Stipend	9,330	9,330	0		
Equalization Grant Income	1,200	0	(1,200)		
Efficiency Vermont Grant Income	0	3,800	3,800		
Town Clerk Fees	16,000	22,625	6,625		
Copier Fees	300	154	(146)		
Liquor Licenses	375	490	115		
Dog Licenses	2,700	1,912	(788)		
Zoning Permits	3,400	4,779	1,379		
Traffic Fines	600	1,251	651		
Transfer Station Permits and Fees	36,500	39,952	3,452		
Transfer Station Sale of Materials	300	488	188		
E-Waste Revenue	500	581	81		
Municipal Center Use	4,000	4,250	250		
Cell Tower Rental	17,407	17,732	325		
Investment Income	4,500	2,891	(1,609)		
Sewer Bookkeeping Charge	432	432	0		
FEMA Reimbursement	0	3,300	3,300		
Cell Tower Buyout	0	270,000	270,000		
Miscellaneous	500	313	(187)		
Miscenaneous			(107)		
Total Cash Receipts	727,652	1,057,486	329,834		
Cash Disbursements:					
Miscellaneous Employee Wages:					
Selectboard	10,560	10,560	0		
Civil Defense Director	500	500	0		
Fire Warden	200	200	0		
Moderator	100	0	100		
Social Security	870	860	10		
Retirement	0	44	(44)		
Total Miscellaneous Employee Wages	12,230	12,164	66		
General Insurance:					
Workmen's Compensation	22,000	21,541	459		
General Liability	33,000	32,979	21		
Total General Insurance	55,000	54,520	480		

						Variance
	Dudget			A -41		avorable/
Taxes:		Budget	-	Actual	(UI	nfavorable)
County Tax	\$	23,000	\$	21,819	\$	1,181
Unemployment-VT	Φ	2,800	Ψ	335	Ψ	2,465
Onemployment- v 1		2,000				2,403
Total Taxes		25,800		22,154		3,646
Selectboard Administrator:						
Selectboard Assistant Wages		57,894		57,894		0
Retirement		3,618		3,618		0
Social Security		4,429		4,154		275
Health Insurance		24,251		20,396		3,855
Telephone		1,000		953		47
Training/Meetings/Seminars		1,000		196		804
Mileage		800		215		585
Office Supplies & Postage		1,800		1,292		508
Equipment		1,700		0		1,700
Total Selectboard Administrator		96,492		88,718		7,774
Town Report:		400		127		273
Board of Health:						
Health Officer Wages		840		840		0
Deputy Health Officer Wages		300		0		300
Retirement		53		53		0
Social Security		87		60		27
Mileage		250		13		237
Office Supplies & Postage		200		0		200
Total Board of Health		1,730		966		764
Town Clerk:						
Town Clerk Wages		21,527		21,527		0
Assistant Town Clerk Wages		12,430		9,858		2,572
Ballot Clerk Wages		900		351		549
Retirement		2,345		2,763		(418)
Election & Programming		1,200		1,696		(496)
Social Security		3,822		3,926		(104)
Health Insurance		24,251		16,064		8,187
Reimburse Fees		16,000		22,625		(6,625)
Office Supplies & Postage		4,600		5,736		(1,136)
Town Clerk Training		800		510		290
Telephone		1,400		1,450		(50)
Total Town Clerk		89,275		86,506		2,769

		Budget		Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)		
Financial Operations:							
Bookkeeping Wages	\$	17,443	\$	10,103	\$	7,340	
Town Treasurer Wages		16,797		16,797		0	
Retirement		1,050		1,050		0	
Social Security		2,619		1,954		665	
Office Supplies & Postage		2,800		2,754		46	
Mileage		400		414		(14)	
Telephone		625		476		149	
Training/Seminars		500		251		249	
Total Financial Operations		42,234		33,799		8,435	
Listers:							
Listers' Wages		17,778		5,344		12,434	
Social Security		1,360		409		951	
Mileage		1,000		20		980	
Office Supplies & Postage		0		112		(112)	
Town Map Updates		2,500		0		2,500	
Telephone		650		476		174	
Computer		3,400		582		2,818	
Internet		360		0		360	
Outside Appraisal Service		12,000	_	9,679		2,321	
Total Listers		39,048		16,622		22,426	
Tax Collector:							
Retirement		1,438		1,718		(280)	
Social Security		1,760		2,009		(249)	
Supplies & Postage		600		437		163	
Reimburse Tax Penalties		23,000		26,431		(3,431)	
Tax Sale Expenses		0		357		(357)	
Total Tax Collector		26,798		30,952		(4,154)	
Animal Control Officer:							
Animal Control Officer Wages		1,200		1,250		(50)	
Social Security		92		96		(4)	
Mileage		800		439		361	
Office Supplies		100		0		100	
Training		120		0		120	
Miscellaneous		600	_	735		(135)	
Total Animal Control Officer		2,912		2,520		392	

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budget		Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)		
General Expenses:						
Ambulance Operations	\$	15,000	\$ 15,000	\$	0	
Outside Audit		17,500	16,500		1,000	
Generator Contract		900	1,437		(537)	
Computer Expenses		8,000	7,449		551	
Copier Costs		4,000	3,528		472	
Dog Tags		250	173		77	
Dues - VLCT		2,756	2,756		0	
Emergency Management		275	0		275	
State Fee - Dam		1,000	1,000		0	
Memorial Day Flowers		1,500	1,107		393	
Green Up Vermont		200	76		124	
Internet		3,000	2,996		4	
IT Service/Cyber Security		6,600	6,600		0	
Legal Notices		1,000	771		229	
Legal Services		6,000	6,548		(548)	
Mileage - Selectboard		200	0		200	
Use of Highway Employee		5,008	5,008		0	
Town Newsletter		450	365		85	
OSHA Training		225	0		225	
Street Lights		3,900	3,269		631	
Town Web Page		3,500	644		2,856	
Bank Service Charge		100	0		100	
Telephone		900	0		900	
Miscellaneous		4,000	1,440		2,560	
Total General Expenses		86,264	 76,667		9,597	
Municipal Center:						
Bottled Gas		1,200	709		491	
Electricity		6,800	6,823		(23)	
Equipment Replacement		3,800	324		3,476	
Heating Oil		6,500	4,408		2,092	
Generator Propane		600	0		600	
Cleaning - Town Offices		13,000	13,500		(500)	
Repairs to Equipment		3,000	1,593		1,407	
Repairs & Improvements		8,000	5,689		2,311	
Bathroom Cleaning Supplies		1,200	767		433	
Sewer Usage Fee		4,000	3,322		678	
Telephone		425	 481		(56)	
Total Municipal Center		48,525	 37,616		10,909	
Historical Society:						
Electricity		250	209		41	
Miscellaneous Expenses		500	 542		(42)	
Total Historical Society		750	 751		(1)	

