

# Preliminary Official Statement Dated March 27, 2020

**New Money Issue: Book-Entry-Only**

**Rating: S&P Global Ratings: "AAA"**

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants and procedures relating to requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not treated as an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax. In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is excluded from Connecticut taxable income for purposes of the Connecticut income tax on individuals, trusts and estates, and is excluded from amounts on which the net Connecticut minimum tax is based in the case of individuals, trusts and estates required to pay the federal alternative minimum tax. See "Tax Matters" herein.



## Town of Newtown, Connecticut \$11,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2020, Series A

**Dated: Date of Delivery**

**Due: March 15, 2021-2040  
as detailed below:**

The Bonds will bear interest payable on September 15, 2020 and semiannually thereafter on March 15 and September 15 in each year until maturity. The Bonds are issuable only as fully registered bonds, without coupons, and when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as Bondowner and nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Principal and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Town or its agent to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in book-entry-only form, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds. So long as Cede & Co. is the Bondowner, as nominee of DTC, reference herein to the Bondowner or owners shall mean Cede & Co. as aforesaid, and shall not mean the Beneficial Owners (as described herein) of the Bonds. (See "Book-Entry-Only Transfer System" herein).

Year	Principal	Coupon	Yield	CUSIP <sup>1</sup>	Year	Principal	Coupon	Yield	CUSIP <sup>1</sup>
2021	\$ 425,000	..%	..%	653234	2031	\$ 585,000	..%	..%	653234
2022	580,000	..%	..%	653234	2032	585,000	..%	..%	653234
2023	580,000	..%	..%	653234	2033	585,000	..%	..%	653234
2024	580,000	..%	..%	653234	2034	585,000	..%	..%	653234
2025	585,000	..%	..%	653234	2035	585,000	..%	..%	653234
2026	585,000	..%	..%	653234	2036	580,000	..%	..%	653234
2027	585,000	..%	..%	653234	2037	580,000	..%	..%	653234
2028	585,000	..%	..%	653234	2038	580,000	..%	..%	653234
2029	585,000	..%	..%	653234	2039	580,000	..%	..%	653234
2030	585,000	..%	..%	653234	2040	580,000	..%	..%	653234

**Electronic bids via PARITY® for the Bonds will be received until 11:30 A.M. (Eastern) on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at the office of Phoenix Advisors, LLC, 53 River Street, Milford, CT 06460, as described in the Notice of Sale. (See Appendix D herein).**

The Bonds will be general obligations of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the "Town") and the Town will pledge its full faith and credit to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. (See "Security and Remedies" herein.)

The Bonds are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity. (See "Optional Redemption" herein.)

The Registrar, Certifying Agent, Transfer Agent, and Paying Agent will be U.S. Bank National Association of Hartford, Connecticut.

The Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued, subject to the approving opinion of Robinson & Cole LLP, Bond Counsel, Hartford, Connecticut, and certain other conditions. It is expected that delivery of the Bonds in book-entry-only form will be made to DTC on or about April 14, 2020.

<sup>1</sup> Copyright, American Bankers Association. CUSIP® is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP numbers have been assigned by an independent company not affiliated with the Town and are included solely for the convenience of the holders of the Bonds. The Town is not responsible for the selection or use of these CUSIP numbers, does not undertake any responsibility for their accuracy, and makes no representation as to their correctness on the Bonds or as indicated above. The CUSIP number for a specific maturity is subject to being changed after the issuance of the Bonds as a result of various subsequent actions including, but not limited to, a refunding in whole or in part of such maturity or as a result of the procurement of secondary market portfolio insurance or other similar enhancement by investors that is applicable to all or a portion of certain maturities of the Bonds.

No dealer, broker, salesperson, or other person has been authorized by the Town or the Underwriter to give any information or to make any representations not contained in this Official Statement or any supplement which may be issued hereto, and if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale.

This Official Statement has been prepared only in connection with the initial offering and sale of the Bonds and may not be reproduced or used in whole or in part for any other purpose. The information, estimates and expressions of opinion in this Official Statement are subject to change without notice. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale of the Bonds shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no material change in the affairs of the Town since the date of this Official Statement.

The independent auditors for the Town are not passing upon and do not assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the financial information presented in this Official Statement (other than matters expressly set forth in their opinion in Appendix A), and they make no representation that they have independently verified the same.

The Bonds have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, nor have the Bonds been registered under any state securities laws.

The Town deems this Official Statement to be "final" for purposes of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), but it is subject to revision or amendment.

The Town currently files its official statements for primary offerings with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system. In accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Town will enter into a continuing disclosure agreement to provide or cause to be provided (i) annual financial information and operating data, (ii) a notice of the occurrence of certain events within 10 business days of the occurrence of such events, and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Town to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement to be executed substantially in the form attached as Appendix C to this Official Statement.

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## **Bond Issue Summary**

*The information in this Bond Issue Summary and the front cover page is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement. This Official Statement speaks only as of its date and the information herein is subject to change.*

<b>Date of Sale:</b>	Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 11:30 A.M. (Eastern).
<b>Location of Sale:</b>	Phoenix Advisors, LLC, 53 River Street, Milford, CT 06460.
<b>Issuer:</b>	Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the "Town").
<b>Issue:</b>	\$11,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2020, Series A (the "Bonds").
<b>Dated Date:</b>	Date of Delivery.
<b>Interest Due:</b>	September 15, 2020 and semiannually thereafter on March 15 and September 15, in each year until maturity or earlier redemption.
<b>Principal Due:</b>	The Bonds are due serially, March 15, 2021 through March 15, 2040, as detailed in this Official Statement.
<b>Purpose:</b>	The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to fund various general purpose and school projects authorized by the Town.
<b>Redemption:</b>	The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as described herein.
<b>Security:</b>	The Bonds will be general obligations of the Town and the Town will pledge its full faith and credit to the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.
<b>Credit Rating:</b>	The Bonds have been rated "AAA" by S&P Global Ratings ("S&P").
<b>Bond Insurance:</b>	The Town does not expect to purchase a credit enhancement facility.
<b>Basis of Award:</b>	Lowest True Interest Cost (TIC), as of the dated date.
<b>Tax Exemption:</b>	See "Bond Information: Tax Matters" herein.
<b>Continuing Disclosure:</b>	In accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Town will enter into a continuing disclosure agreement to provide or cause to be provided (i) annual financial information and operating data, (ii) a notice of the occurrence of certain events within 10 business days of the occurrence of such events, and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Town to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement to be executed substantially in the form attached as Appendix C to this Official Statement.
<b>Bank Qualification:</b>	The Bonds <u>shall NOT</u> be designated by the Town as qualified tax-exempt obligations under the provisions of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for purposes of the deduction by financial institutions of interest expense allocable to the Bonds.
<b>Registrar, Transfer Agent, Certifying Agent, and Paying Agent:</b>	U.S. Bank National Association, Goodwin Square, 225 Asylum Street, 23rd Floor, Hartford, Connecticut 06103.
<b>Legal Opinion:</b>	Robinson & Cole LLP, of Hartford, Connecticut will act as Bond Counsel.
<b>Municipal Advisor:</b>	Phoenix Advisors, LLC, of Milford, Connecticut will act as Municipal Advisor. Telephone (203) 283-1110.
<b>Delivery and Payment:</b>	It is expected that delivery of the Bonds in book-entry-only form will be made on or about April 14, 2020, against payment in Federal Funds.
<b>Issuer Official:</b>	Questions concerning the Town should be directed to Robert G. Tait, Director of Finance, Town Hall, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, Connecticut 06470, Telephone: (203) 270-4226 or Mr. Barry J. Bernabe, Managing Director, Phoenix Advisors, LLC, 53 River Street, Milford, Connecticut 06460, Telephone: (203) 283-1110.

## ***I. Bond Information***

### ***Introduction***

This Preliminary Official Statement (the “Official Statement”), including the cover page and appendices, is provided for the purpose of presenting certain information relating to the Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the “Town”), in connection with the original issuance and sale of \$11,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2020, Series A (the “Bonds”) of the Town.

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the Town and the purchasers or holders of any of the Bonds. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstance, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Town since the date hereof. Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representation of fact. No representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of statutes, charters, or other laws and acts and proceedings of the Town contained in this Official Statement do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilations thereof.

U.S. Bank National Association, 225 Asylum Street, Goodwin Square, Hartford, Connecticut 06103 will act as Registrar, Transfer Agent, Paying Agent, and Certifying Agent for the Bonds.

Bond Counsel is not passing upon and does not assume responsibility for the accuracy or adequacy of the statements made in this Official Statement (other than matters expressly set forth as its opinion substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix B) and makes no representation that it has independently verified the same.

The Town deems this Official Statement to be “final” for purposes of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), but it is subject to revision or amendment.

### ***Global Health Emergency Risk***

The outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory virus caused by a new strain of coronavirus, has been declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern by the World Health Organization. On March 13, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the President of the United States declared a national emergency. The spread of the virus has affected travel, commerce and financial markets globally, and is expected to affect global, national and State economic growth. Financial markets in the United States and throughout the world have seen a significant increase in volatility attributed to COVID-19 concerns, including significant declines in the stock and bond markets.

In the State of Connecticut, the Governor declared a state of emergency on March 10, 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak. The Governor has issued numerous Executive Orders prohibiting certain activities in an attempt to slow the spread of COVID-19. To date, these Executive Orders have included cancellation of all public-school classes for all students, restrictions on the number of people who can attend gatherings of all types, reduction and suspension of activity at State offices, agencies and facilities, limiting restaurants to take-out and delivery service only, and the closure of all non-essential businesses. Additional Executive Orders further restricting activities may be forthcoming. The State has a dedicated website providing up-to-date information concerning the State’s actions in response to the COVID-19 virus at: [CT.Gov/coronavirus](https://www.ct.gov/coronavirus). Neither the Town nor any of the other parties involved with the issuance of the Bonds has reviewed the information provided by the State on this website and such parties take no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

The potential impact of the national and State response to COVID-19 to date, and the continued spread of COVID-19 and the national and State response thereto, cannot be predicted at this time, but could have a materially adverse effect on the economies of the State and its municipalities, including the Town, and the Town’s finances, credit ratings and ability to pay the debt service on the Bonds in the future.

## ***Municipal Advisor***

Phoenix Advisors, LLC, of Milford, Connecticut (the "Municipal Advisor") has served as Municipal Advisor to the Town with respect to the issuance of the Bonds and has assisted the Town in preparing this Official Statement. The Municipal Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken, either to make an independent verification of or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained in the Official Statement and the appendices hereto.

The Municipal Advisor is an independent firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities.

## ***Description of the Bonds***

The Bonds will be dated as of the date of delivery, April 14, 2020, and will mature in annual installments on August 15 in each of the years and in the principal amounts set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement. Interest on the Bonds will be payable on September 15, 2020 and semiannually thereafter on March 15 and September 15, in each year until maturity. Interest will be calculated on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year and will be payable to the registered owners of the Bonds as of the last business day of February and August in each year, by check, mailed to the registered owners at the address as shown on the registration books of the Town kept for such purpose, or so long as the Bonds are registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, by such other means as DTC, the Paying Agent and the Town shall agree. The Bonds are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity as more fully described herein. The Bonds shall NOT be designated by the Town as qualified tax-exempt obligations under the provisions of section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

## ***Optional Redemption***

The Bonds maturing on or before March 15, 2027 are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on March 15, 2028 and thereafter, are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the election of the Town, on and after March 15, 2027 at any time, in whole or in part and by lot within a maturity, in such amounts and in such order of maturity as the Town may determine, at the respective price (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of Bonds to be redeemed), set forth in the following table, plus interest accrued and unpaid to the redemption date:

<b><i>Period During Which Redeemed</i></b>	<b><i>Redemption Price</i></b>
March 15, 2027 and thereafter	100%

Notice of redemption shall be given by the Town or its agent by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first-class mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owner of the Bonds at the address of such registered owner as the same shall last appear on the registration books for the Bonds. Failure to give such notice by mailing to any registered owner, or any defect therein, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of any other Bonds. Upon the giving of such notice, if sufficient funds available solely for redemption are on deposit with the Paying Agent, the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption will cease to bear interest after the specified redemption date.

If less than all of the Bonds of any one maturity shall be called for redemption, the particular Bonds or portions of Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by lot in such manner as the Town in its discretion may determine; provided, however, that the portion of any Bond to be redeemed shall be in the principal amount of \$5,000 or a multiple thereof and that, in selecting Bonds for redemption, each Bond shall be considered as representing that number of Bonds which is obtained by dividing the principal amount of such Bond by \$5,000.

The Town, so long as a book-entry system is used for the Bonds, will send any notice of redemption only to DTC (or successor securities depository) or its nominee. Any failure of DTC to advise any DTC Participant, or of any DTC Participant or Indirect Participant to notify any Indirect Participant or Beneficial Owner, of any such notice and its content or effect will not affect the validity of the redemption of such Bonds called for redemption. Redemption of portions of the Bonds of any maturity by the Town will reduce the outstanding principal amounts of such maturity held by DTC. In such event it is the current practice of DTC to allocate by lot, through its book-entry system, among the interest held by DTC Participants in the Bonds to be redeemed, the interest to be reduced by such redemption in accordance with its own rules or other agreements with DTC Participants. The DTC Participants and Indirect Participants may allocate reductions of the interests in the Bonds to be redeemed held by the Beneficial Owners. Any such allocations of reductions of interests in the Bonds to be redeemed will not be governed by the determination of the Town authorizing the issuance of the Bonds and will not be conducted by the Town, the Registrar or Paying Agent.

## **Authorization and Purpose**

The Bonds are issued pursuant to Title 7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, the Town Charter and certain bond resolutions adopted by the Town. The projects financed by the proceeds of the Bonds include:

<i>Project</i>	<i>Amount Authorized</i>	<i>New Money or (Paydowns)</i>	<i>This Issue: The Bonds</i>
Newtown H.S. Additions & Renovations.....	\$ 38,826,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Bridge Program.....	525,000	139,000	139,000
Police Building/Land Purchase/Design.....	14,800,000	6,706,000	6,706,000
Capital Road Program.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Hawley School Boiler / Lighting.....	783,200	750,000	750,000
High School Boiler / Lighting.....	2,702,000	2,405,000	2,405,000
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 58,636,200</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>

## **Book-Entry-Only Transfer System**

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds (the “Securities”). The Securities will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC’s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Security certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Securities in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world’s largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC’s participants (“Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants’ accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (“Indirect Participants”). DTC has a S&P Global Ratings rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com).

Purchases of Securities under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Securities on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Security (“Beneficial Owner”) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants’ records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Securities are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Securities, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Securities is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Securities deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Securities with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Securities; DTC’s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Securities are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Securities unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Town as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Securities are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Securities will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Town or the Paying Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Paying Agent, or the Town, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payments of principal and interest to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Town or the Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Securities at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Town or the Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Security certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Town may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Security certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the Town believes to be reliable, but the Town takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

### ***DTC Practices***

The Town can make no assurances that DTC, Direct Participants, Indirect Participants or other nominees of the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds act in a manner described in this Official Statement. DTC is required to act according to rules and procedures established by DTC and its participants which are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

### ***Replacement Bonds***

In the event that: (a) DTC determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds, and the Town fails to identify another qualified securities depository for the Bonds to replace DTC; or (b) the Town determines to discontinue the book-entry system of evidence and transfer of ownership of the Bonds, the Town is authorized to issue fully registered Bond certificates directly to the Beneficial Owner. A Beneficial Owner of the Bonds, upon registration of certificates held in such Beneficial Owner's name, will become the registered owner of the Bonds.

### ***Security and Remedies***

The Bonds will be general obligations of the Town, and the Town will pledge its full faith and credit to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

Unless paid from other sources, the Bonds are payable from general property tax revenues. The Town has the power under Connecticut General Statutes to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Town without limit as to rate or amount, except as to certain classified property such as certified forest land taxable at a limited rate and dwelling houses of qualified elderly persons of low income or qualified disabled persons taxable at limited amounts.

Payment of the Bonds is not limited to property tax revenues or any other revenue source, but certain revenues of the Town may be restricted as to use and therefore may not be available to pay debt service on the Bonds.



There are no statutory provisions for priorities in the payment of general obligations of the Town. There are no statutory provisions for a lien on any portion of the tax levy or other revenues to secure the Bonds, or judgments thereon, in priority to other claims.

The Town is subject to suit on its general obligation bonds and a court of competent jurisdiction has the power in appropriate proceedings to render a judgment against the Town. Courts of competent jurisdiction also have the power in appropriate proceedings to order payment of a judgment on such bonds from funds lawfully available therefor or, in the absence thereof, to order the Town to take all lawful action to obtain the same, including the raising of the required amount in the next annual tax levy. In exercising their discretion as to whether to enter such an order, the courts may take into account all relevant factors, including the current operating needs of the Town and the availability and adequacy of other remedies.

Enforcement of a claim for payment of principal of or interest on such debt would also be subject to the applicable provisions of federal bankruptcy laws as well as other bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted and to the exercise of judicial discretion. Under the Federal Bankruptcy Code, the Town may seek relief only, among other requirements, if it is specifically authorized, in its capacity as a municipality or by name, to be a debtor under Chapter 9, Title 11 of the United States Code, or by state law or by a governmental officer or organization empowered by state law to authorize such entity to become a debtor under such Chapter. Section 7-566 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, provides that no Connecticut municipality shall file a petition in bankruptcy without the express prior written consent of the Governor. This prohibition applies to any town, city, borough, metropolitan district and any other political subdivision of the State having the power to levy taxes and issue bonds or other obligations.

### ***Qualification for Financial Institutions***

The Bonds shall NOT be designated by the Town as qualified tax-exempt obligations under the provisions of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for purposes of the deduction by financial institutions of interest expense allocable to the Bonds.

### ***Availability of Continuing Disclosure Information***

The Town will enter into a Continuing Disclosure Agreement with respect to the Bonds, substantially in the form included in Appendix C to this Official Statement, to provide, or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"), (i) annual financial information and operating data, (ii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain events within ten business days of the occurrence of such events with respect to the Bonds, and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Town to provide the required annual financial information and operating data on or before the date specified in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The Underwriter's obligation to purchase the Bonds shall be conditioned upon its receiving, at or prior to the delivery of the Bonds, an executed copy of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Town prepares, in accordance with State law, annual audited financial statements and files such annual audits with the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management, on an annual basis. The Town provides, and will continue to provide, to Moody's Investors Service Inc. and S&P Global Ratings ongoing disclosure in the form of the Annual Financial Report, Recommended and Adopted Budgets, and other materials relating to its management and financial condition, as may be necessary or requested.

The Town has previously undertaken in continuing disclosure agreements for the benefits of holders of certain of its bonds and notes to provide certain annual financial information and event notices pursuant to Rule 15c2-12(b)(5). In the last five years, the Town has not failed to comply, in all material respects, with its previous undertakings in such agreements.

## ***Bond Rating***

The Bonds have been rated “AAA” by S&P Global Ratings (“S&P”). The Town furnished to S&P certain information and materials, some of which may not have been included in this Official Statement. The rating reflects only the views of S&P. No application was made to any other rating agencies for the purpose of obtaining ratings on the Bonds.

Generally, the rating agencies base their rating upon such information and materials and upon investigations, studies and assumptions by the rating agencies. There can be no assurance that a rating will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by a rating agency if in its judgment circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the marketability or market price of the Town’s outstanding bonds and notes, including this issue.

The Town expects to furnish to S&P information and materials that it may request. However, the Town may issue short-term or other debt for which a rating is not requested.

## ***Tax Matters***

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), imposes certain requirements which must be met at and subsequent to delivery of the Bonds in order that interest on the Bonds be and remains excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Noncompliance with such requirements could cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Tax Regulatory Agreement, which will be executed and delivered by the Town concurrently with the Bonds, contains representations, covenants and procedures relating to the use, expenditure and investment of proceeds of the Bonds in order to comply with such requirements of the Code. Pursuant to the Tax Regulatory Agreement, the Town also covenants and agrees that it shall perform all things necessary or appropriate under any valid provision of law to ensure interest on the Bonds shall be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Code.

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance by the Town with its covenants and the procedures contained in the Tax Regulatory Agreement, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not treated as an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax.

Ownership of the Bonds may also result in certain collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, certain S corporations with excess passive income, individual recipients of Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers utilizing the earned income credit and taxpayers who have or are deemed to have incurred indebtedness to purchase or carry tax exempt obligations, such as the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds, particularly those who may be subject to special rules, are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding the federal tax consequences of ownership and disposition of, or receipt of interest on, the Bonds.

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is excluded from Connecticut taxable income for purposes of the Connecticut income tax on individuals, trusts and estates, and is excluded from amounts on which the net Connecticut minimum tax is based in the case of individuals, trusts and estates required to pay the federal alternative minimum tax.

Legislation affecting the exclusion from gross income of interest on State or local bonds, such as the Bonds, is regularly under consideration by the United States Congress. There can be no assurance that legislation enacted or proposed after the date of issuance of the Bonds will not reduce or eliminate the benefit of the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds or adversely affect the market price of the Bonds.

The opinions of Bond Counsel are rendered as of their date and are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Bond Counsel assumes no obligation to update or supplement its opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to their attention, or to reflect any changes in law that may thereafter occur or become effective.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding other State and local tax consequences of ownership and disposition of and receipt of interest on the Bonds.

## **Original Issue Discount**

The initial public offering price of certain maturities of the Bonds may be less than the principal amount payable on such Bonds at maturity. The excess of the principal amount payable at maturity over the initial public offering price at which a substantial amount of these Bonds are sold constitutes original issue discount. The offering prices relating to the yields set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement are expected to be the initial public offering prices at which a substantial amount of the Bonds were ultimately sold to the public.

Under Section 1288 of the Code, the amount of original issue discount treated as having accrued with respect to any Bond during each day it is owned by a taxpayer is added to the owner's adjusted basis for purposes of determining gain or loss upon the sale or other disposition of such Bonds by such owner. Accrued original issue discount on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Original issue discount on any bond is treated as accruing on the basis of economic accrual for such purposes, computed by a constant semiannual compounding method using the yield to maturity on such bond. The original issue discount attributable to any bond for any particular semiannual period is equal to the excess of the product of (i) one-half of the yield to maturity of such bond, and (ii) the amount which would be the adjusted basis of the bond at the beginning of such semiannual period if held by the original owner and purchased by such owner at the initial public offering price, over the interest paid during such period. The amount so treated as accruing during each semiannual period is apportioned in equal amounts among the days in that period to determine the amount of original issue discount accruing for such purposes during each such day. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the federal, state and local income tax consequences of the disposition of and receipt of interest on the Bonds.

## **Original Issue Premium**

The initial public offering price of certain maturities of the Bonds may be greater than the principal amount payable on such Bonds at maturity. The excess of the initial public offering price at which a substantial amount of these Bonds are sold over the principal amount payable at maturity or on earlier call date constitutes original issue premium. The offering prices relating to the yields set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement are expected to be the initial public offering prices at which a substantial amount of the Bonds were ultimately sold to the public.

Under Sections 1016 and 171 of the Code, the amount of original issue premium treated as amortizing with respect to any Bond during each day it is owned by a taxpayer is subtracted from the owner's adjusted basis for purposes of determining gain or loss upon the sale or other disposition of such Bonds by such owner. Amortized original issue premium on the Bonds is not treated as a deduction from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Original issue premium on any bond is treated as amortizing on the basis of the taxpayer's yield to maturity using the taxpayer's cost basis and a constant semiannual compounding method. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the federal, state and local income tax consequences of the disposition of and receipt of interest on the Bonds.

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## II. The Issuer



## Connecticut

### Description of the Municipality

Located in Fairfield County in southwestern Connecticut, Newtown, established in 1711, is about sixty miles from New York City. It covers an area of 60.4 square miles, making it the fifth largest town, area-wise, in the State. The Town is bordered on the south by Easton and Redding, on the north by Bridgewater and Southbury, on the east by Oxford and Monroe, and on the west by Bethel and Brookfield. Newtown is traversed by Interstate 84, U.S. Routes 6 and 302, and Connecticut routes 25 and 34.

### Government Organization

Newtown operates under a Charter adopted in 1961 and most recently revised in 2016. Under the Charter the First Selectman acts as the Town's Chief Executive and Administrative Officer and a twelve-member Legislative Council acts as the legislative body, with the exception of those items specifically enumerated on which other Town bodies are authorized to act. Fiscal matters are administered under a Board of Finance comprised of six members and an appointed Finance Director.

### Principal Municipal Officials

Office	Name	Manner of Selection	Length Of Service
First Selectman.....	Daniel C. Rosenthal	Elected	2 years
Finance Director.....	Robert G. Tait	Appointed	12 years
Superintendent of Schools.....	Lorrie Rodrigue	Appointed	2 years
Tax Collector.....	Donna Saputo	Appointed	4 years
Assessor.....	Penney Mudgett	Appointed	7 years
Town Clerk.....	Debbie A. Halstead	Elected	13 years
Economic and Community Dev. Coordinator.....	Christal Preszler	Appointed	4 years
Director of Public Works.....	Frederick Hurley	Appointed	31 years

## ***Municipal Services***

**Police:** The Newtown Police Department has an authorized strength of forty-five officers supported by four civilian employees. Canine Control is operated by two full-time employees and three part-time employees under the administration of the Police Department.

**Fire:** The Newtown Fire Department operates with approximately two hundred volunteers who are reached by tone-activated radio communications from a central communications headquarters located in Town Hall South. The Department functions 24 hours a day, and is equipped with ten pumpers, two aerial ladders, three rescue trucks, two brush trucks, two mini-pumpers, and six tankers operating from six fire stations.

**Ambulance:** Ambulatory service is maintained by sixty volunteers whom the communications center contacts. The equipment consists of three ambulances. All of the staff have been qualified by the State as Emergency Medical Technicians; additionally, twenty-one technicians have received the qualification of Emergency Medical Technicians, Intravenous.

**Public Works Department:** The Public Works Department is staffed by forty-five employees who maintain Town roads, bridges and buildings. The Department operates or manages contracts for the operation of a water and wastewater treatment plant and collection system and a solid-waste transfer station (See “Solid Waste” herein for additional information). The Department services and maintains Town vehicles and provides basic engineering for new road construction, old road reconstruction and drainage improvements. The Department manages capital construction/reconstruction projects and oversees a variety of contract services provided to the Town.

**Health District:** The Health District works to promote and protect the physical and environmental well-being of the citizens of the Newtown Health District through direct services, wellness and promotion programs and active support of community efforts. The Health District is staffed by five full-time and three part-time employees, who enforce the requirements of the Connecticut Public Health Code and the Newtown Sanitary Code to help ensure a clean and healthy environment. Collaboration with community partners is an essential part of the Health District’s operation, whose services include plan review, permitting and inspection of septic systems and water supply wells, licensing and inspection of food service establishments, review of building permits, daycare inspections, investigation of complaints, and abatement of violations, local and regional public health emergency preparedness, and general health education.

**Water and Sewer Authority:** The Water and Sewer Authority (“WSA”) has constructed and operates a centralized wastewater treatment system comprising twenty-two miles of collection pipes, four pump stations and a 932,000-gallon-per-day treatment plant. The system, funded by a combination of 2% loans and grants from the State of Connecticut’s Clean Water Fund, became fully operational in September 1997. A second collection system connecting to the City of Danbury’s Waste Water Treatment Plant was completed in 2001. This system has 150,000 gallons of treatment capacity served by a mile of collection piping and a pump station. The entire system is operated and maintained by United Water Environmental Services, Inc. (“UWES”) under contract to the WSA. UWES is an experienced contract operator in Connecticut operating several water and wastewater plants of various sizes statewide. Operating and maintenance expenses for the system are paid on the basis of usage with the State of Connecticut as the largest customer.

The WSA also has begun to operate a potable water system on the former State of Connecticut Fairfield Hills Hospital campus comprising three producing wells, a 1,000,000-gallon storage facility, and three miles of distribution system. The entire system is operated and maintained by UWES under contract to the WSA. As with wastewater, operating and maintenance expenses for the system will be paid on the basis of usage with the State of Connecticut as the largest customer.

**Solid Waste:** The Town is one of ten member towns that constitute the Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority (“HRRRA”), which has legal authority under Connecticut State Statutes to contract for long-term garbage disposal and recyclable recovery services. HRRRA has a long-term contract with Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. to provide transfer and disposal of municipal solid waste with a parallel contract with the Town to provide its solid waste disposal. This contract has been in effect since 1993. A similar long-term contract for processing and marketing recyclables has been established under HRRRA with Recycling Technologies, Inc. of Danbury, Connecticut. This contract has been in effect since 1991. For FY 2019-2020 the processing fee for municipal solid waste was \$88.21 per ton and \$73.00 per ton for recyclables. Twenty private independent haulers collect solid waste while two firms are contracted by the Town to provide curbside pickup of recyclables in the Town.

## **Employee Relations and Collective Bargaining**

### **Municipal Employees <sup>1</sup>**

	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2015-16</b>
General Government.....	164	173	174	171	163
Board of Education.....	806	806	795	778	781
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>944</b>

<sup>1</sup> Budgeted full-time employees.

### **Employees Bargaining Organizations**

	<b>Positions Covered</b>	<b>Current Contract Expiration Date</b>
<b>Board of Education Groups</b>		
Newtown Federation of Teachers .....	413	6/30/2020
Newtown Association of School Administrators.....	20	6/30/2021
Newtown School Custodian and Maintenance Association.....	55	6/30/2023
Newtown Federation of Educational Personnel.....	55	6/30/2023
Newtown Paraeducators Association .....	165	6/30/2022
Local 1303 of Council #4, AFSCME (Nurses) .....	13	6/30/2021
Non-bargaining Employees .....	85	N/A
<b>Total Board of Education Employees.....</b>	<b>806</b>	
<b>General Government Groups</b>		
AFSCME (Highway) 1303-2000.....	35	6/30/2022
NIPSEU Local 1303/136 – Dispatch/Clerical.....	11	6/30/2021
Newtown Police Union NIPSEU 3153.....	43	6/30/2020 <sup>1</sup>
Teamsters (Park and Recreation) Local 145 .....	11	6/30/2020 <sup>1</sup>
CSEA (Town Employees) Local 760.....	32	6/30/2023
Non-bargaining Employees.....	-	N/A
<b>Total General Government Employees.....</b>	<b>132</b>	
<b>Total Board of Education and General Government Employees.....</b>	<b>938</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Currently in negotiation.

Source: Town of Newtown, Finance Department.

General Statutes Sections 7-473c, 7-474 and 10-153a to 10-153n provide a procedure for binding arbitration of collective bargaining agreements between municipal employers and organizations representing municipal employees, including certified teachers and certain other employees. The legislative body of a municipal entity may reject an arbitration panel's decision by a two-thirds majority vote. The State of Connecticut and the employee organization must be advised in writing of the reasons for rejection. The State then appoints a new panel of either one or three arbitrators to review the decisions on each of the rejected issues. The panel must accept the last best offer of either party. In reaching its determination, the arbitration panel gives priority to the public interest and the financial capability of the municipal employer, including consideration of other demands on the financial capability of the municipal employer. For binding arbitration of teachers' contracts, in assessing the financial capability of a municipality, there is an irrefutable presumption that a budget reserve of 5% or less is not available for payment of the cost of any item subject to arbitration. In the light of the employer's financial capability, the panel considers prior negotiations between the parties, the interests and welfare of the employee group, changes in the cost of living, existing employment conditions, and wages, salaries, fringe benefits, and other conditions of employment prevailing in the labor market, including developments in private sector wages and benefits.

## Education System

The Newtown public schools provide a full educational program for approximately 4,076 students from pre-kindergarten through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade of high school. There is also a specially funded preschool program for students with certain handicaps and an active continuing education program

### School Facilities

<b>School</b>	<b>Grades</b>	<b>Date of Construction (Additions, Remodeling)</b>	<b>Number of Classrooms</b>	<b>10/1/2019 Enrollment</b>	<b>Rated Capacity</b>
<b>Elementary Schools:</b>					
Hawley .....	K-4	1921 (1997)	24	299	550
Sandy Hook.....	K-4	2016	23	369 <sup>1</sup>	464
Middle Gate .....	K-4	1964 (1993)	26	356	580
Head O'Meadow.....	K-4	1977	22	296	513
Reed Intermediate School ....	5-6	2002	46	560	1,100
Middle School .....	7-8	1951 (1987)	53	680	1,077
High School .....	9-12	1970 (2010)	70	1,516	2,022
<b>Total.....</b>			<b>264</b>	<b>4,076<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>6,306</b>

<sup>1</sup> Does not include 70 Pre-K students at the Sandy Hook School.

<sup>2</sup> Does not include Newtown Community Partnership (16) or Out of District Students (40)

Source: Town of Newtown, Superintendent of Schools.

### School Enrollment and Projections

<b>School Year</b>	<b>Historical</b>				
	<b>Grades Pre-K-4</b>	<b>Grades 5-6</b>	<b>Grades 7-8</b>	<b>Grades 9-12 High School</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>
2010-11	1,928	895	897	1,731	5,451
2011-12	1,805	878	871	1,744	5,298
2012-13	1,650	819	893	1,764	5,126
2013-14	1,519	788	857	1,716	4,880
2014-15	1,448	730	834	1,747	4,759
2015-16	1,357	701	812	1,684	4,554
2016-17	1,331	659	750	1,682	4,422
2017-18	1,385	648	712	1,624	4,369
2018-19	1,388	624	681	1,575	4,268
2019-20	1,395	560	680	1,516	4,151
<b>School Year</b>	<b>Projected</b>				
	<b>Grades Pre-K-4</b>	<b>Grades 5-6</b>	<b>Grades 7-8</b>	<b>Grades 9-12 High School</b>	<b>Total Enrollment</b>
2020-21 <sup>1</sup>	1,424	588	631	1,443	4,086
2021-22 <sup>1</sup>	1,442	596	577	1,396	4,011
2022-23 <sup>1</sup>	1,459	589	605	1,322	3,975
2023-24 <sup>1</sup>	1,515	609	612	1,259	3,995

<sup>1</sup> Based on enrollment reports. Peter Prowda PHD, Education Consultant.

