

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK

*Basic Financial Statements, Required
Supplementary Information and Supplementary
Information for the Year Ended December 31, 2024
and Independent Auditors' Reports*

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Town Board
Town of Eden, New York:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Eden, New York (the "Town"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town, as of December 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and GAS, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and other Required Supplementary Information, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with 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.

Supplementary 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 Supplementary Information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Supplementary Information, as listed in the table of contents, is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 Supplementary Information, as listed in the table of contents, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 14, 2025, 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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of 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.

Drescher + Malecki LLP

May 14, 2025

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Management's Discussion and Analysis
Year Ended December 31, 2024

As management of the Town of Eden, New York (the "Town"), we offer readers of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the year ended December 31, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in the Town's financial statements, which follow this narrative.

Financial Highlights

- The liabilities and deferred inflows of resources of the Town exceeded its assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town exceeded its at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$2,219,971 (*net deficit position*). This consists of \$5,110,516 net investment in capital assets, \$2,307,097 restricted for specific purposes and an unrestricted net position of \$(9,637,584).
- The Town's total net position increased by \$955,182 during the year ended December 31, 2024.
- At the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$5,990,118, an increase of \$9,851 in comparison with the prior year's combined ending fund balance of \$5,980,267.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, *unassigned fund balance* for the General Fund was \$556,433, or 13.3 percent of total General Fund expenditures and transfers out. This total amount is *available for spending* at the Town's discretion and constitutes approximately 23.8 percent of the General Fund's total fund balance of \$2,340,673 at December 31, 2024.
- During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Town's total serial bonds outstanding decreased to \$12,338,000 as a result of the Town's scheduled principal payments of \$511,000.

Overview of the Financial Statements

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

Government-wide financial statements—The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all of the Town's assets, liabilities and deferred outflows/inflows of resources, with the difference reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the 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 (e.g., earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements 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 general government support, public safety, health, transportation, economic assistance and opportunity, culture and recreation, home and community services and unallocated interest and fiscal charges. The Town does not engage in any business-type activities.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 12-13 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, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town are considered to be governmental funds.

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

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds' balance sheet and the governmental funds' statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in funds' balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town maintains ten individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Highway Fund, Fire District Fund, Water District Fund, Refuse and Garbage District Fund and Capital Projects Fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other four governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is presented in the form of combining statements in the Supplementary Information section of this report.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 14-17 of this report.

Fiduciary funds—Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Town. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the Town's own programs. The Town is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purpose. The Town maintains one fiduciary fund, the Custodial Fund. The basic fiduciary fund statements can be found on pages 18-19 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements—The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 20-39 of this report.

Other information—In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents *required supplementary information* concerning the Town’s net pension liabilities, and the Town’s budgetary comparison schedules for the General Fund, Highway Fund, Fire District Fund, Water District Fund and Refuse and Garbage District Fund. Required Supplementary Information and a related note to the required supplementary information can be found on pages 40-49 of this report.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented as other supplementary information immediately following the Required Supplementary Information in the Supplementary Information section on pages 50-51 of this report.

Government-wide Overall Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of a government’s financial position. In the case of the Town, liabilities and deferred inflows exceeded assets and deferred outflows by \$2,219,971, at the close of the most recent fiscal year, as compared to liabilities and deferred inflows exceeding assets and deferred outflows by \$3,175,153 at the close of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

Table 1, as presented below, presents a condensed statement of net position as compared to the prior year.

Table 1—Condensed Statement of Net Position—Primary Government

	Governmental Activities	
	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Current assets	\$ 6,318,570	\$ 6,802,846
Noncurrent assets	5,663,675	5,005,948
Total assets	11,982,245	11,808,794
Deferred outflows of resources	1,334,178	1,191,210
Current liabilities	467,741	964,901
Noncurrent liabilities	14,386,655	15,040,247
Total liabilities	14,854,396	16,005,148
Deferred inflows of resources	681,998	170,009
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	5,110,516	4,361,398
Restricted	2,307,097	1,940,374
Unrestricted	(9,637,584)	(9,476,925)
Total net position	\$ (2,219,971)	\$ (3,175,153)

The largest portion of the Town’s net position, \$5,110,516, reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure), net of accumulated depreciation and less any related debt used to acquire those assets. The Town uses these capital assets to provide a variety of services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although the Town’s investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of the Town's net position, \$2,307,097, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The remaining component of the Town's net position, \$(9,637,584) represents an unrestricted net position. The deficit is the result of having long-term commitments including bonds payable and the net pension liability that are greater than currently available resources. Payments for these liabilities will be budgeted in the year actual payment is made.

Table 2, as presented below, shows the changes in net position for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

Table 2—Condensed Statements of Changes in Net Position—Primary Government

	Governmental Activities	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 743,944	\$ 641,609
Operating grants and contributions	432,539	83,579
Capital grants and contributions	672,915	597,542
General revenues	<u>6,584,483</u>	<u>6,435,983</u>
Total revenues	<u>8,433,881</u>	<u>7,758,713</u>
Total expenses	<u>7,478,699</u>	<u>7,118,118</u>
Change in net position	955,182	640,595
Net position—beginning	<u>(3,175,153)</u>	<u>(3,815,748)</u>
Net position—ending	<u>\$ (2,219,971)</u>	<u>\$ (3,175,153)</u>

Overall revenues of the primary government increased 8.7 percent from the year ended December 31, 2023, primarily due to an increase in operating grants and contributions related to New York State Department of Transportation and American Rescue Plan Act funding. Overall expenses increased 5.1 percent from the year ended December 31, 2023, primarily due to an increase in allocable employee benefits related to the Town's retirement systems.

A summary of sources of revenues for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 is presented in Table 3 on the following page.

Table 3—Summary of Sources of Revenues—Governmental Activities

	Year Ended December 31,		Increase/(Decrease)	
	2024	2023	Dollars	Percent (%)
Charges for services	\$ 743,944	\$ 641,609	\$ 102,335	15.9
Operating and capital grants and contributions	432,539	83,579	348,960	417.5
Capital grants and contributions	672,915	597,542	75,373	12.6
Property tax, sales tax and other tax items	6,191,167	6,115,460	75,707	1.2
Use of money and property	220,087	156,485	63,602	40.6
Sale of property and compensation for loss	2,865	28,273	(25,408)	(89.9)
Miscellaneous	170,364	135,765	34,599	25.5
Total revenues	<u>\$ 8,433,881</u>	<u>\$ 7,758,713</u>	<u>\$ 675,168</u>	8.7

The Town's most significant source of revenues for the year ended December 31, 2024 was property tax, sales tax and other tax items, which accounted for \$6,191,167, or 73.4 percent of total revenues. The next largest source of revenue was capital grants and contributions which accounted for \$672,915, or 8.0 percent of total revenues. Similarly, for the year ended December 31, 2023, the Town's most significant source of revenues was property tax, sales tax and other tax items, which accounted for \$6,115,460, or 78.8 percent of total revenues. The next largest source of revenue was charges for services, which accounted for \$641,609, or 8.3 percent of total revenues.

A summary of program expenses for the years ended December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 is presented below in Table 4:

Table 4—Summary of Program Expenses—Governmental Activities

	Year Ended December 31,		Increase/(Decrease)	
	2024	2023	Dollars	Percent (%)
General government support	\$ 1,280,117	\$ 1,082,004	\$ 198,113	18.3
Public safety	1,738,487	1,537,457	201,030	13.1
Health	147,516	180,630	(33,114)	(18.3)
Transportation	2,351,599	2,209,409	142,190	6.4
Economic assistance and opportunity	134,652	282,011	(147,359)	(52.3)
Culture and recreation	545,567	569,911	(24,344)	(4.3)
Home and community services	873,863	837,898	35,965	4.3
Interest and fiscal charges	406,898	418,798	(11,900)	(2.8)
Total expenses	<u>\$ 7,478,699</u>	<u>\$ 7,118,118</u>	<u>\$ 360,581</u>	5.1

The Town's most significant expense items for the year ended December 31, 2024 were transportation of \$2,351,599, or 31.4 percent of total expenses, public safety of \$1,738,487, or 23.2 percent of total expenses, and general government support of \$1,280,117, or 17.1 percent of total expenses. Similarly, during the year ended December 31, 2023, the Town's most significant expense items were transportation of \$2,209,409, or 31.0 percent of total expenses, public safety of \$1,537,457, or 21.6 percent of total expenses, and general government support of \$1,082,004, or 15.2 percent of total expenses.