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

		Budget	Actual	F	Variance 'avorable/ nfavorable)
Planning Commission:	· ·	<u>.</u>	_		
Planning Commission Clerk Wages	\$	750	\$ 0	\$	750
Zoning Administrator Wages		4,477	4,477		0
Retirement		280	280		0
Social Security		400	321		79
Print Zoning Ordinance		100	100		0
Print New Town Plan		200	0		200
Duplicating		200	200		0
Legal Notices		150	0		150
Mileage		1,300	285		1,015
Postage		250	9		241
Seminar		500	0		500
Zoning Supplies		150	0		150
Windham Regional Meetings		1,200	0		1,200
Windham Regional Member		3,100	3,148		(48)
Wildiam Regional Member		3,100	 3,110		(10)
Total Planning Commission		13,057	 8,820		4,237
Zoning Board:					
Zoning Board Clerk Wages		270	375		(105)
Social Security		21	27		(6)
Retirement		0	23		(23)
Legal Services		100	0		100
Legal Notices		200	230		(30)
Mileage		15	0		15
Postage and Supplies		80	62		18
1 ostage and supplies		80	 02_	-	10
Total Zoning Board		686	 717		(31)
Contract Law Enforcement:					
Hearings		150	0		150
Patrol Coverage		9,000	 5,321		3,679
Total Contract Law Enforcement		9,150	 5,321		3,829
Transfer Station:		20.777	17.024		2071
Attendant Wages		20,775	17,824		2,951
Assistant Attendant Wages		2,174	6,332		(4,158)
Retirement		1,298	1,114		184
Freon Items		400	525		(125)
Equipment Purchase		1,000	0		1,000
Social Security		1,756	1,956		(200)
Waste Disposal		25,000	27,613		(2,613)
Metals Expenses		2,800	15		2,785
Hazardous Waste Collections		8,000	4,709		3,291
Paper Expenses		7,000	6,975		25
Organics		1,000	0		1,000

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

		Budget	Actual	F	Variance avorable/ nfavorable)
Transfer Station/(Cont'd):	<u> </u>		 		
Electronics Recycling	\$	325	\$ 344	\$	(19)
Electricity		1,000	1,094		(94)
Repairs		2,500	0		2,500
Pest Control		0	1,111		(1,111)
Professional Services		1,000	0		1,000
Supplies		2,000	993		1,007
Telephone		500	476		24
Tire Removal		1,100	911		189
Portable Toilet Rental		1,320	1,320		0
Trash Removal		12,000	12,372		(372)
Trash Hauling		7,000	7,531		(531)
Uniforms		750	551		199
Wifi Hotspot		140	182		(42)
Mileage		100	2		98
Miscellaneous		100	951		(851)
Comingled Hauling		5,500	6,695		(1,195)
Comingled Recycling		6,000	6,319		(319)
Compactor Hauling		4,000	 4,600		(600)
Total Transfer Station		116,538	 112,515		4,023
Fire Department:					
Captain Wages		1,924	1,924		0
Fire Chief Wages		2,182	2,182		0
Assistant Chief Wages		1,363	1,363		0
Lieutenant Wages		1,588	1,588		0
Social Security		833	721		112
Operating Supplies		1,200	985		215
Dispatch Services		24,000	25,070		(1,070)
Gas, Oil and Propane		7,100	6,389		711
Retirement		199	199		0
Electricity		2,200	2,234		(34)
Sewer Usage Fee		1,800	1,812		(12)
Telephone		700	476		224
Association Services		2,000	2,000		0
On-Site Mechanic		2,200	2,380		(180)
Buildings and Fixtures		2,000	9,121		(7,121)
Machinery and Equipment		5,000	641		4,359
Vehicles		14,000	4,078		9,922
Equipment Purchase		5,000	8,492		(3,492)
General Insurance		2,700	778		1,922
Dues & Course Fees		800	 2,661		(1,861)
Total Fire Department		78,789	 75,094		3,695

		Budget		Actual	F	Variance avorable/ nfavorable)
Town Hill Playground:		Budget		Actual	(01	iiavoiabie)
Improvements	\$	5,000	\$	5,237	\$	(237)
Mowing	Ψ	6,750	Ψ	5,913	Ψ	837
Toilet Rental		1,200		1,800		(600)
Total Town Hill Playground		12,950		12,950		0_
Appropriations:						
Brattleboro Area Hospice		400		400		0
Senior Solutions		750		750		0
Deerfield Valley Community Cares		1,000		1,000		0
Domestic Violence Community Partnership		2,500		2,500		0
Deerfield Valley Food Pantry		500		500		0
Health Care & Rehab Services		1,203		1,203		0
RSVP		305		305		0
SeVEDS		4,071		4,071		0
Valley Youth Sports		6,000		6,000		0
Visiting Nurse Alliance		4,000		4,000		0
WINGS - Summer		1,795		1,795		0
WINGS - After School Program		10,000		10,000		0
Senior Meals		1,500		1,500		0
Disaster Animal Recovery		250		250		0
Women's Freedom Center		850		850		0
Total Appropriations		35,124		35,124		0_
Total Cash Disbursements		793,752		714,623		79,129
scess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts						
over Cash Disbursements	\$	(66,100)		342,863	\$	408,963
and Balance - July 1, 2021				340,955		
and Balance - June 30, 2022			\$	683,818		

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

HIGHWAY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Taxes	\$ 1,182,611	\$ 1,182,611	\$ 0
State Highway Aid	124,136	124,545	409
Highway Supplement Payment	0	13,784	13,784
Grant Income	0	200,278	200,278
Charge for Use of Highway Employee	5,008	5,008	0
Other	0	30	30
Total Cash Receipts	1,311,755	1,526,256	214,501
Cash Disbursements:			
Wages	327,614	328,095	(481)
Overtime	59,384	57,453	1,931
Retirement	24,187	24,080	107
Social Security	29,605	28,488	1,117
Insurance	153,797	88,943	64,854
Chains	5,000	1,413	3,587
Chloride	8,000	5,137	2,863
Cold Patch	1,500	1,072	428
Crack Repairs	10,000	0	10,000
Culverts	10,000	0	10,000
Cutting Edges	12,000	19,403	(7,403)
Diesel Fuel	55,000	41,901	13,099
Electricity	3,000	2,170	830
Equipment Hired	10,000	5,865	4,135
Equipment Purchased	1,000	225	775
Gasoline	5,500	5,785	(285)
Grant Expenditures	0	9,992	(9,992)
Gravel	55,000	87,027	(32,027)
Guardrails	9,000	0	9,000
Heating Oil	8,000	6,279	1,721
Legal Notices	0	332	(332)
Mileage	500	2.560	500
CDL, Drug Test, Postage, Miscellaneous	2,000	3,569	(1,569)
Paging Service	0	119	(119)
Paving	400,000	382,285	17,715
Postage	120	129	(9)
Facility Repairs	6,500	8,891	(2,391)
Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	45,000	83,191	(38,191)
Salt	56,000	34,427	21,573
Winter Sand	65,000	80,354	(15,354)
Stone	8,000	20,645	(12,645)
Garage Equipment/Equipment Supplies	5,000	1,904	3,096
Street Sweeper Bristles	700 900	0	700
Sewer Usage Fee	2,900	906 3,127	(6)
Telephone Tires		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(227)
Uniforms	15,000	10,022	4,978 559
Onitorns	6,000	5,441	
Total Cash Disbursements	1,401,207	1,348,670	52,537
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts			
Over Cash Disbursements	\$(89,452)_	177,586	\$8
Fund Balance - July 1, 2021		181,652	
Fund Balance - June 30, 2022		\$ 359,238	