Source: Town of Newtown, Superintendent of Schools.

### III. Economic and Demographic Information

#### Population and Density

<i>Year</i>	<i>Actual Population</i>	<i>% Increase</i>	<i>Density</i> <sup>1</sup>
2018 <sup>2</sup>	27,853	1.1%	461.1
2010	27,560	10.1%	456.3
2000	25,031	20.5%	414.4
1990	20,779	8.8%	344.0
1980	19,107	12.8%	316.3
1970	16,942	49.0%	280.5
1960	11,373	--	188.3

<sup>1</sup> Per square mile: 60.4 square miles.

<sup>2</sup> United States Census Bureau: American Community Survey 2014-2018.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census.

#### Age Distribution of the Population

<i>Age</i>	<i>Town of Newtown</i>		<i>State of Connecticut</i>	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Under 5 years .....	1,156	4.2%	184,983	5.2%
5 to 9 years .....	1,444	5.2	201,006	5.6
10 to 14 years .....	2,188	7.9	224,135	6.3
15 to 19 years .....	2,526	9.1	247,182	6.9
20 to 24 years .....	1,620	5.8	245,490	6.9
25 to 34 years .....	1,932	6.9	439,848	12.3
35 to 44 years .....	2,626	9.4	427,023	11.9
45 to 54 years .....	5,430	19.5	522,138	14.6
55 to 59 years .....	2,493	9.0	266,170	7.4
60 to 64 years .....	1,974	7.1	235,949	6.6
65 to 74 years .....	2,266	8.1	327,414	9.1
75 to 84 years .....	1,394	5.0	170,979	4.8
85 years and over .....	804	2.9	89,187	2.5
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>27,853</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,581,504</b>	<b>100%</b>
Median Age (Years) 2018.....	45.9		40.8	
Median Age (Years) 2010..... <sup>1</sup>	45.1		40.0	

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, 2010.

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018.

#### Income Distribution

<i>Income</i>	<i>Town of Newtown</i>		<i>State of Connecticut</i>	
	<i>Families</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Families</i>	<i>Percent</i>
\$ 0 - \$ 9,999.....	64	0.8%	26,021	2.9%
10,000 - 14,999.....	-	0.0	16,472	1.8
15,000 - 24,999.....	118	1.5	38,804	4.3
25,000 - 34,999.....	247	3.2	50,215	5.6
35,000 - 49,999.....	375	4.9	80,042	9.0
50,000 - 74,999.....	638	8.3	127,676	14.3
75,000 - 99,999.....	731	9.5	118,848	13.3
100,000 - 149,999.....	1,684	21.9	186,154	20.8
150,000 - 199,999.....	1,452	18.9	105,285	11.8
200,000 and over.....	2,371	30.9	143,423	16.1
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>7,680</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>892,940</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018



### Income Levels

	<b>Town of Newtown</b>	<b>State of Connecticut</b>
Per Capita Income, 2018.....	\$ 55,985	\$ 43,056
Per Capita Income, 2010.....	\$ 47,221	\$ 36,775
Median Family Income, 2018.....	\$ 149,384	\$ 97,310
Median Family Income, 2010 .....	\$ 118,958	\$ 84,170

*Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018*

### Educational Attainment (Years of School Completed Age 25 and Over)

	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>State of Connecticut</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Less than 9th grade.....	202	1.1%	101,068	4.1%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma.....	483	2.6	134,758	5.4
High School graduate.....	3,480	18.4	670,519	27.1
Some college, no degree.....	3,036	16.0	416,267	16.8
Associate's degree .....	1,021	5.4	190,869	7.7
Bachelor's degree.....	5,970	31.6	538,924	21.7
Graduate or professional degree.....	4,727	25.0	426,303	17.2
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>18,919</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,478,708</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Total High School Graduate or Higher (%).....		96.4%		90.5%
Total Bachelor's Degree or Higher (%).....		56.5%		38.9%

*Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018*

### Employment Data

<b>Period</b>	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>Percentage Unemployed</b>		
	<b>Employed</b>	<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>Town of Newtown</b>	<b>Danbury Labor Market</b>	<b>State of Connecticut</b>
December 2019.....	13,901	351	2.5	2.7	3.2
<b>Annual Average</b>					
2019.....	13,808	421	3.0	3.1	3.7
2018.....	13,842	502	3.5	3.5	4.2
2017.....	13,937	563	3.9	3.9	4.7
2016.....	13,463	638	4.4	4.3	5.3
2015.....	13,748	616	4.3	4.5	5.6
2014.....	13,518	702	4.9	5.3	6.6
2013.....	13,609	829	5.7	6.3	7.9
2012.....	14,548	890	6.1	6.7	8.3
2011.....	14,733	964	6.5	7.2	8.8
2010.....	14,365	957	6.7	7.6	9.0

*Source: State of Connecticut, Department of Labor.*

### **Employment by Industry**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>State of Connecticut</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining.....	173	1.2%	7,195	0.4%
Construction.....	784	5.6	107,331	5.9
Manufacturing.....	1,507	10.8	190,995	10.5
Wholesale trade.....	594	4.3	44,714	2.5
Retail trade.....	1,147	8.2	191,939	10.6
Transportation warehousing, and utilities....	515	3.7	72,806	4.0
Information.....	364	2.6	41,839	2.3
Finance, insurance, real estate, and leasing..	1,330	9.6	164,607	9.1
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management.....	2,035	14.6	207,632	11.5
Education, health and social services.....	3,555	25.5	479,677	26.5
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services.....	914	6.6	150,852	8.3
Other services (except public admin.).....	612	4.4	83,686	4.6
Public Administration.....	390	2.8	67,172	3.7
<b>Total Labor Force, Employed.....</b>	<b>13,920</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,810,445</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018

### **Major Employers As of February 2020**

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Type of Business</b>	<b>Approximate Number of Employees</b>
Town of Newtown.....	Municipality	1,141
State of CT Department of Corrections.....	Correctional facility	333
Newtown Savings Bank.....	Financial institution	171
Spectrum.....	Cable company	165
Eversource.....	Utility	160
Curtis Packaging Corp.....	Manufacturing	134
Taunton Press.....	Publisher	101
Caraluzzi's Newtown Market.....	Supermarket	98
Maplewood of Newtown.....	Assisted Living	87

Source: Town of Newtown, Community Development Office.

## Commute to Work

	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>State of Connecticut</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Drove alone .....	11,215	82.0%	1,391,925	78.2%
Car pools .....	860	6.3	143,527	8.1
Used public transportation .....	190	1.4	84,347	4.7
Walked .....	70	0.5	49,525	2.8
Used other means .....	71	0.5	20,763	1.2
Worked at home .....	1,266	9.3	90,566	5.1
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>13,672</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,780,653</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	33.8	—	26.3	

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018

## Building Permits

<b>Calendar Year</b>	<b>Residential</b>		<b>Comm./Industrial</b>		<b>All Other <sup>1</sup></b>		<b>Total</b>	
	<b>No.</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Value</b>
2019	17	\$ 4,047,705	65	\$ 6,503,183	1,914	\$ 44,144,455	1,996	\$ 54,695,343
2018	18	5,141,285	4	13,696,928	1,395	18,456,609	1,417	37,294,822
2017	23	6,546,810	4	1,376,482	1,372	24,062,530	1,399	31,985,822
2016	14	4,305,652	5	4,952,397	1,994	29,782,915	2,013	39,040,964
2015	19	6,349,350	3	2,250,000	1,997	35,165,374	2,019	43,764,724
2014	18	5,321,951	3	5,635,997	2,012	32,968,999	2,033	43,926,947
2013	15	4,569,686	1	900,000	1,897	28,857,175	1,913	34,326,861
2012	20	6,538,979	2	1,295,000	2,012	26,095,463	2,034	33,929,442
2011	17	5,466,700	2	2,075,000	1,491	35,674,007	1,510	43,215,707
2010	10	2,760,485	4	2,570,000	1,493	18,038,402	1,507	23,368,887

<sup>1</sup> Includes additions, alterations, pools, etc.

Source: Town of Newtown, Building Official.

## Housing Unit Inventory and Vacancy Rates

<b>Housing Units</b>	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>State of Connecticut</b>	
	<b>Units</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Percent</b>
1-unit, detached .....	9,227	87.8%	892,608	59.0%
1-unit, attached .....	261	2.5	80,684	5.3
2 units .....	314	3.0	123,908	8.2
3 or 4 units .....	258	2.5	130,948	8.7
5 to 9 units .....	67	0.6	84,021	5.6
10 to 19 units .....	53	0.5	57,153	3.8
20 or more units .....	251	2.4	130,872	8.7
Mobile home .....	83	0.8	11,734	0.8
Boat, RV, van, etc. ....	-	-	377	0.0
<b>Total Inventory.....</b>	<b>10,514</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,512,305</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018

### Owner Occupied Housing Values

<b>Specified Owner-Occupied Units</b>	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>State of Connecticut</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Less than \$50,000.....	149	1.8%	21,254	2.5%
\$50,000 to \$99,000.....	37	0.4	29,211	3.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999.....	117	1.4	81,446	9.4
\$150,000 to \$199,000.....	131	1.5	139,715	16.1
\$200,000 to \$299,999.....	1,369	16.2	245,801	28.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999.....	4,294	50.7	240,706	27.8
\$500,000 or more.....	2,377	28.1	106,993	12.4
\$1,000,000 or more.....	175	2.1	42,008	4.9
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>8,474</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>865,126</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Median Value.....</b>	<b>\$403,800</b>		<b>\$272,700</b>	

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018

### Age Distribution of Housing

<b>Year Built</b>	<b>Town of Newtown</b>		<b>State of Connecticut</b>	
	<b>Units</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Percent</b>
1939 or earlier.....	1,305	12.4%	337,795	22.3%
1940 to 1969.....	3,117	29.6	533,321	35.3
1970 to 1979.....	1,426	13.6	201,360	13.3
1980 to 1989.....	1,334	12.7	191,306	12.6
1990 to 1999.....	1,795	17.1	115,459	7.6
2000 or 2009.....	1,302	12.4	103,632	6.9
2010 or later.....	235	2.2	29,432	1.9
<b>Total Housing Units.....</b>	<b>10,514</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,512,305</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: American Community Survey 2014-2018

### Breakdown of Land Use

<b>Type</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Residential.....	19,155	48.0%
Institutional.....	399	1.0
Commercial/industrial.....	1,197	3.0
Parks, Open Space/Recreational.....	3,193	8.0
Vacant Land.....	3,591	9.0
Other.....	12,373	31.0
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>39,908</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Town of Newtown, Planning Department.

## ***IV. Tax Base Data***

### ***Property Tax Assessment***

Under Section 12-62 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Town must revalue all real estate by physical inspection no later than ten years following the preceding physical inspection. The Town must conduct a statistical revaluation no later than five years after the last physical inspection. The maintenance of an equitable tax base and the location and appraisal of all real and personal property within the Town for inclusion on the Grand List is the responsibility of the Assessor. The Grand List represents the total of assessed value for all taxable real and personal property located within the Town as of October 1. A Board of Assessment Appeals determines whether adjustments to the Assessor's list on assessments under appeal are warranted. Assessments are computed at seventy percent (70%) of market value at the time of the last general revaluation. The Town completed its last general revaluation for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2017. The next revaluation will commence October 1, 2022.

When a new structure or modification to an existing structure is undertaken, the Assessor's Office receives a copy of the permit issued by the Building Inspector. A physical appraisal is then completed and the structure classified and priced from a schedule developed as of the revaluation. Property depreciation and obsolescence factors are also considered when arriving at an equitable value.

Connecticut General Statutes Section 12-71e, as amended, allows municipalities to tax motor vehicles at a different rate than other taxable property, but caps the motor vehicle tax rate at 39.00 mills for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2016, and 45.00 mills for the assessment year commencing October 1, 2017, and each assessment year thereafter. Section 4-66l of the General Statutes, as amended, diverts a portion of State collected sales tax revenue to provide funding to municipalities to mitigate the revenue loss attributed to the motor vehicle property tax cap. The Town's motor vehicle tax rates for the current 2018 assessment year (the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020) is 34.77 mills.

Motor vehicle lists are furnished to the Town by the State of Connecticut and appraisals of motor vehicles are accomplished in accordance with an automobile price schedule developed by the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officials and as recommended by the State Office of Policy and Management. Section 12-71b of the Connecticut General Statutes provides that motor vehicles which are registered with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles after the October 1 assessment date but before the next August 1 are subject to a property tax as if the motor vehicle had been included on the October 1 Grand List. The tax is prorated, and the proration is based on the number of months of ownership between October 1 and the following July 31. Cars purchased in August and September are not taxed until the next October 1 Grand List. If the motor vehicle replaces a motor vehicle that was taxed on the October Grand List, the taxpayer is entitled to certain credits.

All personal property (commercial furniture, fixtures, equipment, machinery and leased equipment) is assessed annually. An assessor's check and audit is completed periodically. Assessments for both personal property and motor vehicles are computed at seventy percent (70%) of present market value.

Section 12-124a of the Connecticut General Statutes permits a municipality, upon approval by its legislative body, to abate property taxes on owner-occupied residences to the extent that the taxes exceed eight percent of the owner's total income, from any source, adjusted for self-employed persons to reflect expenses allowed in determining adjusted gross income. The owner must agree to pay the amount of taxes abated with interest at 6% per annum, or at such rate approved by the legislative body, at such time that the residence is sold or transferred or on the death of the last surviving owner. A lien for such amounts is recorded in the land records but does not take precedence over any mortgage recorded before the lien. The Town has not approved the use of this abatement provision to date.

## Property Tax Levy and Collection

Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-66l, as amended (“Section 4-66l”), creates certain disincentives on increasing adopted budget expenditures for municipalities in Connecticut. Beginning in fiscal year 2018, the Office of Policy and Management (“OPM”) must reduce the amount of the municipal revenue sharing grant for those municipalities whose increase in its adopted budget expenditures, with certain exceptions, exceeds the previous fiscal year by 2.5% or more or the rate of inflation, whichever is greater (the “expenditure cap”). The reduction to the municipal revenue sharing grant will generally equal 50 cents for every dollar by which the municipality’s adopted budget exceeds the expenditure cap. A municipality whose population increased from the previous fiscal year, as determined by OPM, may increase its adopted budget expenditures over the expenditure cap by an amount proportionate to its population growth. Section 4-66l requires each municipality to annually certify to the Secretary of OPM whether the municipality has exceeded the expenditure cap, and if so, the amount by which the expenditure cap was exceeded. For fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Town will not receive municipal revenue sharing grant moneys from the State.

Under Section 4-66l, municipal spending does not include expenditures: (i) for debt service, special education, or costs to implement court orders or arbitration awards; (ii) associated with a major disaster or emergency declaration by the President or disaster emergency declaration issued by the Governor under the civil preparedness law; (iii) for any municipal revenue sharing grant the municipality disburses to a district; or (iv) budgeting for an audited deficit, non-recurring grants, capital expenditures or payments on unfunded pension liabilities.

### Property Tax Collections

<i>Fiscal Year Ended 6/30</i>	<i>Grand List 10/1</i>	<i>Tax Rate (in Mills)</i>	<i>Adjusted Annual Levy</i>	<i>Percent of Annual Levy Collected At End of Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Percent of Annual Levy Uncollected at End of Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Percent of Annual Levy Uncollected As of 6/30/2019</i>
2020	2018	34.77	\$110,485,341		In Collection	
2019	2017	34.24	107,554,562	99.3%	0.7%	0.70%
2018	2016	33.87	104,415,578	99.3	0.7	0.22
2017	2015	33.60	102,847,280	99.3	0.7	0.16
2016	2014	33.07	100,822,157	99.3	0.7	0.14
2015	2013	33.31	100,736,217	99.2	0.8	0.13
2014	2012	33.32	99,925,361	99.3	0.7	0.10
2013	2011	24.54	96,019,710	99.0	1.0	0.14
2012	2010	24.37	94,762,206	99.0	1.0	0.13
2011	2009	24.00	92,326,177	99.2	0.8	0.12

Source: Town of Newtown, Tax Collector

### Property Taxes Receivable

<i>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</i>	<i>Current Year Taxes Receivable</i>	<i>Total Taxes Receivable</i>
2019	\$ 727,734	\$ 2,092,358
2018	674,363	1,889,742
2017	650,416	1,842,210
2016	674,543	1,744,243
2015	807,267	1,870,076
2014	729,081	1,836,469
2013	946,003	2,064,005
2012	948,219	2,056,776
2011	815,952	1,583,503
2010	750,682	1,387,206

Source: Town of Newtown, Tax Collector

### Principal Taxpayers

<b>Name of Taxpayer</b>	<b>Nature of Business</b>	<b>Taxable Valuation</b>	<b>Percent of Net Taxable Grand List <sup>1</sup></b>
Eversource (formerly CL &P) .....	Utility	\$ 48,481,600	1.51%
E&A/I&G Sandhill Plaza Ltd Partnership.....	Shopping center	15,732,280	0.49
Iroquois Gas Transmission System.....	Utility	13,057,300	0.41
Newtown Landlord CT LLC.....	Nursing Home	11,922,150	0.37
Advanced Fusion Systems LLC.....	Manufacturing	11,294,920	0.35
Newtown Shopping Village L.P.....	Shopping Center	10,397,800	0.32
Aquarion Water Company.....	Water company	8,463,480	0.26
Newtown ALF Property LLC.....	Assisted Living	7,862,280	0.24
Masimo Americas INC.....	Manufacturing	7,666,160	0.24
Newtown Savings Bank.....	Banking	6,996,520	0.22
<b>Total.....</b>		<b>\$141,874,490</b>	<b>4.41%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Net Taxable Grand List October 1, 2019 of \$3,216,006,000.

Source: Town of Newtown, Assessor's Office

### Comparative Assessed Valuations of Taxable Property

<b>Grand List As Of 10/1</b>	<b>Residential Real Property (%)</b>	<b>Commercial &amp; Industrial Real Property (%)</b>	<b>Other Real Property (%)</b>	<b>Personal Property (%)</b>	<b>Motor Vehicles (%)</b>	<b>Gross Taxable Grand List</b>	<b>Exemptions, Veterans Relief and Disabled</b>	<b>Net Taxable Grand List</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
2019	76.1	8.8	2.0	5.3	7.8	\$ 3,262,876	\$ 46,870	\$3,216,006	0.8%
2018	76.5	8.8	2.0	5.0	7.8	3,239,945	49,974	3,189,971	1.0
2017	77.2	8.5	2.1	4.4	7.8	3,199,469	41,490	3,157,979	1.5
2016	77.6	8.2	2.1	4.4	7.7	3,164,405	52,998	3,111,407	1.0
2015	78.2	7.9	2.3	4.0	7.6	3,121,682	40,811	3,080,871	0.2
2014	77.9	7.9	2.3	4.3	7.6	3,114,041	38,935	3,075,106	0.7
2013	78.2	7.8	2.4	4.1	7.5	3,088,028	32,893	3,055,135	0.6
2012	78.2	7.9	2.5	4.0	7.4	3,066,820	29,695	3,037,125	-23.2
2011	81.3	7.0	3.7	2.3	5.7	3,986,003	33,380	3,952,623	0.5
2010	81.4	7.0	3.4	2.7	5.5	3,967,118	33,394	3,933,724	0.7

Source: Assessor's Office, Town of Newtown.

Date of last general revaluation, 10/1/17.

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**V. Debt Summary**  
**Long-Term Bonded Debt**  
**As of April 14, 2020**  
**(Pro Forma)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Interest Rate %</b>	<b>Original Issue</b>	<b>Amount Outstanding</b>	<b>Date of Maturity</b>
10/31/2003	Drinking Water Fund (DWSRF PLO 200101-C).....	2.10	\$ 516,000	\$ 98,282	06/30/2023
06/29/2006	Drinking Water Fund (DWSRF PLO 200402-C).....	2.32	171,738	57,149	12/31/2025
09/28/2010	Refunding (school).....	0.25–5.00	2,319,500	1,274,800	07/01/2023
09/28/2010	Refunding (general purpose).....	0.25–5.00	6,590,500	4,465,200	07/01/2023
03/20/2012	Refunding, Series B (general purpose)....	2.00–4.00	7,558,400	5,555,000	07/15/2026
03/15/2014	School.....	2.00–3.50	2,046,000	1,432,200	03/15/2034
03/15/2014	General Purpose.....	2.00–3.50	1,966,000	1,373,800	03/15/2034
03/15/2014	Sewers <sup>1</sup> .....	2.00–3.50	2,488,000	1,744,000	03/15/2034
02/18/2015	Refunding (general purpose).....	2.375–5.00	5,196,000	9,070,000	08/15/2030
02/18/2015	Refunding (school).....	2.375–5.00	12,424,000	4,100,000	08/15/2030
03/15/2016	General Purpose.....	2.00–4.00	9,490,000	7,200,000	03/15/2036
03/15/2016	School.....	2.00–4.00	2,510,000	2,000,000	03/15/2036
05/10/2016	Refunding (general purpose).....	3.00–4.00	233,000	92,000	07/01/2021
05/10/2016	Refunding (school).....	3.00–4.00	2,062,000	818,000	07/01/2021
03/15/2017	General Purpose.....	2.00–4.00	2,400,000	1,860,000	03/15/2037
03/15/2017	School.....	2.00–4.00	2,408,000	1,916,500	03/15/2037
03/15/2017	Sewers <sup>1</sup> .....	2.00–4.00	282,000	238,500	03/15/2037
02/27/2018	General Purpose.....	2.00–5.00	9,485,000	8,550,000	02/15/2038
02/27/2018	School.....	2.00–5.00	3,515,000	3,150,000	02/15/2038
03/07/2019	General Purpose.....	2.00–5.00	9,488,000	9,020,000	03/01/2039
03/07/2019	School.....	2.00–5.00	912,000	860,000	03/01/2039
03/26/2019	Refunding (general purpose).....	3.00–5.00	176,000	5,998,000	08/15/2026
03/26/2019	Refunding (school).....	3.00–5.00	6,574,000	152,000	08/15/2031
<b>Sub-total.....</b>			<b>\$ 90,811,138</b>	<b>\$ 71,025,431</b>	
<b>This Issue</b>					
04/14/2020	General Purpose.....	<i>tbd</i>	\$ 7,845,000	\$ 7,845,000	03/15/2040
04/14/2020	School.....	<i>tbd</i>	3,655,000	3,655,000	03/15/2040
<b>Total This Issue.....</b>			<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	
<b>Grand Total.....</b>			<b>\$ 102,311,138</b>	<b>\$ 82,525,431</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Sewer debt is self-supporting.

**Short Term Debt**  
**As of April 14, 2020**  
**(Pro-Forma)**

The Town has no short-term debt outstanding.

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### ***State of Connecticut Clean Water Fund Program***

The Town is a participant in the State of Connecticut's Clean Water Fund Program (Connecticut General Statutes Sections 22a-475 et seq., as amended) which provides financial assistance through a combination of grants and loans bearing interest at a rate of 2% per annum. All participating municipalities receive a grant of 20% and a loan of 80% of total eligible costs, except for combined sewer overflow correction and phosphorus removal projects (50% grant and 50% loan) and denitrification projects (30% grant and 70% loan).

Loans to each municipality are made pursuant to Project Grant and Project Loan Agreements (the "Loan Agreement"). Each municipality is obligated to repay only that amount which it draws down for the payment of project costs (Interim Funding Obligations). Each municipality must deliver to the State an obligation secured by the full faith and credit of the municipality and/or a dedicated source of revenue of each municipality.

Amortization of each loan is required to begin one year from the earlier of the project completion date specified in the Loan Agreement or the actual project completion date. The final maturity of each loan is twenty years from the scheduled completion date. Principal and interest payments are made (1) in equal monthly installments commencing one month after the scheduled completion date, or (2) in a single annual installment representing 1/20 of total principal not later than one year from the project completion date specified in the Loan Agreement and thereafter in monthly installments. Loans made under a Loan Agreement entered into prior to July 1, 1989 are repayable in annual installments. Borrowers may elect to make level debt service payments or level principal payments. Borrowers may prepay their loans at any time prior to maturity without penalty.

As of the date of this Official Statement, the Town does not have any Clean Water Fund project loan obligations outstanding reflected in the Town's "Debt Summary" herein.

### ***Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program***

The Town is a participant in the State of Connecticut's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program (General Statutes Sections 22a-475 et seq., as amended), which provides financial assistance to the Town through loans bearing interest at a rate not exceeding one-half the rate of the average net interest cost as determined by the last previous similar bond issue by the State of Connecticut as determined by the State Bond Commission.

Loans to each municipality are made pursuant to a Project Loan Agreement. Each municipality is obligated to repay only the amount it draws down for the payment of project costs (Interim Funding Obligation). Each municipality must deliver to the State an obligation secured by the full faith and credit of the municipality and/or a dedicated source of revenue of such municipality.

The amortization requirements, payment schedule and prepayment provisions are the same as under the Clean Water Fund Program.

As of the date of this Official Statement, the Town has approximately \$155,431 of Drinking Water Fund project loan obligations outstanding reflected in the Town's "Debt Summary" herein.

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**Annual Bonded Debt Maturity Schedule  
As of April 14, 2020  
(Pro Forma)**

<b>Fiscal Year Ending</b>	<b>Principal Payments</b>	<b>Interest Payments<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>This Issue The Bonds</b>	<b>Total Principal</b>	<b>Cumulative Principal Retired</b>
2020 <sup>2</sup>	\$ 9,654	\$ 830	\$ 10,484	\$ -	\$ 9,654	0.0%
2021	6,534,140	2,489,487	9,023,627	425,000	6,959,140	8.4%
2022	6,719,991	2,220,186	8,940,177	580,000	7,299,991	17.3%
2023	6,010,861	1,944,879	7,955,739	580,000	6,590,861	25.3%
2024	6,470,135	1,678,525	8,148,660	580,000	7,050,135	33.8%
2025	5,860,373	1,449,387	7,309,760	585,000	6,445,373	41.6%
2026	5,450,277	1,260,382	6,710,659	585,000	6,035,277	48.9%
2027	4,990,000	1,073,309	6,063,309	585,000	5,575,000	55.7%
2028	4,240,000	921,624	5,161,624	585,000	4,825,000	61.5%
2029	3,545,000	801,825	4,346,825	585,000	4,130,000	66.5%
2030	3,490,000	678,250	4,168,250	585,000	4,075,000	71.5%
2031	3,495,000	558,163	4,053,163	585,000	4,080,000	76.4%
2032	2,795,000	450,838	3,245,838	585,000	3,380,000	80.5%
2033	2,320,000	368,300	2,688,300	585,000	2,905,000	84.0%
2034	2,220,000	294,763	2,514,763	585,000	2,805,000	87.4%
2035	1,895,000	223,100	2,118,100	585,000	2,480,000	90.5%
2036	1,895,000	162,813	2,057,813	580,000	2,475,000	93.5%
2037	1,395,000	101,150	1,496,150	580,000	1,975,000	95.8%
2038	1,170,000	55,088	1,225,088	580,000	1,750,000	98.0%
2039	520,000	16,900	536,900	580,000	1,100,000	99.3%
2040	-	-	-	580,000	580,000	100.0%
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 71,025,431</b>	<b>\$ 16,749,797</b>	<b>\$ 87,775,228</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 82,525,431</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Does not include interest on this issue.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes principal payments of \$6,438,653 and interest payments of \$2,709,769 made from July 1, 2019 through April 14, 2020.

**Overlapping/Underlying Debt**

The Town has neither overlapping nor underlying debt.

**THE TOWN HAS NEVER DEFAULTED IN THE PAYMENT OF  
PRINCIPAL OR INTEREST ON ITS BONDS OR NOTES.**

**Debt Statement**  
**As of April 14, 2020**  
**(Pro Forma)**

**Long-Term Debt Outstanding:**

General Purpose (Includes this issue) .....	\$ 61,029,000
Schools (Includes this issue) .....	19,358,500
Sewers .....	2,137,931
<b>Total Long-Term Debt.....</b>	<b>82,525,431</b>
<b>Short-Term Debt:</b>	
Outstanding Bond Anticipation Notes .....	-
<b>Direct Debt.....</b>	<b>82,525,431</b>
<b>Overlapping / Underlying Debt.....</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Overall Debt.....</b>	<b>82,525,431</b>
Less: State school construction grants receivable as of 6/30/2019 .....	-
Self-supporting sewer debt .....	(1,982,500)
<b>Overall Net Debt.....</b>	<b>\$ 80,542,931</b>

**Current Debt Ratios**  
**As of April 14, 2020**  
**(Pro Forma)**

Population <sup>1</sup> .....	27,853
Net Taxable Grand List (10/1/19) .....	\$3,216,006,000
Estimated Full Value (70%).....	\$4,594,294,286
Equalized Net Taxable Grand List (10/1/17) <sup>2</sup> .....	\$4,504,405,100
Income per Capita <sup>1</sup> .....	\$ 55,985

	<b>Total Long Term Debt:</b>	<b>Direct Debt:</b>	<b>Overall Net Debt:</b>
	<b>\$82,525,431</b>	<b>\$82,525,431</b>	<b>\$80,542,931</b>
Per Capita .....	\$2,962.89	\$2,962.89	\$2,891.71
Ratio to Net Taxable Grand List .....	2.57%	2.57%	2.50%
Ratio to Estimated Full Value .....	1.80%	1.80%	1.75%
Ratio to Equalized Net Taxable Grand List .....	1.83%	1.83%	1.79%
Debt per Capita to Money Income per Capita 2018 .....	5.29%	5.29%	5.17%

<sup>1</sup> 2014–2018 American Community Survey.

<sup>2</sup> State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management.

## ***Temporary Financing***

When general obligation bonds have been authorized, bond anticipation notes maturing in not more than two years may be issued (CGS Sec. 7-378). Temporary notes may be renewed up to ten years from their original date of issue as long as all project grant payments are applied toward payment of temporary notes when they become due and payable and the legislative body schedules principal reductions starting at the end of the third and continuing in each subsequent year during which such temporary notes remain outstanding in an amount equal to a minimum of 1/20th (1/30th for school and sewer projects) of the estimated net project cost (CGS Sec. 7-378a). The term of the bond issue is reduced by the amount of time temporary financing exceeds two years, or, for school and sewer projects, by the amount of time temporary financing has been outstanding.

Temporary notes must be permanently funded no later than ten years from the initial borrowing date except for school and sewer notes issued in anticipation of State and/or Federal grants. If a written commitment exists, the municipality may renew the notes from time to time in terms not to exceed six months until such time that the final grant payments are received (CGS Sec. 7-378b).

Temporary notes may also be issued for up to fifteen years for certain capital projects associated with the operation of a waterworks system (CGS Sec. 7-244a) or a sewage system (CGS Sec. 7-264a). In the first year following the completion of the project(s), or in the sixth year (whichever is sooner), and in each year thereafter, the notes must be reduced by at least 1/15 of the total amount of the notes issued by funds derived from certain sources of payment. Temporary notes may be issued in one year maturities for up to fifteen years in anticipation of sewer assessments receivable, such notes to be reduced annually by the amount of assessments received during the preceding year (CGS Sec. 7-269a).

## ***Authority to Incur Debt***

Special appropriations for capital improvements during the budget year may be initiated by the First Selectman with the approval of the Board of Selectmen or by the Legislative Council. Special appropriations shall be accompanied by a recommendation of the Board of Finance concerning whether or not such appropriation should be made. The Legislative Council may approve special and emergency appropriations, in an amount not in excess of \$1,500,000 for any one purpose during a fiscal year. The amount shall be cumulative during the fiscal year as to all appropriations allocated to such purpose. The total of special and emergency appropriations made by the Legislative Council for all purposes during a fiscal year shall not exceed an amount equal to one mill on the most recently completed grand list. The Legislative Council shall recommend to a Town referendum all special and emergency appropriations that equal or exceed the Legislative Council's authority. All special appropriations must indicate a method of financing the appropriations.

A referendum is also required if a petition signed by five percent (5%) of the Resident Electors is filed within seven (7) days of the day on which the Legislative Council acted.