Financial Analysis of Governmental Funds

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

Governmental funds—The focus of the Town’s governmental *funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town’s financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government’s net resources available for discretionary use as they represent the portion of fund balance which has not been limited to use for a particular purpose by an external party, the Town itself, or a group of individuals that has been delegated to assign resources for use for particular purposes by the Town Board.

At December 31, 2024, the Town’s governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$5,990,118, an increase of \$9,851 from the prior year fund balance of \$5,980,267. Excluding the Capital Projects Fund deficit of \$(86,585), total fund balance amounted to \$6,076,703. 9.2 percent of this amount, \$556,433, constitutes *unassigned fund balance*, which is available for spending at the Town’s discretion. The remainder of fund balance is either *nonspendable*, *restricted* or *assigned* to indicate that it is (1) not in spendable form, \$88,612, (2) restricted for particular purposes, \$2,307,097, or (3) assigned for particular purposes, \$3,124,561.

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 \$556,433, while total fund balance decreased to \$2,340,673. As a measure of the General Fund’s liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total General Fund expenditures and transfers out. Unassigned fund balance represents approximately 13.3 percent of total General Fund expenditures and transfers out, while total fund balance represents approximately 56.0 percent of that same amount. The total fund balance of the Town’s General Fund decreased by \$73,780 during the current fiscal year as compared to the planned use of fund balance of \$165,000 included within the 2024 budget due to favorable interest earnings and savings realized within culture and recreation expenditures.

The Town’s Highway Fund ending fund balance was \$1,239,346. Approximately 39.3 percent of this amount, \$487,137, is *assigned to specific Highway Fund use*. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Highway Fund’s fund balance increased \$26,847, as compared to the planned use of fund balance of \$200,000 included within the 2024 budget due to savings realized within transportation expenditures.

The Town’s Fire District Fund ending fund balance was \$1,274,874. Approximately 88.4 percent of this amount, \$1,127,537, is *restricted for equipment and capital improvements*. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Fire District Fund’s fund balance increased by \$117,906.

The Town’s Water District Fund ending fund balance was \$879,697. Approximately 81.4 percent of this amount, \$715,639, is *assigned to specific Water Fund use*. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Water District Fund’s fund balance increased \$18,559 due to greater than expected interest earnings.

The Town’s Refuse and Garbage District Fund ending fund balance was \$210,558. Approximately 61.4 percent of this amount, \$129,284, is *assigned to specific Refuse and Garbage District Fund use*. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Refuse and Garbage District Fund’s fund balance decreased \$9,170 due to larger than anticipated contractual expenditures.

The Town’s Capital Projects Fund ending fund balance was \$(86,585). This entire amount is designated as unassigned fund balance at December 31, 2024.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Town’s General Fund budget generally contains budget amendments during the year. The budget is allowed to be amended upward (increased) for prior year’s encumbrances since the funds were allocated under the previous year’s budget and the Town has appropriately assigned an equal amount of fund balance at year-end for this purpose. Furthermore, the budget is allowed to be amended upward (increased) for additional current year appropriations supported by an increase in budgeted revenues or appropriation of

fund balance. A budgetary comparison schedule within the required supplementary information section of this report has been provided to demonstrate compliance with their budget.

A summary of the General Fund results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2024 is presented in Table 5 below:

Table 5—General Fund Budget

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget
	Original	Final		
Revenues	\$ 3,039,407	\$ 3,945,176	\$ 4,105,162	\$ 159,986
Expenditures and other financing uses	<u>3,205,978</u>	<u>4,313,297</u>	<u>4,178,942</u>	<u>134,355</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ (166,571)</u>	<u>\$ (368,121)</u>	<u>\$ (73,780)</u>	<u>\$ 294,341</u>

Original budget compared to final budget—At the close of the fiscal year, the overall budgeted appropriations increased by \$1,107,319. This increase is primarily related to budgetary amendments for the recognition of grants within economic assistance and opportunity, public safety for police equipment and transfers out to help support capital projects.

Final budget compared to actual results—A review of actual revenues and expenditures compared to estimated revenues and appropriations in the final budget yields several favorable variances, most notably related to higher than anticipated interest earnings, coupled with savings in culture and recreation and general government support.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital assets—The Town’s investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2024, amounted to \$5,663,675 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, transportation network, fire trucks, vehicles, and water treatment and distribution network.

All depreciable capital assets were depreciated using a half year convention as outlined in the Town’s capital asset policy.

Capital assets net of depreciation for the governmental activities at the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 are presented below:

Table 6—Summary of Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)

	Governmental Activities	
	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Land	\$ 212,152	\$ 212,152
Construction in progress	938,720	40,525
Vehicles	218,207	230,492
Machinery and equipment	998,360	1,040,214
Fire trucks	882,796	966,206
Buildings and improvements	1,499,214	1,563,044
Transportation network	305,944	320,955
Water treatment and distribution network	<u>608,282</u>	<u>632,360</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,663,675</u>	<u>\$ 5,005,948</u>

Additional information on the Town’s capital assets can be found in Note 4 to the financial statements.

Long-term debt—At December 31, 2024, the Town had net bonded debt outstanding of \$12,551,691 as compared to \$13,071,861 at December 31, 2023. During the year, the Town made scheduled principal payments of \$511,000.

The Town’s governmental activities also have recorded debt for compensated absences, and the net pension liability.

A summary of the Town’s long-term liabilities at December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 is presented in Table 7 below:

Table 7—Summary of Long-Term Liabilities

	Governmental Activities	
	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Bonds payable, net	\$ 12,551,691	\$ 13,071,861
Compensated absences	542,330	507,194
Net pension liability	1,292,634	1,461,192
Total	<u>\$ 14,386,655</u>	<u>\$ 15,040,247</u>

Additional information on the Town’s long-term liabilities can be found in Note 8 to the financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year’s Budgets and Rates

The unemployment rate, not seasonally adjusted, for the Buffalo-Niagara region during December 2024 was 4.0 percent. This compares to the New York State and national unemployment rate of 4.0 and 4.4 percent, respectively. These factors are considered in preparing the Town’s budget.