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF FUND NET POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUND JUNE 30, 2022

A CODETO	Sewer Fund
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash Due from Other Funds	\$ 291,568 86,758
Total Assets	\$ 378,326
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Prepaid Sewer Fees	\$744
Total Liabilities	744
NET POSITION	
Unrestricted	377,582
Total Net Position	377,582
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 378,326

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Sewer Fund	
Operating Receipts:		
Charges for Services	\$ 287,329	
Interest and Penalties	5,695	
Other	2,780	0_
Total Operating Receipts	295,804	<u>4_</u>
Operating Disbursements:		
Salaries and Benefits	94,367	7
Administrative Fees	432	2
Contracted Services	870	0
Utilities	16,511	1
Repairs and Maintenance	4,003	
Machinery and Equipment	53	
Dues and Fees	640	0
Testing	5,230	0
Insurances	1,630	
Materials and Supplies	1,00	
Sludge Disposal	10,375	
Other	316	
Total Operating Disbursements	135,430	0_
Operating Income	160,374	4_
Non-Operating Receipts/(Disbursements):		
Investment Income	602	2
Proceeds from Long-term Debt	18,179	9
Capital Outlay - Plant Improvements	(120,16)	1)
Total Non-Operating Receipts/(Disbursements)	(101,380	0)
Change in Net Position	58,994	4
Net Position - July 1, 2021	318,588	8
Net Position - June 30, 2022	\$\$	2

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY MODIFIED CASH BASIS NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUND JUNE 30, 2022

	Custo	odial Fund
		ation Tax Fund
<u>ASSETS</u>		i unu
Assets:	\$	0
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Liabilities:		0
NET POSITION		
Net Position:	\$	0

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY MODIFIED CASH BASIS NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Custodial Fund
	Education Tax Fund
<u>ADDITIONS</u>	
Education Taxes Collected for Other Governments	\$ 3,893,299
Total Additions	3,893,299
<u>DEDUCTIONS</u>	
Education Taxes Distributed to Other Governments	3,893,299
Total Deductions	3,893,299
Change in Net Position	0
Net Position - July 1, 2021	0
Net Position - June 30, 2022	\$0_

The Town of Whitingham, Vermont (herein the "Town") operates under a Selectboard form of government and provides the following services: highways and streets, solid waste, health and social services, culture and recreation, community/economic development, public improvements, planning and zoning, sewer and general administrative services.

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note I.D., these financial statements are presented on the modified cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies employed in the preparation of these financial statements.

A. The Financial Reporting Entity

This report includes all of the activity of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont. The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government; organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable; and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that their exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. The primary government is financially accountable if it appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing body and it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the primary government. The primary government is financially accountable if an organization is fiscally dependent on and there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the primary government regardless of whether the organization has a separately elected governing board; a governing board appointed by a higher level of government; or a jointly appointed board. Based on these criteria, there are no other entities that should be combined with the financial statements of the Town.

B. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Town are organized and operated on the basis of fund accounting. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts which comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, fund equity, receipts, and disbursements. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The basic financial statements of the Town include both government-wide statements and fund financial statements. The focus of the government-wide statements is on reporting the operating results and financial position of the Town as a whole. The focus of the fund financial statements is on reporting on the operating results and financial position of the most significant funds of the Town.

Government-wide Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the primary government, the Town. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of activities between funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through property taxes, intergovernmental receipts, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct disbursements and program receipts for each function of the Town's governmental activities and for each segment of the Town's business-type activities. Direct disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular program or function. Program receipts include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts that are not classified as program receipts, including all property taxes, are presented as general receipts.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the Town funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the Town's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the Town's funds, including fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category – governmental, proprietary and fiduciary – are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

The Town reports on the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund This is the Town's main operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Town except those accounted for in another fund.
- Highway Fund This fund accounts for the receipts, disbursements and available resources of the Highway Department.
- Highway Equipment Fund This fund accounts for equipment expenditures of the Highway Department.
- Eames Fund This fund accounts for the monies left to the Town by the Eames Family with the interest earnings to be used at the discretion of the Selectboard.
- Cemetery Trust Fund This fund accounts for the fees paid to the Town to be held in trust for future costs associated with the cemeteries.

The Town reports on the following major enterprise fund:

Sewer Fund – This fund accounts for the maintenance and operations of the Town sewer system.

Proprietary fund operating receipts, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating receipts, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund type:

Custodial Fund – This fund is used to report resources held by the Town in a purely custodial capacity for other governments, private organizations or individuals.

C. Measurement Focus

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Government-wide, proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting. Equity (i.e., modified cash basis net position) is segregated into restricted and unrestricted net position. Operating statements present increases (i.e., receipts) and decreases (i.e., disbursements) in modified cash basis net position.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus within the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting. Their reported fund balances (modified cash basis fund balances) are considered a measure of available spendable resources and are segregated into nonspendable; restricted; committed; assigned and unassigned amounts. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., receipts and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., disbursements and other financing uses) in modified cash basis fund balances.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The Town's policy is to prepare its financial statements generally on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements; consequently, certain revenue and related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned and certain expenditures and related liabilities are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. The exceptions to this are that the Town records certificates of deposits at cost and other investments at market value as assets and amounts due to the State of Vermont for dog and marriage licenses, amounts due to the Town Clerk for clerk fees and delinquent property tax penalties collected but not remitted and prepaid sewer fees as liabilities and prepaid property taxes as deferred inflows of resources. The recording of investments at market value is not in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting which requires investments to be carried at cost.

General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures. Proceeds of general long-term debt are reported as other financing sources.

E. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Equity

1. Cash

Cash balances of most Town funds are deposited with and invested by the Town Treasurer. The Town considers all short-term investments of ninety (90) days or less to be cash equivalents.

2. Investments

The Town invests in investments as allowed by State Statute. The Town's investments in certificates of deposit are reported at cost and other investments are reported at current market value.