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**Statement of Statutory Debt Limitation  
As of April 14, 2020  
(Pro Forma)**

<b>Total Tax Collections</b> (including interest and lien fees) for the year ended June 30, 2019 .....	\$ 107,201,278
Total tax collections, Borough of Newtown .....	225,812
Tax relief for elderly.....	20,676
<b>BASE FOR DEBT LIMITATION COMPUTATION.....</b>	<b>\$ 107,447,766</b>

<b>Debt Limitation:</b>	<b>General Purposes</b>	<b>Schools</b>	<b>Sewers</b>	<b>Urban Renewal</b>	<b>Unfunded Past Pension</b>	<b>Total</b>
2 1/4 times base.....	\$ 241,757,474	-	-	-	-	\$ 241,757,474
4 1/2 times base.....	-	\$ 483,514,947	-	-	-	483,514,947
3 3/4 times base.....	-	-	\$ 402,929,123	-	-	402,929,123
3 1/4 times base.....	-	-	-	\$ 349,205,240	-	349,205,240
3 times base.....	-	-	-	-	\$ 322,343,298	322,343,298
<b>Total Debt Limitation.....</b>	<b>\$ 241,757,474</b>	<b>\$ 483,514,947</b>	<b>\$ 402,929,123</b>	<b>\$ 349,205,240</b>	<b>\$ 322,343,298</b>	<b>\$ 1,799,750,081</b>
<b>Less Indebtedness:</b>						
Bonds & CWF PLOs (Outstanding) <sup>1</sup> ..	53,184,000	15,703,500	2,137,931	-	-	71,025,431
Bonds (This Issue) .....	7,845,000	3,655,000	-	-	-	11,500,000
Underlying Debt.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Authorized But Unissued Debt.....	4,976,000	2,475,420	530,000	-	-	7,981,420
<b>Total Indebtedness.....</b>	<b>66,005,000</b>	<b>21,833,920</b>	<b>2,667,931</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90,506,851</b>
Less: School Grants Receivable .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Self-Supporting Sewer Debt ...	-	-	1,982,500	-	-	1,982,500
Net Debt for Calculation of Debt Limit.....	66,005,000	21,833,920	685,431	-	-	88,524,351
<b>Debt Limitation in Excess of Outstanding And Authorized Debt.....</b>						
	<b>\$ 175,752,474</b>	<b>\$ 461,681,027</b>	<b>\$ 402,243,692</b>	<b>\$ 349,205,240</b>	<b>\$ 322,343,298</b>	<b>\$ 1,711,225,730</b>

<sup>1</sup> Sewer assessment debt in the amount of \$238,500 and water debt in the amount of \$155,431 is excludable from the calculation of debt limitation as allowed by Connecticut General Statutes. \$1,744,000 of sewer debt is supported from the general fund.

Note: In no case shall total indebtedness exceed seven times annual receipts from taxation or \$752,134,362.

**Authorized but Unissued Debt  
As of April 14, 2020  
(Pro Forma)**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount Authorized</b>	<b>Bonds Previously Issued</b>	<b>Grants Received</b>	<b>New Money or (Paydowns)</b>	<b>This Issue: The Bonds</b>	<b>Authorized But Unissued</b>
Newtown H.S. Additions & Renovations.....	\$ 38,826,000	\$ 26,900,000	\$ 10,339,180	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,086,820
Fire Apparatus/Water Tanker Replacement...	575,000	-	-	-	-	575,000
Hawleyville Sewer Extension.....	3,800,000	2,770,000	500,000	-	-	530,000
Treadwell Park Parking Lot.....	550,000	535,000	-	-	-	15,000
Hawley School Roof.....	850,000	680,000	-	-	-	170,000
Bridge Program.....	525,000	-	-	139,000	139,000	386,000
Police Building/Land Purchase/Design.....	14,800,000	4,094,000	-	6,706,000	6,706,000	4,000,000
Middle Gate Roof.....	1,685,400	797,000	-	-	-	888,400
Capital Road Program.....	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Hawley School Boiler / Lighting.....	783,200	-	-	750,000	750,000	33,200
High School Boiler / Lighting.....	2,702,000	-	-	2,405,000	2,405,000	297,000
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 66,096,600</b>	<b>\$ 35,776,000</b>	<b>\$ 10,839,180</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 11,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 7,981,420</b>

Note: The Town plans to issue approximately \$19,745,000 of refunding bonds that are expected to close on April 7, 2020.

**Ratio of Annual Debt Service to  
Total General Fund Expenditures**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Debt Service</b>	<b>Total Expenditures and Transfers Out</b>	<b>Debt Service as Ratio to Total Expenditures and Transfers Out</b>
2020	\$ 9,249,118	\$ 120,283,913	7.69%
2019	9,262,057	129,215,932	7.17
2018	8,980,715	124,407,814	7.22
2017	9,311,065	121,756,095	7.65
2016	10,106,365	119,417,755	8.46
2015	10,306,272	118,703,908	8.68

*Source: Annual Audited Financial Statements.*

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## VI. Financial Information

The General Fund revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015 through 2019 have been derived from audited financial statements. The budget for 2019–20 is provided by the Town. The financial information presented herein is the responsibility of the Town’s management (Appendix A – “Auditor’s Section” was taken from the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019).

### General Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

	<b>Budget 2019-20 <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Actual 2018-19</b>	<b>Actual 2017-18</b>	<b>Actual 2016-17</b>	<b>Actual 2015-16</b>	<b>Actual 2014-15</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Property Taxes .....	\$ 110,229,769	\$ 107,411,022	\$ 104,543,685	\$ 103,098,824	\$ 101,236,267	\$ 101,013,572
Intergovernmental <sup>2</sup> .....	6,475,944	20,168,273	16,487,004	16,585,900	16,346,850	15,304,723
Charges for Services.....	2,120,200	2,195,585	2,349,207	2,227,800	2,066,876	2,050,991
Investment Income.....	950,000	1,196,136	461,733	248,868	327,598	164,812
Other .....	258,000	373,913	229,516	322,597	220,531	50,014
<b>Total Revenues .....</b>	<b>120,033,913</b>	<b>131,344,929</b>	<b>124,071,145</b>	<b>122,483,989</b>	<b>120,198,122</b>	<b>118,584,112</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
General government .....	5,233,718	4,658,167	4,619,435	4,340,126	4,571,674	4,435,497
Public Safety .....	10,520,468	10,086,947	9,917,741	9,814,166	9,589,721	9,554,205
Health & Welfare.....	2,638,468	3,139,504	3,164,517	2,807,061	2,625,049	2,528,257
Land Use.....	715,217	662,685	666,024	680,106	674,599	673,894
Public Works.....	10,767,336	9,527,048	9,582,652	9,667,449	9,712,331	10,075,427
Parks and Recreation .....	2,502,610	2,288,508	2,340,508	2,331,450	2,246,102	2,259,540
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	78,104,410	86,319,107	83,138,798	81,899,663	79,390,666	78,608,340
Debt Service .....	9,249,118	9,262,057	8,980,715	9,311,065	10,106,365	10,306,272
Capital Outlay .....	-	1,788,693	114,065	-	-	-
Contingency.....	123,057	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>119,854,402</b>	<b>127,732,716</b>	<b>122,524,455</b>	<b>120,851,086</b>	<b>118,916,507</b>	<b>118,441,432</b>
Revenues over (under) expenditures .....	179,511	3,612,213	1,546,690	1,632,903	1,281,615	142,680
<b>Other Financing Sources Uses:</b>						
Issuance of Debt.....	-	6,750,000	-	-	-	-
Premium on Issuance of Debt.....	-	1,093,726	-	-	-	-
Payments to Escrow Agent.....	-	(7,732,615)	-	-	-	-
Capital Lease Financing.....	-	624,662	114,065	-	-	-
Use of Fund Balance <sup>3</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating Transfers In .....	250,000	400,000	350,000	225,000	225,000	225,228
Operating Transfers (Out) .....	(429,511)	(1,483,216)	(1,883,359)	(905,009)	(501,248)	(262,476)
<b>Total other Financing Sources (uses) .....</b>	<b>(179,511)</b>	<b>(347,443)</b>	<b>(1,419,294)</b>	<b>(680,009)</b>	<b>(276,248)</b>	<b>(37,248)</b>
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing (uses) .....	-	3,264,770	127,396	952,894	1,005,367	105,432
<b>Fund Balance, Beginning .....</b>	<b>16,657,350</b>	<b>13,392,580</b>	<b>13,265,184</b>	<b>12,312,290</b>	<b>11,306,923</b>	<b>11,201,491</b>
<b>Fund Balance, Ending .....</b>	<b>\$ 16,657,350</b>	<b>\$ 16,657,350</b>	<b>\$ 13,392,580</b>	<b>\$ 13,265,184</b>	<b>\$ 12,312,290</b>	<b>\$ 11,306,923</b>

<sup>1</sup> Budgetary basis and subject to audit.

<sup>2</sup> GAAP basis includes payments made by the State of Connecticut on behalf of the Town for the State Teachers' Retirement System.

<sup>3</sup> Fund balance will not be actually used due to favorable revenues. Fund balance was budgeted for emergency storm clean up to be reimbursed by FEMA.

Source: Annual Audited Financial Statements.

## Intergovernmental Revenues

<b>Fiscal Year Ended 6/30</b>	<b>Intergovernmental Revenues</b>	<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>Percent</b>
2020	\$ 6,475,944	\$ 120,033,913	5.40%
2019	20,168,273	131,344,929	15.36
2018	16,487,004	124,071,145	13.29
2017	16,585,900	122,483,989	13.54
2016	16,346,850	120,198,122	13.60
2015	15,304,723	118,584,112	12.91

Source: Annual Audited Financial Statements.

## Comparative Balance Sheet

	<b>Actual 6/30/2019</b>	<b>Actual 6/30/2018</b>	<b>Actual 6/30/2017</b>	<b>Actual 6/30/2016</b>	<b>Actual 6/30/2015</b>
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents.....	\$ 20,755,383	\$ 27,295,475	\$ 19,825,528	\$ 997,320	\$ 1,395,735
Investments.....	9,879,733	10,959,544	9,981,147	19,872,477	27,371,473
Receivables:					
Property taxes .....	3,103,909	2,832,879	2,707,211	1,744,243	1,870,076
Intergovernmental .....	-	-	13,449	91,157	211,174
Other .....	1,988,095	457,346	350,277	139,959	147,992
Due from Other Funds.....	1,903,784	1,442,857	2,109,086	1,018,414	647,203
Other Assets.....	4,738	17,729	2,284	1,887	3,464
<b>Total Assets .....</b>	<b>37,635,642</b>	<b>43,005,830</b>	<b>34,988,982</b>	<b>23,865,457</b>	<b>31,647,117</b>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>					
Accounts Payable .....	1,891,823	1,867,090	1,749,391	1,435,420	1,199,171
Accrued Liabilities .....	-	-	-	-	-
Accrued Payroll .....	4,089,645	4,088,560	3,773,869	3,298,530	3,115,324
Due to Other Funds.....	11,458,700	20,565,821	13,227,736	4,525,964	13,646,504
Performance Bonds .....	-	-	-	392,420	318,250
Deferred Revenues .....	-	-	-	-	-
Other Liabilities .....	434,215	258,900	120,810	-	-
<b>Total Liabilities .....</b>	<b>17,874,383</b>	<b>26,780,371</b>	<b>18,871,806</b>	<b>9,652,334</b>	<b>18,279,249</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>					
Property Taxes .....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,744,243	\$ -
Advance Property Tax Collections.....	-	-	-	156,590	-
Unavailable Revenue.....	3,103,909	2,832,879	2,851,992	-	2,060,945
<b>Total Deferred Inflows .....</b>	<b>3,103,909</b>	<b>2,832,879</b>	<b>2,851,992</b>	<b>1,900,833</b>	<b>2,060,945</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
Nonspendable.....	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted.....	-	-	-	-	-
Committed.....	264,924	175,484	-	-	-
Assigned.....	739,565	390,306	963,885	868,010	698,388
Unassigned.....	15,652,861	12,826,790	12,301,299	11,444,280	10,608,535
<b>Total Fund Balance .....</b>	<b>16,657,350</b>	<b>13,392,580</b>	<b>13,265,184</b>	<b>12,312,290</b>	<b>11,306,923</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance ...</b>	<b>37,635,642</b>	<b>43,005,830</b>	<b>34,988,982</b>	<b>23,865,457</b>	<b>31,647,117</b>
<b>Analysis of General Fund Balance</b>					
Operating revenues .....	\$ 131,344,929	\$ 124,071,145	\$ 122,483,989	\$ 120,198,122	\$ 118,584,112
Fund balance as a percent of operating revenues .....	12.68%	10.79%	10.83%	10.24%	9.53%
Unassigned fund balance as a percent of operating revenues .....	11.92%	10.34%	10.04%	9.52%	8.95%

Source: Annual Audited Financial Statements.



## ***Accounting Policies and Basis of Accounting***

The Town's accounting system is organized on a fund basis and uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and results of operations. The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town government. The Town's General Fund accounting records are maintained on a modified accrual basis, with major revenues recorded when earned and expenditures recorded when incurred. The accounting policies of the Town conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units. (See Appendix A – "Auditor's Section, Notes to Basic Financial Statements" herein.)

## ***Audit***

The Town, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 111 of the Connecticut General Statutes, employs the services of an independent Certified Public Accountant firm to audit its financial records annually. The annual audits are conducted in compliance with Public Act 77-611 and contain the financial statements of the Town and the auditor's opinion thereon, in addition to specific comments and recommendations. The Town's Auditor is Mahoney Sabol & Co., LLP.

## ***Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting***

The Town's Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports ("CAFR") for fiscal years 1995 through 2017 were awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local government financial reporting.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR, whose contents conform to program standards. Such CAFR must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

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## ***Budget Adoption Procedure***

Financial controls are under a three-person Board of Selectmen, a six-member board of Finance and a twelve-member Legislative Council. The budget-making process is as follows:

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Action</u></b>
Date and time as requested by the First Selectman .....	All Town departments, except the Board of Education, submit budget requests to the First of Selectman.
By February 1 .....	First Selectman presents First Selectman's Budget to the Board of Selectmen
By February 14 .....	The Board of Selectmen reviews said budget requests and makes revisions, and submits a proposed general government Town budget for all such departments to the Board of Finance. The Board of Education also submits its budget to the Board of Finance.
By the first Wednesday in March .....	The Board of Finance holds a public hearing on the budgets proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Education and reviews and makes revisions.
By March 14 .....	The Board of Finance submits the Board of Finance recommended Town budget to the Legislative Council.
Last Wednesday in March .....	Legislative Council holds a public hearing on the budget and makes final revisions.
By second Wednesday in April .....	Legislative Council approves proposed Town Budget to be submitted for final adoption at the Annual Town Budget Referendum.
On the fourth Tuesday in April* .....	The proposed Town budget is submitted for adoption at the Annual Town Budget Referendum.

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\*The Town may elect to adopt its Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget under the provisions of the Governor's executive order 7I, declared on March 10, 2020, regarding the municipal budget making process during the COVID-19 outbreak which provides:

Suspension of In-Person Budget Adoption Requirements for Municipalities. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Connecticut General Statutes, including Title 7, or any special act, municipal charter or ordinance that conflicts with this order, the legislative body of a municipality or, in a municipality where the legislative body is a town meeting, the board of selectmen, shall authorize the budget-making authority within said municipality to adopt a budget for the July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 fiscal year and to set a mill rate sufficient, in addition to the other estimated yearly income of such town and in addition to such revenue surplus, if any, as may be appropriated, not only to pay the expenses of the municipality for said fiscal year, but also to absorb the revenue deficit of such town, if any, at the beginning of said fiscal year without holding votes required by charter or without complying with any in-person budget adoption requirements, including but not limited to, annual town meetings requiring votes, referendum, and special town meetings. In so acting, the budget-making authority of the municipality shall comply with public meeting requirements consistent with requirements set forth in Executive Order 7B and shall thereby take all reasonable steps to publicize the draft municipal budget for said fiscal year and to receive public comment thereon, including but not limited to publishing draft budgets on the website and providing an email address or other means for the public to submit timely comments on the proposed budget.

## Capital Improvement Plan

<b>Sources of Funds</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>					<b>Total</b>
	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	
General Fund.....	\$ 2,250,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,750,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,100,000	\$ 13,600,000
Bonds.....	8,218,000	13,203,933	8,287,730	8,678,812	-	38,388,475
Grants.....	914,981	-	-	-	-	914,981
Other.....	1,114,982	200,000	200,000	700,000	200,000	2,414,982
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 12,497,963</b>	<b>\$ 15,903,933</b>	<b>\$ 11,237,730</b>	<b>\$ 12,378,812</b>	<b>\$ 3,300,000</b>	<b>\$ 55,318,438</b>
<b>Use of Funds</b>						
Board of Selectmen.....	\$ 12,197,963	\$ 11,191,933	\$ 9,485,000	\$ 7,813,000	\$ 3,300,000	\$ 43,987,896
Board of Education.....	300,000	4,712,000	1,752,730	4,565,812	-	11,330,542
<b>Total Funding Sources .....</b>	<b>\$ 12,497,963</b>	<b>\$ 15,903,933</b>	<b>\$ 11,237,730</b>	<b>\$ 12,378,812</b>	<b>\$ 3,300,000</b>	<b>\$ 55,318,438</b>

*Note: The above is based on the Legislative Council's proposed Five Year Capital Plan for Fiscal Years 2020 through 2024.*

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## ***Pension Programs***

The Town administers two single-employer defined benefit pension plans (the Town of Newtown Employees' Pension Plan and the Town of Newtown Police Officers Pension Plan, collectively referred to as the "Town Plan"), which provides pensions for all permanent full-time employees of the Town and police officers. Both of the pension plans grant the authority to establish and amend benefit terms to the Board of Selectmen. Management of the plan is vested in the Pension Committee, which consists of several employees or individuals appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Town currently maintains one Pension Trust Fund. All assets accumulated in the Pension Trust Fund for the payment of benefits may legally be used to pay benefits to participants of either plan. As such, the Town reports information about both plans as one defined benefit plan. The Town Plan is considered to be part of the Town's financial reporting entity. The last valuation for each of the plans was as of July 1, 2017.

### ***Selectmen and Board of Education Personnel***

This plan covers Board of Selectmen, uncertified Board of Education and Civilian Police Department personnel. Employees of other organizations including the Cyrenius H. Booth Library, the Children's Adventure Center, Inc. and the Newtown District Department of Health are also covered under the plan. Each employee may enter the plan after six months of full-time service. Vesting of benefits occurs after ten years of service (five years for non-highly compensated department heads). The plan also provides disability benefits after ten years of completed service and a death benefit equal to the return of employee contributions with interest. Administrative costs are financed from investment earnings.

### ***Police Personnel***

This plan covers sworn police personnel. These employees may enter the plan after six months of full-time service. Normal retirement is after 25 years of credited service or at age 60 with at least ten years of continuous credited service. There are three retired members of the plan who are eligible for cost of living adjustments. There is no cost of living adjustment for any other currently active or retired member. Early retirement may be taken after completing 20 years of service. The plan also provides disability benefits after one year of service and a death benefit equal to the return of employee contributions with interest. Administrative costs are financed from investment earnings.

### ***Defined Contribution Plans***

The Town administers two single employer defined contribution plans.

One plan covers certain elected officials and "at will" employees of the Town. This plan is included in the Town's financial statements in the Pension Trust Fund. As of June 30, 2018, the net position available for benefits includes \$100,404 of assets restricted for this plan. The Board of Selectmen approved and adopted this plan on July 7, 1986, and the Board has the authority to make changes to the plan. All salaried, full time elected officials and such other salaried, full time appointed officials as designated by the Board of Selectmen can participate in the plan on January 1st following or coincident with their commencement of employment with the Town. A participant's employer contribution account fully vests at age 50 or upon termination of employment with the Town. At age 65, participants are entitled to a lump-sum payment as a retirement benefit. The Town is required to contribute 6.0% of each participant's compensation for the year and each participant is required to contribute 2.0% of their compensation. For the year ended June 30, 2019, employer contributions were \$10,972 and employee contributions totaled \$3,685.

The second plan is a 401(a) money purchase plan that was established in January 2014. This plan applies to the following groups:

- non-union employees hired on or after December 31, 2013
- park and recreation employees hired on or after June 30, 2014
- police officers hired on or after May 5, 2015
- emergency telecommunicators and police clerical staff hired on or after July 1, 2016
- education paraeducators hired on or after July 1, 2015
- education custodial and maintenance staff hired on or after December 15, 2015
- education secretaries hired on or after November 17, 2015
- education nurses hired on or after July 1, 2017

Police, non-union and park and recreation employees are required to contribute 5.0% of their compensation. The Town contributes 15.0% of each participant's compensation for the year for police and 5.0% of each participant's compensation for the year for all other employees. Participants are 100% vested after one year of service and entitled to benefits at age 59½ and are no longer employed by the Town. For the year ended June 30, 2019, employer contributions were \$235,398 and employee contributions totaled \$277,841.

### ***Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability***

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Total Pension Liability</b>					
Service Cost .....	\$ 1,757,544	\$ 1,682,271	\$ 1,470,642	\$ 1,458,028	\$ 1,369,633
Interest .....	4,116,599	3,964,240	3,642,643	3,476,233	3,153,241
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience .....	(863,332)	(1,369,101)	623,086	(690,374)	(1,273,135)
Changes in Assumptions .....	-	-	4,095,514	-	1,589,661
Benefit Payments, including refunds.....	(2,324,490)	(2,027,723)	(1,932,479)	(1,834,724)	(1,717,013)
Net change in total pension liability.....	2,686,321	2,249,687	7,899,406	2,409,163	3,122,387
Total pension liability - beginning.....	58,213,265	55,963,578	48,064,172	45,655,009	42,532,622
Total pension liability - ending.....	60,899,586	58,213,265	55,963,578	48,064,172	45,655,009
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>					
Contributions - Employer .....	2,243,901	1,885,303	1,687,814	1,422,737	1,375,889
Contributions - Member .....	457,286	475,316	488,239	474,546	458,556
Transfer from defined contribution plan	-	-	-	-	26,724
Net Investment Income .....	2,310,753	2,957,771	4,641,117	(991,005)	941,047
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds.....	(2,324,490)	(2,027,723)	(1,932,479)	(1,834,724)	(1,717,013)
Administrative Expenses .....	(65,659)	(36,667)	(27,086)	(17,500)	(74,654)
Other Changes .....	-	93	-	-	-
Net Change in plan fiduciary net position...	2,621,791	3,254,093	4,857,605	(945,946)	1,010,549
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning.....	42,698,997	39,444,904	34,587,299	35,533,245	34,522,696
Plan fiduciary net position - ending.....	45,320,788	42,698,997	39,444,904	34,587,299	35,533,245
<b>Town's Net Pension Liability.....</b>	<b>\$15,578,798</b>	<b>\$15,514,268</b>	<b>\$16,518,674</b>	<b>\$13,476,873</b>	<b>\$10,121,764</b>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability.....	74.42%	73.35%	70.48%	71.96%	77.83%
Covered payroll.....	\$ 18,396,670	\$ 18,869,931	\$ 18,199,947	\$ 18,441,265	\$ 17,725,368
Town's net pension liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll.....	84.68%	82.22%	90.76%	73.08%	57.10%

### ***Schedule of Contributions***

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Actuarially Determined Contribution.....	\$ 2,243,901	\$ 1,885,303	\$ 1,687,815	\$ 1,422,737	\$ 1,373,207
Contributions In Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution.....	2,243,901	1,885,303	1,687,814	1,422,737	1,375,889
Contributions Deficiency (Excess).....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ (2,682)

### ***Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate***

The following presents the net pension liability of the Town Plan, calculated using the discount rate of 7.0% as well as what the Town Plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.0%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.0%) than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease (6.00%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (7.00%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (8.00%)</b>
Town's Net Pension Liability .....	\$ 23,608,884	\$ 15,578,798	\$ 8,917,224

## Other Post-Employment Benefits

The Town is in compliance with the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statements 43 and 45, which require municipalities and other governmental entities to undertake an actuarial evaluation of their Other Post-Employment Benefit (“OPEB”) plans and include information concerning the valuation of such plans in their financial statements. The Town was required to comply with the reporting requirements of GASB 45 beginning with the 2009 fiscal year.

The Town provides health and life insurance coverage to retirees based on various collective bargaining agreements. The retirees’ contribution toward this coverage varies based on collective bargaining agreements. To date, the Town provides coverage to 39 retirees. The Board of Education provides health and dental insurance to one retiree and spouse based on a retirement agreement. The health insurance coverage consists of hospitalization, medical, surgical and major medical with various limits. The current annual cost is \$310,817.

The Town completed an actuarial valuation of its OPEB liability as of July 1, 2016. The unfunded accrued liability totaled \$6,279,078 with \$3,507,062 assigned to the Town and \$2,772,016 assigned to the Board of Education. The Town’s annual required contribution for its OPEB plans is \$814,292 for fiscal year 2016–17, \$865,530 for fiscal year 2017–18, and \$874,889 for fiscal year 2018–19.

### Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability

	2019	2018	2017
<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>			
Service Cost .....	\$ 310,817	\$ 301,764	\$ 292,975
Interest .....	625,860	607,177	568,628
Changes in benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience .....	(1,715,798)	(363,565)	(397,054)
Changes in Assumptions .....	-	-	-
Benefit Payments, including refunds.....	(476,145)	(85,531)	(109,120)
Net change in total OPEB liability.....	(1,255,266)	459,845	355,429
Total OPEB liability - beginning.....	9,195,376	8,735,531	8,380,102
Total OPEB liability - ending.....	7,940,110	9,195,376	8,735,531
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>			
Contributions - Employer .....	633,528	285,531	255,287
Contributions - active members .....	-	-	-
Contributions - active retiree subsidies.....	42,617	-	53,833
Net Investment Income .....	140,697	164,582	241,743
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds.....	(476,145)	(85,531)	(109,120)
Net Change in plan fiduciary net position.....	340,697	364,582	441,743
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning.....	2,465,606	2,101,024	1,659,281
Plan fiduciary net position - ending.....	2,806,303	2,465,606	2,101,024
<b>Town's Net OPEB Liability.....</b>	<b>\$ 5,133,807</b>	<b>\$ 6,729,770</b>	<b>\$ 6,634,507</b>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability.....	35.34%	26.81%	24.05%
Covered payroll.....	\$ 36,468,647	\$ 38,408,893	\$ 37,290,187
Town's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll.....	14.08%	17.52%	17.79%

### *Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate*

The following presents the Town's net OPEB asset for the OPEB Plan, calculated using the discount rate disclosed above, as well as what the Town's net OPEB liability would be for the OPEB Plan if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>1% Increase</b>
	<b>(5.75)</b>	<b>(6.75)</b>	<b>(7.75)</b>
Town Plan's Net OPEB Liability .....	\$ 5,919,617	\$ 5,133,807	\$ 4,434,485

### *Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates*

The following presents the Town's net OPEB asset for the OPEB Plan, calculated using the discount rate disclosed above, as well as what the Town's net OPEB liability would be for the OPEB Plan if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	<b>Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</b>		
	<b>1% Decrease</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>1% Increase</b>
Net OPEB Liability .....	\$ 4,224,906	\$ 5,133,807	\$ 6,205,283

For more information, please refer to Note #8 – Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) in the Notes to the Financial Statements included as Appendix A herein.

### ***Investment Practices***

Chapter Five, Section 5-01(b) of the Newtown Charter provides the Financial Director the authority to set investment policy for the Town's operating funds. The Financial Director seeks to earn the highest returns available taking into consideration prudent investment principles. Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, not for speculation, but for considering the probable safety of principal as well as the probable income to be derived. The Financial Director will undertake to maximize the yield on investments consistent with the requirements for safety and minimization of risk and with the requirement that funds be available for payment when due.

Eligible investments are governed by the Connecticut General Statutes, Sections 3-27, 7-400, 7-401 and 7-402. Section 3-27 authorizes the Financial Director to invest in the State of Connecticut Short Term Investment Fund ("STIF"). Section 7-400 permits investments into certain listed Federal, state and local governmental obligations. The Board of Selectmen per Section 7-401 designates which banks the Financial Director uses as depositories for Town funds. Section 7-402 authorizes deposits into qualified public depositories. In addition, the Financial Director monitors the risk-based capital ratios and collateral requirements of the qualified public depositories, as defined by the Connecticut General Statutes, Section 36-382. See Appendix A – "Auditor's Section, Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Note III.A." herein regarding the Town's audited cash and cash equivalent investments as of June 30, 2019.

The Town's operating funds are invested in the following short-term investments: (1) various certificates of deposit with Connecticut banks; and (2) Connecticut STIF established pursuant to section 3-27d of the Connecticut General Statutes (municipal funds deposited with STIF may be used by the State to acquire the investments set forth in section 3-27d of the general statutes).

The Town's pension funds have an investment policy. Allowable investments under the policy consist of investment-grade corporate bonds as rated by S&P Global Ratings, government bonds issued and guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, Federally insured certificates of deposit, and equities consisting of stocks and mutual funds. Professional money managers are employed to manage the assets allocated to them. The Board of Selectmen, as trustee of the pension plans, is responsible for overall investment policy. Any change in investment manager or individual security purchase must have their approval. The pension committee acts as advisor to the Board of Selectmen. Please refer to Appendix A – "Auditor's Section, Notes to Basic Financial Statements, Note I.C." regarding the Town's investment policy and investments of the Town's Pension Funds as of June 30, 2019.

## ***VII. Legal and Other Information***

### ***Litigation***

The Town, its officers, employees, boards and commissions are defendants in various lawsuits. The Town Attorney is of the opinion that such pending litigation will not be finally determined so as to result, individually or in the aggregate, in final judgments against the Town which would materially adversely affect its financial position.

### ***Transcript and Closing Documents***

The winning bidder will be furnished the following documents when the Bonds are delivered:

1. A Signature and No Litigation Certificate stating that at the time of delivery no litigation is pending or threatened affecting the validity of the Bonds or the levy or collection of taxes to pay them.

2. A certificate on behalf of the Town signed by the First Selectman and the Director of Finance, which will be dated the date of delivery, and attached to a signed copy of the Official Statement, certifying that, to the best of said officials' knowledge and belief, at the time bids on the Bonds were accepted, the descriptions and statements in the Official Statement relating to the Town and its finances were true and correct in all material respects and did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and that there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the Town from that set forth in or contemplated by the Official Statement.

3. A receipt for the purchase price of the Bonds.

4. The approving opinion of Robinson & Cole LLP, Bond Counsel, of Hartford, Connecticut in substantially the form attached as Appendix B to this Official Statement.

5. An executed Continuing Disclosure Agreement for the Bonds in substantially the form attached as Appendix C to this Official Statement.

The Town has prepared an Official Statement for the Bonds, which is dated April \_\_, 2020. The Town deems such Official Statement final as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 (b)(5), but it is subject to revision or amendment. The Town will make available to the winning bidder of the Bonds 25 copies of the Official Statement at the Town's expense within seven business days of the bid opening. Additional copies may be obtained by the original purchaser at its own expense by arrangement with the printer.

A transcript of the proceedings taken by the Town will be kept on file at the offices of U.S. Bank National Association in Hartford, Connecticut and will be available for examination upon reasonable notice.

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## ***Concluding Statement***

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the Town and the purchaser or holders of the Bonds. Any statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates are not intended to be representation of fact, and no representation is made that any of such opinion or estimate will be realized. No representation is made that past experience, as might be shown by financial or other information herein, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Town since the date hereof. References to statutes, charters, or other laws herein may not be complete and such provision of law are subject to repeal or amendment.

Information herein has been derived by the Town from official and other sources and is believed by the Town to be reliable, but such information other than that obtained from official records of the Town has not been independently confirmed or verified by the Town and its accuracy is not guaranteed.

Additional information may be obtained from Robert Tait, Director of Finance, Town Hall, 3 Primose Street, Newtown, Connecticut 06470, and telephone number (203) 270-4226. This Official Statement has been duly prepared and delivered by the Town, and executed for and on behalf of the Town by the following officials:

### ***TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT***

/s/

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Daniel Rosenthal, *First Selectman*

/s/

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Robert G. Tait, *Director of Finance*

Dated: April \_\_, 2020

## ***Appendix A***

### ***2019 Basic Financial Statements***

The following includes the Basic Financial Statements of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. The supplemental data, which was a part of that report, has not been reproduced herein. A copy of the complete report is available upon request from Barry Bernabe, Managing Director, Phoenix Advisors LLC, 53 River Street, Suite 1, Milford, Connecticut 06460. Telephone (203) 283-1110.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Legislative Council  
Town of Newtown, Connecticut

### 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 Newtown, Connecticut (the "Town") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, 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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

### *Opinions*

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### ***Correction of an Error in Previously Issued Financial Statements***

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Town restated amounts previously reported in its financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018 for the correction of an error. Our opinion is 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 on pages 3 through 16 and the information on pages 77 through 89 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### ***Other Information***


Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The introductory section on pages our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The introductory section on pages i through x, the combining and individual fund statements and schedules on pages 90 through 112, and the statistical section on pages 113 through 131 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund statements and schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund statements and schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory section and the statistical section have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an 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 December 9, 2019, 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. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Certified Public Accountants  
Glastonbury, Connecticut  
December 9, 2019

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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – UNAUDITED**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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The management of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the "Town"), offers the readers of its financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal, which can be found on pages i - vii of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("Report").

**Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$283,970,299 (net position). Of this amount, \$5,129,594 represents the Town's unrestricted net position.
- The Town's total net position increased by \$5,088,641 during the current fiscal year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$25,414,025, a current year decrease of \$6,358,174 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the close of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$15,652,861 or 13.4% of the Town's fiscal year 2019 adopted General Fund budgetary expenditure appropriations. Expressed another way, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was sufficient to cover approximately 1.6 months of General Fund operating expenditures.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is 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 net position presents information on all of the Town's assets, deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and liabilities, with net position as the residual of these other elements. 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 Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED *(Continued)*  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**Overview of the Financial Statements (Continued)**

**Government-wide Financial Statements (Continued)**

Both of the government-wide financial statements are intended to distinguish functions of the Town that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Town include activities such as: general government, public safety, health and welfare, land use, public works, parks and recreation and education. The business-type activities of the Town include wastewater and water activities of the Town's Water Pollution Control Authority.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 17 and 18 of this report.

**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 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***

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 the Town'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 Town's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Town maintains several 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 and the Bonded Projects Fund, both of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The Town adopts an annual budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 19 through 23 of this report.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED *(Continued)*  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**Overview of the Financial Statements (Continued)**

**Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

***Proprietary Funds***

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses an enterprise fund to account for the operations of the Town's wastewater operations and water operations at the Fairfield Hills property. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the Town's various functions. The Town uses an internal service fund to account for medical and dental benefits offered to certain employees. Because this service predominantly benefits governmental rather than business-type functions, it has been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 24 through 26 of this report.