The Town considered current year operational expenses and estimated increases based on economic factors when establishing the fiscal year 2025 budget. The Town’s 2025 budget includes the appropriation of \$277,000 of fund balance in the General Fund. The General Fund tax rate is \$2.96 per thousand of assessed value for the 2025 budget year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town’s finances for all those with interest in the Town’s finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Supervisor’s Office, Town of Eden, 2795 East Church Street, Eden, New York 14057.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2024

	Primary Government Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,565,244
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	2,312,898
Receivables	46,540
Intergovernmental receivables	305,276
Prepaid items	88,612
Capital assets not being depreciated	1,150,872
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>4,512,803</u>
Total assets	<u>11,982,245</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred outflows—relating to pensions	<u>1,334,178</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>1,334,178</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	171,063
Accrued liabilities	233,011
Intergovernmental payables	25,424
Retainage payable	32,539
Unearned revenue	5,704
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Due within one year	527,287
Due within more than one year	<u>13,859,368</u>
Total liabilities	<u>14,854,396</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflows—relating to pensions	<u>681,998</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>681,998</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	5,110,516
Restricted for:	
Debt	164,058
Equipment and capital improvements	1,744,288
Repairs	72,253
Emergency medical services	245,259
Commercial permit fees	81,239
Unrestricted	<u>(9,637,584)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ (2,219,971)</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Statement of Activities
Year Ended December 31, 2024

					Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Function/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Primary Government Governmental Activities
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Primary government:					
Governmental activities:					
General government support	\$ 1,280,117	\$ 79,125	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,200,992)
Public safety	1,738,487	103,721	101,858	530,734	(1,002,174)
Health	147,516	136,676	-	-	(10,840)
Transportation	2,351,599	159,363	330,681	-	(1,861,555)
Economic assistance and opportunity	134,652	-	-	-	(134,652)
Culture and recreation	545,567	83,053	-	-	(462,514)
Home and community services	873,863	182,006	-	142,181	(549,676)
Interest and other fiscal charges	406,897	-	-	-	(406,897)
Total primary government	<u>\$ 7,478,699</u>	<u>\$ 743,944</u>	<u>\$ 432,539</u>	<u>\$ 672,915</u>	<u>(5,629,301)</u>
General revenues:					
					4,579,538
					1,360,149
					144,185
					107,295
					220,087
					38,710
					134,519
Total general revenues					<u>6,584,483</u>
					955,182
					<u>(3,175,153)</u>
					<u>\$ (2,219,971)</u>

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Balance Sheet—Governmental Funds
December 31, 2024

	Special Revenue						Total	Total
	General	Highway	Fire District	Water District	Refuse and Garbage District	Capital Projects	Nonmajor Funds	Governmental Funds
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,362,761	\$ 929,877	\$ 152,607	\$ 725,196	\$ 260,022	\$ -	\$ 134,781	\$ 3,565,244
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	774,116	241,386	1,127,537	169,762	-	97	-	2,312,898
Receivables	45,626	-	-	564	350	-	-	46,540
Due from other funds	8,253	33,119	-	-	-	-	-	41,372
Intergovernmental receivables	227,096	77,930	250	-	-	-	-	305,276
Prepaid items	63,609	25,003	-	-	-	-	-	88,612
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,481,461</u>	<u>\$ 1,307,315</u>	<u>\$ 1,280,394</u>	<u>\$ 895,522</u>	<u>\$ 260,372</u>	<u>\$ 97</u>	<u>\$ 134,781</u>	<u>\$ 6,359,942</u>
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$ 79,727	\$ 15,044	\$ 2,791	\$ -	\$ 49,814	\$ 21,024	\$ 2,663	\$ 171,063
Accrued liabilities	56,094	37,209	419	-	-	-	-	93,722
Due to other funds	-	7,716	537	-	-	33,119	-	41,372
Intergovernmental payables	4,967	8,000	1,773	10,121	-	-	563	25,424
Retainage payable	-	-	-	-	-	32,539	-	32,539
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	5,704	-	-	-	5,704
Total liabilities	<u>140,788</u>	<u>67,969</u>	<u>5,520</u>	<u>15,825</u>	<u>49,814</u>	<u>86,682</u>	<u>3,226</u>	<u>369,824</u>
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable:								
Prepaid items	63,609	25,003	-	-	-	-	-	88,612
Restricted:								
Debt	-	-	-	164,058	-	-	-	164,058
Equipment and capital improvements	375,365	241,386	1,127,537	-	-	-	-	1,744,288
Repairs	72,253	-	-	-	-	-	-	72,253
Emergency medical services	245,259	-	-	-	-	-	-	245,259
Commercial permit fees	81,239	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,239
Assigned:								
Subsequent year's expenditures	277,000	200,000	-	-	-	-	-	477,000
Encumbrances	1,849	-	1,492	-	4,104	-	-	7,445
Sick pay	248,631	259,458	-	-	-	-	-	508,089
Equipment and improvements	225,828	26,362	97,348	-	-	-	-	349,538
Recreation	193,207	-	-	-	-	-	-	193,207
Garbage totes	-	-	-	-	77,170	-	-	77,170
Specific use	-	487,137	48,497	715,639	129,284	-	131,555	1,512,112
Unassigned	556,433	-	-	-	-	(86,585)	-	469,848
Total fund balances	<u>2,340,673</u>	<u>1,239,346</u>	<u>1,274,874</u>	<u>879,697</u>	<u>210,558</u>	<u>(86,585)</u>	<u>131,555</u>	<u>5,990,118</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 2,481,461</u>	<u>\$ 1,307,315</u>	<u>\$ 1,280,394</u>	<u>\$ 895,522</u>	<u>\$ 260,372</u>	<u>\$ 97</u>	<u>\$ 134,781</u>	<u>\$ 6,359,942</u>

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet—Governmental Funds
to the Government-wide Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2024

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (page 12) are different because:

Total fund balances—governmental funds (page 14)	\$ 5,990,118
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund statements. The cost of the assets is \$21,771,663 and the accumulated depreciation is \$16,107,988.	5,663,675
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the fund statements:	
Deferred outflows related to employer contributions	\$ 265,808
Deferred outflows related to experience, changes of assumptions, investment earnings, and changes in proportion	1,068,370
Deferred inflows related to pension plans	<u>(681,998)</u> 652,180
Net accrued interest expense for serial bonds and bond anticipation notes is not reported in the fund statements.	(139,289)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the fund statements. The effects of these items are:	
Serial bonds	\$ (12,338,000)
Premium on serial bonds	(213,691)
Compensated absences	(542,330)
Net pension liability	<u>(1,292,634)</u> <u>(14,386,655)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ (2,219,971)</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balances—Governmental Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Special Revenue					Capital Projects	Total Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
	General	Highway	Fire District	Water District	Refuse and Garbage District			
REVENUES								
Real property taxes	\$ 1,005,788	\$ 1,429,152	\$ 506,875	\$ 887,596	\$ 669,459	\$ -	\$ 61,778	\$ 4,560,648
Real property tax items	13,899	2,857	-	-	-	-	123	16,879
Non-property tax items	1,399,455	70,000	-	-	-	-	-	1,469,455
Departmental income	513,847	-	-	5,373	5,295	-	-	524,515
Intergovernmental charges	6,500	152,863	750	1,528	-	-	-	161,641
Use of money and property	110,240	38,335	33,152	23,446	11,682	-	3,232	220,087
Sale of property and compensation for loss	32,688	2,865	-	-	-	-	-	35,553
Licenses and permits	64,735	-	-	-	-	-	-	64,735
Fines and forfeitures	101,278	-	-	-	-	-	-	101,278
Miscellaneous	79,955	32,661	8,403	-	-	-	16,419	137,438
State aid	246,043	330,681	-	-	-	34,194	-	610,918
Federal aid	530,734	-	-	-	-	-	-	530,734
Total revenues	<u>4,105,162</u>	<u>2,059,414</u>	<u>549,180</u>	<u>917,943</u>	<u>686,436</u>	<u>34,194</u>	<u>81,552</u>	<u>8,433,881</u>
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government support	1,033,585	-	-	-	615	-	-	1,034,200
Public safety	977,399	-	316,245	-	-	-	-	1,293,644
Health	145,824	-	-	-	-	-	-	145,824
Transportation	148,592	1,730,630	-	-	-	-	29,526	1,908,748
Economic assistance and opportunity	134,652	-	-	-	-	-	-	134,652
Culture and recreation	423,387	-	-	-	-	-	-	423,387
Home and community services	61,141	-	-	117,584	659,466	-	-	838,191
Employee benefits	481,858	301,937	754	-	-	-	-	784,549
Debt service:								
Principal	10,000	-	60,000	375,000	35,000	-	31,000	511,000
Interest and fiscal charges	2,850	-	4,275	406,800	525	-	4,650	419,100
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	930,735	-	930,735
Total expenditures	<u>3,419,288</u>	<u>2,032,567</u>	<u>381,274</u>	<u>899,384</u>	<u>695,606</u>	<u>930,735</u>	<u>65,176</u>	<u>8,424,030</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>685,874</u>	<u>26,847</u>	<u>167,906</u>	<u>18,559</u>	<u>(9,170)</u>	<u>(896,541)</u>	<u>16,376</u>	<u>9,851</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	-	809,654	-	809,654
Transfers out	<u>(759,654)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(809,654)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(759,654)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>809,654</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(73,780)	26,847	117,906	18,559	(9,170)	(86,887)	16,376	9,851
Fund balances—beginning	<u>2,414,453</u>	<u>1,212,499</u>	<u>1,156,968</u>	<u>861,138</u>	<u>219,728</u>	<u>302</u>	<u>115,179</u>	<u>5,980,267</u>
Fund balances—ending	<u>\$ 2,340,673</u>	<u>\$ 1,239,346</u>	<u>\$ 1,274,874</u>	<u>\$ 879,697</u>	<u>\$ 210,558</u>	<u>\$ (86,585)</u>	<u>\$ 131,555</u>	<u>\$ 5,990,118</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in
Fund Balances—Governmental Funds to the Government-wide Statement of Activities
Year Ended December 31, 2024