3. Fund Equity

Fund equity is classified based upon any restrictions that have been placed on those balances or any tentative plans management may have made for those balances. Restrictions of net position in government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements represent amounts that cannot be appropriated or are legally restricted for a specific purpose by a grant, contract, or other binding agreement. Fund balances in governmental fund financial statements are classified as nonspendable (not in spendable form or legally required to remain intact); restricted (constraints on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, or donors, or imposed by law through enabling legislation); committed (constraints on the use of resources are imposed by formal action of the voters); assigned (reflecting the Selectboard's intended use of the resources); and unassigned.

4. Interfund Receivables/Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements that are outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as "advances to/from other funds". All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due from/to 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".

5. Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, "deferred inflows of resources" represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the future periods to which the inflows are related.

II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Information

Budgets are approved at the annual Town Meeting in March. Any budget changes require voter approval. There were no budget changes during the year.

B. Budgeted Deficits

The Town elected to budget cash disbursements in excess of cash receipts by \$66,100 in the General Fund in order to utilize a portion of the prior year's surplus. This is reflected as a current year's budgeted deficiency of cash receipts over cash disbursements in Exhibit E.

The Town elected to budget cash disbursements in excess of cash receipts by \$89,452 in the Highway Fund in order to utilize a portion of the prior year's surplus. This is reflected as a current year's budgeted deficiency of cash receipts over cash disbursements in Exhibit F.

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Cash and Investments

Cash and investments as of June 30, 2022 consist of the following:

Cash:

Deposits with Financial Institutions	\$ <u>2,575,425</u>
Investments:	
Certificate of Deposit	11,799
Mutual Funds – Equities	238,819
Total Investments	250,618
Total Cash and Investments	\$ <u>2,826,043</u>

The Town has one (1) certificate of deposit in the amount of \$11,799 with an interest rate of 0.18% that matures in fiscal year 2023.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of failure of the counter-party (e.g. broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of another party. The Town does not have any policy to limit the exposure to custodial credit risk. The mutual funds are in the name of the Town and are not exposed to custodial credit risk. The following table shows the custodial credit risk of the Town's cash and certificate of deposit.

	Book <u>Balance</u>	Bank <u>Balance</u>
FDIC Insured Uninsured, Collateralized by U.S.	\$ 261,799	\$ 261,799
Government Agencies Securities Held by the Pledging Financial Institution's Agent	2,325,425	2,644,645
Total	\$ <u>2,587,224</u>	\$ <u>2,906,444</u>

The difference between the book and the bank balance is due to reconciling items such as deposits in transit and outstanding checks.

The book balance is comprised of the following:

Cash – Deposits with Financial Institutions	\$2,575,425
Investments – Certificate of Deposit	11,799
Total	\$ <u>2,587,224</u>

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Town does not have any policy to limit the exposure to interest rate risk. The Town's certificate of deposit is not subject to interest rate risk disclosure. The mutual funds are open-ended and, therefore, are also excluded from interest rate risk disclosure.

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The Town does not have any policy to limit the exposure to credit risk. The Town's certificate of deposit is not subject to credit risk. The mutual funds are open-ended and, therefore, are also excluded from the credit risk analysis.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk that a large percentage of the Town's investments are held within one security. The Town does not have any limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer. The Town has no investments subject to concentration of credit risk.

Fair Value

The Town categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 72, "Fair Value Measurement and Application." The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure fair value of the asset and gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The Town's certificate of deposit is not subject to fair value disclosures.

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets

Level 2 – Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable.

Level 3 – Valuations derived from valuation techniques in which significant inputs are unobservable.

The Town has the following fair value measurements as of June 30, 2022:

			Fair Value Measurements Using:				
			Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets		Significant observable inputs		Significant unobservable inputs
Description		Total	 (Level 1)	_	(Level 2)	_	(Level 3)
Mutual Funds - Equities	\$_	238,819	\$ 238,819	\$_	0	\$	0
Total	\$_	238,819	\$ 238,819	\$	0	\$	0

B. Interfund Balances and Activity

Interfund balances as of June 30, 2022 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Due from Other Funds	Due to Other Funds		
General Fund	\$ 0	\$645,611		
Highway Fund	359,238	0		
Non-Major Governmental Funds	199,615	0		
Sewer Fund	86,758	0		
Totals	\$645,611	\$645,611		

Interfund transfers during the year ended June 30, 2022 were as follows:

<u>Transfer From</u>	Transfer To	Amount	<u>Purpose</u>
Whitingham Free Public Library Fund	Library Operations Fund	\$ <u>8,625</u>	Fund Operating Expenses
Total		\$ <u>8,625</u>	

C. Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources in the governmental activities and General Fund consist of \$31,854 of property taxes paid in advance.

D. Fund Balances

GASB Statement No. 34, as amended by GASB Statement No. 54, requires fund balances reported on the governmental fund balance sheet to be classified using a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Governmental fund balances are to be classified as: nonspendable (not in spendable form or legally required to remain intact); restricted (constraints on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or donors, or imposed by law through enabling legislation); committed (constraints on the use of resources are imposed by formal action of the voters); assigned (reflecting the Selectboard's intended use of the resources); and unassigned.

Special revenue funds are created only to report a revenue source (or sources) that is restricted or committed to a specified purpose, and that the revenue source should constitute a substantial portion of the resources reported in that fund. Special revenue funds cannot be used to accumulate funds that are not restricted or committed. These amounts will have to be reflected in the General Fund.

Amounts constrained to stabilization (rainy-day funds) will be reported as restricted or committed fund balance in the General Fund if they meet the other criteria for those classifications. However, stabilization is regarded as a specified purpose only if the circumstances or conditions that signal the need for stabilization (a) are identified in sufficient detail and (b) are not expected to occur routinely. The Town does not have any stabilization arrangements.

Some governments create stabilization-like arrangements by establishing formal minimum fund balance policies. The Town does not have any minimum fund balance polices.

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available, it is the Town's policy to first consider restricted amounts to have been spent, followed by committed, assigned, and finally unassigned amounts.

The purpose for each major special revenue fund, including which specific revenues and other resources are authorized to be reported in each, are described in the following section.