***Fiduciary Funds***

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

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 27 and 28 of this report.

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 29 through 76 of this report.

**Other Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also contains required supplementary information, combining and individual fund statements and schedules, and a statistical section that can be found on pages 77 through 131 of this report.



**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**Government-wide Financial Analysis**

**Net Position**

Over time, net position may serve as one measure of a government's financial position. Certain reclassifications have been made to the amounts reported for the year ended June 30, 2018 to conform with the current year presentation. The Town's total net position (governmental and business-type activities combined) totaled \$283,970,299 as of June 30, 2019 and \$278,881,658 as of June 30, 2018, as restated, and are summarized as follows:

**Net Position  
June 30, 2019**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Current and other assets	\$ 46,724,499	\$ 3,316,184	\$ 50,040,683
Capital assets	322,927,808	29,789,489	352,717,297
Total assets	<u>369,652,307</u>	<u>33,105,673</u>	<u>402,757,980</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>3,662,121</u>	<u>3,279</u>	<u>3,665,400</u>
Other liabilities	13,941,287	91,813	14,033,100
Long-term liabilities	101,596,605	2,162,966	103,759,571
Total liabilities	<u>115,537,892</u>	<u>2,254,779</u>	<u>117,792,671</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>4,660,410</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,660,410</u>
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	245,998,804	27,626,523	273,625,327
Restricted	5,215,378	-	5,215,378
Unrestricted	1,901,944	3,227,650	5,129,594
Total net position	<u>\$ 253,116,126</u>	<u>\$ 30,854,173</u>	<u>\$ 283,970,299</u>

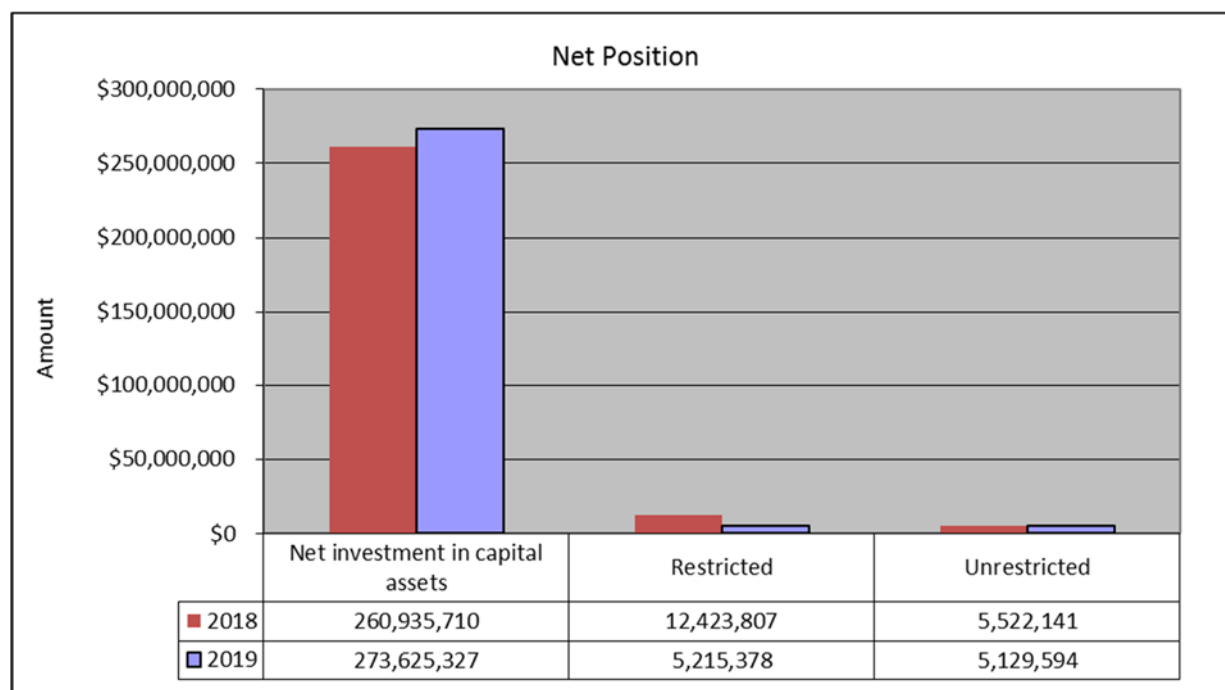
**Net Position  
June 30, 2018**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Current and other assets	\$ 53,664,708	\$ 3,497,724	\$ 57,162,432
Capital assets	304,949,304	30,508,086	335,457,390
Total assets	<u>358,614,012</u>	<u>34,005,810</u>	<u>392,619,822</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>4,748,774</u>	<u>4,733</u>	<u>4,753,507</u>
Other liabilities	14,226,287	30,764	14,257,051
Long-term liabilities	99,389,175	2,316,020	101,705,195
Total liabilities	<u>113,615,462</u>	<u>2,346,784</u>	<u>115,962,246</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>2,529,425</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,529,425</u>
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	232,743,644	28,192,066	260,935,710
Restricted	12,423,807	-	12,423,807
Unrestricted	2,050,448	3,471,693	5,522,141
Total net position	<u>\$ 247,217,899</u>	<u>\$ 31,663,759</u>	<u>\$ 278,881,658</u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)**

**Net Position (Continued)**



As of June 30, 2019, 96.4% of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is 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.

1.8% of the Town's net position is subject to restrictions on how it may be used and are, therefore, presented as restricted net position.

The remainder of the Town's net position is considered unrestricted and may be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Overall, net position increased during the current year by \$5,088,641 in comparison with the prior year.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)**

**Changes in Net Position**

Changes in net position for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 are as follows. Certain reclassifications have been made to the amounts reported for the year ended June 30, 2018 to conform with the current year presentation. The amounts reported for the year ended June 30, 2018 have not been adjusted for the restatement, since the effects of the adjustments on the statements of changes in net position are not readily determinable.

**Changes in Net Position  
For The Year Ended June 30, 2019**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<b>Revenues</b>			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 7,472,323	\$ 1,464,944	\$ 8,937,267
Operating grants and contributions	18,685,375	-	18,685,375
Capital grants and contributions	2,621,830	-	2,621,830
General revenues:			
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	107,694,541	-	107,694,541
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	1,574,097	-	1,574,097
Investment earnings	1,391,807	40,496	1,432,303
Total revenues	<u>139,439,973</u>	<u>1,505,440</u>	<u>140,945,413</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
General government	6,907,954	-	6,907,954
Public safety	12,087,651	-	12,087,651
Health and welfare	3,282,664	-	3,282,664
Land use	703,298	-	703,298
Public works	13,441,190	-	13,441,190
Parks and recreation	4,477,125	-	4,477,125
Education	84,895,073	-	84,895,073
Education - State Teachers' Retirement	5,098,427	-	5,098,427
Interest expense	2,648,364	-	2,648,364
Sewer	-	1,921,345	1,921,345
Water	-	393,681	393,681
Total expenses	<u>133,541,746</u>	<u>2,315,026</u>	<u>135,856,772</u>
Change in net position	5,898,227	(809,586)	5,088,641
Net position - beginning, as originally reported	247,217,899	32,089,059	279,306,958
Adjustments (see Note 1)	-	(425,300)	(425,300)
Net position - beginning, as adjusted	<u>247,217,899</u>	<u>31,663,759</u>	<u>278,881,658</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 253,116,126</u>	<u>\$ 30,854,173</u>	<u>\$ 283,970,299</u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)**

**Change in Net Position (Continued)**

**Changes in Net Position  
For The Year Ended June 30, 2018**

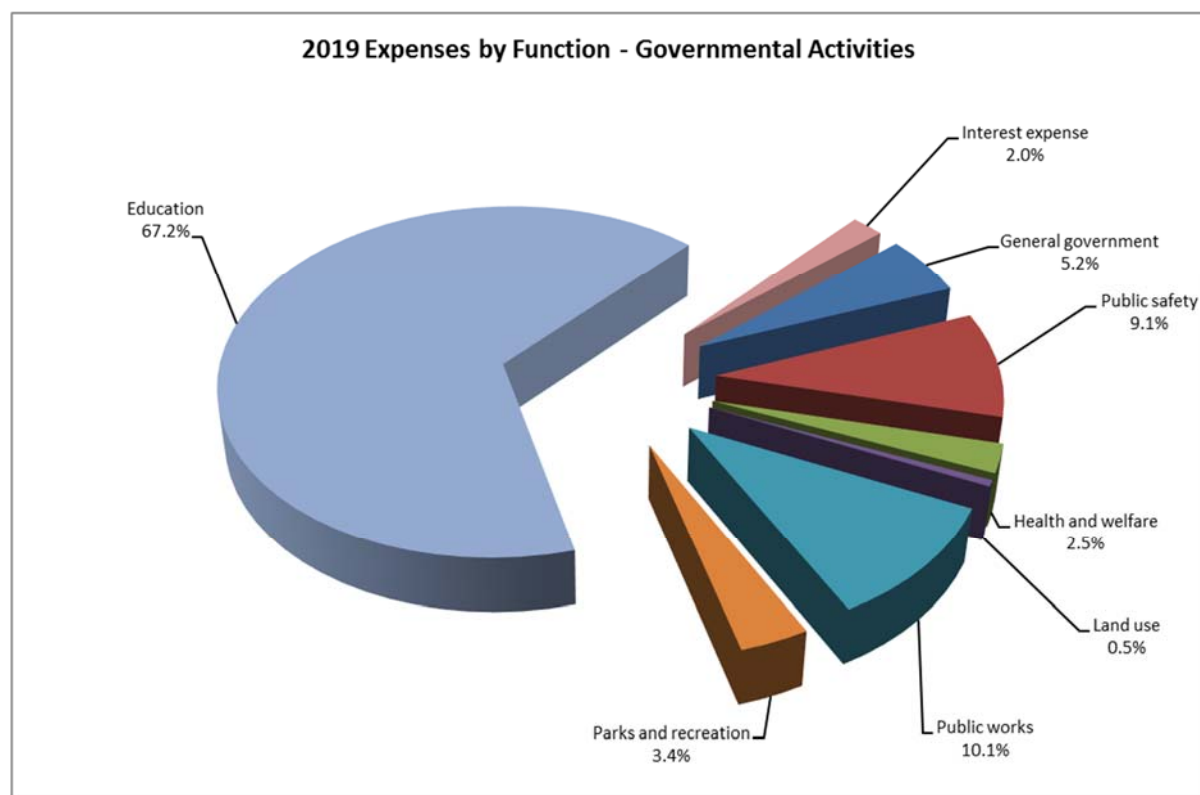
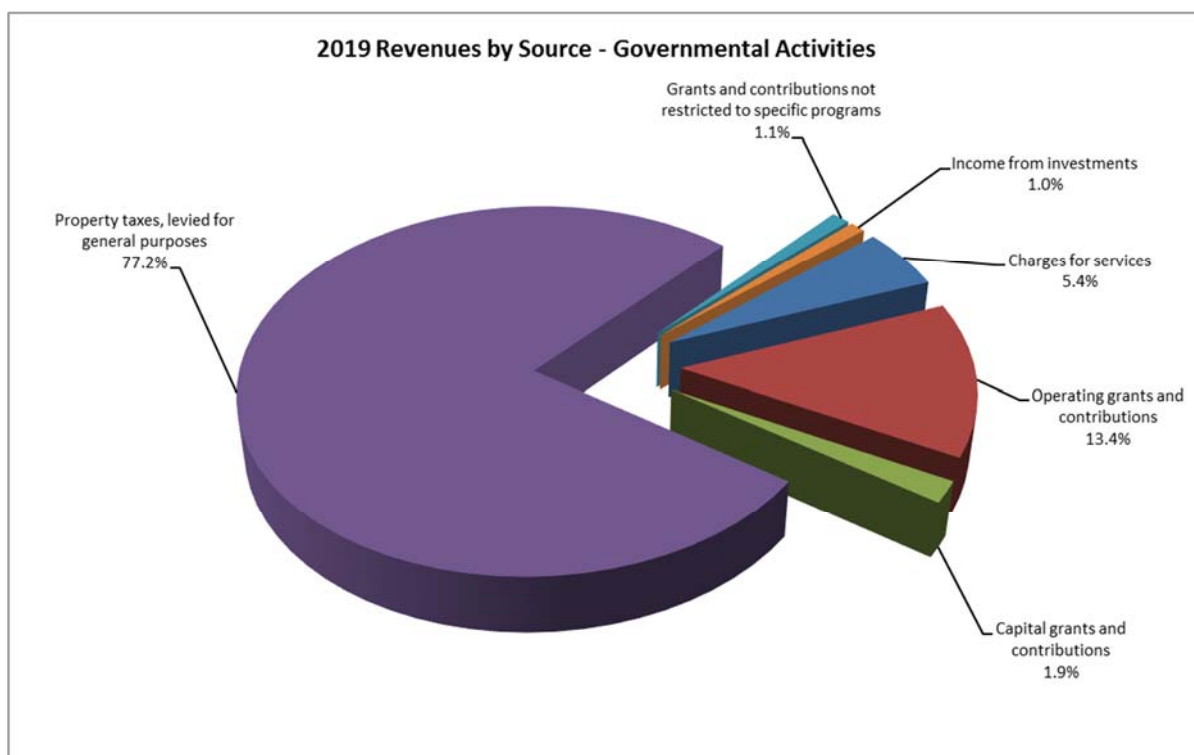
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<b>Revenues</b>			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 7,016,564	\$ 1,345,056	\$ 8,361,620
Operating grants and contributions	25,336,044	-	25,336,044
Capital grants and contributions	1,741,624	-	1,741,624
General revenues:			
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	104,669,353	-	104,669,353
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	1,647,784	-	1,647,784
Investment earnings	628,504	44,547	673,051
Total revenues	<u>141,039,873</u>	<u>1,389,603</u>	<u>142,429,476</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
General government	6,945,084	-	6,945,084
Public safety	11,775,277	-	11,775,277
Health and welfare	3,244,577	-	3,244,577
Land use	632,820	-	632,820
Public works	11,509,804	-	11,509,804
Parks and recreation	3,932,672	-	3,932,672
Education	82,863,029	-	82,863,029
Education - State Teachers' Retirement	14,842,182	-	14,842,182
Interest expense	2,135,932	-	2,135,932
Sewer	-	1,710,495	1,710,495
Water	-	404,610	404,610
Total expenses	<u>137,881,377</u>	<u>2,115,105</u>	<u>139,996,482</u>
Change in net position	3,158,496	(725,502)	2,432,994
Net position - beginning	<u>244,059,403</u>	<u>32,814,561</u>	<u>276,873,964</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 247,217,899</u>	<u>\$ 32,089,059</u>	<u>\$ 279,306,958</u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED *(Continued)*  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)**

**Change in Net Position *(Continued)***



**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED *(Continued)*  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**Government-wide Financial Analysis (Continued)**

**Change in Net Position (Continued)**

***Governmental Activities***

Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by a current year change of \$5,898,227. Revenues decreased by \$1,599,900 or 1.1% over prior year revenues and expenses decreased by \$4,339,631 or 3.1% over prior year expenses.

The decrease in operating grants and contributions in the amount of \$6.7 million includes a reduction of \$9.7 million in the amount of pension and OPEB expense recognized by the State of Connecticut in connection with the Town's participation in the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement System; offset by the recognition of FEMA reimbursements for storm related costs in the amount of \$2,089,437. In addition, property tax revenues increased by \$3,025,188 or 2.9%.

***Business-type Activities***

Business-type activities decreased the Town's net position by a current year change of \$809,586. Revenues increased by \$115,837 or 8.3% over prior year revenues and expenses increased by \$199,921 or 9.5%.

**Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds**

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

**Governmental Funds**

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$25,414,025. Of this amount, \$17,139,731 is available for spending at the discretion of the Town (i.e. committed, assigned and unassigned fund balance).

**General Fund**

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 \$15,652,861. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned fund balance represents 13.4% of the Town's fiscal year 2019 adopted General Fund budgetary expenditure appropriations. Expressed another way, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was sufficient to cover approximately 1.6 months of General Fund operating expenditures.

The fund balance of the Town's General Fund increased by \$3,264,770 during the current fiscal year, which was primarily due to favorable revenue and expenditure variances within the General Fund budget.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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**Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds (Continued)**

**Bonded Projects Fund**

The fund balance of the Bonded Projects Fund decreased by \$10,154,973 during the current fiscal year. This decrease was primarily due to the expenditures incurred for various ongoing capital projects, offset by the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$10,400,000.

**Sewer Fund**

The fund balance of the Sewer Fund decreased by \$830,988 during the current fiscal year. The decrease was primarily attributable to shortfalls in operating revenues to cover depreciation and amortization on capital assets.

**Water Fund**

The fund balance of the Water Fund increased by \$21,402 during the current fiscal year.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The original budget did not contemplate the use of fund balance. During the year, additional appropriations from fund balance of \$500,000 were authorized. The actual net change in fund balance on a budgetary basis was an increase of \$2,915,524. Expenditures and other financing uses were \$301,544 less than budgeted, which represented 0.26% of the overall final budget. Total budgetary revenues and other financing sources were \$3,113,250 more than expected. This surplus is attributed to unbudgeted FEMA grant reimbursements in the amount of \$1,708,294 for storm related costs and \$746,136 in higher than budgeted interest earnings on General Fund investments.

**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, 2019 totaled \$352,717,297 (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization). This investment in capital assets includes land and improvements, intangible assets, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, machinery, equipment and vehicles, and infrastructure. The total increase in the Town's investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year totaled \$17,259,907. This increase was primarily comprised of depreciation and amortization on capital assets in the amount of \$6,548,384, offset by current year capital asset additions. Significant capital additions during the current fiscal year included the following:

- Outlays for various road improvement projects of approximately \$1.061 million;
- Outlays pertaining to the Walnut Tree Hill bridge project of approximately \$1.004 million;
- Outlays pertaining to the Senior Center building project of approximately \$2.221 million;
- Outlays pertaining to the Newtown High School boilers and lighting project of approximately \$501 thousand;
- Outlays pertaining to the Hawley School roof project of approximately \$703 thousand;
- Outlays pertaining to the Middle Gate School roof project of approximately \$797 thousand;
- Outlays pertaining to the Newtown Community Center project of approximately \$10.353 million;
- Outlays pertaining to the Toddy Hill bridge project of approximately \$986 thousand;
- Outlays pertaining to the new Police Building project of approximately \$2.254 million.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**Capital Asset and Debt Administration (Continued)**

**Capital Assets (Continued)**

The following are tables of the investment in capital assets presented for both governmental and business-type activities:

**Capital Assets, Net  
June 30, 2019**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Land	\$ 28,279,016	\$ 1,000	\$ 28,280,016
Intangible assets	3,687,270	361,299	4,048,569
Construction in progress	30,444,406	216,594	30,661,000
Buildings and improvements	179,669,974	-	179,669,974
Land improvements	14,803,476	-	14,803,476
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	12,178,134	630,294	12,808,428
Infrastructure	53,865,532	28,580,302	82,445,834
Totals	<u>\$ 322,927,808</u>	<u>\$ 29,789,489</u>	<u>\$ 352,717,297</u>

**Capital Assets, Net  
June 30, 2018**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Land	\$ 26,449,426	\$ 1,000	\$ 26,450,426
Intangible assets	3,687,270	404,651	4,091,921
Construction in progress	17,080,246	195,020	17,275,266
Buildings and improvements	177,378,517	-	177,378,517
Land improvements	15,476,948	-	15,476,948
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	10,678,058	658,458	11,336,516
Infrastructure	54,198,839	29,248,957	83,447,796
Totals	<u>\$ 304,949,304</u>	<u>\$ 30,508,086</u>	<u>\$ 335,457,390</u>

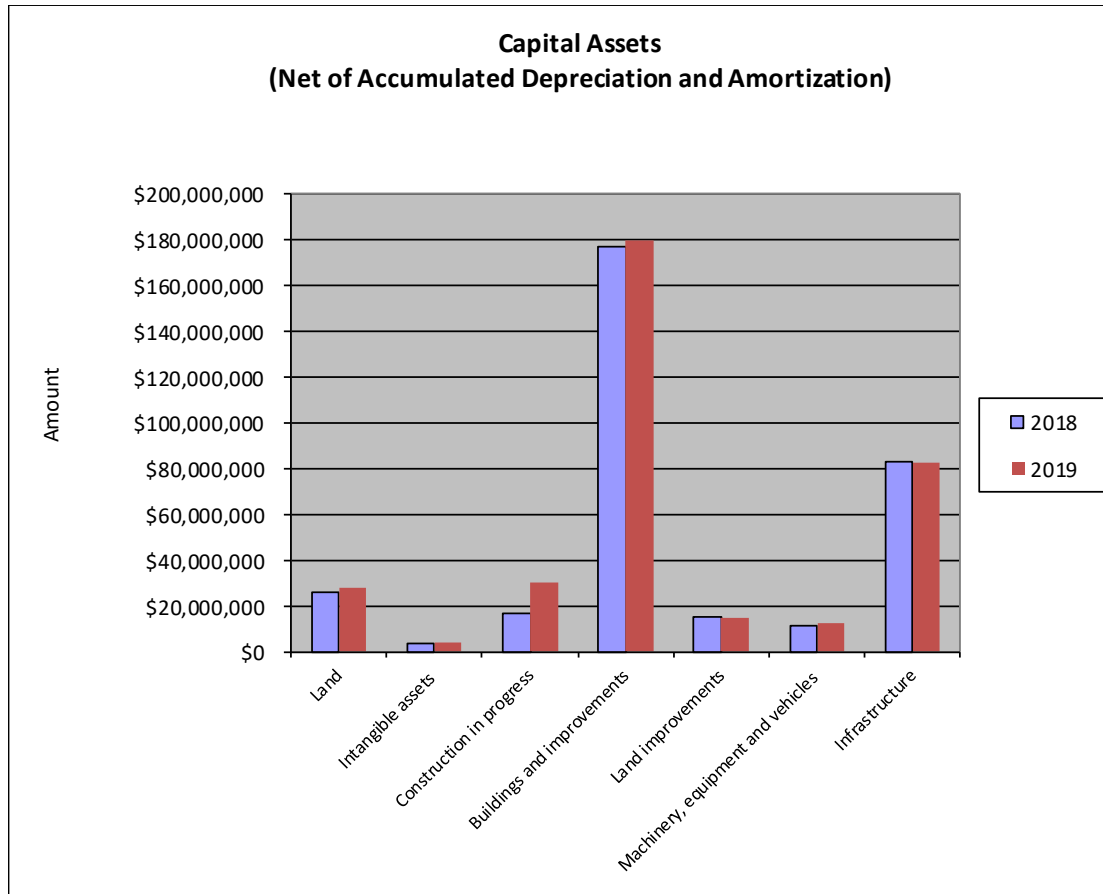


**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**Capital Asset and Debt Administration (Continued)**

**Capital Assets (Continued)**



Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 4 starting on page 42 of the financial statements.

**Debt Administration**

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town had total long-term debt outstanding of \$78,009,091. This entire amount is comprised of debt backed by the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town's total debt increased by \$2,567,509 or 3.4% during the current fiscal year due to the issuance of \$10,400,000 in general obligation bonds and \$6,750,000 in general obligation refunding bonds, offset by scheduled debt service payments. The bonds were issued to fund various general purpose and school projects authorized by the Town.

State statutes limit the amount of general obligation debt the Town may issue to seven times its annual receipts from taxation, as defined by the statutes. The current debt limitation for the Town is \$752,134,362, which is significantly in excess of the Town's outstanding general obligation debt.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

**Capital Asset and Debt Administration (Continued)**

**Debt Administration (Continued)**

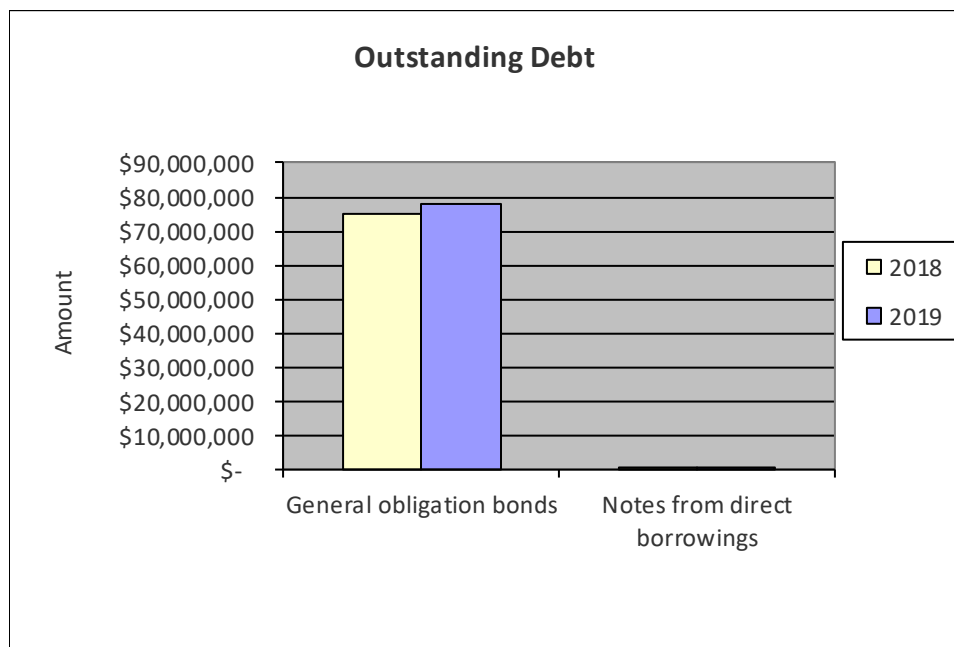
The following are tables of bonded debt as of June 30, 2019 and 2018:

**Bonded Debt  
June 30, 2019**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
General obligation bonds	\$ 75,694,300	\$ 2,130,700	\$ 77,825,000
Notes from direct borrowings	184,091	-	184,091
Totals	<u>\$ 75,878,391</u>	<u>\$ 2,130,700</u>	<u>\$ 78,009,091</u>

**Bonded Debt  
June 30, 2018**

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
General obligation bonds	\$ 72,938,800	\$ 2,281,200	\$ 75,220,000
Notes from direct borrowings	221,582	-	221,582
Totals	<u>\$ 73,160,382</u>	<u>\$ 2,281,200</u>	<u>\$ 75,441,582</u>



Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note 7 starting on page 45 of the financial statements.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - UNAUDITED (Continued)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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**Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates**

During April 2019, the Town adopted a General Fund budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. The budget reflected an overall increase in expenditures of \$2,662,715 or 2.3% over the final fiscal year 2019 amended budget. The budgeted expenditures of \$120,283,913 resulted in a 0.53 mill increase from 34.24 mills to 34.77 mills and allows the Town to continue to maintain the same level of programs and services to its residents. The Town has not planned for a utilization of fund balance for purposes of balancing the budget.

A summary of key economic factors affecting the Town are as follows:

- For purposes of calculating property tax revenues for fiscal year 2020, the assessor's grand list was used along with an estimated tax rate, and an estimated rate of collection, with deductions for taxes to be paid by the State on-behalf of certain taxpayers. Property tax revenues was planned to have an increasing role in funding the General Fund budget due to expected reductions in intergovernmental and other revenues.
- The Town receives intergovernmental revenues from the State of Connecticut. Connecticut's economy moves in the same general cycle as the national economy, which may affect the amount of intergovernmental revenues the Town will receive in fiscal year 2020 and thereafter.
- The State imposes a cap on municipal spending to limit the budgeted expenditures to 2.5% above the previous year, or the rate of inflation, whichever is greater. The cap includes certain exemptions relating to increases in debt service, special education costs, claims and judgements and costs incurred related to major disaster or emergency declarations. Municipalities that increase their adopted budget expenditures over the previous fiscal year by an amount that exceeds the cap may receive a reduced municipal revenue sharing grant.
- The State has established a minimum budget requirement ("MBR") for budgeted education expenditures. The MBR prohibits towns from budgeting less for education than it did in the previous year unless, and within limits, the Town can demonstrate a decrease in school enrollment or savings through increased efficiencies. Any increases or decreases that the Town receives in its Education Cost Sharing grant will result in a corresponding increase or decrease in the Town's MBR.
- It is was unknown how changes in market interest rates will impact real estate activity and related revenues collected by the Town Clerk and the amount of conveyance taxes and interest income.

All of these factors were considered in preparing the Town's General Fund budget for fiscal year 2020.

**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 Town's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Office of the Finance Director, 3 Primrose Street, Town Hall, Newtown, CT 06470.

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## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Primary Government</b>		
	<b>Governmental</b>	<b>Business-type</b>	
	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 22,584,365	\$ 675,051	\$ 23,259,416
Investments	16,637,017	-	16,637,017
Receivables:			
Property taxes and interest, net	3,103,909	-	3,103,909
Assessments and interest, net	-	312,024	312,024
User charges and interest, net	-	229,606	229,606
Grants and contracts	2,537,014	-	2,537,014
Other	668,044	-	668,044
Internal balances	931,770	(931,770)	-
Other	19,838	-	19,838
Noncurrent assets:			
Receivables:			
Assessments	-	3,031,273	3,031,273
Loans	242,542	-	242,542
Capital assets:			
Non-depreciable	62,410,692	217,594	62,628,286
Depreciable, net	260,517,116	29,571,895	290,089,011
Total assets	369,652,307	33,105,673	402,757,980
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Deferred charges on pension expense	3,566,858	-	3,566,858
Deferred charges on OPEB expense	95,263	-	95,263
Deferred charges on refunding	-	3,279	3,279
Total deferred outflows of resources	3,662,121	3,279	3,665,400
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable	6,790,118	136,301	6,926,419
Accrued interest payable	1,140,405	-	1,140,405
Other accrued liabilities	4,246,782	20,441	4,267,223
Internal balances	64,929	(64,929)	-
Unearned revenue	1,264,838	-	1,264,838
Other	434,215	-	434,215
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due in one year	7,135,853	148,200	7,284,053
Due in more than one year	94,460,752	2,014,766	96,475,518
Total liabilities	115,537,892	2,254,779	117,792,671
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Deferred charges on pension expense	2,442,429	-	2,442,429
Deferred charges on OPEB expense	1,986,106	-	1,986,106
Deferred charges on refunding	231,875	-	231,875
Total deferred inflows of resources	4,660,410	-	4,660,410
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	245,998,804	27,626,523	273,625,327
Restricted for:			
Endowments:			
Nonexpendable	610,000	-	610,000
Expendable	2,032,381	-	2,032,381
Grants and other programs	2,187,256	-	2,187,256
Construction of Community Center	385,741	-	385,741
Unrestricted	1,901,944	3,227,650	5,129,594
Total net position	\$ 253,116,126	\$ 30,854,173	\$ 283,970,299

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements .*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<b>Primary Government:</b>							
Governmental activities:							
General government	\$ 6,907,954	\$ 1,709,232	\$ 317,816	\$ -	\$ (4,880,906)	\$ -	\$ (4,880,906)
Public safety	12,087,651	1,281,153	639,797	-	(10,166,701)	-	(10,166,701)
Health and welfare	3,282,664	9,960	306,921	-	(2,965,783)	-	(2,965,783)
Land use	703,298	64,649	-	-	(638,649)	-	(638,649)
Public works	13,441,190	962,901	2,795,461	2,621,830	(7,060,998)	-	(7,060,998)
Parks and recreation	4,477,125	1,105,370	1,093,529	-	(2,278,226)	-	(2,278,226)
Education	84,895,073	2,339,058	8,433,424	-	(74,122,591)	-	(74,122,591)
Education - State Teachers' Retirement	5,098,427	-	5,098,427	-	-	-	-
Interest expense	2,648,364	-	-	-	(2,648,364)	-	(2,648,364)
Total governmental activities	133,541,746	7,472,323	18,685,375	2,621,830	(104,762,218)	-	(104,762,218)
Business-type activities:							
Sewer	1,921,345	1,049,861	-	-	-	(871,484)	(871,484)
Water	393,681	415,083	-	-	-	21,402	21,402
Total business-type activities	2,315,026	1,464,944	-	-	-	(850,082)	(850,082)
Total primary government	\$ 135,856,772	\$ 8,937,267	\$ 18,685,375	\$ 2,621,830	(104,762,218)	(850,082)	(105,612,300)
General revenues:							
Property taxes, levied for general purposes					107,694,541	-	107,694,541
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					1,574,097	-	1,574,097
Investment earnings					1,391,807	40,496	1,432,303
Total general revenues					110,660,445	40,496	110,700,941
		Change in net position			5,898,227	(809,586)	5,088,641
		Net position - beginning, as originally reported			247,217,899	32,089,059	279,306,958
		Adjustments (see Note 1 )			-	(425,300)	(425,300)
		Net position - beginning, as adjusted			247,217,899	31,663,759	278,881,658
		Net position - ending			\$ 253,116,126	\$ 30,854,173	\$ 283,970,299

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Bonded Projects Fund</b>	<b>Other Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,755,383	\$ -	\$ 1,802,456	\$ 22,557,839
Investments	9,879,733	-	2,704,472	12,584,205
Receivables:				
Property taxes and interest, net	3,103,909	-	-	3,103,909
Grants and contracts	1,708,294	-	828,720	2,537,014
Loans	-	-	242,542	242,542
Other	279,801	-	366,112	645,913
Due from other funds	1,903,784	4,675,788	4,184,468	10,764,040
Other	4,738	-	15,100	19,838
Total assets	<u>\$ 37,635,642</u>	<u>\$ 4,675,788</u>	<u>\$ 10,143,870</u>	<u>\$ 52,455,300</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,891,823	\$ 2,764,500	\$ 662,199	\$ 5,318,522
Accrued payroll	4,089,645	-	157,137	4,246,782
Due to other funds	11,458,700	-	972,014	12,430,714
Unearned revenue	-	577,010	687,581	1,264,591
Other	434,215	-	-	434,215
Total liabilities	<u>17,874,383</u>	<u>3,341,510</u>	<u>2,478,931</u>	<u>23,694,824</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Unavailable revenues	<u>3,103,909</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>242,542</u>	<u>3,346,451</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
Nonspendable	-	-	625,100	625,100
Restricted	-	3,429,557	4,219,637	7,649,194
Committed	264,924	-	2,617,205	2,882,129
Assigned	739,565	-	-	739,565
Unassigned	15,652,861	(2,095,279)	(39,545)	13,518,037
Total fund balances	<u>16,657,350</u>	<u>1,334,278</u>	<u>7,422,397</u>	<u>25,414,025</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 37,635,642</u>	<u>\$ 4,675,788</u>	<u>\$ 10,143,870</u>	<u>\$ 52,455,300</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2019**

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Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$	25,414,025
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Total net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position is different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.		322,927,808
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Deferred outflows and inflows of resources resulting from changes in the components of the net pension and net OPEB liabilities are reported in the statement of net position.		(776,088)
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Some of the Town's receivables will be collected after year end, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the funds.		3,346,451
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Long-term liabilities and related amounts applicable to the Town's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. All liabilities and related amounts - both current and long-term - are reported in the statement of net position.