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (page 13) are different because:

Net change in fund balances—total governmental funds (page 16)	\$	9,851
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation expense and loss on disposal of assets in the current period.

Capital asset additions	\$ 1,138,191		
Depreciation expense	(457,666)		
Loss on disposal of assets	<u>(22,798)</u>		657,727

Net differences between pension contributions recognized on the fund financial statements and the government-wide financial statements are as follows:

Town pension contributions	\$ 337,921		
Cost of benefits earned net of employee contributions	<u>(538,384)</u>		(200,463)

In the statement of activities, interest expense is recognized as it accrues, regardless of when it is paid.		3,033
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The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized within the government-wide statements. Additionally, in the statement of activities, certain operating expenses are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). The net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and the related items is as follows:

Principal payments on serial bonds	\$ 511,000		
Amortization of premium on serial bonds	9,170		
Change in compensated absences	<u>(35,136)</u>		485,034

Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u>955,182</u>
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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Statement of Fiduciary Net Position—Custodial Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Custodial Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,863
Total assets	<u>26,863</u>
NET POSITION	
Restricted	<u>\$ 26,863</u>

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position—Custodial Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Custodial Fund</u>
ADDITIONS	
Funds collected on behalf of others	\$ 543
Total additions	<u>543</u>
DEDUCTIONS	
Funds distributed on behalf of others	<u>23,171</u>
Total deductions	<u>23,171</u>
Change in fiduciary net position	(22,628)
Net position—beginning	<u>49,491</u>
Net position—ending	<u><u>\$ 26,863</u></u>

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Notes to the Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the Town of Eden, New York (the “Town”) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Town’s accounting policies are described below.

Description of Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town. All fiduciary activities are reported only in the fund financial statements. *Governmental activities*, which are normally supported by taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions, are reported separately from *business-type* activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external customers for support. The Town reports no business-type activities. Likewise, the primary government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable. The Town reports no component units.

Reporting Entity

The Town is a unit of local government created by the State of New York. The Town operates under provisions of New York State law and various local laws. The five-member Town Board is the legislative body responsible for overall operations. The Supervisor serves as both Chief Executive Officer and Chief Fiscal Officer.

Independently elected officials of the Town include:

Supervisor	Town Clerk / Collector of Taxes
Council Members (4)	Superintendent of Highways
Town Justices (2)	

Units of local government which operate within the boundaries of the Town consist of the County of Erie. Public education is provided by the Eden Central School District.

Basis of Presentation—Government-Wide Financial Statements

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments in lieu of taxes where the amounts are reasonably equivalent in value to the interfund services provided and other charges between the government’s water and transit functions and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements

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

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

- *General Fund*—The General Fund constitutes the primary operating fund of the Town and includes all operations not required to be recorded in other funds. The principal source of revenue for the General Fund is non-property tax items.
- *Highway Fund*—The Highway Fund is used to record all revenues and expenditures related to road maintenance and construction throughout the Town. The major source of revenue for this fund is real property taxes.
- *Fire District Fund*—The Fire District Fund is used to record all revenues and expenditures related to operation and maintenance of the fire district. The major source of revenue for this fund is real property taxes.
- *Water District Fund*—The Water District Fund is used to record all revenues and expenditures related to operation and maintenance of the water district fund as well as for the payment of long-term debt principal and interest. The major source of revenue for this fund is real property taxes.
- *Refuse and Garbage District Fund*—The Refuse and Garbage Fund is used to record all revenues and expenditures related to the Town's garbage operations.
- *Capital Projects Fund*—The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition, construction or renovation of major capital facilities or equipment.

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund type:

- *Fiduciary Funds*—These funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. Fiduciary funds account for resources received and disbursements made in accordance with trust agreements or applicable legislative enactments for each particular fund. Fiduciary funds include the *Custodial Fund*. Activities reported in the fiduciary funds include monies held in trust, deposits that are to be returned, and payroll withholdings due to other entities.

During the course of operations the Town has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year-end are reported as due from/to other funds. While these balances are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Balances between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the governmental activities column.

Further, certain activity occurs during the year involving transfers of resources between funds. In the fund financial statements these amounts are reported at gross amounts as transfers in/out. While reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Transfers between the funds included in governmental

activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the governmental activities column.

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. For this purpose, the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt services expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, pensions 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 leases are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, non-property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, interest and state and federal aid associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Entitlements are recorded as revenues when all eligibility requirements are met and the amount is received during the period or within the period of availability. Expenditure driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other eligibility requirements are met and the amount is received during the period of availability. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Town.

The Custodial Fund is reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

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

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments—The Town's cash, cash equivalents and investments consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, time deposits and short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. The Town had no investments at December 31, 2024; however, when the Town does have investments it is the Town's policy to record them at fair value based on quoted market value.

Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents—Restricted cash and cash equivalents represent amounts to support restricted fund balance, future disbursements associated with unearned revenue and funds set aside for capital projects. The Town reported restricted cash and cash equivalents balances of \$2,312,898 and \$26,863 within governmental funds and the fiduciary fund, respectively.

Intergovernmental Receivables—Receivables include amounts due from state and federal governments and represent amounts owed to the Town to reimburse it for expenditures incurred pursuant to state and federally funded programs. Receivables are recorded and revenues recognized as earned. Allowances are recorded when appropriate.

Prepaid Items—Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded as expenses/expenditures when consumed rather than purchased.

Capital Assets—Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, buildings, building improvements, machinery and equipment, fire trucks, vehicles and infrastructure assets (e.g. roads, bridges, drainage systems and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Town as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$10,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of four years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if purchased or constructed. The reported value excludes normal maintenance and repairs, which are essentially amounts spent in relation to capital assets that do not increase the capacity or efficiency of the item or increase its estimated useful life. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of its donation. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are completed.

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. The other capital assets of the Town are depreciated using a straight-line, half-year convention, over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Vehicles	4-5
Machinery and equipment	10
Fire trucks	25
Buildings and improvements	20-50
Transportation network	50
Water treatment and distribution network	50

The *capital outlays* character classification is employed only for expenditures reported in the Capital Projects Fund. Routine capital expenditures in the General Fund and other governmental funds are included in the appropriate functional category (for example, the purchase of a new highway vehicle included as part of *expenditures—transportation*). At times, amounts reported as *capital outlays* in the Capital Projects Fund will also include non-capitalized, project-related costs (for example, furnishings).

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources—In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. At December 31, 2024, the Town has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category which is reported in the government-wide statements. This item represents the effect of the net change in the Town's proportion of the collective net pension liability, the difference during the measurement period between the Town's contributions and its proportionate share of the total contribution to the pension systems not included in the pension expense, and any contributions to the pension systems made subsequent to the measurement date.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. At December 31, 2024, the Town has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category which is reported in the government-wide statements. This item represents the effect of the net change in the Town's proportion of the collective net pension liability and the difference during the measurement periods between the Town's contributions, and its proportionate share of the total contributions to the pension systems not included in pension expense.