The fund balances in the following funds are nonspendable as follows:

Ma	or	F	unds

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Eames Fund: Nonspendable Eames Fund Principal	\$ <u>147,831</u>	
Cemetery Trust Fund: Nonspendable Cemetery Trust Fund Principal	10,733	
Non-Major Funds		
Permanent Funds: Nonspendable Davenport Fund Principal Nonspendable M & W Allen Fund Principal Nonspendable Wheeler Cemetery Trust Fund	1,880 1,000 <u>330</u>	
Total Non-Major Funds	3,210	
Total Nonspendable Fund Balances	\$ <u>161,774</u>	
The fund balances in the following funds are restricted as follows:		
Major Funds		
Cemetery Trust Fund: Restricted for Cemetery by Trust Agreements – Expendable Portion	\$ <u>224,824</u>	
Non-Major Funds		
Special Revenue Funds: Restricted for Restoration Expenses by Statute (Source of Revenue is Restoration Fees)	31,607	
Restricted for Library Expenses by Donations (Source of Revenue is Donations)		
Restricted for Humane Society Expenses by Donations (Source of Revenue is Donations) Restricted for Eligible Uses of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal	36,895 2,319	
Recovery Funding by Grant Agreement (Source of Revenue is Grant Revenue	160,082	
Total Special Revenue Funds	230,903	

Permanent Funds:	
Restricted for Davenport Legacy by Donations	\$ 1,406
Restricted for M & W Allen Expenditures by Donations	985
Restricted for Wheeler Cemetery Expenses by Donations	1,002
Total Permanent Funds	3,393
Total Non-Major Funds	234,296
Total Restricted Fund Balances	\$ <u>459,120</u>
The fund balances in the following funds are committed as follows:	
Major Funds	
Highway Fund:	
Committed for Highway Expenditures by the Voters	\$359,238
Highway Equipment Fund:	
Committed for Highway Equipment Expenditures by the Voters	<u>242,171</u>
Non-Major Funds	
Special Revenue Funds:	
Committed for Litigation Expenses by the Voters	68,588
Committed for Library Operations Expenses by the Voters	4,641
Committed for Cemetery Expenses by the Voters	8,587
Committed for Old Home Week Celebration by the Voters	23,992
Committed for Economic Development by the Voters	22,834
Total Special Revenue Funds	128,642
Capital Projects Funds:	
Committed for Fire Equipment Expenditures by the Voters	79,851
Committed for Municipal Facilities Expenditures by the Voters	37,062
Committed for Hazard Mitigation Expenditures by the Voters	47,997
Committed for Highway Garage Expenditures by the Voters	94,196
Total Capital Projects Funds	259,106
Total Non-Major Funds	387,748
Total Committed Fund Balances	\$ <u>989,157</u>

The fund balances in the following funds are assigned as follows:

Major Funds

General Fund:

Assigned to Reduce Property Taxes in Fiscal Year 2023 \$ 74,855

Eames Fund:

Assigned for Eames Fund Expenses at the Discretion of the Selectboard 29.443

Non-Major Funds

Special Revenue Funds:

Assigned for Reappraisal Expenses 87,190

Capital Projects Funds:

Assigned for Civil Defense Expenditures 5,046

Total Non-Major Funds 92,236

Total Assigned Fund Balances \$196,534

E. Restricted Net Position

The restricted net position in the governmental activities consists of the nonspendable fund balances of \$161,774 and the restricted fund balances of \$459,120 for a total of \$620,894.

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Pension Plan

Defined Benefit Plan

Plan Description

The Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System (VMERS) is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that is administered by the State Treasurer and its Board of Trustees. It is designed for municipal and school district employees that work on a regular basis and also includes employees of museums and libraries if at least half of that institution's operating expenses are met by municipal funds. An employee of any employer that becomes affiliated with the system may join at that time or at any time thereafter. Any employee hired subsequent to the effective participation date of their employer who meets the minimum hourly requirements is required to join the system. As of June 30, 2021, the measurement date selected by the State of Vermont, the retirement system consisted of 353 participating employers.

The plan was established effective July 1, 1975, and is governed by Title 24, V.S.A. Chapter 125.

The general administration and responsibility for formulating administrative policy and procedures of the retirement system for its members and their beneficiaries is vested in the Board of Trustees consisting of five members. They are the State Treasurer, two employee representatives elected by the membership of the system, and two employer representatives-one elected by the governing bodies of participating employers of the system, and one selected by the Governor from a list of four nominees. The list of four nominees is jointly submitted by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and the Vermont School Boards Association.

All assets are held in a single trust and are available to pay retirement benefits to all members. Benefits available to each group are based on average final compensation (AFC) and years of creditable service.

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

As of June 30, 2021, the measurement date selected by the State of Vermont, VMERS was funded at 86.29% and had a plan fiduciary net position of \$926,034,330 and a total pension liability of \$1,073,218,528 resulting in a net position liability of \$147,184,198. As of June 30, 2022, the Town's proportionate share of this was 0.1593% resulting in a net pension liability of \$234,439. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2020. The Town's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Town's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating municipalities, actuarially determined. The Town's proportion of 0.1593% was an increase of 0.0022 from its proportion measured as of the prior year.

Summary of System Provisions

Membership – Full time employees of participating municipalities. Municipalities can elect coverage under Groups A, B, C or D provisions. The Town elected coverage under Group B.

Creditable Service – Service as a member plus purchased service.

Average Final Compensation (AFC) – Group A – Average annual compensation during highest five (5) consecutive years. Groups B and C – Average annual compensation during highest three (3) consecutive years. Group D – Average annual compensation during highest two (2) consecutive years.

Service Retirement Allowance:

Eligibility – Group A – The earlier of age 65 with five (5) years of service or age 55 with thirty-five (35) years of service. Group B – The earlier of age 62 with five (5) years of service or age 55 with thirty (30) years of service. Groups C and D – Age 55 with five (5) years of service.

Amount – Group A – 1.4% of AFC times service. Group B – 1.7% of AFC times service as a Group B member plus percentage earned as a Group A member times AFC. Group C – 2.5% of AFC times service as a Group C member plus percentage earned as a Group A or B member times AFC. Group D – 2.5% of AFC times service as a Group D member plus percentage earned as a Group A, B or C member times AFC.

Maximum benefit is 60% of AFC for Groups A and B and 50% of AFC for Groups C and D. The previous amounts include the portion of the allowance provided by member contributions.

Early Retirement Allowance:

Eligibility – Age 55 with five (5) years of service for Groups A and B. Age 50 with twenty (20) years of service for Group D.

Amount – Normal allowance based on service and AFC at early retirement, reduced by 6% for each year commencement precedes normal retirement age for Groups A and B members, and payable without reduction to Group D members.

Vested Retirement Allowance:

Eligibility – Five (5) years of service.

Amount – Allowance beginning at normal retirement age based on AFC and service at termination. The AFC is to be adjusted annually by one-half of the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index, subject to the limits on "Post-Retirement Adjustments".

Disability Retirement Allowance:

Eligibility – Five (5) years of service and disability as determined by Retirement Board.

Amount – Immediate allowance based on AFC and service to date of disability; children's benefit of 10% of AFC payable to up to three minor children (or children up to age 23 if enrolled in full-time studies) of a disabled Group D member.

Death Benefit:

Eligibility – Death after five (5) years of service.

Amount – For Groups A, B and C, reduced early retirement allowance under 100% survivor option commencing immediately or, if greater, survivor(s) benefit under disability annuity computed as of date of death. For Group D, 70% of the unreduced accrued benefit plus children's benefit.