Accrued interest payable	(1,140,405)	
Long-term debt:		
Bonds and notes payable, net	(79,172,776)	
Deferred charges on refunding	(231,875)	
Other long-term liabilities:		
Capital lease obligations	(568,169)	
Compensated absences	(1,009,054)	
Early retirement obligations	(32,000)	
Landfill post-closure care liability	(102,000)	
Net pension liability	(15,578,798)	
Net OPEB liability	(5,133,808)	
Total long-term liabilities	(102,968,885)	

An internal service fund is used by the Town to charge the cost of risk management activities to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in the governmental activities statement of net position.

		5,163,141
Net position of governmental activities	\$	253,106,452

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Bonded Projects Fund</b>	<b>Other Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 107,411,022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 107,411,022
Intergovernmental	20,168,273	1,248,606	5,613,722	27,030,601
Charges for services	2,195,585	-	5,075,185	7,270,770
Investment income	1,196,136	-	195,671	1,391,807
Contributions and other	373,913	-	1,346,404	1,720,317
Total revenues	<u>131,344,929</u>	<u>1,248,606</u>	<u>12,230,982</u>	<u>144,824,517</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
General government	4,658,167	-	1,189,903	5,848,070
Public safety	10,086,947	-	1,018,111	11,105,058
Health and welfare	3,139,504	-	86,494	3,225,998
Land use	662,685	-	-	662,685
Public works	9,527,048	-	881,143	10,408,191
Parks and recreation	2,288,508	-	1,025,843	3,314,351
Education	86,319,107	-	6,238,972	92,558,079
Debt service:				
Principal	6,896,695	-	8,000	6,904,695
Interest and fiscal charges	2,365,362	-	425,781	2,791,143
Capital outlays	1,788,693	21,737,464	2,123,226	25,649,383
Total expenditures	<u>127,732,716</u>	<u>21,737,464</u>	<u>12,997,473</u>	<u>162,467,653</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	3,612,213	(20,488,858)	(766,491)	(17,643,136)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Capital lease financing	624,662	-	-	624,662
Issuance of debt	6,750,000	10,400,000	-	17,150,000
Premium on issuance of debt	1,093,726	-	149,189	1,242,915
Payments to escrow agent	(7,732,615)	-	-	(7,732,615)
Transfers in	400,000	-	1,549,331	1,949,331
Transfers out	(1,483,216)	(66,115)	(400,000)	(1,949,331)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(347,443)</u>	<u>10,333,885</u>	<u>1,298,520</u>	<u>11,284,962</u>
Net change in fund balances	3,264,770	(10,154,973)	532,029	(6,358,174)
Fund balances - beginning	<u>13,392,580</u>	<u>11,489,251</u>	<u>6,890,368</u>	<u>31,772,199</u>
Fund balances - ending	<u>\$ 16,657,350</u>	<u>\$ 1,334,278</u>	<u>\$ 7,422,397</u>	<u>\$ 25,414,025</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (6,358,174)
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Total change in net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:

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 amount by which capital additions exceeded depreciation and amortization in the current period is as follows:

Expenditures for capital assets	\$ 23,985,520	
Depreciation and amortization expense	<u>(5,808,213)</u>	
Net adjustment		18,177,307

In the statement of activities, only the loss on the sale of capital assets is reported whereas the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources in the funds.	(198,803)
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The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal on long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. The net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term obligations is as follows:

Debt issued or incurred:		
Capital lease financing	(624,662)	
General obligation bonds	(10,400,000)	
Refunding bonds	(6,750,000)	
Premium on bonds	(1,242,915)	
Principal repayments:		
Bonds and notes payable	14,431,991	
Capital lease financing	<u>167,703</u>	
Net adjustment		(4,417,883)

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources resulting from changes in the components of the net pension and OPEB liabilities are amortized as a component of pension and OPEB expense in the statement of activities.	(2,959,883)
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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**TO THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (Concluded)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the governmental funds, expenditures are not recognized for transactions that are not normally paid with expendable available financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are available. In addition, interest on long-term debt is not recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting until due, rather than as it accrues. The net effect of such items is as follows:

Accrued interest	\$	(162,902)	
Amortization of bond premiums		601,052	
Amortization of deferred charges on refunding		(257,755)	
Compensated absences		28,969	
Early retirement obligations		32,000	
Landfill post-closure care liability		17,000	
Net pension liability		(64,530)	
Net OPEB liability		<u>1,595,962</u>	
	\$		1,789,796

Certain revenues reported in the statement of activities do not provide current financial resources and therefore are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds. This amount represents the change in unavailable revenues. 283,519

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activities to individual funds. The net revenue (expense) of the internal service fund is reported within the governmental activities. (417,652)

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ 5,898,227  
*Concluded*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Business-type Activities</b>			<b>Governmental Activities</b>
	<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Internal Service Fund</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 675,051	\$ -	\$ 675,051	\$ 26,526
Investments	-	-	-	4,052,812
Receivables:				
Assessments and interest, net	312,024	-	312,024	-
User charges and interest, net	229,606	-	229,606	-
Other	-	-	-	22,131
Due from other funds	64,929	-	64,929	2,533,515
Total current assets	<u>1,281,610</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,281,610</u>	<u>6,634,984</u>
Noncurrent assets:				
Receivables:				
Assessments	3,031,273	-	3,031,273	-
Advance to other fund	658,617	-	658,617	-
Capital assets:				
Non-depreciable	22,575	195,019	217,594	-
Depreciable, net	<u>27,054,284</u>	<u>2,517,611</u>	<u>29,571,895</u>	<u>-</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>30,766,749</u>	<u>2,712,630</u>	<u>33,479,379</u>	<u>-</u>
Total assets	<u>32,048,359</u>	<u>2,712,630</u>	<u>34,760,989</u>	<u>6,634,984</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred charge on refunding	<u>3,279</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,279</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	120,277	16,024	136,301	444,580
Accrued liabilities:				
Claims	-	-	-	1,027,016
Other	20,441	-	20,441	-
Due to other funds	-	931,770	931,770	-
Bonds and notes payable	148,200	-	148,200	-
Unearned revenue	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>247</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>288,918</u>	<u>947,794</u>	<u>1,236,712</u>	<u>1,471,843</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Advances from other fund	-	658,617	658,617	-
Bonds and notes payable	<u>2,014,766</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,014,766</u>	<u>-</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>2,014,766</u>	<u>658,617</u>	<u>2,673,383</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	<u>2,303,684</u>	<u>1,606,411</u>	<u>3,910,095</u>	<u>1,471,843</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	24,913,893	2,712,630	27,626,523	-
Unrestricted	<u>4,834,061</u>	<u>(1,606,411)</u>	<u>3,227,650</u>	<u>5,163,141</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 29,747,954</u>	<u>\$ 1,106,219</u>	<u>\$ 30,854,173</u>	<u>\$ 5,163,141</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Business-type Activities</b>			<b>Governmental Activities</b>
	<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Internal Service Fund</b>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>				
Charges for services	\$ 1,049,861	\$ 415,083	\$ 1,464,944	\$ 13,345,178
Total operating revenues	<u>1,049,861</u>	<u>415,083</u>	<u>1,464,944</u>	<u>13,345,178</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>				
Premiums and claims	-	-	-	12,690,957
Contracted services	821,715	172,148	993,863	-
Utilities	123,090	30,163	153,253	-
Administrative and other	193,426	12,000	205,426	1,273,336
Depreciation and amortization	588,445	151,726	740,171	-
Other	132,201	-	132,201	-
Total operating expenses	<u>1,858,877</u>	<u>366,037</u>	<u>2,224,914</u>	<u>13,964,293</u>
Operating income (loss)	(809,016)	49,046	(759,970)	(619,115)
<b>NON-OPERATING INCOME (EXPENSE)</b>				
Interest income	40,496	-	40,496	201,463
Interest expense	(62,468)	(27,644)	(90,112)	-
Total non-operating expense, net	<u>(21,972)</u>	<u>(27,644)</u>	<u>(49,616)</u>	<u>201,463</u>
Change in net position	(830,988)	21,402	(809,586)	(417,652)
Net position - beginning, as originally reported	31,004,242	1,084,817	32,089,059	5,580,793
Adjustments (see Note 1)	(425,300)	-	(425,300)	-
Net position - beginning, as adjusted	<u>30,578,942</u>	<u>1,084,817</u>	<u>31,663,759</u>	<u>5,580,793</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 29,747,954</u>	<u>\$ 1,106,219</u>	<u>\$ 30,854,173</u>	<u>\$ 5,163,141</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Business-type Activities</b>			<b>Governmental Activities</b>
	<b>Sewer Fund</b>	<b>Water Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Internal Service Fund</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Cash received for the following:				
Charges for services	\$ 1,225,279	\$ 415,083	\$ 1,640,362	\$ 13,338,073
Cash paid for the following:				
Operating activities	(1,150,019)	(214,596)	(1,364,615)	(1,273,336)
Claims incurred	-	-	-	(12,360,536)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>75,260</u>	<u>200,487</u>	<u>275,747</u>	<u>(295,799)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Interfund activity	<u>132,739</u>	<u>(172,844)</u>	<u>(40,105)</u>	<u>(1,168,349)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Purchases of capital assets	(21,575)	-	(21,575)	-
Interest paid on capital debt	(62,468)	(27,643)	(90,111)	-
Principal paid on capital debt	(151,600)	-	(151,600)	-
Net cash used in capital and related financial activities	<u>(235,643)</u>	<u>(27,643)</u>	<u>(263,286)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Purchases of investments	-	-	-	(56,799)
Investment income	<u>40,496</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,496</u>	<u>201,463</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>40,496</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,496</u>	<u>144,664</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	12,852	-	12,852	(1,319,484)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>662,199</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>662,199</u>	<u>1,346,010</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 675,051</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 675,051</u>	<u>\$ 26,526</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Operating income (loss)	\$ (809,016)	\$ 49,046	\$ (759,970)	\$ (619,115)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	588,445	151,726	740,171	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Receivables	307,619	-	307,619	(7,105)
Accounts payable	(11,788)	(285)	(12,073)	221,600
Accrued liabilities	-	-	-	109,016
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	(195)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ 75,260</u>	<u>\$ 200,487</u>	<u>\$ 275,747</u>	<u>\$ (295,799)</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Pension and Other Post- Employment Benefits Trust Funds</b>	<b>Private Purpose Trust Fund Sandy Hook Private Purpose Trust Fund</b>	<b>Agency Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 107,627	\$ -	\$ 844,521
Investments:			
Certificates of deposit	-	-	192,731
Bond mutual funds	16,869,532	-	-
Equity mutual funds	31,258,343	-	-
Receivables	1,130	-	-
Total assets	<u>48,236,632</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 1,037,252</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable	-	-	\$ -
Due to others	-	-	1,037,252
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 1,037,252</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Restricted for:			
OPEB benefits	2,806,303	-	
Pension benefits	45,430,329	-	
Total net position	<u>\$ 48,236,632</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES**  
**IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Pension and Other Post- Employment Benefits Trust Funds</b>	<b>Private Purpose Trust Fund Sandy Hook Private Purpose Trust Fund</b>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>		
Contributions:		
Employer	\$ 2,953,829	\$ -
Plan members	569,404	-
Total contributions	<u>3,523,233</u>	<u>-</u>
Investment earnings:		
Interest and dividends	1,167,513	-
Net change in the fair value of investments	<u>1,337,515</u>	<u>-</u>
	2,505,028	-
Less investment fees	<u>(44,765)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total investment earnings	<u>2,460,263</u>	<u>-</u>
Total additions	<u>5,983,496</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>		
Benefit payments	2,802,036	-
Awards expense	-	28,657
Administrative expenses	68,430	-
Total deductions	<u>2,870,466</u>	<u>28,657</u>
Change in net position	3,113,030	(28,657)
Net position - beginning	<u>45,123,602</u>	<u>28,657</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 48,236,632</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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

The accounting policies of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the "Town") conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applicable to governmental organizations. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies:

**Financial Reporting Entity**

The Town of Newtown, Connecticut, was incorporated on October 11, 1711, and covers an area of 60 square miles. The Town operates under a Board of Selectmen/Board of Finance/Legislative Council/Town referendum form of government as prescribed by the Connecticut General Statutes and its charter, which was adopted in 1961 and amended in 2016. The Town provides the following services as authorized by its charter: public safety (police and fire), public works (streets and highways), public health and social services, water pollution control and solid waste disposal services and education encompassing grades Pre-K through 12th grade.

The legislative power of the Town is with the Board of Selectmen, Legislative Council and Town referendum. The Legislative Council may enact, amend or repeal ordinances and resolutions. The Board of Finance is responsible for financial and taxation matters as prescribed by Connecticut General Statutes and is responsible for presenting fiscal operating budgets to the Legislative Council for approval at Town referendum.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the reporting entity include, 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 exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Town has determined that there are no agencies or entities, which should be presented within the Town's financial statements based on these criteria.

**Related Organizations**

The C.H. Booth Library is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization that operates within the Town of Newtown. The First Selectman of the Town, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, appoints eight of the sixteen members of the Library's Board of Trustees. The Town owns the building and supports the operations of the Library through annual appropriations from its General Fund. The amount paid to the Library by the Town for the year ended June 30, 2019 totaled \$1,351,873.

**Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

**Government-wide Financial Statements**

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Town and include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation. The statements are intended to distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements *(Continued)***

**Government-wide Financial Statements *(Continued)***

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. 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 and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

**Fund Financial Statements**

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

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

**General Fund** - This fund is the Town's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those accounted for in another fund.

**Bonded Projects Fund** - This fund is used to account for the financial activity of capital projects financed with debt proceeds.

The Town reports the following major proprietary funds:

**Sewer Fund** - This fund is used to account for the activities of the Town's sewer operations.

**Water Fund** - This fund is used to account for the activities of the Town's water operations.

In addition, the Town reports the following proprietary and fiduciary fund types:

**Internal Service Fund** - This fund accounts for activities that provide goods or services to other funds, departments, or agencies of the Town on a cost-reimbursement basis. The Town utilizes an internal service fund to account for medical and dental self-insurance activities.

**Pension and Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Funds** - These funds are used to account for resources held in trust for the members and beneficiaries of the Town's retirement and other post-employment benefit plans.

**Private Purpose Trust Funds** - This fund type is used to account for trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments. There is no requirement that any portion of the resources be preserved as capital.

**Agency Funds** - These funds are used to account for resources held by the Town in a purely custodial capacity.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

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

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital lease are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes and interest have been recognized as revenues in the current fiscal year to the extent amounts have been collected by the end of the fiscal year. Entitlements are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met, including any time requirements, and the amount is received during the year or within the availability period for this revenue source (within one year of year end). Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements have been met, and the amount is received or is available to be received during the period or within the availability period for this revenue source (within one year of end). All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when the cash is received.

The proprietary, pension trust, other post-employment benefits trust, and private-purpose trust funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The agency funds have no measurement focus but utilize the accrual basis of accounting for reporting assets and liabilities.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connections with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Town's enterprise funds consist of sewer and water charges and premiums for medical and dental benefits. Operating expenses of the Town's enterprise fund include the cost of operations and maintenance, administrative expenses, and depreciation of capital assets. The principal operating revenues of the Town's internal service fund consist of charges for premiums. Operating expenses of the Town's internal service fund consist of claims incurred and administrative expenses. Revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Implementation of New Accounting Standards**

Effective July 1, 2018, the Town adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 88, *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements*. This Statement defines debt for purposes of disclosure in notes to financial statements as a liability (or other assets that may be used in lieu of cash) in one or more payments to settle an amount that is fixed at the date the contractual obligation is established. This Statement requires that additional essential information related to debt be disclosed in notes to financial statements, including unused lines of credit; assets pledged as collateral for the debt; and terms specified in debt agreements related to significant events of default with finance-related consequences, significant termination events with finance-related consequences, and significant subjective acceleration clauses. For notes to financial statements related to debt, this Statement also requires that existing and additional information be provided for direct borrowings and direct placements of debt separately from other debt. The adoption of this statement did not have a material effect on the Town's financial statements.

Effective July 1, 2018, the Town adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations*. GASB Statement No. 83 addresses accounting and financial reporting for certain asset retirement obligations (AROs). The Statement established criteria for determining the timing and pattern of recognition of a liability and a corresponding deferred outflow of resources for AROs. The adoption of this statement did not have a material effect on the Town's financial statements.

**Adjustments to Amounts Reported in Previously Issued Financial Statements:**

The Town has reported the following adjustments to the beginning net position as of July 1, 2018:

	<b>Business-Type Activities</b>	<b>Sewer Fund</b>
Net position - beginning, as originally reported	\$ 32,089,059	\$ 31,004,242
Adjustment to properly present sewer assessment receivable	<u>(425,300)</u>	<u>(425,300)</u>
Net position - beginning, as adjusted	<u>\$ 31,663,759</u>	<u>\$ 30,578,942</u>

The effect of the above adjustments on the prior year changes in net position and fund balances are not readily determinable.

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources and Net Position/Fund Balance**

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

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**

Investments are measured by the Town at fair value (generally based on quoted market prices), except for investments in certain external investment pools as described below.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources and Net Position/Fund Balance *(Continued)***

**Investments *(Continued)***

Investments in certain external investment pools consist of money market mutual funds, hedge funds and the Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF), which is managed by the State of Connecticut Treasurer's Office. Investments in these types of funds, which are permitted to measure their investment holdings at amortized costs, are measured by the Town at the net asset value per share as determined by the fund.

**Donor-Restricted Endowments**

The Town has received certain endowments for the maintenance of Hawley School, Edmond Town Hall, the Newtown flagpole and for the care of animals. These amounts are reflected in net position as restricted for endowments. Investment income is approved for expenditure by the individual boards of the benefiting activities and is included in restricted fund balance.

**Property Taxes**

Property taxes are assessed as of October 1. Real estate and personal property taxes are billed in the following July and are due in two installments, July 1 and January 1. Motor vehicle taxes are billed in July and are due in one installment, July 1, and supplemental motor vehicle taxes are due in full January 1. Taxes become delinquent thirty days after the installment is due. Liens are effective on the assessment date and are continued by filing before the end of the year following the due date. Based on historical collection experience and other factors, the Town has established an allowance for uncollectible taxes and interest as of June 30, 2019 of \$212,000 and \$318,000, respectively.

**Sewer and Water Charges**

The Town operates a centralized wastewater treatment system and a potable water system. Upon completion of projects, assessments are levied and assess to users annually over a twenty year period. Usage charges are billed either annually or semi-annually depending upon the type of customer. Assessments and usage charges are due and payable within thirty days and delinquent amounts are subject to interest at prevailing rates. Liens are filed on all properties until the assessment is paid in full. Based on historical collection experience and other factors, the Town has established an allowance for uncollectible assessment and usage charges of \$79,000 and \$5,000 as of June 30, 2019, respectively.

**Loans**

The Town administers a federally funded residential rehabilitation loan program for low to moderate income families. The loans do not accrue interest and repayment of the loans is deferred. The loans become due and payable upon sale or transfer of the property, the owner's demise, or when the subject property is no longer the applicant's principal place of residence. The loans may be paid in full or in part by the borrower at any time without penalty. As of June 30, 2019, loans receivable totaled \$242,542 under this program.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources and Net Position/Fund Balance *(Continued)***

**Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include property, buildings, equipment and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 for equipment, \$20,000 for improvements and \$100,000 for infrastructure, and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost, or estimated historical cost, when purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of a capital asset or materially extend capital asset lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred net of interest earned on project specific debt during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities and enterprise funds are included as part of the capitalized cost of the assets constructed.

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

Assets	Years
Interlocal agreement rights	30
Sewer plant	50
Sewer transmission lines	100
Roads	50-75
Bridges	100
Land improvements	20-100
Buildings	20-100
Vehicles	3-30
Equipment	5-30
Intangible assets	30-43

Capital assets acquired under capital lease are amortized over the life of the lease term or estimated useful life of the asset, as applicable.

**Unearned Revenue**

This liability represents resources that have been received but not yet earned.

**Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows and inflows of resources represent either an acquisition or consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow or inflow of resources until that time.

Deferred outflows of resources consist of deferred charges on refundings and deferred charges on pension and OPEB expenses reported in the government-wide financial statements. Deferred charges on refundings resulted from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount has been deferred and is being amortized over the life of the related debt. Deferred charges on pension and OPEB expenses result from certain changes in the Town's net pension and OPEB liabilities and are being amortized as a component of pension and OPEB expense on a systematic and rational basis.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position/Fund Balance *(Continued)***

**Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources consist of revenues that are considered unavailable under the modified accrual basis of accounting and deferred charges on pension and OPEB expenses. Unavailable revenue is reported in the governmental funds financial statements. These amounts are deferred and recognized as inflows of resources in the period that the amounts become available. Deferred charges on pension and OPEB expenses are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Deferred charges on pension and OPEB expenses result from certain changes in the Town's net pension and OPEB liabilities and are being amortized as a reduction of pension and OPEB expense on a systematic and rational basis.

**Compensated Absences**

Employees of the Town and Board of Education earn sick leave, which can accumulate, and vacation leave based on the provisions of negotiated contracts or other personnel policies. Accumulated sick leave do not vest and the payment of nonvesting accumulated sick pay depends on the future illness of the employee and, therefore, no liability has been accrued for in the financial statements. Expenditures for compensated absences are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements in the current year to the extent they are paid during the year, or the vested amount is expected to be paid with available resources. All compensated absences are accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Expenditures for compensated absences are recognized in the governmental fund financial statements in the current year to the extent they have matured (i.e. due to resignation or retirement).

**Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize bond premiums and discounts during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

**Net Position and Fund Balance**

The government-wide statement of net position presents the Town's assets, deferred outflows and inflows of resources and liabilities, with net position as the residual of these other elements. Net position is reported in three categories:

***Net investment in capital assets*** - This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt that are attributed to the acquisition, construction or improvement of capital assets.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position/Fund Balance *(Continued)***

**Net Position and Fund Balance *(Continued)***

***Restricted net position*** - This component of net position consists of amounts restricted either through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, and the like, or through restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

***Unrestricted net position*** - This component of net position is the net amount of the assets, liabilities, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources which do not meet the definition of the two preceding categories.

The Town's governmental funds report the following fund balance categories:

***Nonspendable*** - Amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

***Restricted*** - Constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through enabling legislation.

***Committed*** - Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the highest level of decision making authority of the Town and cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Town removes or changes the specified use by taking the same formal action. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded through resolutions approved by the Board of Finance/Legislative Council.

***Assigned*** - Amounts are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are not restricted or committed. Amounts may be constrained to be used for a specific purpose by a governing board or body or official that has been delegated authority to assign amounts. Intent is expressed by the passing of a resolution by the Board of Finance/Legislative Council or from a properly approved purchase order.

***Unassigned*** - Residual classification for the General Fund or amounts necessary in other governmental funds to eliminate otherwise negative fund balance amounts in the other four categories.

***Net Position Flow Assumption***

Sometimes the Town will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g. restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Town's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

***Fund Balance Flow Assumption***

Sometimes the Town will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Town's policy, when committed, assigned and unassigned resources are available for use, that the Town will use committed resources first, then assigned resources and then unassigned resources as they are needed.



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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)***

**Interfund Activities**

Interfund activities are reported as follows:

**Interfund Receivables and Payables**

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e. the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e. the non-current portion of interfund loans). 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".

**Interfund Services Provided and Used**

Sales and purchases of goods and services between funds for a price approximating their external exchange value are reported as revenues and expenditures, or expenses, in the applicable funds.

**Interfund Transfers**

Interfund transfers represent flows of assets without equivalent flows of assets in return and without a requirement for repayment. In governmental funds, transfers are reported as other financing uses in the funds making transfers and other financing sources in the funds receiving transfers. In proprietary funds, transfers are reported after non-operating revenues and expenses.

**Interfund Reimbursements**

Interfund reimbursements represent repayments from the funds responsible for particular expenditures or expenses to the funds that initially paid for them.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
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**NOTE 2 - CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

**Cash Deposits**

A reconciliation of the Town's cash deposits as of June 30, 2019 is as follows:

Government-wide statement of net position:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,259,416
Statement of fiduciary net position:	
Cash and cash equivalents	952,148
	<u>24,211,564</u>
Add: non-negotiable certificates of deposit presented as investments	3,597,760
Less: investments presented as cash equivalents	<u>(6,100,208)</u>
	<u><u>\$ 21,709,116</u></u>

**Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Town 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 Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2019, \$21,333,130 of the Town's bank balance of \$22,583,130 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ 19,199,817
Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging bank's trust department or agent but not in the Town's name	2,133,313
	<u><u>\$ 21,333,130</u></u>

All of the Town's deposits were in qualified public institutions as defined by Connecticut state statute. Under this statute, any bank holding public deposits must at all times maintain, segregated from its other assets, eligible collateral in an amount equal to a certain percentage of its public deposits. The applicable percentage is determined based on the bank's risk-based capital ratio. The amount of public deposits is determined based on either the public deposits reported on the most recent quarterly call report, or the average of the public deposits reported on the four most recent quarterly call reports, whichever is greater. The collateral is kept in the custody of the trust department of either the pledging bank or another bank in the name of the pledging bank.

**Investments**

A reconciliation of the Town's investments as of June 30, 2019 is as follows:

Government-wide statement of net position:	
Investments	\$ 16,637,017
Statement of fiduciary net position:	
Investments	48,320,606
	<u>64,957,623</u>
Less: non-negotiable certificates of deposit presented as investments	(3,597,760)
Add: investments presented as cash equivalents	<u>6,100,208</u>
	<u><u>\$ 67,460,071</u></u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
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**NOTE 2 - CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

**Investments (Continued)**

As of June 30, 2019, the Town's investments consist of the following:

Investment Type	Valuation Basis	Value	Investment Maturities (In Years)			
			Less Than 1	1 to 5	6 to 10	More Than 10
Debt Securities:						
Governmental Activities:						
Short-Term Investment Fund	Net asset value	\$ 5,981,084	\$ 5,981,084	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Money market mutual funds	Net asset value	11,497	11,497	-	-	-
Certificates of deposits	Fair Value	11,775,067	3,231,204	8,543,863	-	-
Fiduciary Funds:						
Money market mutual funds	Net asset value	107,627	107,627	-	-	-
		17,875,275	\$ 9,331,412	\$ 8,543,863	\$ -	\$ -
Other Investments:						
Governmental Activities:						
Mutual funds	Fair Value	1,386,909				
Hedge funds	Net asset value	70,012				
Fiduciary Funds:						
Mutual funds	Fair Value	48,127,875				
		\$ 67,460,071				

**Interest Rate Risk**

The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits Town investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, its practice is to structure the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity, and investing operating funds primarily in shorter-term securities, money market mutual funds, or similar investment pools.

**Credit Risk**

The Town has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices beyond those limited by Connecticut state statutes. Connecticut state statutes permit the Town to invest in obligations of the United States, including its instrumentalities and agencies; in obligations of any state or of any political subdivision, authority or agency thereof, provided such obligations are rated within one of the top two rating categories of any recognized rating service; or in obligations of the State of Connecticut or of any political subdivision thereof, provided such obligations are rated within one of the top three rating categories of any recognized rating service.

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**NOTE 2 - CASH DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)**

**Investments (Continued)**

The Town's investments in debt securities, whose ratings are required to be disclosed, were rated by Standard & Poor's as follows:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>AAA</u>	<u>Unrated</u>
Debt Securities:		
<i>Governmental Activities:</i>		
Short-Term Investment Fund	\$ 5,981,084	\$ -
Money market mutual funds	-	11,497
Certificates of deposits	-	11,775,067
<i>Fiduciary Funds:</i>		
Money market mutual funds	-	107,627

**Custodial Credit Risk**

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Town's investments in external investment pools and mutual funds are not evidenced by securities and are therefore not exposed to custodial credit risk. The Town's other investments are held in book entry form in the name of the Town and are therefore also not exposed to custodial credit risk.

**Concentrations of Credit Risk**

The Town's policy states credit risk will be minimized by limiting investments to the safest types of securities and pre-qualifying the financial institution with which the Town will do business. The Town is only allowed to invest in those types of investments that are covered by the state of Connecticut Municipal Investment Act. The investment portfolio must be diversified so that potential losses on individual securities will be minimized. As of June 30, 2019, more than 10% of the Town's investments were invested in the following:

<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Investment</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>% of Investments</u>
<i>Governmental Activities:</i>			
State of CT Treasurer	Short-Term Investment Fund	\$ 5,981,084	31.1%
<i>Fiduciary Funds:</i>			
Vanguard	Developed Markets Index Fund Institutional Shares	14,061,870	29.2%
Vanguard	Extended Market Index Fund Admiral Shares	4,838,243	10.0%
Vanguard	Institutional Index Fund Institutional Shares	12,358,231	25.6%
Vanguard	Total Bond Market Index	16,869,532	35.0%

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**NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants, as of the measurement date. Authoritative guidance establishes a hierarchy of valuation techniques based upon whether the inputs to those valuation techniques reflect assumptions other market participants would use based upon market data obtained from independent sources (also referred to as observable inputs). The Town classifies its assets and liabilities measured at fair value into Level 1 (securities valued using quoted prices from active markets for identical assets), Level 2 (securities not traded on an active market for which market inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly, and Level 3 (securities valued based on unobservable inputs). Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The Town's financial assets that are accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2019, by level within the fair value hierarchy are presented in the table below.

<b>Financial Assets Measured at Fair Value</b>	<b>Prices in Active Market (Level 1)</b>	<b>Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)</b>	<b>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</b>
<i>Governmental Activities:</i>			
Certificates of deposits	\$ -	\$ 11,775,067	\$ -
Mutual funds	1,386,909	-	-
<i>Fiduciary Funds:</i>			
Mutual funds	48,127,875	-	-
	<u>\$ 49,514,784</u>	<u>\$ 11,775,067</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Debt and equity securities classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. Debt securities classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using a matrix pricing technique. Matrix pricing is used to value securities based on the securities' relationship to benchmark quoted prices.

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**NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2019 consisted of the following:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 26,449,426	\$ 1,829,590	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,279,016
Intangible assets	3,687,270	-	-	-	3,687,270
Construction in progress	17,080,246	19,641,590	-	(6,277,430)	30,444,406
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>47,216,942</u>	<u>21,471,180</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,277,430)</u>	<u>62,410,692</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and systems	210,757,741	796,638	-	4,349,768	215,904,147
Land improvements	23,527,806	224,747	-	-	23,752,553
Machinery and equipment	13,867,877	896,507	(286,878)	-	14,477,506
Vehicles	11,361,138	430,488	(756,709)	1,413,080	12,447,997
Infrastructure	71,018,672	165,960	-	514,582	71,699,214
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>330,533,234</u>	<u>2,514,340</u>	<u>(1,043,587)</u>	<u>6,277,430</u>	<u>338,281,417</u>
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for:					
Buildings and systems	33,379,224	2,854,949	-	(24,117)	36,210,056
Land improvements	8,050,858	898,219	-	-	8,949,077
Machinery and equipment	8,587,952	424,211	(255,703)	24,117	8,780,577
Vehicles	5,963,005	616,985	(589,081)	-	5,990,909
Infrastructure	16,819,833	1,013,849	-	-	17,833,682
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>72,800,872</u>	<u>5,808,213</u>	<u>(844,784)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,764,301</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>257,732,362</u>	<u>(3,293,873)</u>	<u>(198,803)</u>	<u>6,277,430</u>	<u>260,517,116</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 304,949,304</u>	<u>\$ 18,177,307</u>	<u>\$ (198,803)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 322,927,808</u>

Depreciation and amortization expense was charged to functions of the Town as follows:

<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	
General government	\$ 718,500
Public safety	325,860
Public works	1,255,598
Health and welfare	20,018
Park and recreation	780,723
Education	<u>2,707,514</u>
Total depreciation and amortization expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 5,808,213</u>

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**NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for business-type activities for the year ended June 30, 2019 consisted of the following:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
<b>Business-type Activities</b>					
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Construction in progress	195,020	21,574	-	-	216,594
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>196,020</u>	<u>21,574</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>217,594</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Intangible assets	1,361,000	-	-	-	1,361,000
Plant and pumping stations	15,418,657	-	-	-	15,418,657
Sewer distribution system	23,232,801	-	-	-	23,232,801
Water distribution system	2,275,502	-	-	-	2,275,502
Equipment	674,848	-	-	-	674,848
Vehicles	173,006	-	-	-	173,006
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>43,135,814</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,135,814</u>
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization for:					
Intangible assets	956,349	43,352	-	-	999,701
Plant and pumping stations	5,759,780	334,307	-	-	6,094,087
Sewer distribution system	4,691,405	248,032	-	-	4,939,437
Water distribution system	1,226,818	86,316	-	-	1,313,134
Equipment	76,648	12,233	-	-	88,881
Vehicles	112,748	15,931	-	-	128,679
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>12,823,748</u>	<u>740,171</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,563,919</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>30,312,066</u>	<u>(740,171)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,571,895</u>
Business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 30,508,086</u>	<u>\$ (718,597)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 29,789,489</u>

Depreciation and amortization expense was charged to the enterprise funds of the Town as follows:

Business-Type Activities:	
Sewer	\$ 588,444
Water	<u>151,727</u>
Total depreciation and amortization expense - business-type activities	<u>\$ 740,171</u>

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**NOTE 5 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES**

Interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2019 are as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
<b>Governmental Funds:</b>		
General Fund	Water Fund	\$ 931,770
	Other Governmental Funds	972,014
		<u>1,903,784</u>
Bonded Projects Fund	General Fund	4,675,788
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	4,184,468
		<u>\$ 10,764,040</u>
<b>Proprietary Funds:</b>		
Internal Service Fund	General Fund	<u>\$ 2,533,515</u>
<b>Business Type Activities Funds:</b>		
Sewer Fund	General Fund	64,929
	Water Fund	658,617
		<u>\$ 723,546</u>

Except as discussed below, the above balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

The Water Pollution Control Authority approved a loan from the Sewer Fund to the Water Fund. Interest is payable on amounts outstanding at an annual rate of 4.0%. It is anticipated that a portion of the balance, in the amount of \$658,617, due to the Sewer Fund from the Water Fund will not be repaid within one year. This amount has been presented as an advance as of June 30, 2019.