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 Assumptions—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 to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

Fund Balance Policies—Fund balance of governmental funds is reported in various categories based on the nature of any limitations requiring the use of resources for specific purposes. The Town itself can establish limitations on the use of resources through either a commitment (committed fund balance) or an assignment (assigned fund balance).

The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Town's highest level of decision-making authority. The Town Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the Town that can, by Town Board resolution prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the resolution remains in place until a similar action is taken (the adoption of another resolution) to remove or revise the limitation.

Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the Town for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The Town Board has by resolution authorized the Supervisor to assign fund balance. The Town Board may also assign fund balance, as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenues and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment. Conversely, as discussed above, an additional action is essential to either remove or revise a commitment.

Revenues and Expenditures

Program Revenues—The amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided and 2) grants and contributions (including special assessments) that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. All taxes, including those dedicated for specific purposes, and other internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Property Taxes—The Erie County Legislature prepares the levy in late December of each year and jointly bills the Town levy and Erie County real property taxes. Property taxes are levied and become a lien as of January 1st based on assessed property values as of that date.

On all taxes paid on or before March 15th, no addition will be made, but penalties will be added after that date as follows: if paid on or after March 15th to April 30th inclusive add 7.5%. On May 1st the 7.5% penalty fee is added to the levy, forming the base of the tax then due; thereafter, interest is added to the base at the rate of 1.5% per month on the 1st of each month, making 18.78% in all, when unpaid taxes are sold in November.

The tax roll is returned to the Erie County Commissioner of Finance after June 30th at which time all unpaid taxes and penalties are payable to that office. The Town retains their full tax levies for all unpaid items that are returned to the County. Thus, the Town is assured of receiving 100% of its tax levy. The County enforces all liens.

The Receiver of Taxes also bills and collects taxes for the Eden Central School District. Collections of the school district taxes and remittances of them are accounted for by the Receiver of Taxes, independent of Town operations.

Unearned Revenue—Certain revenues have not met the revenue recognition criteria for government-wide or fund financial purposes. At December 31, 2024, the Town reported unearned revenues in the Water District Fund in the amount of \$5,704. This amount represents resources which have been transmitted to the Town before the eligibility requirements have been met.

Compensated Absences—The Town labor agreements and Town Board rules and regulations provide for sick leave, vacations, and other miscellaneous paid absences in varying amounts. Upon retirement, certain eligible employees qualify for paid hospitalization insurance premiums and/or payment for fractional values of unused sick leave. These payments are budgeted annually without accrual.

Payment of compensated absences recorded in the government-wide financial statements is dependent on many factors; therefore, timing of future payments is not readily determinable. However, management believes that sufficient resources will be available for the payments of compensated absences when such payment becomes due.

Pension Plans—The Town is mandated by New York State law to participate in the New York State Police and Fire Retirement System (“PFRS”) and the New York State Local Employees’ Retirement System (“ERS”). For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the defined benefit pension plans, and changes thereof, have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the respective defined benefit pension plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. More information regarding pensions is included in Note 6.

Other

Estimates—The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncements—During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Town implemented the remainder of GASB Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*; GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*; and GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. GASB Statement No. 99 enhances comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement No. 53. GASB Statement No. 100 improves financial reporting by enhancing accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. GASB Statement No. 101 will result in a liability for compensated absences that more appropriately reflects when a government incurs an obligation. The implementation of GASB Statements No. 99, 100, and 101 did not have a material impact on the Town’s financial position or results from operations.

Future Impacts of Accounting Pronouncements—The Town has not completed the process of evaluating the impact that will result from adopting GASB Statements No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*, effective for the year ending December 31, 2025; and No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*; and No. 104, *Disclosure of Certain Capital Assets*, effective for the year ending December 31, 2026. The Town is, therefore, unable to disclose the impact that adopting GASB Statements No. 102, 103, and 104 will have on its financial position and results of operations when such statements are adopted.

Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

Legal Compliance—Budgets—The Town follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the basic financial statements:

- Prior to September 30th, the Town Supervisor files a “tentative” budget with the Town Clerk for the following fiscal year to commence on January 1st. This budget, which includes appropriations and estimated revenues, is then presented to the full Town Board by October 5th.
- The full Town Board reviews the tentative budget and may adjust same before approving a “preliminary” budget and calling for a public hearing, which is generally held in October.
- Following the public hearing, revisions may again be made by the Town Board before filing an adopted budget with Erie County by November 20th.
- Formal annual budgetary accounts are employed as a management control device for the General and Special Revenue Funds.
- During the fiscal year, the Town Board can legally amend the operating budgets and is empowered to implement supplemental appropriations. Budget amendments are required for the departmental budgetary control. All budget amendments and budget transfers require Town Board approval.

Deficit Fund Balance—At December 31, 2024, the Town’s Capital Projects Fund reported a fund balance deficit of \$(86,585) primarily due to capital outlay expenditures exceeding available resources. This deficit will be eliminated as resources are obtained through qualifying grants or transfers in from other funds.

Deficit Net Position—At December 31, 2024, the Town’s governmental activities had a total net position of \$(2,219,971) due primarily to the Town’s long-term commitments including bonds payable and net pension liability that are greater than currently available resources.

2. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

The Town’s investment policies are governed by State statutes. In addition, the Town has its own written investment policy. Town monies must be deposited in FDIC-insured commercial banks or trust companies located within New York State. The Town is authorized to use demand accounts and certificates of deposit. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements, and obligations of New York State or its localities.

Collateral is required for demand deposit accounts, time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit at 100 percent of all deposits not covered by Federal deposit insurance. The Town has entered into custodial agreements with the various banks which hold their deposits. These agreements authorize the obligation that may be pledged as collateral. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are outlined in Chapter 623 of the laws of the State of New York.

Cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2024 are as follows:

	Governmental Funds	Custodial Fund	Total
Petty cash (uncollateralized)	\$ 555	\$ -	\$ 555
Deposits	5,877,587	26,863	5,904,450
Total	<u>\$ 5,878,142</u>	<u>\$ 26,863</u>	<u>\$ 5,905,005</u>

Deposits—All deposits are carried at fair value, and are classified by custodial credit risk at December 31, 2024 as follows:

	Bank Balance	Carrying Amount
FDIC insured	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Uninsured:		
Collateral held by pledging bank's agent in the Town's name	5,590,646	5,404,450
Total	<u>\$ 6,090,646</u>	<u>\$ 5,904,450</u>

Custodial Credit Risk—Deposits—Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town’s deposits may not be returned to it. As noted above, by State Statute all deposits in excess of FDIC insurance coverage must be collateralized. At December 31, 2024, the Town’s deposits were either FDIC insured or collateralized with securities held by the pledging bank’s agent in the Town’s name.

Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents—The Town reports amounts set aside for capital projects and amounts to support unearned revenue and restricted fund balances as restricted cash and cash equivalents. The Town reported restricted cash and cash equivalents balances of \$2,312,898 and \$26,863 within the governmental funds and the Custodial Fund, respectively.

Investments—The Town had no investments at December 31, 2024.

Interest Rate Risk—In accordance with its investment policy, the Town manages exposures by limiting investments to low risk type investments governed by New York State statute.