Optional Benefit and Death after Retirement – For Groups A, B and C, lifetime allowance or actuarially equivalent 50% or 100% joint and survivor allowance with refund of contribution guarantee. For Group D, lifetime allowance or 70% contingent annuitant option with no reduction.

Refund of Contribution – Upon termination, if the member so elects or if no other benefit is payable, the member's accumulated contributions are refunded.

Post-Retirement Adjustments – Allowance in payment for at least one year increased on each January 1 by one-half of the percentage increase in Consumer Price Index but not more than 2% for Group A and 3% for Groups B, C and D.

Member Contributions – Group A – 3.25%. Group B – 5.625%. Group C – 10.75%. Group D – 12.10%.

Employer Contributions – Group A – 4.75%. Group B – 6.25%. Group C – 8.00%. Group D – 10.60%.

Retirement Stipend – \$25 per month payable at the option of the Board of Trustees.

Significant Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Investment Rate of Return: 7.00%, net of pension plan investment expenses, including inflation.

Salary increases: Varying service-based rates from 0-10 years of service, then a single rate of 4.50% (includes assumed inflation rate of 2.30%) for all subsequent years.

Mortality:

Pre-Retirement: Groups A, B and C – 40% PubG-2010 General Employee Amount-Weighted below-median and 60% of PubG-2010 General Employee Amount-Weighted, with generational projection using scale MP-2019. Group D – PubG-2010 General Employee Amount-Weighted above-median, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Healthy Post-retirement – Retirees: Groups A, B and C – 104% of 40% PubG-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted below-median and 60% of PubG-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted, with generational projection using scale MP-2019. Group D – PubG-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Healthy Post-retirement – Beneficiaries: Groups A, B and C – 70% Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted below-median and 30% of Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted, with generational projection using scale MP-2019. Group D – Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled Post-retirement: All Groups – PubNS-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Spouse's Age: Females three years younger than males.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments: 1.10% for Group A members and 1.20% for Groups B, C and D members. The January 1, 2021 COLA is 0.40% for all groups. The January 1, 2022 COLA is 2.00% for Group A members and 2.30% for Groups B, C and D members.

Actuarial Cost Method: Entry age actuarial cost method. Entry age is the age at date of employment or, if date is unknown, current age minus years of service. Normal cost and actuarial accrued liability are calculated on an individual basis and are allocated by salary, with normal cost determined using the plan of benefits applicable to each participant.

Assets: The valuation is based on the market value of assets as of the valuation date, as provided by the System. The System uses an "actuarial value of assets" that differs from market value to gradually reflect year-to-year changes in the market value of assets in determine the contribution requirements.

Inflation: 2.30%

Long-term Expected Rate of Return:

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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
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Passive Global Equities	24%	5.05%
Active Global Equities	5%	5.05%
Large Cap US Equities	4%	4.00%
Small/Mid Cap US Equities	3%	4.50%
Non-US Developed Market Equit	ies 7%	5.50%
Private Equity	10%	6.75%
Emerging Market Debt	4%	3.00%
Private & Alternate Credit	10%	4.75%
Non-Core Real Estate	4%	5.75%
Core Fixed Income	19%	0.00%
Core Real Estate	4%	3.75%
US TIPS	3%	(0.50)%
Infrastructure/Farmland	3%	4.25%

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed plan member and employer contributions will be made at rates set by the Board (employers) and statute (members). The Board voted to authorize employer contribution rate increases of 0.50% each year for a period of four years beginning July 1, 2022, to be offset by any increases in the employee contribution rates as negotiated with employee groups and approved by Legislature. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, the pension plans' Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members as of June 30, 2021. 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.

The following presents the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00 percent, as well as what the proportionate share would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percent lower (6.00%) or one percent higher (8.00%):

1% Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
\$463,382	\$234,439	\$46,181

Additional Information

Additional information regarding the State of Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System, including the details of the Fiduciary Net Position, is available upon request from the State of Vermont.

B. Property Taxes

The Town is responsible for assessing and collecting its own property taxes as well as education taxes for the State of Vermont. The tax rate is set by the Selectboard based on the voter approved budget, the estimated grand list and the State education property tax liability. Property taxes are due in one installment on November 1. The penalty rate is eight percent (8%) after the November 1 payment. Interest is charged at one percent (1%) per month for the first three months and one and a half percent (1-1/2%) per month for each month thereafter. The tax rates for 2022 were as follows:

	<u>Homestead</u>	Non-Homestead
Town	.7380	.7380
Local Agreement	.0034	.0034
Education	<u>1.6852</u>	<u>1.6017</u>
Total	<u>2.4266</u>	<u>2.3431</u>

C. Risk Management

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town maintains insurance coverage through the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Property and Casualty Intermunicipal Fund, Inc. covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Town. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The Town must remain a member for a minimum of one year and may withdraw from the Fund after that time by giving sixty days notice. Fund underwriting and ratesetting policies have been established after consultation with actuaries. Fund members are subject to a supplemental assessment in the event of deficiencies. If the assets of the Fund were to be exhausted, members would be responsible for the Fund's liabilities.

The Town is also a member of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Employment Resource and Benefits Trust. The Trust is a nonprofit corporation formed to provide unemployment coverage and other employment benefits for Vermont municipalities and is owned by the participating members. The agreement does not permit the Trust to make additional assessments to its members. The Town has only elected unemployment coverage with the Trust.

D. Contingent Liabilities

The Town participates in a number of federally assisted and state grant programs that are subject to audits by the grantors or their representatives. Accordingly, compliance with applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

E. Long-term Debt

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide resources for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities and to refund prior issues. General obligation bonds are direct obligations of the Town and pledge the full faith and credit of the Town. New bonds generally are issued as 10 to 20 year bonds.

The State of Vermont offers a number of no-interest revolving loan programs to utilize for predetermined purposes. The Town has borrowed money from the Vermont Special Environmental Revolving Fund for sewer projects.

Long-term debt outstanding as of June 30, 2022 was as follows:

Bond Payable, State of Vermont Specia Environmental Revolving Fund, Sewer System Improvements, Authoriz to \$3,915,000, but Eligible for \$1,587,2 Subsidy, Principal and Administration Payments of \$142,357 Payable on Janu Annually Beginning January 1, 2024,	zed 263 Fee	Additions	<u>Deletio</u>	<u>ns</u>	Ending Balance
0% Interest, 2% Administration Fee, D January, 2043	ue \$ <u>131,874</u>	\$18,179	\$	0	\$ <u>150,053</u>
January, 2043	\$\frac{131,674}{}	\$10,179	Φ	<u>U</u>	\$ <u>130,033</u>
Total	\$ <u>131,874</u>	\$ <u>18,179</u>	\$	0	\$ <u>150,053</u>
Maturities are as follows:					
Year Ending <u>June 30</u>	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>		
	\$ 95,802	\$46,555	\$142,357		
2025	54,251	<u>24,783</u>	79,034		
Total	\$ <u>150,053</u>	\$ <u>71,338</u>	\$ <u>221,391</u>		

F. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to year-end, the Town will receive the second half of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program funds in the amount of \$160,082.