**NOTE 6 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2019 consisted of the following:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	Amount
<b>Governmental Funds:</b>		
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 400,000
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	1,483,216
	Bonded Projects Fund	66,115
		<u>1,549,331</u>
		<u>\$ 1,949,331</u>

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) move unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.



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**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT**

The applicable accounting standards define debt as a liability that arises from a contractual obligation to pay cash, or other assets that may be used in lieu of cash, in one or more payments to settle an amount that is fixed at the date the contractual obligation is established. For disclosure purposes, debt does not include accounts payable or leases, except for contracts reported as financed purchase of the underlying asset.

Changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2019, are as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
Bonds payable:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 72,938,800	\$ 17,150,000	\$ (14,394,500)	\$ 75,694,300	\$ 6,806,800
Unamortized premiums	2,652,522	1,242,915	(601,052)	3,294,385	-
Total bonds payable	<u>75,591,322</u>	<u>18,392,915</u>	<u>(14,995,552)</u>	<u>78,988,685</u>	<u>6,806,800</u>
Notes from direct borrowings	221,582	-	(37,491)	184,091	38,307
Capital leases from direct borrowings	111,210	624,662	(167,703)	568,169	147,746
	<u>\$ 75,924,114</u>	<u>\$ 19,017,577</u>	<u>\$ (15,200,746)</u>	<u>\$ 79,740,945</u>	<u>\$ 6,992,853</u>
<b>Business-type Activities</b>					
Bonds payable:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 2,281,200	\$ -	\$ (150,500)	\$ 2,130,700	\$ 148,200
Unamortized premiums	34,820	-	(2,087)	32,733	-
Total bonds payable	<u>\$ 2,316,020</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (152,587)</u>	<u>\$ 2,163,433</u>	<u>\$ 148,200</u>

Long-term debt above typically has been liquidated by the General Fund for governmental activities and the Sewer and Water Fund for business-type activities.

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**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT *(Continued)***

**General Obligation Bonds and Notes from Direct Borrowings**

A summary of general obligation bonds and notes from direct borrowings outstanding at June 30, 2019 is as follows:

<b>Purpose of Bonds</b>	<b>Fiscal Date of Issue</b>	<b>Original Issue</b>	<b>Interest Rates</b>	<b>Fiscal Maturity Date</b>	<b>Amount Outstanding</b>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
General obligation bonds:					
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2010	\$ 13,320,000	2.0% - 5.0%	2020	\$ 545,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2011	8,910,000	2.5% - 5.0%	2024	7,240,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2012	15,300,000	1.0% - 4.0%	2027	5,790,300
General Obligation Bonds	2014	4,012,000	2.0% - 3.5%	2034	3,007,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2015	17,620,000	2.375% - 5.0%	2031	14,530,000
General Obligation Bonds	2016	12,000,000	2.0% - 4.0%	2036	9,700,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2016	2,295,000	3.0% - 4.0%	2022	1,370,000
General Obligation Bonds	2017	4,808,000	2.0% - 4.0%	2037	4,012,000
General Obligation Bonds	2018	13,000,000	2.0%-5.0%	2038	12,350,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2019	6,750,000	3.0% - 5.0%	2032	6,750,000
General Obligation Bonds	2019	10,400,000	2.0%-5.0%	2039	10,400,000
					<u>75,694,300</u>
Notes from direct borrowings:					
Clean Water Fund Note	2003	516,000	2.10%	2023	120,033
Drinking Water Fund Note	2006	171,738	2.32%	2026	64,058
					<u>184,091</u>
					<u>\$ 75,878,391</u>
<b>Business-type Activities:</b>					
General obligation bonds:					
General Obligation Refunding Bonds	2012	\$ 75,000	1.0% - 4.0%	2020	\$ 9,700
General Obligation Bonds	2014	2,488,000	2.0% - 3.5%	2034	1,868,000
General Obligation Bonds	2017	282,000	2.0% - 4.0%	2037	253,000
					<u>\$ 2,130,700</u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
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**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT *(Continued)***

**General Obligation Bonds and Notes from Direct Borrowings *(Continued)***

Annual debt service requirements to maturity on general obligation bonds and the notes from direct borrowings are as follows as of June 30, 2019:

Year ending June 30:	Governmental Activities				
	General Obligation Bonds		Notes from direct borrowings		Total
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
2020	\$ 6,806,800	\$ 2,657,619	\$ 38,307	\$ 3,626	\$ 9,506,352
2021	6,356,500	2,429,489	39,140	2,794	8,827,923
2022	6,542,000	2,164,119	39,991	1,942	8,748,052
2023	5,832,000	1,893,032	40,867	1,072	7,766,971
2024	6,322,000	1,630,768	10,135	491	7,963,394
2025-2029	23,377,000	5,325,847	15,651	289	28,718,787
2030-2034	13,625,000	2,273,493	-	-	15,898,493
2035-2039	6,833,000	556,147	-	-	7,389,147
	<u>\$ 75,694,300</u>	<u>\$ 18,930,514</u>	<u>\$ 184,091</u>	<u>\$ 10,214</u>	<u>\$ 94,819,119</u>

Year ending June 30:	Business-type Activities		
	General Obligation Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 148,200	\$ 60,263	\$ 208,463
2021	138,500	57,202	195,702
2022	138,000	54,122	192,122
2023	138,000	50,772	188,772
2024	138,000	47,267	185,267
2025-2029	693,000	180,396	873,396
2030-2034	695,000	76,822	771,822
2035-2039	42,000	2,905	44,905
	<u>\$ 2,130,700</u>	<u>\$ 529,749</u>	<u>\$ 2,660,449</u>

**Legal Debt Limit**

Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-374(b) provides that debt of the Town shall not exceed seven times base receipts, as defined in the Statute. Further, the Statute limits the amount of debt that may be authorized by the Town for general purposes, schools, sewers, urban renewal and pension deficit. The Town did not exceed any of the statutory debt limitations at June 30, 2019.

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**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT *(Continued)***

**General Obligation Bonds and Notes from Direct Borrowings *(Continued)***

**Authorized/Unissued Debt**

At June 30, 2019, the Town had authorized unissued debt as follows:

New Police Facility	\$ 10,706,000
Newtown HS Boilers/Lighting	2,702,000
High School Addition & Renovation	1,524,657
Hawleyville Sewer Extension	1,030,000
Road Improvements	1,000,000
Hawley Boiler/Lighting	783,200
Fairfield Hills Remediation / Demolition	315,000
Library Improvements	300,000
Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial	250,000
Bridge Program	210,000
Hawley School Roof	170,000
Middle Gate Roof	78,000
Treadwell Parking Lot	15,000
	<u>\$ 19,083,857</u>

**Refundings**

On March 26, 2019, the Town issued \$6,750,000 in general obligation refunding bonds with an average interest rate of 4.83% to refund \$7,695,000 of outstanding 2012 general obligation bonds, with an average interest rate of 2.75%. The transaction generated a cash flow savings of \$314,592 and an economic gain (difference between the present values of the debt service payments of the old and the new bonds) of \$228,405.

The Town has also advanced refunded general obligation bonds in prior years. The difference between the reacquisition prices (the amounts placed in escrow) and the net carrying amounts of the refunded bonds have resulted in deferred charges on refundings in the amount of \$929,511, including a deferred charge on refunding recognized in the current year of \$159,999. These amounts, net of accumulated amortization of \$1,161,386 have been presented as deferred outflows of resources in the government-wide financial statements and are being amortized to interest expense using the effective-interest method over the life of the new bonds. Amortization of deferred charges on refundings totaled \$97,757 for the year ended June 30, 2019.

The net proceeds from the issuance of the general obligation bonds were deposited with an escrow agent in an irrevocable escrow fund. The proceeds were used to buy a portfolio of non-callable direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, to provide all future debt service payments on the refunded bonds. The refunded bonds are considered defeased and the liability for the bonds has been removed from the government-wide statement of net position.

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**NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT *(Continued)***

**Capital Leases from Direct Borrowings**

Capital leases from direct borrowings include non-appropriation clauses and provide the obligor with a security interest in the underlying equipment in the event of default.

A summary of assets acquired through capital leases is as follows as of June 30, 2019:

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
Equipment	\$ 834,502
Less: accumulated amortization	126,103
	<u>\$ 708,399</u>

Amortization expense relative to leased property under capital leases totaled \$30,328 for the year ended June 30, 2019 and is included in depreciation and amortization expense disclosed in Note 4.

Future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2019 is as follows:

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
Year Ending June 30:	
2020	\$ 147,746
2021	147,746
2022	147,745
2023	124,932
Total minimum lease payments	568,169
Less: amount representing interest	-
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 568,169</u>

**NOTE 8 - OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Changes in other long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2019 are as follows:

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>Due Within One Year</b>
Compensated absences	\$ 1,038,023	\$ 1,296,666	\$ (1,325,635)	\$ 1,009,054	\$ 102,000
Termination benefits	64,000	-	(32,000)	32,000	24,000
Landfill post-closure care liability	119,000	-	(17,000)	102,000	17,000
Net pension liability	15,514,268	64,530	-	15,578,798	-
Net OPEB liability	6,729,770	-	(1,595,962)	5,133,808	-
	<u>\$ 23,465,061</u>	<u>\$ 1,361,196</u>	<u>\$ (2,970,597)</u>	<u>\$ 21,855,660</u>	<u>\$ 143,000</u>

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**NOTE 8 - OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)**

**Landfill Post-Closure Care Liability**

The Town landfill has been closed since 1995. State and federal laws and regulations require landfill closures to meet certain standards. Monitoring costs for the next 6 years are estimated to be \$17,000 per year. This amount is based on estimates, which are subject to change due to inflation, technology or applicable laws and regulations.

**Termination Benefits**

The Town's Board of Education provides special termination benefits to former employees in the form of an early retirement incentive. No new arrangements were entered into during the year. Payments made on existing arrangements totaled \$32,000 for the year ended June 30, 2019. As of June 30, 2019, the Town's liability for early retirement incentives totaled \$32,000.

Future annual payments on early retirement incentives as of June 30, 2019 are as follows:

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
Year Ending June 30:	
2020	\$ 24,000
2021	8,000
Total payments	<u>\$ 32,000</u>

**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS**

**Pension Trust Fund**

**Plan Description**

***Plan Administration***

The Town administers two single-employer defined benefit pension plans (the Town of Newtown Employees' Pension Plan and the Town of Newtown Police Officers Pension Plan, collectively referred to as the "Town Plan"), which provides pensions for all permanent full-time employees of the Town and police officers. Both of the pension plans grant the authority to establish and amend benefit terms to the Board of Selectmen. Management of the plan is vested in the Pension Committee, which consists of several employees or individuals appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Town currently maintains one Pension Trust Fund. All assets accumulated in the Pension Trust Fund for the payment of benefits may legally be used to pay benefits to participants of either plan. As such, the Town reports information about both plans as one defined benefit plan. The Town Plan is considered to be part of the Town's financial reporting entity. The Town Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report and is not included in the financial statements of another entity.

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The Town Plan is accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions to the Town Plan are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Town Plan.

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies *(Continued)***

*Investments* - Investments are generally reported at fair value, except for investments in external investment pools. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Investment income is recognized when earned and gains and losses on sales or exchanges are recognized on the transaction date. Investments in external investment pools, which are permitted to measure their investment holdings at amortized costs, are measured by the Plan at the net asset value per share as determined by the pools.

*Investment policy* - The Town's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Pension Committee. The Town's Pension Committee pursues an investment strategy that reduces risk through the prudent diversification of the portfolio across a broad selection of distinct asset classes, discourages the use of cash equivalents, except for liquidity purposes, and aims to refrain from dramatically shifting asset class allocations over short time spans.

*Concentrations* - As of June 30, 2019, more than 10.0% of the Town Plan's investments were invested in the following:

<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Investments</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>% of Town Plan Investments</u>
Vanguard	Total Bond Market Index Admiral Shares	\$ 15,866,205	35%
Vanguard	Developed Markets Index Fund Institutional Shares	13,241,866	29%
Vanguard	Institutional Index Fund Institutional Shares	11,662,612	26%
Vanguard	Extended Market Index Fund Admiral Shares	4,565,721	10%

Positions in the above mutual funds do not typically result in concentration risks as these types of investments are designed, in part, to provide diversification.

*Rate of return* - For the year ended June 30, 2019, the annual money-weighted rate of return on the Town Plan's investments, net of pension plan investment expense was 5.22%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

**Plan Membership**

As of June 30, 2019, plan membership consisted of the following:

Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	171
Terminated plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	51
Active plan members	313
	<u>535</u>

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Benefit Provisions**

*Town of Newtown Employees' Pension Plan* - The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to Board of Selectmen, uncertified Board of Education personnel, civilian police department personnel and certain employees of the Cyrenius H. Booth Library, the Children's Adventure Center, Inc. and the Newtown District Department of Health. Each employee may enter the plan after six months of full service. Retirement benefits for employees are calculated as the greater of a) the difference between 2.0% of the member's average annual salary times the member's years and months of credited service and 50.0% of the member's primary insurance amount or b) 1.15% of the member's average annual compensation times the member's years and months of credited service. Plan members upon completion of 30 years of service are eligible to retire at any age with full benefits, or at age 65 upon completion of 10 years of service.

All plan members are eligible for disability benefits after 10 years of service who are determined to have a total and permanent disability. Disability retirement benefits are determined in the same manner as retirement benefits, but are payable immediately without an actuarial reduction. Death benefits will be paid if a member dies prior to the normal retirement date equal to the member's contributions with credited interest. If a member dies after normal retirement date, the benefit will be determined under the form of payment then in effect.

A plan member who terminates employment with less than 10 years of credited services shall forfeit all rights to benefits under the plan except for the return of member contributions with credited interest, unless there is a separate vesting schedule set by union contract. In addition, department heads and deputy department heads who are not considered highly compensated employees shall be fully vested when they have completed five years of service.

The plan does not have any provisions for cost of living adjustments.

*Town of Newtown Police Officers' Pension Plan* - The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to police officers. Sworn police officers may enter the plan after six months of full time service. Retirement benefits for plan members are calculated as the greater of a) the difference between 2.25% of the member's average annual salary times the member's years and months of credit service and 50.0% of the member's primary insurance amount or b) 1.15% of the member's average annual compensation times the member's years and months of credited service. Plan members upon completion of 25 years of service are eligible to retire at any age with full benefits, or at age 60 upon completion of 10 years of service.

All plan members are eligible for disability benefits after 1 year of service who are determined to have a total permanent disability. Disability retirement benefits are determined in the same manner as retirement benefits; however, benefits are subject to a minimum of 25.0% of base salary and one of the following maximums: 1) job related disability paid at 85.0% of annual compensation less any other job related disability paid by the Town or 2) non-job related disability paid at 50.0% of annual compensation less any other job related disability paid by the Town. Death benefits will be paid if a member dies prior to the normal retirement date equal to the member's contributions with credited interest. If death is incurred in the line of duty, the benefit is equal to 50.0% of the member's accrued benefit based on credited service and annual compensation projected to the member's normal retirement date. If a member dies after normal retirement date, the benefit will be determined under the form of payment then in effect.



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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Benefit Provisions *(Continued)***

A plan member who terminates employment with 10 or more years of credited service prior to his normal, early or disability retirement date and who does not elect a refund of member contributions with credited interest, shall be vested in the accrued benefit payable at the normal retirement date. A member who is vested on his date of determination and elects a refund of member contributions and credited interest shall forfeit the entire accrued benefit. Such an election may be made any time prior to actual retirement.

Benefit terms provide for a grandfathered annual cost-of-living adjustment, which is being provided to three retired police officers/beneficiaries, in an amount equal to the less of 3.0% or 50.0% of the rate of the salary increases for new police officers.

**Contributions**

*Town of Newtown Employees' Pension Plan* - Plan participants are required to contribution 2.0% of their annual compensation to the plan. The Town is required to contribute the amount determined by the actuary, considering the participant's contributions.

*Town of Newtown Police Officers' Pension Plan* - Plan participants are required to contribution 5.0% of their annual compensation to the plan. The Town is required to contribute the amount determined by the actuary, considering the participant's contributions.

The Town's contribution to the Plan totaled \$2,243,901 and represented 12.20% of covered payroll.

**Net Pension Liability**

The components of the Town's net pension liability of the Town Plan at June 30, 2019, were as follows:

Total pension liability	\$ 60,899,586
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>45,320,788</u>
Net pension liability	<u>\$ 15,578,798</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	74.42%

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Net Pension Liability *(Continued)***

The components of the change in the net pension liability of the Town Plan for the year ended June 30, 2019, were as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)		
	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a) - (b)
Balance as of June 30, 2018	\$ 58,213,265	\$ 42,698,997	\$ 15,514,268
<b>Changes for the year:</b>			
Service cost	1,757,544	-	1,757,544
Interest	4,116,599	-	4,116,599
Differences between expected and actual experience	(863,332)	-	(863,332)
Contributions - employer	-	2,243,901	(2,243,901)
Contributions - employee	-	457,286	(457,286)
Net investment income	-	2,310,753	(2,310,753)
Benefit payments, including refunds	(2,324,490)	(2,324,490)	-
Administrative expense	-	(65,659)	65,659
<b>Net changes</b>	<u>2,686,321</u>	<u>2,621,791</u>	<u>64,530</u>
Balance as of June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 60,899,586</u>	<u>\$ 45,320,788</u>	<u>\$ 15,578,798</u>

*Actuarial assumptions* - The total pension liability for the Town Plan was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.00%
Salary increases, including inflation	3.00%
Investment rate of return, including inflation, net of pension plan investment expense	7.00%
Discount rate	7.00%

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Net Pension Liability *(Continued)***

Mortality rates were based on the SOA RP-2014 Male and Female Pre-and Post Retirement Mortality Tables, projected generationally using the MP-2017 projection scales.

The long-term expected rate of return on the Town Plan's 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 Town Plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Core Fixed Income	35.00%	1.60%
U.S. Large Cap Equities	27.50%	5.00%
U.S. Small Cap Equities	7.50%	5.55%
Developed International Equities	30.00%	5.35%

*Discount rate* - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability of the Town Plan was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that the Town contributes at rates equal to the actuarially determined contribution rates. 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 Town Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate* - The following presents the net pension liability of the Town Plan, calculated using the discount rate of 7.0% as well as what the Town Plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.0%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.0%) than the current rate:

	<u>Discount Rate</u>		
	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
Town Plan's net pension liability as of June 30, 2019	\$ 23,608,884	\$ 15,578,798	\$ 8,917,224

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

For the year ended June 30, 2019, the Town recognized pension expense related to the Town Plan of \$3,727,780. At June 30, 2019, the Town reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to the Town Plan from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>Net Deferred Outflows (Inflows) of Resources</b>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 316,651	\$ (2,442,429)	\$ (2,125,778)
Changes of assumptions	2,625,158	-	2,625,158
Difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	625,049	-	625,049
Total	<u>\$ 3,566,858</u>	<u>\$ (2,442,429)</u>	<u>\$ 1,124,429</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to the Town Plan will be recognized as a component of pension expense in future years as follows:

Year ended June 30,	<b>Amortization of Pension Expense</b>
2020	\$ 922,651
2021	229,421
2022	466,571
2023	(118,709)
2024	(319,243)
Thereafter	(56,262)
	<u>\$ 1,124,429</u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Pension Trust Fund *(Continued)***

**Plan Financial Statements**

The following presents the statement of fiduciary net position and the statement of changes in fiduciary net position for the Town Plan as of and for the year ended June, 30 2019:

	<u>Town Plan</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 92,795
Investments:	
Bond mutual funds	15,866,205
Equity mutual funds	29,470,199
Receivables	<u>1,130</u>
Total assets	<u>45,430,329</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Restricted for:	
Town Plan pension benefits	45,309,223
Other retirement benefits	<u>121,106</u>
	<u>\$ 45,430,329</u>
	<u>Town Plan</u>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>	
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ 2,254,873
Plan members	<u>447,671</u>
Total contributions	<u>2,702,544</u>
Investment earnings:	
Interest and dividends	1,100,888
Net change in the fair value of investments	<u>1,260,798</u>
	2,361,686
Less investments fees	<u>(44,765)</u>
Total investment earnings	<u>2,316,921</u>
Total additions	<u>5,019,465</u>
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>	
Benefit payments	2,325,891
Administrative expenses	<u>65,784</u>
Total deductions	<u>2,391,675</u>
Change in net position	2,627,790
Net position - beginning	<u>42,802,539</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ 45,430,329</u>

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System**

**Plan Description**

The faculty and professional personnel of the Town's Board of Education participates in the State of Connecticut's Teachers' Retirement System ("TRS"), which is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement, disability, survivorship and health insurance benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. The TRS is governed by Connecticut General Statute ("CGS") *Title 10, Chapter 167a* and is administered by the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement Board (the "Board"). The TRS is included as a fiduciary pension trust fund in the State of Connecticut's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Board issues publicly available financial reports. These reports can be obtained from the Connecticut Office of the State Comptroller.

**Benefit Provisions**

The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Employees are eligible to retire at age 60 with 20 years of credited service in Connecticut, or 35 years of credited service including at least 25 years of service in Connecticut.

*Normal Retirement:* Retirement benefits for the employees are calculated as 2.0% of the average annual salary times the years of credited service (maximum benefit is 75.0% of average annual salary during the 3 years of highest salary). In addition, amounts derived from the accumulation of the 6.0% contributions made prior to July 1, 1989 and voluntary contributions are payable.

*Early Retirement:* Employees are eligible after 25 years of credited service with a minimum of 20 years of Connecticut service, or age 55 with 20 years of credited service with a minimum of 15 years of Connecticut service. Benefit amounts are reduced by 6.0% per year for the first five years preceding normal retirement age and 4.0% per year for the next five years preceding normal retirement age. Effective July 1, 1999, the reduction for individuals with 30 or more years of service is 3.0% per year by which retirement precedes normal retirement date.

*Minimum Benefit:* Effective January 1, 1999, Public Act 98-251 provides a minimum monthly benefit of \$1,200 to teachers who retire under the normal retirement provisions and who have completed at least 25 years of full time Connecticut service at retirement.

*Disability Retirement:* There is no service requirement if incurred in the performance of duty. Employees are eligible for five years of credited service if not incurred in the performance of duty. Disability benefits are calculated as 2% of average annual salary times credited service to date of disability, but not less than 15% of average annual salary, nor more than 50% of average annual salary. In addition, disability benefits under this plan (without regard to cost-of-living adjustments) plus any initial award of Social Security benefits and workers' compensation cannot exceed 75% of average annual salary.

A plan member who leaves service and has attained 10 years of service will be entitled to 100% of the accrued benefit as of the date of termination of covered employment. Benefits are payable at age 60, and early retirement reductions are based on the number of years of service the member would have had if they had continued work until age 60.

*Pre-Retirement Death Benefit:* The plan also offers a lump-sum return of contributions with interest or surviving spouse benefit depending on length of service.

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

**Contributions**

Per CGS 10-183z, contribution requirements of active employees and the State are amended and certified by the Board and appropriated by the General Assembly. The contributions are actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions and investment earnings, is expected to finance the costs of the benefits earned by employees during the year, with any additional amounts to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

In accordance with CGS Section 10-183z, the Town does not and is not legally responsible to contribute to the plan as a special funding situation exists that requires the State to contribute 100% of an employer's contributions on-behalf of its participating municipalities at an actuarially determined rate. Effective January, 1, 2018, active employees are required to contribute 7.0%, previously 6.0%, of their annual earnings to the plan.

**Administrative Expenses**

Administrative costs of the plan are funded by the State.

**Basis of Presentation**

The collective net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and pension expense for the TRS has been measured as of June 30, 2018 based on an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2018. Since the Town does not contribute directly to the TRS, the Town does not recognize its proportionate share of these amounts in its financial statements. The information determined as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date for the TRS has been utilized by the Town for reporting on-behalf revenues, expenditures and expenses for the year ended June 30, 2019 and for reporting the proportionate share of the collective net pension liability that is attributed to the Town as of June 30, 2019.

**Allocation Methodology**

The schedule of employer allocations for the TRS was calculated based upon the fiscal year 2018 expected contribution effort for each participating employer. The employer allocations were then applied to the net pension liability and pension expense to determine the amount applicable to each employer. For fiscal year 2018, the Town's expected contribution effort for allocation purposes totaled \$10,753,263 or 0.845% of the total expected contribution effort. The Town has recognized this amount as an on-behalf payment into the TRS as intergovernmental revenues and related education expenditures of the General Fund for the year ended June 30, 2019.

The components associated with the collective pension expense and deferred inflows and outflows of resources for the TRS have been determined based on the fiduciary net position as audited by the State of Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts as part of the State of Connecticut's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018. The portion of the collective pension expense allocated to the Town totaled \$12,487,238.

The total collective net pension liability of participating employers for the TRS was approximately \$13.164 billion as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date. The portion attributed to the Town totaled \$111,262,401 or approximately 0.845% of the total collective net pension liability.

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

**Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75%
Salary increases	3.25%-6.50%, including inflation
Investment rate of return	8.00%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Administrative expenses	\$0 assumption as expenses are paid for by the General Assembly

Mortality rates were based on the RPH-2014 White Collar table with employee and annuitant rates blended from ages 50 to 80, projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale.

Future cost-of-living increases for teachers who retired prior to September 1, 1992, are made in accordance with increases in the Consumer Price Index, with a minimum of 3% and a maximum of 5% per annum. For teachers who were members of the Teachers' Retirement System before July 1, 2007, and retire on or after September 1, 1992, pension benefit adjustments are made that are consistent with those provided for Social Security benefits on January 1 of the year granted, with a maximum of 6% per annum. If the return on assets in the previous year was less than 8.5%, the maximum increase is 1.5%. For teachers who were members of the Teachers' Retirement System after July 1, 2007, pension benefit adjustments are made that are consistent with those provided for Social Security benefits on January 1 of the year granted, with a maximum of 5% per annum. If the return on assets in the previous year was less than 11.5%, the maximum increase is 3%, and if the return on the assets in the previous year was less than 8.5%, the maximum increase is 1.0%.

**Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that the State contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

**Long-Term Rate of Return**

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis 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.



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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

**Long-Term Rate of Return *(Continued)***

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the plan's target asset allocation are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Large Cap U.S. Equities	21.0%	5.8%
Developed Non-U.S. Equities	18.0%	6.6%
Emerging Markets (Non-U.S.)	9.0%	8.3%
Real Estate	7.0%	5.1%
Private Equity	11.0%	7.6%
Alternative investments	8.0%	4.1%
Core fixed income	7.0%	1.3%
High yield bonds	5.0%	3.9%
Emerging market bond	5.0%	3.7%
Inflation linked bond fund	3.0%	1.0%
Cash	6.0%	0.4%
	<u>100%</u>	

**Proportionate Share of the Collective Net Pension Liability**

The following presents the proportionate share of the collective net pension liability attributed to the Town as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 8.00%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability attributed to the Town would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (7.00%) or 1-percentage-point higher (9.00%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (7.00%)</u>	<u>Current Discount (8.00%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (9.00%)</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability attributed to the Town	\$ 140,615,436	\$ 111,262,401	\$ 86,439,418

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**NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)**

**Defined Contribution Plans**

The Town administers two single employer defined contribution plans.

One plan covers certain elected officials and “at will” employees of the Town. This plan is included in the Town’s financial statements in the Pension Trust Fund. As of June 30, 2019, the net position available for benefits include \$121,106 of assets restricted for this plan. The Board of Selectmen approved and adopted this plan on July 7, 1986, and the Board has the authority to make changes to the plan. All salaried, full time elected officials and such other salaried, full time appointed officials as designated by the Board of Selectmen can participate in the plan on January 1<sup>st</sup> following or coincident with their commencement of employment with the Town. A participant’s employer contribution account fully vests at age 50 or upon termination of employment with the Town. At age 65, participants are entitled to a lump-sum payment as a retirement benefit. The Town is required to contribute 6.0% of each participant’s compensation for the year and each participant is required to contribute 2.0% of their compensation. For the year ended June 30, 2019, employer contributions were \$10,972 and employee contributions totaled \$3,685.

The second plan is a 401(a) money purchase plan that was established in January 2014. This plan applies to the following groups:

- non-union employees hired on or after December 31, 2013
- park and recreation employees hired on or after June 30, 2014
- police officers hired on or after May 5, 2015
- emergency telecommunicators and police clerical staff hired on or after July 1, 2016
- education paraeducators hired on or after July 1, 2015
- education custodial and maintenance staff hired on or after December 15, 2015
- education secretaries hired on or after November 17, 2015
- education nurses hired on or after July 1, 2017

Police, non-union and park and recreation employees are required to contribute 5.0% of their compensation. The Town contributes 15.0% of each participant’s compensation for the year for police and 5.0% of each participant’s compensation for the year for all other employees. Participants are 100% vested after one year of service and entitled to benefits at age 59½ and are no longer employed by the Town. For the year ended June 30, 2019, employer contributions were \$235,398 and employee contributions totaled \$227,841.

**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**Town and Board of Education Plan**

**Plan Description**

*Plan Administration* - The Town administers an Other Post-Employment Benefits Plan (the “OPEB Plan”), which is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan. The OPEB Plan provides medical and dental insurance benefits for eligible retirees and their spouses through the Town’s group insurance plans, which covers both active and retired members. The OPEB Plan is considered to be part of the Town’s financial reporting entity. The OPEB Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report and is not included in the financial statements of another entity.

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Town and Board of Education Plan *(Continued)***

*Plan Membership* - As of July 1, 2018, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation, membership data was as follows:

Current retirees, beneficiaries, and dependents	24
Current active participants	450
	<u>474</u>

*Benefits Provided* - The plan provides for medical and dental insurance benefits for eligible retirees and their spouses. Benefit provisions are established by State Statutes or through negotiations between the Town and the unions representing Town employees, which are renegotiated each bargaining period. Currently, teachers retiring under the Connecticut State Teachers Retirement System are eligible to receive benefits. Normal retirement for teachers is the earlier of age 60 with 20 years of services, or completion of 35 years of service regardless of age.

*Contributions* - Contribution requirements of the plan members and the Town are established in the provisions of the program and in accordance with State Statutes. The Town funds these benefits through contributions to an Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund. Town contributions are based on an actuarially determined amount. Active employees are not required to contribute to the plan, however, retirees are required to contribute 100% of their premium costs to the Town. For the year ended June 30, 2019, the Town's contribution totaled \$633,528, which represented 1.74% of covered-employee payroll.

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The OPEB Plan is accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions to the OPEB Plan are recognized when due and the employer has made a formal commitment to provide contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the OPEB Plan.

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Town and Board of Education Plan *(Continued)***

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies *(Continued)***

*Investments* - Investments are generally reported at fair value, except for investments in external investment pools. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Investment income is recognized when earned and gains and losses on sales or exchanges are recognized on the transaction date. Investments in external investment pools, which are permitted to measure their investment holdings at amortized costs, are measured by the OPEB Plan at the net asset value per share as determined by the pools.

*Investment policy* - The Town's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Pension Committee. The Town's Pension Committee pursues an investment strategy that reduces risk through the prudent diversification of the portfolio across a broad selection of distinct asset classes, discourages the use of cash equivalents, except for liquidity purposes, and aims to refrain from dramatically shifting asset class allocations over short time spans.

*Concentrations* - The OPEB Plan's investments consist solely of investments in various mutual funds and are therefore not exposed to concentrations of credit risk, as these investments are considered to be diversified by nature.