3. RECEIVABLES

Revenues accrued by the Town at December 31, 2024 consisted of the following:

Receivables—Represents amounts due from various sources. The Town's significant accounts receivable at December 31, 2024 are presented below:

General Fund:		
Town Clerk fees and charges	\$	5,979
Court fines and fees		8,620
Cable franchise fees		26,278
Other		4,749
	\$	45,626
Water District Fund:		
Other		564
Refuse and Garbage District Fund:		
Other		350
Total governmental funds	\$	46,540

Intergovernmental Receivables—Represents amounts due from other units of government, such as Federal, New York State, County of Erie or other local governments. Significant intergovernmental receivables at December 31, 2024 are presented below:

General Fund:		
Erie County - sales tax	\$	185,031
Eden Schools SRO reimbursement		23,975
New York State		18,090
	\$	227,096
Highway Fund:		
New York State		77,930
Fire District Fund:		
Erie County		250
Total governmental funds	\$	305,276

4. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the Town's governmental activities for the year ended December 31, 2024 was as follows:

	Balance 1/1/2024	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12/31/2024
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 212,152	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 212,152
Construction in progress	40,525	898,195	-	938,720
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>252,677</u>	<u>898,195</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,150,872</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Vehicles	1,836,169	113,638	89,214	1,860,593
Machinery and equipment	2,539,306	126,358	-	2,665,664
Fire trucks	2,754,008	-	-	2,754,008
Buildings and improvements	4,867,482	-	-	4,867,482
Transportation network	7,631,061	-	-	7,631,061
Water treatment and distribution network	841,983	-	-	841,983
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>20,470,009</u>	<u>239,996</u>	<u>89,214</u>	<u>20,620,791</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Vehicles	1,605,677	103,125	66,416	1,642,386
Machinery and equipment	1,499,092	168,212	-	1,667,304
Fire trucks	1,787,802	83,410	-	1,871,212
Buildings and improvements	3,304,438	63,830	-	3,368,268
Transportation network	7,310,106	15,011	-	7,325,117
Water treatment and distribution network	209,623	24,078	-	233,701
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>15,716,738</u>	<u>457,666</u>	<u>66,416</u>	<u>16,107,988</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>4,753,271</u>	<u>(217,670)</u>	<u>22,798</u>	<u>4,512,803</u>
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 5,005,948</u>	<u>\$ 680,525</u>	<u>\$ 22,798</u>	<u>\$ 5,663,675</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to the functions and programs of governmental activities as follows:

General government support	\$ 65,448
Public safety	195,638
Transportation	139,870
Culture and recreation	1,178
Home and community services	55,532
Total	<u>\$ 457,666</u>

5. ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities reported by governmental funds at December 31, 2024 were as follows:

	General Fund	Highway Fund	Fire District Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 56,094	\$ 37,209	\$ 419	\$ 93,722
Total accrued liabilities	<u>\$ 56,094</u>	<u>\$ 37,209</u>	<u>\$ 419</u>	<u>\$ 93,722</u>

6. PENSION PLANS

Police and Fire Retirement System (“PFRS”) and Employees’ Retirement System (“ERS”)—The Town participates in the PFRS and ERS (the “Systems”). These are cost-sharing multiple employer retirement systems. The Systems provide retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. The net position of the Systems are held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the “Fund”), which was established to hold all assets and record changes in fiduciary net position allocated to the Systems. The Comptroller of the State of New York serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of the Systems. System benefits are established under the provisions of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (“NYSRSSL”). Once a public employer elects to participate in the System, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The Town also participates in the Public Employees’ Group Life Insurance Plan (“GLIP”), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The Systems are included in the State’s financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regards to benefits provided, may be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

The Systems are noncontributory, except for employees who joined the ERS after July 27, 1976 who contribute three percent (3%) of their salary for the first ten years of membership, and employees who joined on or after January 1, 2010 (ERS) or January 9, 2010 (PFRS), who generally contribute three percent (3%) to three and one half percent (3.5%) of their salary for their entire length of service. In addition, employee contribution rates under ERS Tier VI vary based on a sliding salary scale. The Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers’ contributions based on salaries paid during the System’s fiscal year ending March 31.

Pension Liability, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions—At December 31, 2024, the Town reported the following liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for PFRS and ERS. The net pension liability were measured as of March 31, 2024. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability were determined by actuarial valuations as of April 1, 2023, with updated procedures used to roll forward the total net pension liability to the measurement date. The Town’s proportion of the net pension liability were based on a projection of the Town’s long-term share of contributions to the Systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the Systems in reports provided to the Town.

	PFRS	ERS
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2024
Net pension liability	\$ 466,317	\$ 826,317
Town's portion of the Plan's total net pension liability	0.0098320%	0.0056120%

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Town recognized pension expenses of \$161,927 and \$376,209 respectively, for PFRS and ERS. At December 31, 2024, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the sources shown below:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
	PFRS	ERS	PFRS	ERS
Differences between expected and actual experiences	\$ 143,666	\$ 266,156	\$ -	\$ 22,532
Changes of assumptions	175,895	312,412	-	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	-	126,582	403,652
Changes in proportion and differences between the Town's contributions and proportionate share of contributions	83,463	86,778	111,418	17,814
Town contributions subsequent to the measurement date	77,489	188,319	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 480,513</u>	<u>\$ 853,665</u>	<u>\$ 238,000</u>	<u>\$ 443,998</u>

Town contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	PFRS	ERS
2025	\$ (37,085)	\$ (136,008)
2026	135,757	178,136
2027	61,020	256,314
2028	(18,471)	(77,094)
2029	23,803	-

Actuarial Assumptions—The total pension liability as of the measurement date were determined by using actuarial valuations as noted in the table on the following page, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liabilities to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the actuarial assumptions are shown on the following page.

	ERS	PFRS
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2024
Actuarial valuation date	April 1, 2023	April 1, 2023
Interest rate	5.90%	5.90%
Salary scale	4.40%	6.20%
Decrement tables	April 1, 2015- March 31, 2020	April 1, 2015- March 31, 2020
Inflation rate	2.90%	2.90%
Cost-of-living adjustments	1.40%	1.40%

Annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020 System’s experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries’ Scale MP-2021. The actuarial assumptions used in the April 1, 2023 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020.

The long-term rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns net of 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 each the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation are summarized below:

	PFRS and ERS	
	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	
Asset class:		
Domestic equities	32.0 %	4.0 %
International equities	15.0	6.7
Private equity	10.0	7.3
Real estate	9.0	4.6
Opportunistics/Absolute return strategies	3.0	5.3
Credit	4.0	5.4
Real assets	3.0	5.8
Fixed income	23.0	1.5
Cash	1.0	0.3
Total	100 %	

Discount Rate—The discount rate used to calculate the total pension liabilities was 5.9%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially. Based upon the assumptions, the Systems’ 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 liabilities.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to the Discount Rate Assumption—The chart presented below presents the Town’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 5.9%, as well as what the Town’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage-point lower (4.9%) or one percentage-point higher (6.9%) than the current assumption.

	1% Decrease (4.9%)	Current Assumption (5.9%)	1% Increase (6.9%)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)—PFRS	\$ 1,089,891	\$ 466,317	\$ (48,847)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)—ERS	2,598,026	826,317	(653,427)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position—The components of the current-year net pension liabilities of the employers as of the respective valuation dates, were as follows:

	(Dollars in Thousands)		
	PFRS	ERS	Total
Valuation date	April 1, 2023	April 1, 2023	
Employers' total pension liability	\$ 46,137,717	\$ 240,696,851	\$ 286,834,568
Plan fiduciary net position	41,394,895	225,972,801	267,367,696
Employers' net pension liability	<u>\$ 4,742,822</u>	<u>\$ 14,724,050</u>	<u>\$ 19,466,872</u>
System fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	89.7%	93.9%	93.2%

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town purchases commercial insurance for: property coverage, general liability coverage, automobile coverage, inland marine coverage, volunteer emergency services management liability coverage and umbrella coverage. The Town also purchases owners’ & contractors’ protective coverage insurance, public officials/police professional liability insurance, cyber privacy and liability insurance and crime insurance. There have been no significant reduction in the levels of this commercial insurance from the prior year, nor have there been any settlements which exceeded insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

Property insurance is limited based on scheduled locations. The general liability insurance is limited to \$1 million per occurrence, with a \$3 million annual aggregate limit. Automobile insurance is limited to \$1 million per accident. Inland marine coverage has various limits for each individually scheduled property and equipment. Volunteer emergency services management liability insurance is limited to \$1 million per occurrence, with a \$1 million annual aggregate limit. Umbrella coverage is limited to \$5 million per occurrence with a \$5 million annual aggregate limit. The owners’ and contractors’ protective liability insurance and the public officials insurance each are limited to \$1 million per occurrence with a \$2 million annual aggregate limit. The police professional liability insurance is limited to \$1 million per occurrence, with a \$1 million annual aggregate limit. Cyber

privacy and liability insurance is limited based on type of incident. The Town also carries commercial crime insurance with a \$50,000 limit for employee theft and premises theft.

8. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position.

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. Further, the unmatured principal of general long-term debt does not require current appropriation and expenditure of governmental fund financial resources. The Town's outstanding long-term liabilities include bonds payable, compensated absences, and net pension liability. The serial bonds of the Town are secured by its general credit and revenue raising powers, as per State statute. A summary of changes in the Town's long-term liabilities at December 31, 2024 is presented below:

	Balance 1/1/2024	Additions	Reductions	Balance 12/31/2024	Due Within One Year
Serial bonds	\$ 12,849,000	\$ -	\$ 511,000	\$ 12,338,000	\$ 491,000
Premium on serial bonds	222,861	-	9,170	213,691	9,170
Bonds payable	13,071,861	-	520,170	12,551,691	500,170
Compensated absences*	507,194	35,136	-	542,330	27,117
Net pension liability*	1,461,192	-	168,558	1,292,634	-
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 15,040,247</u>	<u>\$ 35,136</u>	<u>\$ 688,728</u>	<u>\$ 14,386,655</u>	<u>\$ 527,287</u>

*(additions/reductions to the net pension liability and compensated absences are shown net of additions/reductions)

Serial Bonds—The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition, construction, and renovation of major capital facilities. Bonds issued by the Water District Fund were used for acquisition, construction, and renovation of the Town's water treatment and distribution network. While the debt is maintained and paid by the Water District Fund, these capital assets have been transferred to the Erie County Water Authority. General obligation bonds have been issued for governmental activities. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the Town. These bonds generally are issued as serial bonds with equal amounts of principal maturing each year with original maturities ranging from 5 to 32 years.

Principal is paid annually, interest is paid semi-annually; these payments are recorded in the associated fund. A summary of additions and payments for the year ended December 31, 2024, is presented on the following page.

Description	Original Issue	Interest Rate (%)	Issue/ Maturity	Balance 1/1/2024	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12/31/2024	Within One Year
General Fund:								
Public improvements	\$ 138,000	2.00-3.50%	2019/2049	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 15,000
Total General Fund				100,000	-	10,000	90,000	15,000
Fire District Fund:								
Reconstruction and improvements	665,000	0.60-2.85%	2013/2026	180,000	-	60,000	120,000	60,000
Total Fire District Fund				180,000	-	60,000	120,000	60,000
Water District Fund:								
Public improvements	7,245,000	2.00-5.00%	2016/2048	6,175,000	-	180,000	5,995,000	185,000
Public improvements	6,835,000	2.00-3.50%	2019/2049	6,235,000	-	195,000	6,040,000	200,000
Total Water District Fund				12,410,000	-	375,000	12,035,000	385,000
Refuse and Garbage District:								
Public improvements	170,000	2.00-3.50%	2019/2049	35,000	-	35,000	-	-
Total Refuse and Garbage District				35,000	-	35,000	-	-
Other Nonmajor Funds:								
Street Lighting LED Project	155,000	3.75%	2022/2027	124,000	-	31,000	93,000	31,000
Total Other Nonmajor Funds				124,000	-	31,000	93,000	31,000
Total				\$ 12,849,000	\$ -	\$ 511,000	\$ 12,338,000	\$ 491,000

Premium on Serial Bonds—Previously, the Town issued refunding serial bonds at a premium. The premium is being amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the bonds. The total unamortized premium as of December 31, 2024 was \$213,691, of which \$17,095 is related to Water District bonds.

Compensated Absences—As described in Note 1, the Town records the value of compensated absences in the government-wide financial statements. The annual budgets of the respective funds of which the employees' payroll is recorded provide for these benefits as they become due. Typically, the General Fund and Highway Fund have been used in prior years to liquidate the current liability. The liability for compensated absences at December 31, 2024 amounts to \$542,330. While the payments of compensated absences are dependent upon many factors, the Town has estimated that \$27,117 will become due within one year. Since payment of compensated absences is dependent upon many factors, the timing of future payments is not readily available.

Net Pension Liability—The Town reports a liability totaling \$1,292,634 for its proportionate share of the net pension liabilities for the Police and Fire Retirement System and Employees' Retirement System. Typically, the General Fund and Highway Fund have been used to liquidate this liability within the governmental funds. Refer to Note 6 for additional information related to the Town's net pension liabilities.

A maturity schedule of the Town's indebtedness is presented below:

Year ending December 31,	Serial Bonds	Premium on Serial Bonds	Compensated Absences	Net Pension Liability	Total
2025	\$ 491,000	\$ 9,170	\$ 27,117	\$ -	\$ 527,287
2026	501,000	9,170	-	-	510,170
2027	451,000	9,170	-	-	460,170
2028	440,000	9,170	-	-	449,170
2029	450,000	9,170	-	-	459,170
2030-2034	2,470,000	45,850	-	-	2,515,850
2035-2039	2,775,000	45,850	-	-	2,820,850
2040-2044	2,635,000	45,850	-	-	2,680,850
2045-2049	2,125,000	30,291	515,213	1,292,634	3,963,138
Total	\$ 12,338,000	\$ 213,691	\$ 542,330	\$ 1,292,634	\$ 14,386,655

Interest requirements on serial bonds payable are as follows:

December 31,	Interest
2025	\$ 403,903
2026	387,005
2027	370,613
2028	354,125
2029	337,975
2030-2034	1,426,903
2035-2039	996,675
2040-2044	557,160
2045-2049	163,961
Total	<u>\$ 4,998,320</u>

9. NET POSITION AND FUND BALANCE

The government-wide financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted.

- ***Net Investment in Capital Assets***—This category groups all capital assets including infrastructure, into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduce the balance in this category. A reconciliation of the Town's governmental activities net investment in capital assets is presented below:

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 5,663,675
Related debt:	
Serial bonds related to Town owned assets	(303,000)
Unamortized bond premium	(196,596)
Capital Projects Fund accounts payable	(21,024)
Retainage payable	(32,539)
Net investment in capital assets	<u>\$ 5,110,516</u>

- ***Restricted Net Position***—This category presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions and enabling legislation.
- ***Unrestricted Net Position***—This category represents the net position of the Town not restricted for any project or other purpose.

In the fund financial statements, nonspendable amounts represent net current financial resources that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Nonspendable fund balance maintained by the Town at December 31, 2024 are shown below.

- ***Prepaid Items***—Representing the portion of fund balance, \$63,609 and \$25,003, composed of prepaid items for the General Fund and Highway Fund, respectively. This balance is nonspendable as the balance does not represent an available source.

In the fund financial statements, restricted fund balances are amounts constrained to specific purposes (such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments) through constitutional provisions or by enabling legislation. Restricted fund balances of the Town at December 31, 2024 include:

- ***Restricted for Debt***—Represents unspent debt proceeds.
- ***Restricted for Equipment and Capital Improvements***—Represents funds accumulated to finance all or part of the cost of construction, reconstruction or acquisition of specific items or types of capital improvements or acquisition of specific items or types of equipment.
- ***Restricted for Repairs***—Represents funds accumulated to pay the cost of certain repairs of capital improvements or equipment. The repairs must be of a type not recurring annually or at shorter intervals.
- ***Restricted for Emergency Medical Services***—Represents funds received from revenues required to be used towards providing Eden Emergency Squad with the ambulance vehicles, equipment, facilities, and an annual budgeted payment to reimburse them for various expenditures.
- ***Restricted for Commercial Permit Fees***—Represents funds received from revenues related to commercial permits fees to be used towards related expenditures.