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	Special Revenue Funds			Capital Projects Funds		Permanent Funds		Total		
Cash Investments Due from Other Funds	\$	236,473 11,799 198,463	\$	263,024 0 1,128	\$	3,317 3,262 24	\$	502,814 15,061 199,615		
Total Assets	\$	446,735	\$_	264,152	\$_	6,603	\$	717,490		
LIABILITIES AND FUND	BALA	NCES								
Liabilities:	\$	0	\$_	0	\$	0	\$	0		
Fund Balances:										
Nonspendable		0		0		3,210		3,210		
Restricted		230,903		0		3,393		234,296		
Committed		128,642		259,106		0		387,748		
Assigned		87,190		5,046	_	0	_	92,236		
Total Fund Balances		446,735	_	264,152	_	6,603	_	717,490		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	446,735	\$_	264,152	\$	6,603	\$ <u></u>	717,490		

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Special	Capital		
	Revenue	Projects	Permanent	
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total
Cash Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$ 96,821	\$ 105,000	\$ 0	\$ 201,821
Intergovernmental	180,615	22,515	0	203,130
Charges for Services	1,400	0	0	1,400
Permits, Licenses and Fees	12,402	0	0	12,402
Investment Income/(Loss)	522	482	(442)	562
Donations	7,136	0	0	7,136
Other	360	0	0	360
Total Cash Receipts	299,256	127,997	(442)	426,811
Cash Disbursements:				
General Government	3,835	0	0	3,835
Culture and Recreation	85,325	0	0	85,325
Community Development	4,395	0	0	4,395
Cemetery	26,303	0	0	26,303
Capital Outlay:				
General Government	0	42,118	0	42,118
Public Safety	0	2,270	0	2,270
Total Cash Disbursements	119,858	44,388	0	164,246
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts				
Over Cash Disbursements	179,398	83,609	(442)	262,565
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):				
Transfers In	8,625	0	0	8,625
Transfers Out	(8,625)	0	0	(8,625)
Total Other Financing				
Sources/(Uses)	0	0	0	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	179,398	83,609	(442)	262,565
Fund Balances - July 1, 2021	267,337	180,543	7,045	454,925
Fund Balances - June 30, 2022	\$ 446,735	\$ <u>264,152</u>	\$ 6,603	\$ 717,490

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS JUNE 30, 2022

<u>ASSETS</u>	Reappraisal Fund	Litigation Fund	Records Restoration Fund	Library Operations Fund	Whitingham Free Public Library Fund	Cemetery Fund	Humane Society Fund	Old Home Week Fund	Economic Development Fund	ARPA Fund	Total
Cash Investments Due from Other Funds	\$ 87,190 0 0	\$ 68,588 0 0	\$ 31,607 0 0	\$ 0 0 4,641	\$ 25,096 11,799 0	\$ 0 0 8,587	\$ 0 0 2,319	\$ 23,992 0 0	\$ 0 0 22,834	\$ 0 0 160,082	\$ 236,473 11,799 198,463
Total Assets	\$ 87,190	\$ 68,588	\$ 31,607	\$ <u>4,641</u>	\$ 36,895	\$ 8,587	\$2,319	\$ 23,992	\$ 22,834	\$ <u>160,082</u>	\$ <u>446,735</u>
LIABILITIES AND FU	ND BALANCES										
Liabilities:	\$0_	\$0_	\$0_	\$0	\$0_	\$0_	\$0_	\$0_	\$0_	\$0_	\$0_
Fund Balances: Restricted Committed Assigned	0 0 87,190	0 68,588 0	31,607 0 0	0 4,641 0	36,895 0 0	0 8,587 0	2,319 0 0	0 23,992 0	22,834 0	160,082 0 0	230,903 128,642 87,190
Total Fund Balance	es <u>87,190</u>	68,588	31,607	4,641	36,895	8,587	2,319	23,992	22,834	160,082	446,735
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	s <u>87,190</u>	\$ <u>68,588</u>	\$ 31,607	\$ <u>4,641</u>	\$ <u>36,895</u>	\$ <u>8,587</u>	\$ <u>2,319</u>	\$ <u>23,992</u>	\$ <u>22,834</u>	\$ <u>160,082</u>	\$ <u>446,735</u>

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Reappra Fund		Litigation Fund	Records Restoration Fund	Library Operations Fund	Whitingham Free Public Library Fund	Cemetery Fund	Humane Society Fund	Old Home Week Fund	Economic Development Fund	ARPA Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:			\$ 0		6 (0.071		0 10.550					0.000
Property Taxes	4	0	\$ 0	\$ 0 0	\$ 69,271	\$ 0	\$ 19,550 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 0	\$ 96,821 180,615
Intergovernmental Charges for Services	11,00	0	0	0	9,532	0	1,400	0	0	0	160,082	1,400
Permits, Licenses and Fees		0	0	12,402	0	0	1,400	0	0	0	0	1,400
Investment Income		59	141	12,402	0	120	0	0	48	0	0	12,402 522
Donations		0	141	34	0	7,036	100	0	48	0	0	
Other		0	0	0	0	7,036	360	0	0	0	0	7,136 360
Other		0					300					300
Total Cash Receipts	11,10	50_	141	12,456	78,803	7,156	21,410	0	2,048	6,000	160,082	299,256
Cash Disbursements:												
General Government		0	0	3,835	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,835
Culture and Recreation		0	0	0	85,325	0	0	0	0	0	0	85,325
Community Development		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,395	0	4,395
Cemetery		0	0	0	0	0	26,303	0	0	0	0	26,303
Total Cash Disbursements		0	0	3,835	85,325	0	26,303	0	0	4,395	0	119,858
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts												
Over Cash Disbursements	11,10	50_	141	8,621	(6,522)	7,156	(4,893)	0	2,048	1,605	160,082	179,398
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):												
Transfers In		0	0	0	8,625	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,625
Transfers Out		0	0	0	0	(8,625)	0	0	0	0	0	(8,625)
Total Other Financing												
Sources/(Uses)		0	0	0	8,625	(8,625)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Change in Fund Balances	11,10	50	141	8,621	2,103	(1,469)	(4,893)	0	2,048	1,605	160,082	179,398
Fund Balances - July 1, 2021	76,03	30_	68,447	22,986	2,538	38,364	13,480	2,319	21,944	21,229	0	267,337
Fund Balances - June 30, 2022	\$ 87,19	90_	\$ 68,588	\$ 31,607	\$ 4,641	\$ 36,895	\$8,587_	\$ 2,319	\$ 23,992	\$ 22,834	\$ 160,082	\$ 446,735