*Rate of return* - For the year ended June 30, 2019, the annual money-weighted rate of return on the OPEB Plan's investments, net of pension plan investment expense was 5.31%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

**Net OPEB Liability**

The Town's net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. The components of the net OPEB liability of the OPEB Plan as of June 30, 2019, were as follows:

Total OPEB liability	\$ 7,940,110
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>2,806,303</u>
Net OPEB liability	<u><u>\$ 5,133,807</u></u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	35.34%

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Town and Board of Education Plan *(Continued)***

**Net OPEB Liability *(Continued)***

The components of the change in the net OPEB liability of the Town's OPEB Plan for the year ended June 30, 2019, were as follows:

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</u>	<u>Net OPEB Liability</u>
Balance as of June 30, 2018	\$ 9,195,376	\$ 2,465,606	\$ 6,729,770
<b>Changes for the year:</b>			
Service cost	310,817	-	310,817
Interest	625,860	-	625,860
Changes of benefit terms	-		-
Changes of assumptions and differences between expected and actual experience	(1,715,798)	-	(1,715,798)
Contributions - employer	-	633,528	(633,528)
Contributions - retirees' subsidies	-	42,617	(42,617)
Net investment income	-	140,697	(140,697)
Benefit payments	(476,145)	(476,145)	-
Other	-	-	-
<b>Net changes</b>	<u>(1,255,266)</u>	<u>340,697</u>	<u>(1,595,963)</u>
Balance as of June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 7,940,110</u>	<u>\$ 2,806,303</u>	<u>\$ 5,133,807</u>

*Actuarial Assumptions* – The Total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Investment rate of return	6.75%
Discount rate	6.75%
Inflation	2.60%
Healthcare cost trend rate:	
Initial	7.00%
Ultimate	4.60%

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans (with separate tables for Public Safety employees and Teachers) and for non-annuitants and annuitants, projected to the valuation date with Scale MP-2018.

Projections of benefits are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the Town and plan members) and include the types of benefits in force at the valuation date and the pattern of sharing benefit costs between the Town and the plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the Town and plan members in the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective and employ methods and assumptions that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets.

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Town and Board of Education Plan *(Continued)***

**Net OPEB Liability *(Continued)***

The long-term expected rate of returns on OPEB Plan investments were 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 OPEB Plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return *</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Core Fixed Income	35.00%	1.65%	0.58%
U.S. Large Cap Equities	27.50%	5.55%	1.53%
U.S. Small Cap Equities	7.50%	6.00%	0.45%
Developed Foreign Equities	30.00%	5.55%	1.67%

\* Long-term returns are provided by Fiduciary Investment Advisors. The returns are geometric means.

*Discount rate* - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 6.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rates assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and that the Town's contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rates of return on the OPEB Plan's investments were applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the OPEB Plan's total OPEB liability.

*Sensitivity of the net OPEB asset to changes in the discount rate* - The following presents the Town's net OPEB asset for the OPEB Plan, calculated using the discount rate disclosed above, as well as what the Town's net OPEB liability would be for the OPEB Plan if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	<b>Discount Rates</b>		
	<b>1% Decrease (5.75%)</b>	<b>Current (6.75%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (7.75%)</b>
Net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019	\$ 5,919,617	\$ 5,133,807	\$ 4,434,485

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Town and Board of Education Plan *(Continued)***

**Actuarial Methods and Assumptions *(Continued)***

*Sensitivity of the net OPEB asset to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates* - The following presents the Town's net OPEB asset for the OPEB Plan, calculated using the discount rate disclosed above, as well as what the Town's net OPEB liability would be for the OPEB Plan if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	<b>Healthcare Cost Trend Rates</b>		
	<b>1% Decrease</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>1% Increase</b>
Net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019	\$ 4,224,906	\$ 5,133,807	\$ 6,205,283

**OPEB Plan Financial Statements**

The following presents the statements of fiduciary net position and the statement of changes in fiduciary net position for the Town's OPEB plan as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019.

	<b>Other Post-Employment Benefit Trust Fund</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 14,832
Investments:	
Bond mutual funds	1,003,327
Equity mutual funds	1,788,144
Total assets	<u>2,806,303</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Held in trust for other post-employment benefits	<u>2,806,303</u>
	<u><u>\$ 2,806,303</u></u>

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Town and Board of Education Plan *(Continued)***

**OPEB Plan Financial Statements *(Continued)***

	<b>Post-Employment Benefit Trust Fund</b>
<b>ADDITIONS</b>	
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ 698,956
Employee	121,733
Total contributions	<u>820,689</u>
Investment earnings:	
Interest and dividends	66,625
Net change in the fair value of investments	<u>76,717</u>
	143,342
Less investments fees	<u>-</u>
Total investment earnings	<u>143,342</u>
Total additions	<u>964,031</u>
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>	
Benefit payments	476,145
Administrative expenses	<u>2,646</u>
Total deductions	<u>478,791</u>
Change in net position	485,240
Net position - beginning	<u>2,321,063</u>
Net position - ending	<u><u>\$ 2,806,303</u></u>

**OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

For the year ended June 30, 2019, the Town recognized OPEB expense of \$578,100. As of June 30, 2019, the Town reported deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred (Inflows) of Resources</b>	<b>Net Deferred Outflows/ (Inflows) of Resources</b>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ (1,986,106)	\$ (1,986,106)
Changes of assumptions	79,041	-	79,041
Difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	<u>16,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,222</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 95,263</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (1,986,106)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (1,890,843)</u></u>



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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources *(Continued)***

Year ended June 30,	
2020	\$ (142,893)
2021	(142,893)
2022	(142,893)
2023	(139,668)
2024	(146,142)
Thereafter	(1,176,354)
	<u>\$ (1,890,843)</u>

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System**

**Plan Description**

The faculty and professional personnel of the Town's Board of Education participates in the State of Connecticut's Teachers' Retirement System ("TRS"), which is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement, disability, survivorship and health insurance benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. The TRS is governed by Connecticut General Statute ("CGS") *Title 10, Chapter 167a* and is administered by the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement Board (the "Board"). The OPEB trust fund is included in the TRS, and the TRS is included in the State of Connecticut audit as a pension trust fund. These reports can be obtained from the Connecticut Office of the State Comptroller.

**Benefit Provisions**

The Plan covers retired teachers and administrators of public schools in the State who are receiving benefits from the Plan. The Plan provides healthcare insurance benefits to eligible retirees and their spouses. Any member that is currently receiving a retirement or disability benefit through the Plan is eligible to participate in the healthcare portion of the Plan. Subsidized Local School District Coverage provides a subsidy paid to members still receiving coverage through their former employer and the TRB Sponsored Medicare Supplemental Plans provide coverage for those participating in Medicare, but not receiving Subsidized Local School District Coverage.

Any member that is not currently participating in Medicare Parts A & B is eligible to continue health care coverage with their former employer. A subsidy of up to \$110 per month for a retired member plus an additional \$110 per month for a spouse enrolled in a local school district plan is provided to the school district to first offset the retiree's share of the cost of coverage, any remaining portion is used to offset the district's cost. The subsidy amount is set by statute, and has not increased since July of 1996. A subsidy amount of \$220 per month may be paid for a retired member, spouse or the surviving spouse of a member who has attained the normal retirement age to participate in Medicare, is not eligible for Part A of Medicare without cost, and contributes at least \$220 per month towards coverage under a local school district plan.

Any member that is currently participating in Medicare Parts A & B is eligible to either continue health care coverage with their former employer, if offered, or enroll in the plan sponsored by the System. If they elect to remain in the plan with their former employer, the same subsidies as above will be paid to offset the cost of coverage.

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

**Benefit Provisions *(Continued)***

If a member participating in Medicare Parts A & B so elects, they may enroll in one of the CTRB Sponsored Medicare Supplemental Plans. Active members, retirees, and the State pay equally toward the cost of the basic coverage (medical and prescription drug benefits).

Employees are eligible to retire at age 60 with 20 years of credited service in Connecticut, or 35 years of credited service including at least 25 years of service in Connecticut.

**Contributions**

Per CGS 10-183z, (which reflects Public Act 79-436 as amended), contribution requirements of active employees and the State of Connecticut are amended and certified by the TRB and appropriated by the General Assembly. The State pays for one third of plan costs through annual appropriation in the General Fund. School district employers are not required to make contributions to the Plan.

The cost of providing plan benefits is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis as follows: active teachers' pay for one third of the Plan costs through a contribution of 1.25% of their pensionable salaries, and retired teachers pay for one third of the Plan costs through monthly premiums, which helps reduce the cost of health insurance for eligible retired members and dependents.

Contributions remitted by the State are recognized when legally due, based upon statutory requirements.

**Administrative Expenses**

Administrative costs of the Plan are to be paid by the General Assembly per Section 10-183r of the Connecticut General Statutes.

**Basis of Presentation**

The collective net OPEB liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and OPEB expense for the TRS has been measured as of June 30, 2018 based on an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2018. Since the Town does not contribute directly to the TRS, the Town does not recognize its proportionate share of these amounts in its financial statements. The information determined as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date for the TRS has been utilized by the Town for reporting on-behalf revenues, expenditures and expenses for the year ended June 30, 2019 and for reporting the proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that is attributed to the Town as of June 30, 2019.

The components associated with the OPEB expense and deferred inflows and outflows of resources have been determined using the unrecognized portions of each year's experience and assumption changes for the year ended June 30, 2018.

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

**Allocation Methodology**

The schedule of allocations have been prepared to provide the total amount of employer contributions from the State and the proportionate share percentages that have been determined based on these contributions. Based on these percentages the proportionate share amounts of the net OPEB liability associated with each participating employer and the employer OPEB expense and revenue for State support for each participating employer for the year ending June 30, 2018.

For fiscal year 2018, the Town's expected contribution effort for allocation purposes totaled \$298,347 or 0.845% of the total expected contribution effort. The Town has recognized this amount as an on-behalf payment into the TRS as intergovernmental revenues and related education expenditures of the General Fund for the year ended June 30, 2019.

The components associated with the collective OPEB expense and deferred inflows and outflows of resources for the TRS have been determined based on the fiduciary net position as audited by the State of Connecticut Auditors of Public Accounts as part of the State of Connecticut's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018. The portion of the collective OPEB expense allocated to the Town totaled a negative \$(7,388,811).

The total collective net OPEB liability of participating employers for the TRS was approximately \$2.632 billion as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date. The portion attributed to the Town totaled \$22,242,095 or approximately 0.845% of the total collective net OPEB liability.

**Actuarial Assumptions**

The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2018 using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75%
Real Wage Growth	0.50%
Wage Inflation	3.25%
Salary increases	3.25%-6.50%, including inflation
Long-term investment rate of return	3.00%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RPH-2014 White Collar table with employee and annuitant rates blended from ages 50 to 80, projected to the year 2020 using the BB improvement scale.

**Long-Term Rate of Return**

The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial valuation process. Several factors are considered in evaluation the long-term rate of return assumption, including the Plan's current asset allocations and a log-normal distribution analysis using the best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) for each major asset class.

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

**Long-Term Rate of Return *(Continued)***

The long-term expected rate of return was determined by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The assumption is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. Treasuries (Cash Equivalents)	100.0%	0.27%

**Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.87%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate was performed in accordance with the applicable standards. The projection's basis was an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2018.

In addition to the actuarial methods and assumptions of the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation, the following actuarial methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total payroll for the initial projection year consists of the payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date. In subsequent projection years, total payroll was assumed to increase annual at a rate of 3.25%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the current member contribution rate.
- Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- No future employer contributions were assumed to be made.

Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be depleted in 2019 and, as a result, the Municipal Bond Index Rate was used in the determination of the single equivalent rate.

**Proportionate Share of the Collective Net Pension Liability**

*Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate* - The following presents the proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability attributed to the Town as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 3.87%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributed to the Town would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (2.87%) or 1-percentage-point higher (4.87%) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (2.87%)</u>	<u>Current Rate (3.87%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (4.87%)</u>
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributed to the Town	\$ 26,410,839	\$ 22,242,095	\$ 18,915,077

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**NOTE 10 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) *(Continued)***

**Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System *(Continued)***

*Sensitivity of the Net OPEB liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates* - The following presents the proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability attributed to the Town as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date, calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	<u>1% Decrease in Trend Rates</u>	<u>Current Trend Rates</u>	<u>1% Increase in Trend Rates</u>
Proportionate share of the net			
OPEB liability attributed to the Town	\$ 18,639,559	\$ 22,242,095	\$ 27,024,192

**NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees or acts of God for which the Town carries commercial insurance, except as disclosed below. During fiscal year 2019 deductibles paid by the Town were insignificant. Neither the Town nor its insurers have settled any claims which exceeded the Town's insurance coverage during the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in any insurance coverage from amounts in the prior year.

The Town provides medical and dental coverage to eligible employees through a self-insured plan. The Town retains the risk of loss under the plan and claims are processed by a third party administrator. The Town utilizes an internal service fund to report the activities of the plan. The Town contributes based on estimates made using historical data. The Town covers all claims up to \$175,000 per employee per year with a stop-loss policy covering amounts exceeding this limit. The Town has also purchased an aggregate stop-loss policy that would cover claims exceeding 125% of the total estimated claims for the plan year. The Town establishes claims liabilities based on estimates of claims that have been incurred but not reported as of year end. This estimate is based on the ultimate costs of settling the claims, which include past experience data, inflation and other future economic and societal factors and incremental claim adjustment expenses, net of estimated subrogation recoveries.

A summary of claims activity for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 are as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30</u>	<u>Claims Payable, Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Claims and Changes in Estimates</u>	<u>Claims Paid</u>	<u>Claims Payable, End of Year</u>
2019	\$ 918,000	\$ 12,360,536	\$ 12,251,520	\$ 1,027,016
2018	1,201,973	12,187,249	12,471,222	918,000

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**NOTE 12 - FUND BALANCE**

As of June 30, 2019, fund balances have been classified based on the following purposes:

	General Fund	Bonded Projects Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Nonspendable:				
Edmond Town Hall Trust	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
Hawley School Trust	-	-	350,000	350,000
Newtown Flagpole Trust	-	-	10,000	10,000
Inventories	-	-	15,100	15,100
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>625,100</u>	<u>625,100</u>
Restricted for:				
General government:				
Edmond Town Hall	-	-	822,951	822,951
Historic documents	-	-	38,078	38,078
Flag pole	-	-	6,046	6,046
Public safety:				
Law enforcement programs			219,307	219,307
Health and welfare:				
Education and care of animals	-	-	1,135,224	1,135,224
Rehabilitation programs	-	-	16,299	16,299
Park and recreation:				
Recreation programs	-	-	270,900	270,900
Newtown Community Center	-	-	913,521	913,521
Cultural arts programs	-	-	185,301	185,301
Education:				
Sandy Hook School	-	-	111,659	111,659
School lunch program	-	-	172,905	172,905
Education programs	-	-	259,286	259,286
Hawley School	-	-	68,160	68,160
Capital projects	-	3,429,557	-	3,429,557
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,429,557</u>	<u>4,219,637</u>	<u>7,649,194</u>
Committed to:				
General government:				
Fairfield Hills Campus	-	-	71,956	71,956
Blight	-	-	35,218	35,218
Public safety:				
Animal control	-	-	12,491	12,491
Police private duty	-	-	64,036	64,036
Public works:				
Septage management	-	-	122,476	122,476
Park and recreation:				
Edmond Town Hall Theater	-	-	161,802	161,802
Marina operations	-	-	292,365	292,365
Education:				
Adult education programs	-	-	64,423	64,423
Other programs	-	-	82,934	82,934
Capital purposes	-	-	1,256,719	1,256,719
Debt service	-	-	452,785	452,785
Senior tax credit program	264,924	-	-	264,924
	<u>264,924</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,617,205</u>	<u>2,882,129</u>

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**  
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**NOTE 12 - FUND BALANCE (Continued)**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Bonded Projects Fund</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
Assigned to:				
General government	\$ 32,913	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,913
Public safety	37,559	-	-	37,559
Health and welfare	125	-	-	125
Public works	70,139	-	-	70,139
Parks and recreation	6,796	-	-	6,796
Education	592,033	-	-	592,033
	<u>739,565</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>739,565</u>
Unassigned	15,652,861	(2,095,279)	(39,545)	13,518,037
	<u>\$ 16,657,350</u>	<u>\$ 1,334,278</u>	<u>\$ 7,422,397</u>	<u>\$ 25,414,025</u>
				<i>Concluded</i>

**Deficit Fund Balances**

The Town Recreation Fund had a deficit fund balance as of June 30, 2019 of \$39,545. The deficit does not constitute a violation of statutory provisions. The deficit is expected to be eliminated through future revenue sources.

**NOTE 13 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

There are several lawsuits pending against the Town. The outcome and eventual liability to the Town, if any, in these cases is not known by management. The Town's management believes it has meritorious defenses against these lawsuits and estimates that potential claims against the Town, not covered by insurance, resulting from such litigation would not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Town.

The Town has received state and federal grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for any expenditure disallowed under terms of the grant. Based on prior experience, Town management believes such disallowances, if any, would not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Town.

The Town received a \$15,000,000 pledge from a donor in a prior year for the design, construction and operation of a Community Center. The Town has recognized a cumulative amount of \$11,000,000 as contribution revenue in its government-wide financial statements. The remaining portion of the pledge to be used for operations of \$4,000,000 will be recorded by the Town as contribution revenue over the next four fiscal years.

**NOTE 14 - IMPACT OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS NOT YET EFFECTIVE**

In January 2017, the GASB issued Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. The objective of this Statement is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. This Statement establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments. The focus of the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. Separate criteria are included to identify fiduciary component units and postemployment benefit arrangements that are fiduciary activities. The requirements of this statement are effective for the Town's reporting period beginning July 1, 2019. The Town is currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this Statement on its financial statements.

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**NOTE 14 - IMPACT OF NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS NOT YET EFFECTIVE (Continued)**

In June 2017, the GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The requirements of this statement are effective for the Town's reporting period beginning July 1, 2020. The Town is currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this Statement on its financial statements.

In June 2018, the GASB issued Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period*. The objective of this Statement are (a) to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period and (b) to simplify accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. The requirements of this Statement should be applied prospectively and are effective for the Town's reporting period beginning July 1, 2020. The Town does not expect this statement to have a material effect on its financial statements.

In August 2018, the GASB issued Statement No. 90, *Majority Equity Interests - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61*. The objectives of this statement are 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 requirements of this statement are effective for the Town's reporting period beginning July 1, 2019. The Town does not expect this statement to have a material effect on its financial statements.

In May 2019, the GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*. The objectives of this statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This statement achieves those objectives by clarifying the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishing that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishing standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improving required note disclosures. The requirements of this statement are effective for the Town's reporting period beginning July 1, 2021. The Town does not expect this statement to have a material effect on its financial statements.



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## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL -**  
**BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (UNAUDITED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>			<b>Variance With</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>
				<b>Over (Under)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 107,559,739	\$ 107,559,739	\$ 107,411,022	\$ (148,717)
Intergovernmental	6,587,409	6,587,409	8,836,269	2,248,860
Charges for goods and services	2,089,050	2,089,050	2,195,585	106,535
Investment income	450,000	450,000	1,196,136	746,136
Other	235,000	235,000	172,358	(62,642)
Total revenues	<u>116,921,198</u>	<u>116,921,198</u>	<u>119,811,370</u>	<u>2,890,172</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
General government	4,779,599	4,796,623	4,676,980	(119,643)
Public safety	10,388,213	10,241,149	10,192,510	(48,639)
Health and welfare	2,905,748	2,882,492	2,859,235	(23,257)
Land use	683,294	682,812	662,685	(20,127)
Public works	10,378,691	10,618,250	10,545,798	(72,452)
Parks and recreation	2,452,159	2,421,750	2,410,223	(11,527)
Education	76,054,231	75,725,459	75,725,459	-
Contingency	120,000	6,264	-	(6,264)
Debt service:				
Principal	6,736,992	6,728,992	6,728,992	-
Interest and fiscal charges	2,253,376	2,253,376	2,253,376	-
Total expenditures	<u>116,752,303</u>	<u>116,357,167</u>	<u>116,055,258</u>	<u>(301,909)</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	168,895	564,031	3,756,112	3,192,081
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Appropriation of fund balance	-	500,000	-	(500,000)
Cancellation of prior year encumbrances	-	-	23,078	23,078
Transfers in	200,000	200,000	400,000	200,000
Transfers out	(368,895)	(1,264,031)	(1,263,666)	365
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(168,895)</u>	<u>(564,031)</u>	<u>(840,588)</u>	<u>(276,557)</u>
Net change in fund balances	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,915,524</u>	<u>\$ 2,915,524</u>

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**  
**TOWN OF NEWTOWN RETIREMENT SYSTEM (UNAUDITED)**  
**LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS**

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Total pension liability</b>						
Service cost	\$ 1,757,544	\$ 1,682,271	\$ 1,470,642	\$ 1,458,028	\$ 1,369,633	\$ 1,376,812
Interest	4,116,599	3,964,240	3,642,643	3,476,233	3,153,241	2,973,226
Differences between expected and actual experience	(863,332)	(1,369,101)	623,086	(690,374)	(1,273,135)	-
Changes of assumptions	-	-	4,095,514	-	1,589,661	-
Benefit payments, including refunds	(2,324,490)	(2,027,723)	(1,932,479)	(1,834,724)	(1,717,013)	(1,513,354)
Net change in total pension liability	2,686,321	2,249,687	7,899,406	2,409,163	3,122,387	2,836,684
Total pension liability - beginning	58,213,265	55,963,578	48,064,172	45,655,009	42,532,622	39,695,938
Total pension liability - ending	60,899,586	58,213,265	55,963,578	48,064,172	45,655,009	42,532,622
<b>Plan fiduciary net position</b>						
Contributions - employer	2,243,901	1,885,303	1,687,814	1,422,737	1,375,889	1,189,938
Contributions - members	457,286	475,316	488,239	474,546	458,556	461,526
Transfer from defined contribution plan	-	-	-	-	26,724	-
Net investment income	2,310,752	2,957,771	4,641,117	(991,005)	941,047	4,302,666
Benefit payments, including refunds	(2,324,490)	(2,027,723)	(1,932,479)	(1,834,724)	(1,717,013)	(1,356,367)
Administrative expense	(65,658)	(36,574)	(27,086)	(17,500)	(74,654)	(170,876)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	2,621,791	3,254,093	4,857,605	(945,946)	1,010,549	4,426,887
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	42,698,997	39,444,904	34,587,299	35,533,245	34,522,696	30,095,809
Plan fiduciary net position - ending	45,320,788	42,698,997	39,444,904	34,587,299	35,533,245	34,522,696
<b>Town's net pension liability</b>	<b>\$ 15,578,798</b>	<b>\$ 15,514,268</b>	<b>\$ 16,518,674</b>	<b>\$ 13,476,873</b>	<b>\$ 10,121,764</b>	<b>\$ 8,009,926</b>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	74.42%	73.35%	70.48%	71.96%	77.83%	81.17%
Covered payroll	\$ 18,396,670	\$ 18,869,931	\$ 18,199,947	\$ 18,441,265	\$ 17,725,368	\$ 17,608,101
Town's net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll	84.68%	82.22%	90.76%	73.08%	57.10%	45.49%

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND INVESTMENT RETURNS**  
**TOWN OF NEWTOWN RETIREMENT SYSTEM (UNAUDITED)**  
**LAST SIX FISCAL YEARS**

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 2,243,901	\$ 1,885,303	\$ 1,687,815	\$ 1,422,737	\$ 1,373,207	\$ 1,186,605
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	<u>2,243,901</u>	<u>1,885,303</u>	<u>1,687,814</u>	<u>1,422,737</u>	<u>1,375,889</u>	<u>1,189,938</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (2,682)</u>	<u>\$ (3,333)</u>
Covered employee payroll	\$ 18,396,670	\$ 18,869,931	\$ 18,199,947	\$ 18,441,265	\$ 17,725,368	\$ 17,608,101
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	12.20%	9.99%	9.27%	7.71%	7.76%	6.76%
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	5.22%	7.30%	13.30%	-2.83%	2.49%	14.35%

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**  
**CONNECTICUT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (UNAUDITED)**  
**LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS**  
(Rounded to the Nearest Thousand)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Proportion of the net pension liability attributed to the Town	0.85%	0.86%	0.86%	0.91%	0.91%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability attributed to the Town	111,262,000	116,319,000	122,717,000	99,707,000	92,159,000
Total	<u>\$ 111,262,000</u>	<u>\$ 116,319,000</u>	<u>\$ 122,717,000</u>	<u>\$ 99,707,000</u>	<u>\$ 92,159,000</u>
Town's covered employee payroll	\$ 36,397,000	\$ 34,494,000 (1)	N/A (1)	N/A (1)	N/A
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.69%	55.93%	52.26%	59.50%	61.51%

(1) Information was not readily available.

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY**  
**OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (UNAUDITED)**  
**LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS**

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
<b>Total OPEB liability</b>			
Service cost	\$ 310,817	\$ 301,764	\$ 292,975
Interest	625,860	607,177	568,628
Changes in benefit terms	-	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(1,800,782)	(363,565)	(397,054)
Changes of assumptions	84,984	-	-
Benefit payments, including refunds	(476,145)	(85,531)	(109,120)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(1,255,266)	459,845	355,429
Total OPEB liability - beginning	9,195,376	8,735,531	8,380,102
Total OPEB liability - ending	7,940,110	9,195,376	8,735,531
<b>Plan fiduciary net position</b>			
Contributions - employer	698,956	285,531	255,287
Contributions - retirees	79,115	-	-
Contributions - retirees' subsidies	42,617	-	53,833
Net investment income	140,697	164,582	241,743
Benefit payments, including refunds	(476,145)	(230,074)	(109,120)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	485,240	220,039	441,743
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	2,321,063	2,101,024	1,659,281
Plan fiduciary net position - ending	2,806,303	2,321,063	2,101,024
<b>Town's net OPEB liability</b>	<b>\$ 5,133,807</b>	<b>\$ 6,874,313</b>	<b>\$ 6,634,507</b>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total OPEB liability	35.34%	25.24%	24.05%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 36,468,847	\$ 38,408,893	\$ 37,290,187
Town's net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	14.08%	17.90%	17.79%

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND INVESTMENT RETURNS**  
**OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN (UNAUDITED)**  
**LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS**

	<u><b>2019</b></u>	<u><b>2018</b></u>	<u><b>2017</b></u>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 874,889	\$ 865,530	\$ 814,292
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	<u>633,528</u>	<u>285,531</u>	<u>255,287</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ 241,361</u>	<u>\$ 579,999</u>	<u>\$ 559,005</u>
Covered employee payroll	\$ 36,468,847	\$ 38,408,893	\$ 37,290,187
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	1.74%	0.74%	0.68%
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense	5.31%	7.21%	13.64%

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY**  
**CONNECTICUT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (UNAUDITED)**  
**LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS**  
(Rounded to the Nearest Thousand)

	<u><b>2019</b></u>	<u><b>2018</b></u>
Proportion of the net OPEB liability attributed to the Town	0.85%	0.86%
Town's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability attributed to the Town	<u>22,242,000</u>	<u>29,939,000</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 22,242,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 29,939,000</u></u>
Town's covered employee payroll	\$ 34,494,000	\$ 34,494,000
Town's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered employee payroll	0.0%	0.0%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	1.49%	1.79%

*See accompanying notes to required supplementary information.*



**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (Unaudited)**  
**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019**

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**NOTE 1 - STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND**

**Budgetary Information**

The Town adheres to the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data included in the General Fund (the only fund for which a legal budget is adopted) financial statements:

By February 1st	All Town departments, except the School System, submit the budget requests to the Board of Selectmen.
By February 14th	The Board of Selectmen reviews budgets with department heads and makes revisions and submits Selectmen's budget to the Board of Finance.
By the first Wednesday in March	The Board of Finance holds a public hearing on the budget and reviews and makes revisions.
By March 14th	The Board of Finance submits the Town of Newton budget to the Legislative Council.
By the last Wednesday in March	The Legislative Council holds a public hearing on the budget and makes final revisions.
On the fourth Tuesday in April	The Annual Budget Referendum is presented the budget and vote for adoption.

- Within the first 335 days of the fiscal year, the First Selectman and Financial Director, in accordance with the provisions of the Town's charter, are authorized to transfer budgeted appropriations within a department up to \$50,000. All transfers within a department that exceed the sum of \$50,000 shall require the approval of the Board of Finance. The Board of Finance may transfer any unencumbered appropriation from one department to another up to \$200,000. All transfers between departments, which exceed the sum of \$200,000 as well as all contingency transfers, shall require the approval of the Legislative Council. After 335 days, the Legislative Council approves all transfers. The Legislative Council may approve special and/or emergency appropriations up to an aggregate of \$1,500,000 for any one purpose per year. Special and/or emergency appropriations in excess of an amount equal to one mil on the most recently completed grand list shall be recommended by the Legislative Council to the Town referendum. Additional appropriations of \$500,000 were authorized during the year ended June 30, 2019. Additional appropriations were authorized to fund storm clean-up costs.
- The Board of Education, which is not a separate legal entity but a function of the Town, is authorized under State law to make any transfers required within their budget at their discretion. Any additional appropriations must have Board of Education, Legislative Council and, if necessary, Town Meeting approval.
- Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. The legal level of control, the level at which expenditures may not exceed appropriations, is at the department level.
- Generally, all unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end except those for capital projects funds. Appropriations for capital projects are continued until completion of applicable projects even when projects extend more than one fiscal year. Encumbered appropriations in the General Fund are not reappropriated in the ensuing year's budget, but are carried forward.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (Unaudited) (*Continued*)  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

**NOTE 1 - STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (*Continued*)**

**Budgetary Information (*Continued*)**

- Encumbrances are recognized as a valid and proper charge against a budget appropriation in the year in which the purchase order, contract or other commitment is issued and, accordingly, encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported in budgetary reports as expenditures in the current year. Generally, all unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end, except those for the capital projects fund. Appropriations for capital projects are continued until completion of applicable projects, even when projects extend more than one fiscal year.

As described above, accounting principles applied for purposes of developing data on a budgetary basis differ from those used to present financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP basis"). A reconciliation of General Fund amounts presented on the budgetary basis to amounts presented on the GAAP basis is as follows for the year ended June 30, 2019:

	<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses), Net</b>	<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>
Budgetary basis	\$ 119,811,370	\$ 116,055,258	\$ (840,588)	\$ 2,915,524
"On-behalf" payments - State Teachers Retirement Fund	11,051,610	11,051,610	-	-
Encumbrances:				
June 30, 2019	-	(739,565)	-	739,565
June 30, 2018	-	367,241	-	(367,241)
Cancellation of prior year encumbrances	-	-	(23,078)	(23,078)
Reimbursement for certain costs recorded as a reduction to expenditures for budgetary purposes	280,394	280,394	-	-
Certain items recorded as transfers for budgetary purposes	-	(219,550)	(219,550)	-
Insurance proceeds recorded net	201,555	201,555	-	-
Bond refunding	-	111,111	111,111	-
Noncash capital lease financing activity	-	624,662	624,662	-
GAAP basis	<u>\$ 131,344,929</u>	<u>\$ 127,732,716</u>	<u>\$ (347,443)</u>	<u>\$ 3,264,770</u>

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (Unaudited) (Continued)  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

**NOTE 1 - STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Continued)**

**Capital Project Authorizations**

The following is a summary of authorized capital projects:

	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Cumulative Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>
High School	\$ 41,576,000	\$ 40,838,557	\$ 737,443
High School Roof	1,402,500	1,402,000	500
Middle Gate School Boiler	475,000	450,000	25,000
Middle School Improvements	2,011,476	2,011,476	-
Dickinson Park Renovations	620,000	620,000	-
Treadwell Parking Lot	550,000	535,000	15,000
Fairfield Hills Demolition/Abatement	5,000,000	4,962,813	37,187
New Sandy Hook Elementary School	50,000,000	48,484,687	1,515,313
Treadwell Park Renovations	498,000	498,000	-
Newtown Community Center	17,500,000	14,614,259	2,885,741
Library Improvements	273,000	107,431	165,569
Edmond Town Hall Improvements	571,000	476,941	94,059
Bridge program	1,050,000	660,556	389,444
Newtown High School Auditorium	4,415,521	4,415,521	-
Town Roads	3,500,000	1,835,216	1,664,784
Sandy Hook Fire Sub-Station	375,000	375,000	-
Newtown Hook & Ladder	1,500,000	1,500,000	-
Fire Apparatus	1,950,000	1,950,000	-
Dickinson Park Parking Lot	500,000	494,241	5,759
Eichler's Cove Improvements	325,000	325,000	-
Hawley Boiler/HVAC	1,685,000	1,685,000	-
South Main/Mile Hill Sidewalk	904,000	193,139	710,861
Toddy Hill Road	2,596,000	1,670,037	925,963
Police Facility Design	15,100,000	2,346,010	12,753,990
Hawley School Roof	850,000	703,113	146,887
Senior Center	3,000,000	2,981,053	18,947
Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial	250,000	-	250,000
Newtown High School Boiler and Lighting	2,702,000	501,298	2,200,702
Middle Gate School Roof	875,000	797,000	78,000
Hawley School Boiler	783,200	196,700	586,500
Treadwell Park Pool Area	400,000	-	400,000
Library Improvements Phase II	300,000	-	300,000
	<u>\$ 163,537,697</u>	<u>\$ 137,630,048</u>	<u>\$ 25,907,649</u>

**NOTE 2 - SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY - TOWN OF NEWTOWN RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Town began to report this schedule when it implemented GASB Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*, in fiscal year 2014. GASB Statement No. 67 requires the information within this schedule to be presented for the ten most recent fiscal years.

Actuarial valuations are prepared every year with the most recent available actuarial valuation performed as of July 1, 2018. The total pension liability was determined by a projected actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019.

*Benefit Changes* – Effective July 1, 2018, the Police Union Plan was amended to add a deferred retirement option or “DROP” provision.