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS JUNE 30, 2022

	Fire Equipment Fund	Municipal Facilities Fund	Civil Defense Fund	Hazard Mitigation Fund	Highway Garage Fund	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>						
Cash Due from Other Funds	\$ 79,851 0	\$ 37,062	\$ 5,046	\$ 46,869 1,128	\$ 94,196 0	\$ 263,024 1,128
Total Assets	\$79,851	\$ 37,062	\$5,046_	\$ <u>47,997</u>	\$ 94,196	\$ <u>264,152</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND	BALANCES					
Liabilities:	\$0	\$0_	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0_
Fund Balances: Committed Assigned	79,851 0	37,062 0	0 5,046	47,997 0	94,196	259,106 5,046
Total Fund Balances	79,851	37,062	5,046	47,997	94,196	264,152
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ <u>79,851</u>	\$37,062_	\$ <u>5,046</u>	\$ <u>47,997</u>	\$ <u>94,196</u>	\$ <u>264,152</u>

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Fire Equipment Fund	Municipal Facilities Fund	Civil Defense Fund	Hazard Mitigation Fund	Highway Garage Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:	1 und	1 unu	T tillt	1 und	1 und	Total
Property Taxes	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	\$ 25,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 105,000
Intergovernmental	0	0	0	22,515	0	22,515
Investment Income	151	69	11_	103	148	482
Total Cash Receipts	20,151	10,069	11	47,618	50,148	127,997
Cash Disbursements: Capital Outlay:						
General Government	0	0	0	42,118	0	42,118
Public Safety	2,270	0	0	0	0	2,270
Total Cash Disbursements	2,270	0	0	42,118	0	44,388
Net Change in Fund Balances	17,881	10,069	11	5,500	50,148	83,609
Fund Balances - July 1, 2021	61,970	26,993	5,035	42,497	44,048	180,543
Fund Balances - June 30, 2022	\$ 79,851	\$ 37,062	\$5,046_	\$ <u>47,997</u>	\$ 94,196	\$ <u>264,152</u>

TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF MODIFIED CASH BASIS ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR PERMANENT FUNDS JUNE 30, 2022

ASSETS	Ε	Davenport Fund	M & W Allen Fund			Wheeler Cemetery Trust Fund		Total
Cash Investments Due from Other Funds	\$	0 3,262 24	\$	1,985 0 0	\$	1,332 0 0	\$	3,317 3,262 24
Total Assets	\$_	3,286	\$	1,985	\$_	1,332	\$_	6,603
LIABILITIES AND FU	IND E	BALANCES						
Liabilities:	\$	0	\$	0	\$_	0	\$_	0
Fund Balances:								
Nonspendable		1,880		1,000		330		3,210
Restricted	_	1,406		985	_	1,002	_	3,393
Total Fund Balance	s _	3,286	_	1,985	_	1,332	_	6,603
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	l \$	3,286	\$	1,985	\$_	1,332	\$	6,603

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TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN MODIFIED CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR PERMANENT FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	D	Davenport Fund		& W Allen Fund	C	Vheeler emetery Trust Fund	 Total	
Cash Receipts: Investment Income/(Loss)	\$	(449)	\$	4	\$	3	\$ (442)	
Total Cash Receipts		(449)		4		3	 (442)	
Cash Disbursements:		0		0		0	 0	
Net Change in Fund Balances		(449)		4		3	(442)	
Fund Balances - July 1, 2021		3,735		1,981		1,329	 7,045	
Fund Balances - June 30, 2022	\$	3,286	\$	1,985	\$	1,332	\$ 6,603	

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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"

Selectboard Town of Whitingham, Vermont 2948 Vt Rte 100 Jacksonville, Vermont 05342

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 Whitingham, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 10, 2022. Our opinion on the governmental activities, the General Fund and the Cemetery Trust Fund was qualified because of because of the inadequacies in the Town's controls over transfer station fees receipts and the recording of investments at market value rather than cost.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing the audit, we considered the Town of Whitingham, Vermont'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 opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Whitingham, Vermont'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 Town of Whitingham, Vermont's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Deficiencies in Internal Control as Item 2022-01, that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

Town of Whitingham, Vermont's Response to Finding

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Town of Whitingham, Vermont's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Deficiencies in Internal Control. The Town of Whitingham, Vermont's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

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

Sullivan, Powers & Company

November 10, 2022 Montpelier, Vermont VT Lic. #92-000180

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TOWN OF WHITINGHAM, VERMONT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND DEFICIENCIES IN INTERNAL CONTROL JUNE 30, 2022

Deficiencies in Internal Control:
Material Weaknesses:
2022-01 Transfer Station Revenues
Criteria:
Internal controls over transfer station revenues should be in place so that no individual can both perpetrate and conceal errors or irregularities.
Condition:
The Town does not have adequate internal controls in place over transfer station revenues. Therefore, the Town cannot be sure that all of the cash collected is being handed over to them by the transfer station employees. In addition, the cash register at the transfer station is not utilized on a consistent basis. Furthermore, the transfer station has a sign to ask for a receipt, however, they do not offer incentives to customers if a receipt is not given.
Cause:
Unknown.
Effect:
The collections at the transfer station are subject to misappropriation.
Recommendation:
Our primary recommendation is that the Town consider selling transfer station coupons off-site at the Town Treasurer's office and/or at local businesses. If sales take place at the transfer station, we recommend that the Town consistently utilize the cash register and require cash receipts to be issued to all customers. In addition, management should reconcile the cash receipts to the actual cash collected. Furthermore, we recommend that the Town place a sign at the

transfer station offering incentives to customers if a receipt is not provided by the attendant.



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November 9, 2022

Sullivan, Powers & Company 77 Barre Street Montpelier, Vermont 05601

Re: Deficiencies in Internal Control

Dear Mr. Plummer,

We do acknowledge that there is a material weakness at the transfer station, although we do feel like we have addressed the situation as best as we can. As of September 1, 2022, the selectboard started requiring that the transfer station stickers be sold at the town clerk's office only. A log of the numbered stickers is maintained in the town clerk's office. Users of the transfer station can still purchase tokens and pay for their trash disposal at the transfer station. The attendant issues users a cash receipt from the cash register. The attendant brings the register to the treasurer weekly for the treasurer to run a cash receipt report in the supervisor mode (not available for use of the attendant) and reconciles that amount with the amount in the register. The current attendant is very conscientious of giving receipts to patrons. The cash drawer consistently matches the register tape and if it is off, it is only off by a couple of dollars over or under.

We will continue to try and think of ways to improve the process and reduce the risk of fraud.

Best.

Almira Aekus Town Treasurer