*Assumption Changes* - The mortality table scale was updated from the MP-2016 generational projections as of the June 30, 2018 measurement date to MP-2017 generational projections as of the June 30, 2019 measurement date.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (Unaudited) (*Continued*)  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**NOTE 3 - SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND INVESTMENTS RETURNS - TOWN OF NEWTOWN RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Town began to report this schedule when it implemented GASB Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plan - An amendment of GASB Statement No. 25*, in fiscal year 2014. GASB Statement No. 67 requires the information within this schedule to be presented for the ten most recent fiscal years.

Actuarially determined contributions rates are calculated as of July 1, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

The following methods and assumptions were utilized to determine the contribution rates for the year ended June 30, 2019:

Actuarial cost method:	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method:	Closed level dollar method; 20 Year amortization of initial base, future gains and losses over 10 years
Remaining amortization period:	20 years (as of July 1, 2017)
Asset valuation method:	5-year smoothed market
Inflation:	2.00%
Investment rate of return, including inflation:	Blended 7.00%/7.50%, net of pension plan investment expenses
Salary increases, including inflation:	3.00%
Retirement age:	Normal Retirement Date or on Valuation Date if past normal retirement date

**NOTE 4 - SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY – CONNECTICUT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Town began to report this schedule when it implemented GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, in fiscal year 2015. GASB Statement No. 68 requires the information within this schedule to be presented for the ten most recent fiscal years.

Actuarial valuations are prepared every two years with the most recent available actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2018. This information is utilized by the Town for reporting as of June 30, 2019.

*Benefit Changes* - There have been no changes in benefit terms that have had a significant effect on the measurement of the total pension liability.

*Assumption Changes* - The following assumption changes had a significant effect on the measurement of the total pension liability reported as of June 30, 2019:

- the inflation assumption was reduced from 2.75% to 2.50%;
- the real rate of return assumption was reduced from 5.25% to 4.40%, which when combined with the inflation assumption change, resulted in a decrease in the investment rate of return assumption from 8.00% to 6.90%; and
- the annual rate of wage increase assumption was increased from 0.50% to 0.75%.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (Unaudited) (*Continued*)  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**NOTE 5 - SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET OPEB LIABILITY - OTHER-POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN**

The Town began to report this schedule when it implemented GASB Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, in fiscal year 2017. GASB Statement No. 74 requires the information within this schedule to be presented for the ten most recent fiscal years.

Actuarial valuations are prepared every two years with the most recent available actuarial valuation performed as of July 1, 2018. The July 1, 2018 total OPEB liability was increased by service cost and interest and decreased by benefit payments to calculate the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2019.

*Benefit Changes* - There have been no benefit term changes that have had a significant effect on the measurement of the Town's total OPEB liability.

*Assumption Changes* - The following assumption changes had a significant effect on the measurement of the net OPEB liability reported as of June 30, 2019:

- the inflation assumption was reduced from 2.75% to 2.60%;
- the current Mortality Table is Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Tables (with separate tables for Public Safety employees and Teachers) and for non-annuitants and annuitants, projected to the valuation date with Scale MP-2018, previously RP-2014 Mortality Table with no collar adjustment projected to valuation date with Scale MP-2017;
- Mortality Improvement is projected to the date of decrement using Scale MP-2018, prior Scale MP2017; and
- Healthcare Cost Trend Rates are as follows: 7.00% in 2018, reducing by 0.5% each year to an ultimate rate of 4.60% per year rate for 2023 and later, previously 6.75% in 2018, reducing by 0.5% each year to an ultimate rate of 4.75 per year rate for 2022 and later.

**NOTE 6 - SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND INVESTMENT RETURNS - OTHER-POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN**

The Town began to report this schedule when it implemented GASB Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, in fiscal year 2017. GASB Statement No. 74 requires the information within this schedule to be presented for the ten most recent fiscal years.

The July 1, 2018 Actuarial Valuation directly calculated the July 1, 2018 Total OPEB Liability (TOL). The July 1, 2018 TOL was increased by service cost and interest and decreased by benefit payments to estimate the TOL as of June 30, 2019.

The following methods and assumptions were utilized to determine the contribution rates for the year ended June 30, 2019:

Actuarial cost method:	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method:	Level percentage of salary, closed
Remaining amortization period:	22 years (as of July 1, 2018)
Asset valuation method:	Market Value
Inflation:	2.60%
Investment rate of return:	6.75%
Healthcare cost trend rates:	7.00%, current 4.60%, final
Mortality:	
Certified employees	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Tables (with separate tables for Public Safety employees and and Teachers) and non-annuitants and annuitants, projected to valuation date with Scale MP-2018.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (Unaudited) (*Continued*)  
AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

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**NOTE 7 - SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS LIABILITY - CONNECTICUT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Town began to report this schedule when it implemented GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension*, in fiscal year 2018. GASB Statement No. 75 requires the information within this schedule to be presented for the ten most recent fiscal years.

Actuarial valuations are prepared every two years with the most recent available actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2018. This information is utilized by the Town for reporting as of June 30, 2019.

*Benefit Changes* - Effective July 1, 2018, the Plan changed the "base plan" to the Medicare Advantage Plan for the purposes of determining retiree health care plan subsidies and/or cost sharing amount(s), and introduced a two year waiting period for re-enrollment in a system-sponsored health care plan for those who cancel their coverage or choose not to enroll in a health care coverage option on or after the effective date.

*Assumption Changes* - The following assumption changes collectively had a significant effect on the measurement of the net OPEB liability reported as of June 30, 2018:

- the expected rate of return on Plan assets was changed from 4.25% to 3.00% to better reflect the anticipated returns on cash and other high quality short-term fixed income investments;
- the discount rate used to measure Plan obligations and amortize supplemental costs was updated to match the expected rate of return on assets selected as of June 30, 2018;
- long-term health care cost trend rates were updated to better reflect the anticipated impact of changes in medical inflation, utilization, leverage in the plan design, improvements in technology, and fees and charges on expected claims and retiree contributions in future periods; and
- the percentage of retired members who are not currently participating in the Plan, but are expected to elect coverage for themselves and their spouses under a system-sponsored health care plan option in the future, was updated to better reflect anticipated plan experience.

## ***Appendix B***

### ***Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel***

## [FORM OF OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL]

April \_\_, 2020

Town of Newtown,  
Newtown, Connecticut

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have examined certified copies of the proceedings of the Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the “Town”), a Tax Regulatory Agreement of the Town, dated April \_\_, 2020 (the “Tax Regulatory Agreement”), and other proofs submitted to us relative to the issuance and sale of \$11,500,000\* Town of Newtown, Connecticut General Obligation Bonds, Series A, dated April \_\_, 2020 (the “Bonds”), maturing on March 15 in each of the years, in the principal amounts and bearing interest payable on September 15, 2020 and semiannually thereafter on March 15 and September 15 in each year until maturity or earlier redemption, at the rates per annum as follows:

<u>Year of Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Amount*</u>	<u>Interest Rate Per Annum</u>	<u>Year of Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Amount*</u>	<u>Interest Rate Per Annum</u>
2021	\$425,000	%	2031	\$585,000	%
2022	580,000		2032	585,000	
2023	580,000		2033	585,000	
2024	580,000		2034	585,000	
2025	585,000		2035	585,000	
2026	585,000		2036	580,000	
2027	585,000		2037	580,000	
2028	585,000		2038	580,000	
2029	585,000		2039	580,000	
2030	585,000		2040	580,000	

with principal payable at the principal office of U.S. Bank National Association, in Hartford, Connecticut, and with interest payable to the registered owner as of the close of business on the last business day of February and August in each year, by check mailed to such registered owner at his address as shown on the registration books of the Town kept for such purpose. The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as therein provided.

The Bonds are originally registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), to effect a book-entry system for the ownership and transfer of the Bonds. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner, principal and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to DTC.

\*Preliminary, subject to change.



We have not been engaged or undertaken to review the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of the Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Bonds, and we express no opinion relating thereto, excepting only the matters set forth as our opinion in the Official Statement.

We are of the opinion that such proceedings and proofs show lawful authority for the issuance and sale of the Bonds under authority of the Constitution and General Statutes of Connecticut and that the Bonds are a valid general obligation of the Town the principal of and interest on which is payable from ad valorem taxes which may be levied on all taxable property subject to taxation by the Town without limitation as to rate or amount except as to classified property, such as certified forest lands taxable at a limited rate and dwelling houses of qualified elderly persons of low income or of qualified disabled persons taxable at limited amounts. We are further of the opinion that the Tax Regulatory Agreement is a valid and binding agreement of the Town.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), establishes certain requirements that must be met at and subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Bonds in order that interest on the Bonds be and remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The Town has covenanted in the Tax Regulatory Agreement that it will at all times perform all acts and things necessary or appropriate under any valid provision of law to ensure that interest paid on the Bonds shall be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Code.

In our opinion, under existing statutes and court decisions, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not treated as an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax. We express no opinion regarding any other federal income tax consequences caused by ownership or disposition of, or receipt of interest on, the Bonds.

In rendering the foregoing opinions regarding the federal tax treatment of interest on the Bonds, we have relied upon and assumed (i) the material accuracy of the representations, statements of intention and expectations, and certifications of fact contained in the Tax Regulatory Agreement, and (ii) the compliance by the Town with the covenants and procedures set forth in the Tax Regulatory Agreement as to such tax matters.

We are further of the opinion that, under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is excluded from Connecticut taxable income for purposes of the Connecticut income tax on individuals, trusts and estates, and is excluded from amounts on which the net Connecticut minimum tax is based in the case of individuals, trusts and estates required to pay the federal alternative minimum tax. We express no opinion regarding any other State or local tax consequences caused by the ownership or disposition of the Bonds.

Legislation affecting the exclusion from gross income of interest on State or local bonds, such as the Bonds, is regularly under consideration by the United States Congress. There can be no assurance that legislation enacted or proposed after the date of issuance of the Bonds will not reduce or eliminate the benefit of the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds or adversely affect the market price of the Bonds.

These opinions are rendered as of the date hereof and are based on existing law, which is subject to change. We assume no obligation to update or supplement these opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to our attention, or to reflect any changes in law that may hereafter occur or become effective.

The rights of owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds and the Tax Regulatory Agreement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by application of equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

Respectfully,

## ***Appendix C***

### ***Form of Continuing Disclosure Agreement***

**[FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT]**

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT**

Town of Newtown, Connecticut  
\$11,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series A  
dated April \_\_, 2020

April \_\_, 2020

WHEREAS, the Town of Newtown, Connecticut (the “Town”) has heretofore authorized the issuance of \$11,500,000 in aggregate principal amount of its General Obligation Bonds, Series A, dated April \_\_, 2020 (the “Bonds”), maturing on the dates and in the amounts set forth in the Town’s Official Statement dated April \_\_, 2020 describing the Bonds (the “Official Statement”); and

WHEREAS, the Bonds have been sold by a competitive bid pursuant to a Notice of Sale, dated March 27, 2020 (the “Notice of Sale”); and

WHEREAS, in the Notice of Sale, the Town has heretofore acknowledged that an underwriter may not purchase or sell the Bonds unless it has reasonably determined that the Town has undertaken in a written agreement for the benefit of the beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide certain continuing disclosure information as required by Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), as amended from time to time (the “Rule”), and the Town desires to assist the underwriter of the Bonds in complying with the Rule; and

WHEREAS, the Town is authorized pursuant to Section 3-20e of the General Statutes of Connecticut to make such representations and agreements for the benefit of the beneficial owners of the Bonds to meet the requirements of the Rule; and

WHEREAS, in order to assist the underwriter of the Bonds in complying with the Rule, this Continuing Disclosure Agreement (this “Agreement”) is to be made, executed and delivered by the Town in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and to be described in the Official Statement, all for the benefit of the beneficial owners of the Bonds, as they may be from time to time;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town hereby represents, covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. In addition to the terms defined above, the following capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed thereto:

“Annual Report” shall mean any Annual Report provided by the Town pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 2 and 3 of this Agreement.

“Financial Obligation” shall mean any (i) debt obligation, (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii). Municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been filed with the Repository, consistent with the Rule, shall not be considered a Financial Obligation.

“Fiscal Year End” shall mean the last day of the Town’s fiscal year, currently June 30.

“Listed Events” shall mean any of the events listed in Section 4 of this Agreement.

“MSRB” shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established pursuant to Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor thereto.

“Repository” shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system as described in 1934 Act Release No. 57577 for purposes of the Rule, the MSRB or any other nationally recognized municipal securities information repository or organization recognized by the SEC from time to time for purposes of the Rule.

“SEC” shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission of the United States or any successor thereto.

## Section 2. Annual Reports.

(a) The Town shall provide or cause to be provided to the Repository in electronic format, accompanied by identifying information, as prescribed by the MSRB, the following annual financial information and operating data regarding the Town:

(i) Audited financial statements as of and for the year ending on its Fiscal Year End prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board from time to time or mandated state statutory principles as in effect from time to time; and

(ii) Financial information and operating data as of and for the year ending on its Fiscal Year End of the following type to the extent not included in the audited financial statements described in (i) above:

(A) the amounts of the gross and net taxable grand list;

(B) a listing of the ten largest taxpayers on the grand list, together with each such taxpayer’s taxable valuation thereon;

(C) the percentage and amount of the annual property tax levy collected and uncollected;

(D) a schedule of the annual debt service on outstanding long-term bonded indebtedness;

(E) a calculation of the net direct debt, total direct debt, and total overall net debt (reflecting overlapping and underlying debt);

(F) the total direct debt, total net direct debt and total overall net debt of the Town per capita;

(G) the ratios of total direct debt and total overall net debt of the Town to the Town’s net taxable grand list;

(H) a statement of statutory debt limitations and debt margins; and

(I) the funding status of the Town’s pension benefit obligations.

(b) The above-referenced information is expected to be provided by the filing of and cross reference to the Town’s audited financial statements. The information may be provided in whole or in part by cross-reference to other documents previously provided to the Repository, including official statements of the Town which will be available from the MSRB.

(c) Subject to the requirements of Section 8 hereof, the Town reserves the right to modify from time to time the type of financial information and operating data provided or the format of the presentation of such financial information and operating data, to the extent necessary or appropriate; provided that the Town agrees that any such modification will be done in a manner consistent with the Rule. The Town also reserves the right to modify the preparation and presentation of financial statements described herein as may be required to conform with changes in Connecticut law applicable to municipalities or any changes in generally accepted accounting principles, as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board from time to time.

Section 3. Timing. The Town shall provide the financial information and operating data referenced in Section 2(a) not later than eight months after each Fiscal Year End subsequent to the date of issuance of the Bonds, provided, however, that if such financial information and operating data for the Fiscal Year End preceding the date of issuance of the Bonds is not contained in the Official Statement for the Bonds or has not otherwise been previously provided, the Town shall provide such financial information and operating data no later than eight months after the close of such preceding Fiscal Year End. The Town agrees that if audited financial statements are not available eight months after the close of any Fiscal Year End, it shall submit unaudited financial statements by such time and will submit audited financial statements information when and if available.

Section 4. Event Notices. The Town agrees to provide, or cause to be provided, in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of the event, notice to the Repository in electronic format, accompanied by identifying information, as prescribed by the MSRB, of the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (i) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (ii) non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (iii) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (iv) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (v) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (vi) adverse tax opinions; the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (vii) modifications to rights of Bondholders, if material;
- (viii) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (ix) defeasances;
- (x) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (xi) rating changes;
- (xii) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of any obligated person;
- (xiii) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving any obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of any obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake any such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- (xiv) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if any, if material;
- (xv) incurrence of a Financial Obligation by any obligated person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of any obligated person, any of which affect Bondholders, if material; and
- (xvi) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of any obligated person, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

Section 5. Notice of Failure. The Town agrees to provide, or cause to be provided, in a timely manner to the Repository in electronic format, accompanied by identifying information, as prescribed by the MSRB, notice of any failure by the Town to provide the annual financial information described in Section 2(a) of this Agreement on or before the date described in Section 3 of this Agreement.

Section 6. Termination of Reporting Obligation. The Town's obligations under this Agreement shall terminate upon the defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds.

Section 7. Agent. The Town may, from time to time, appoint or engage an agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Agreement, and may discharge any such agent, with or without appointing a successor agent.

Section 8. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Town may amend this Agreement, and any provision of this Agreement may be waived, if such amendment or waiver is made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature or status of the Town, and is supported by an opinion of counsel expert in federal securities laws, to the effect that (i) such amendment or waiver would not materially adversely affect the beneficial owners of the Bonds and (ii) this Agreement, as so amended, would have complied with the requirements of the Rule as of the date of this Agreement, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule as well as any changes in circumstances. A copy of any such amendment will be filed in a timely manner with the Repository in electronic format. The Annual Report provided on the first date following adoption of any such amendment will explain, in narrative form, the reasons for the amendment and the impact of the change in the type of financial information or operating data provided.

Section 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to prevent the Town from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Agreement or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or providing notice of the occurrence of any other event, in addition to that which is required by this Agreement. If the Town chooses to include any other information in any Annual Report or provide notice of the occurrence of any other event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Agreement, the Town shall have no obligation under this Agreement to update such information or include or provide such information or notice of the occurrence of such event in the future.

Section 10. Indemnification. The Town agrees, pursuant to applicable law, to indemnify and save its officials, officers and employees harmless against any loss, expense or liability which they may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorney's fees) of defending against any claim of liability hereunder, but excluding any loss, expense or liability due to any such person's malicious, wanton, or willful act. The obligations of the Town under this Section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

Section 11. Enforceability. The Town agrees that its undertaking pursuant to the Rule set forth in this Agreement is intended to be for the benefit of and enforceable by the beneficial owners of the Bonds. In the event the Town shall fail to perform its duties hereunder, the Town shall have the option to cure such failure after its receipt of written notice from any beneficial owner of the Bonds of such failure. In the event the Town does not cure such failure, the right of any beneficial owner of the Bonds to enforce the provisions of this undertaking shall be limited to a right to obtain specific performance of the Town's obligations hereunder. No monetary damages shall arise or be payable hereunder, nor shall any failure to comply with this Agreement constitute a default of the Town with respect to the Bonds.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Town has caused this Continuing Disclosure Agreement to be executed in its name by its undersigned officers, duly authorized, all as of the date first above written.

**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Daniel C. Rosenthal  
Title: First Selectman

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Robert G. Tait  
Title: Director of Finance

## ***Appendix D***

### ***Notice of Sale***



**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**\$11,500,000**  
**TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT**  
**GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ISSUE OF 2020, SERIES A**

Electronic bids (as described herein) will be received by the **TOWN OF NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT** (the “Town”), until 11:30 A.M. (E.T.) Thursday,

**April 2, 2020**

(the “Sale Date”) for the purchase of all, but not less than all, of the \$11,500,000 Town of Newtown, Connecticut General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2020, Series A (the “Bonds”). Electronic bids must be submitted via **PARITY®**. (See “Electronic Bidding Procedures”).

The Town reserves the right to make changes to the provisions of this Notice of Sale, including the date and time of the sale, prior to the date and time of sale set forth above. Any such changes will be posted through **PARITY®**. Prospective bidders are advised to check for such **PARITY®** postings prior to the above stated sale time.

**The Bonds**

The Bonds will be dated April 14, 2020, mature in the principal amounts of \$425,000 on March 15 in the year 2021, \$580,000 on March 15 in each of the years 2022 to 2024, both inclusive, \$585,000 on March 15 in each of the years 2025 to 2035, both inclusive, and \$580,000 on March 15 in each of the years 2036 to 2040, both inclusive, bear interest payable on September 15, 2020 and semiannually thereafter on March 15 and September 15 in each year until maturity or earlier redemption, as further described in the Preliminary Official Statement for the Bonds dated March 27, 2020 (the “Preliminary Official Statement”).

The Bonds maturing on or before March 15, 2027 are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on March 15, 2028 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the election of the Town, on and after March 15, 2027, at any time, in whole or in part and by lot within a maturity, in such amounts and in such order of maturity as the Town may determine, at the respective prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amounts of Bonds to be redeemed) set forth in the following table, together with interest accrued and unpaid to the redemption date:

<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Redemption Price</u>
March 15, 2027 and thereafter	100%

**Nature of Obligation**

The full faith and credit of the Town will be pledged for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. The Bonds will be general obligations of the Town payable, unless paid from other sources, from ad valorem taxes which may be levied on all taxable property subject to taxation by the Town without limitation as to rate or amount except as to classified property such as certified forest lands taxable at a limited rate and dwelling houses of qualified elderly persons of low income or of qualified disabled persons taxable at limited amounts.

## **Bank Qualification**

The Bonds shall NOT be designated by the Town as qualified tax exempt obligations under the provisions of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), for purposes of the deduction by financial institutions for interest expense allocable to the Bonds.

## **Registration**

The Bonds will be issued by means of a book-entry system with no physical distribution of bond certificates made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in registered form and one bond certificate for each maturity will be issued to The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), registered in the name of its nominee, Cede & Co., and immobilized in their custody. A book-entry system will be employed, evidencing ownership of the Bonds in principal amounts of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof, with transfers of ownership effected on the records of DTC and its participants pursuant to rules and procedures adopted by DTC and its participants. The winning bidder, as a condition to delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the bond certificates with DTC, or its custodian, registered in the name of Cede & Co. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Town or its agent in Federal funds to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC. Principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants of DTC will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The Town will not be responsible or liable for payments by DTC to its participants or by DTC participants to beneficial owners or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records maintained by DTC, its participants or persons acting through such participants.

## **Electronic Bidding Procedures**

Any prospective bidder intending to submit an electronic bid must submit its electronic bid through the facilities of **PARITY®**. Subscription to i-Deal LLC's BiDCOMP Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit an electronic bid and the Town will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidder to subscribe.

An electronic bid made through the facilities of **PARITY®** shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale, and shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed, sealed bid delivered to the Town. The Town shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by, or as a result of the use of the facilities of, **PARITY®**, the use of such facilities being the sole risk of the prospective bidder.

All electronic bids shall be deemed to incorporate the provisions of this Notice of Sale. If any provisions of this Notice of Sale shall conflict with information provided by **PARITY®** as the approved provider of electronic bidding services, this Notice of Sale shall control. Further information about **PARITY®**, including any fee charged, may be obtained from **PARITY®**, 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, Attention: Customer Service Department (telephone: (212) 849-5021 - email notice: [parity@i-deal.com](mailto:parity@i-deal.com)).

## **Bid Specifications/Basis of Award**

Each bid must be for the entire \$11,500,000 of Bonds and must specify the rate or rates of interest therefor in a multiple of 1/20 or 1/8 of 1% per annum. Bids shall not state more than one interest rate for any Bonds having the same maturity date. The highest interest rate bid for a maturity and the lowest rate bid for any other maturity may not differ by more than three (3%) percentage points. Interest shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year. No bid for less than all of the Bonds or for less than par and accrued interest, if any, will be considered.

For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by **PARITY®** shall constitute the official time. For information purposes only, bidders are requested to state in their bids the true interest cost to the Town, computed and rounded to six decimal places.

For the purpose of determining the successful bidder, the true interest cost to the Town will be the annual interest rate, compounded semiannually, which, when used to discount all payments of principal and interest payable on the Bonds to April 14, 2020, the date of the Bonds, results in an amount equal to the purchase price for the Bonds, not including interest accrued, if any, to April 14, 2020, the delivery date of the Bonds. It is requested that each bid be accompanied by a statement of the percentage of true interest cost computed and rounded to six decimal places. Such statement shall not be considered as a part of the bid. The Bonds will be awarded or all bids will be rejected promptly after the bid opening, but not later than 4:00 P.M. (E.T.) on the Sale Date. The purchase price must be paid in Federal funds.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularity or informality with respect to any bid. The Town further reserves the right to postpone the sale to another time and date in its sole and absolute discretion for any reason, including, without limitation, internet difficulties. The Town will use its best efforts to notify prospective bidders in a timely manner of any need for a postponement. Unless all bids are rejected or the bid is postponed, the Bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering to purchase them at the lowest true interest cost.

### **Closing Documents and Legal Opinion**

The Bonds will be certified by U.S. Bank National Association, Hartford, Connecticut. The legality of the Bonds will be passed upon by Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, Connecticut ("Bond Counsel"), and the winning bidder will be furnished with their opinion without charge. The winning bidder will also be furnished with a signature and no litigation certificate, a receipt of payment satisfactory in form to Bond Counsel, a signed copy of the final Official Statement prepared for the Bonds, a certificate signed by the appropriate officials of the Town relating to the accuracy and completeness of information contained in the final Official Statement, and an executed Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The legal opinion will further state that (i) under existing statutes and court decisions, interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (ii) such interest is not treated as an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax, (iii) under existing statutes, interest on the Bonds is excluded from Connecticut taxable income for purposes of the Connecticut income tax on individuals, trusts and estates, and (iv) such interest is excluded from amounts on which the net Connecticut minimum tax is based in the case of individuals, trusts and estates required to pay federal alternative minimum tax. In rendering its legal opinion, Bond Counsel will rely upon and assume the material accuracy of the representations and statements of expectation contained in the Tax Regulatory Agreement entered into by the Town for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds, and further, will assume compliance by the Town with the covenants and procedures set forth in such Tax Regulatory Agreement. A copy of the opinion will be printed upon each of the Bonds, and a signed opinion and transcript of proceedings will be filed with U.S. Bank National Association, Hartford, Connecticut, and will be available for examination upon request.

### **Obligation to Deliver Issue Price Certificate**

Pursuant to the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations, the Town must establish the "issue price" of the Bonds. In order to assist the Town, the winning bidder is obligated to deliver to the Town a certificate (an "Issue Price Certificate") and such additional information satisfactory to Bond Counsel described below, prior to the delivery of the Bonds. The Town will rely on the Issue Price Certificate and such additional information in determining the issue price of the Bonds. The form of Issue Price Certificate is available by contacting Barry J. Bernabe, Managing Director, Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Email: bbernabe@muniadvisors.com, Telephone: (203) 283-1110, municipal advisor to the Town (the "Municipal Advisor").

By submitting a bid, each bidder is certifying that (i) it is an underwriter of municipal bonds which has an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds, (ii) its bid is a firm offer to purchase the Bonds, (iii) its bid is a good faith offer which the bidder believes reflects current market conditions, and (iv) its bid is not a "courtesy bid" being submitted for the purpose of assisting in meeting the competitive sale rule relating to the establishment of the issue price of the Bonds pursuant to Section 148 of the Code, including the requirement that bids be received from at least three (3) underwriters

of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds (the “Competitive Sale Rule”).

The Municipal Advisor will advise the winning bidder if the Competitive Sale Rule was met at the same time it notifies the winning bidder of the award of the Bonds. **Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the Competitive Sale Rule is not satisfied.**

***Competitive Sale Rule Met.*** If the Municipal Advisor advises the winning bidder that the Competitive Sale Rule has been met, the winning bidder shall, within one (1) hour after being notified of the award of the Bonds, advise the Municipal Advisor by electronic or facsimile transmission of the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public of each maturity of the Bonds as of the Sale Date.

***Competitive Sale Rule Not Met.*** By submitting a bid, the winning bidder agrees (unless the winning bidder is purchasing the Bonds for its own account and not with a view to distribution or resale to the public) that if the Competitive Sale Rule is not met, it will satisfy either the **10% Sale Rule** or the **Hold the Offering Price Rule** described below with respect to each maturity of the Bonds prior to the delivery date of the Bonds. The rule selected with respect to each maturity of the Bonds shall be set forth on an Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate, the form of which is attached hereto, which shall be sent to the winning bidder promptly after the award of the Bonds. The winning bidder shall complete and execute the Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate and email it to Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor by 5:00 P.M. on the day after the Sale Date. **If the Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate is not returned by this deadline, or if no selection is made with respect to a maturity, the winning bidder agrees that the Hold the Offering Price Rule shall apply to such maturities.**

**10% Sale Rule.** To satisfy the 10% Sale Rule for any maturity of the Bonds, the winning bidder:

(i) will make a bona fide offering to the public of all of the Bonds at the initial offering prices and provide the Town with reasonable supporting documentation, such as a copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication, the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel;

(ii) will report to the Town information regarding the actual prices at which at least 10 percent (10%) of the Bonds of each maturity have been sold to the public;

(iii) will provide the Town with reasonable supporting documentation or certifications of such sale prices, the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel. If the 10% Sale Rule is used with respect to a maturity of the Bonds, this reporting requirement will continue, beyond the closing date of the Bonds, if necessary, until such date that at least 10 percent (10%) of such maturity of the Bonds has been sold to the public; and

(iv) has or will include in any agreement among underwriters, selling group agreement or third party distribution agreement (to which the winning bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, language obligating each underwriter to comply with the reporting requirement described above.

**Hold the Offering Price Rule.** To satisfy the Hold the Offering Price Rule for any maturity of the Bonds, the winning bidder:

(i) will make a bona fide offering to the public of all of the Bonds at the initial offering prices and provide Bond Counsel with reasonable supporting documentation, such as a copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication, the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel;

(ii) will neither offer nor sell to any person any Bonds of such maturity at a price that is higher than the initial offering price of such maturity until the earlier of (i) the date on which the winning bidder has sold to the public at least ten percent (10%) of the Bonds of such maturity at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price of such maturity or (ii) the close of business on the fifth (5th) business day after the Sale Date of the Bonds; and

(iii) has or will include within any agreement among underwriters, selling group agreement or third party distribution agreement (to which the winning bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, language obligating each underwriter to comply with the limitations on the sale of the Bonds as set forth above.

For purposes of the 10% Sale Rule or the Hold the Offering Price Rule, a “maturity” refers to Bonds that have the same interest rate, credit and payment terms.

If the winning bidder has purchased any maturity of the Bonds for its own account and not with a view to distribution or resale to the public, then, whether or not the Competitive Sale Rule was met, the Issue Price Certificate will recite such facts and identify the price or prices at which such maturity of the Bonds was purchased.

For purposes of this Notice of Sale, the “public” does not include the winning bidder or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the winning bidder to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (such as a third party distribution agreement between a national lead underwriter and a regional firm under which the regional firm participates in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public). In making the representations described above, the winning bidder must reflect the effect on the offering prices of any “derivative products” (e.g., a tender option) used by the bidder in connection with the initial sale of any of the Bonds.

### **Settlement of the Bonds**

The Bonds will be available for delivery on or about April 14, 2020. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC or its custodian under a book-entry system requires the assignment of CUSIP numbers prior to delivery. The Municipal Advisor shall obtain CUSIP numbers for the Bonds prior to delivery, and the Town will not be responsible for any delay occasioned by the failure of the winning bidder to obtain such numbers and to supply them to the Town in a timely manner. The Town assumes no responsibility for any CUSIP Service Bureau charge or other charge that may be imposed for the assignment of such numbers, which charges shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the winning bidder.

The Preliminary Official Statement is in a form “deemed final” by the Town for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1). The winning bidder will be furnished 25 copies of the final Official Statement prepared for the Bonds at the Town’s expense. Additional copies may be obtained by the winning bidder at its own expense by arrangement with the printer. The copies of the final Official Statement will be made available to the winning bidder no later than seven business days after the bid opening at the office of the Town’s Municipal Advisor. If the Municipal Advisor is provided with the necessary information from the winning bidder by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day after the bid opening, the copies of the final Official Statement will include an additional cover page and other pages, if necessary, indicating the interest rates, ratings, yields or reoffering prices, the name of the managing underwriter, and the name of the insurer, if any, of the Bonds.

### **Continuing Disclosure**

The Town will undertake in a Continuing Disclosure Agreement entered into in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, to provide (i) certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements; (ii) notice of the occurrence of certain events within 10 business days of the occurrence of such events with respect to the Bonds; and (iii) timely notice of its failure to provide such annual financial information. The winning bidder’s obligation to purchase the Bonds shall be conditioned upon its receiving, at or prior to the delivery of the Bonds, an executed copy of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement for the Bonds.

**Related Information**

For more information regarding the Bonds and the Town, reference is made to the Preliminary Official Statement. Copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Issue Price Certificate may be obtained from the undersigned, or from Barry J. Bernabe, Managing Director, Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Email: [bbernabe@muniadvisors.com](mailto:bbernabe@muniadvisors.com), Telephone: (203) 283-1110, municipal advisor to the Town.

**DANIEL C. ROSENTHAL**

First Selectman

**ROBERT G. TAIT**

Director of Finance

March 27, 2020

# ISSUE PRICE RULE SELECTION CERTIFICATE

Town of Newtown, Connecticut  
\$11,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2020, Series A

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDER/REP], [on behalf of itself and [OTHER UNDER]], hereby certifies that it will use the rule selected below for the respective maturity of the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds"), as described in the Notice of Sale for the Bonds, dated March 27, 2020 (the "Notice of Sale"). For a description of the requirements of each rule, please refer to the section "Obligation to Deliver Issue Price Certificate" in the Notice of Sale. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein are defined in the Notice of Sale.

<u>Date of Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<b>10% Sale Rule</b> (Underwriter has or will comply with 10% Sale Price Rule for this Maturity)		<b>Hold the Offering Price Rule</b> (Underwriter will comply with Hold the Offering Price Rule for this Maturity)	
			<u>Check Box</u>	<u>Sales Price</u>	<u>Check Box</u>	<u>Initial Offering Price</u>
03/15/2021	\$425,000	____%	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2022	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2023	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2024	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2025	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2026	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2027	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2028	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2029	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2030	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2031	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2032	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2033	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2034	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2035	585,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2036	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2037	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2038	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2039	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
03/15/2040	580,000	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____

(All Sales Prices or Initial Offering Prices must be completed prior to the delivery date of the Bonds.)

[NAME OF UNDER/REP]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

Email this completed and executed certificate to the following by 5:00 P.M. on April 3, 2020:

**Bond Counsel:** atamzoke@rc.com

**Municipal Advisor:** bbernabe@muniadvisors.com

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