In the fund financial statements, commitments are amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint imposed by a formal action of the Town's highest level of decision-making authority. At December 31, 2024, the Town reported no committed fund balance.

In the fund financial statements, assignments are not legally required segregations but are segregated for a specific purpose by the Town at December 31, 2024 and include the following:

- ***Assigned to Subsequent Year's Expenditures***—Represents available fund balance being appropriated to meet expenditure requirements in the 2025 fiscal year.
- ***Assigned to Encumbrances***—Represents funds accumulated for commitments related to unperformed contracts or purchase orders for goods or services.
- ***Assigned to Sick Pay***—Represents funds that management intends to use as a financing source for future sick pay expenditures.
- ***Assigned to Equipment and Improvements***—Represents funds that management intends to use for facility improvements.
- ***Assigned for Recreation***—Represents funds accumulated to pay the cost of certain recreation activities.
- ***Assigned for Garbage Totes***—Represents funds held to pay for the cost of new garbage totes.
- ***Assigned to Specific Use***—Represents fund balance within the special revenue funds that is assigned for a specific purpose. The assignment's purpose relates to each fund's operations and represents amounts within funds that are not restricted or committed.

Unassigned fund balance represents the residual classification of the government's General Fund surplus and surplus fund balance.

If the Town must use funds for emergency expenditures, the Board shall authorize the Supervisor to expend funds first from funds classified under GASB as nonspendable (if the funds become available) then restricted funds. The use of committed and assigned funds as classified by GASB will occur after the exhaustion of available restricted funds. Finally, if no other funds are available, the Town will use unassigned fund balance.

10. INTERFUND BALANCES AND ACTIVITY

Interfund receivables and payables are short term in nature and exist because of temporary advances or payments made on behalf of other funds. All interfund balances are expected to be collected/paid within the ensuing year.

Interfund receivables and payables of the Town as of, and for the year ended December 31, 2024 are presented below:

Fund	Interfund	
	Receivables	Payables
Governmental funds:		
General Fund	\$ 8,253	\$ -
Highway Fund	33,119	7,716
Fire District Fund	-	537
Capital Projects Fund	-	33,119
Total	<u>\$ 41,372</u>	<u>\$ 41,372</u>

Transfers of the Town as of, and for the year ended December 31, 2024 are presented on below.

Fund	Transfers in	Transfers out
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 759,654
Fire District Fund	-	50,000
Capital Project Fund	809,654	-
Total	<u>\$ 809,654</u>	<u>\$ 809,654</u>

During the year, operating transfers from the General Fund and Fire District Fund to the Capital Projects Fund are utilized to provide funding toward capital projects.

11. LABOR CONTRACTS

Town employees are represented by two bargaining units with the balance governed by Town Board rules and regulations. The Highway Employee Association and the Police Club have contracts through December 31, 2025, respectively.

12. COMMITMENTS

Encumbrances—Encumbrances are commitments related to unperformed (executory) contracts for goods or services (i.e., purchase orders, contracts, and commitments). Encumbrance accounting is utilized to the extent necessary to assure effective budgetary control and accountability and to facilitate effective cash planning and control. While all appropriations and encumbrances lapse at year-end, valid outstanding encumbrances (those for which performance under the executory contract is expended in the next year) are re-appropriate and become part of the subsequent year's budget pursuant to state regulations.

The Town assigned \$7,445 of fund balance for encumbrances at December 31, 2024. The Town considers encumbrances to be significant for amounts that are encumbered in excess of \$5,000. The Town does not report any significant encumbrances as of December 31, 2024.

13. CONTINGENCIES

Litigation—The Town is involved in litigation in the ordinary course of its operations. The Town believes that its ultimate liability, if any, in connection with these matters will not have a material effect on the Town's financial condition or results of operations.

Grants—In the normal course of operations, the Town receives grant funds from various Federal and State agencies. These grant programs are subject to audit by agents of the granting authority, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting of funds. Any disallowed expenditures resulting from such audits could become a liability of the governmental funds. While the amount of any expenditures which may be disallowed cannot be determined at this time, management expects any amounts to be immaterial.

Assessments—The Town is a defendant in various litigation under Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York to review tax assessments. While the Town vigorously defends assessments, the likelihood of success is on a case by case basis, and is dependent upon various factors including market values and appraised amounts. Management believes that the level of potential losses on these cases, if any, would be immaterial and no provisions have been made within the financial statements.

14. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 14, 2025, which is the date the financial statements are available for issuance, and have determined there are no subsequent events that require disclosure under generally accepted accounting principles.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the
Net Pension Liability—Police and Fire Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Year Ended December 31,									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2017	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015
Town's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0098320%	0.0075436%	0.0100078%	0.0108762%	0.0062362%	0.0092498%	0.0090629%	0.0086777%	0.0113839%	0.0102555%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>\$ 466,317</u>	<u>\$ 415,687</u>	<u>\$ 56,849</u>	<u>\$ 188,841</u>	<u>\$ 333,323</u>	<u>\$ 155,125</u>	<u>\$ 91,604</u>	<u>\$ 179,858</u>	<u>\$ 337,054</u>	<u>\$ 28,229</u>
Town's covered payroll	343,111	297,103	245,727	\$ 245,257	\$ 305,777	\$ 338,607	\$ 341,256	\$ 328,949	\$ 318,914	\$ 323,651
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	135.9%	139.9%	23.1%	77.0%	109.0%	45.8%	26.8%	54.7%	105.7%	8.7%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	89.7%	87.4%	98.7%	95.8%	84.9%	95.1%	96.9%	93.5%	90.2%	99.0%

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of the Town's Contributions—
Police and Fire Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	2024	2023	2022	2021	Year Ended December 31,		2018	2017	2016	2015
					2020	2019				
Contractually required contribution	97,377	75,586	65,349	72,768	82,213	87,957	86,443	\$ 86,389	\$ 83,210	\$ 88,503
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(97,377)	(75,586)	(65,349)	(72,768)	(82,213)	(87,957)	(86,443)	(86,389)	(83,210)	(88,503)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Town's covered payroll	\$ 451,502	\$ 332,798	\$ 264,039	\$ 237,298	\$ 277,897	\$ 283,279	\$ 354,669	\$ 343,165	\$ 320,949	\$ 333,210
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	21.6%	22.7%	24.7%	30.7%	29.6%	31.0%	24.4%	25.2%	25.9%	26.6%

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the
Net Pension Liability/(Asset)—Employees' Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Year Ended December 31,									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Measurement date	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2019	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2017	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015
Town's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0056120%	0.0048755%	0.0044517%	0.0044328%	0.0048191%	0.0047250%	0.0047494%	0.0048356%	0.0051133%	0.0055177%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>\$ 826,317</u>	<u>\$ 1,045,505</u>	<u>\$ (363,908)</u>	<u>\$ 4,414</u>	<u>\$ 1,276,119</u>	<u>\$ 334,782</u>	<u>\$ 153,286</u>	<u>\$ 454,367</u>	<u>\$ 820,700</u>	<u>\$ 186,401</u>
Town's covered-employee payroll	1,647,680	1,620,177	1,460,468	\$ 1,335,973	\$ 1,398,759	\$ 1,389,068	\$ 1,340,056	\$ 1,287,366	\$ 1,224,191	\$ 1,264,701
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	50.2%	64.5%	(24.9%)	0.3%	91.2%	24.1%	11.4%	35.3%	67.0%	14.7%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	93.9%	90.8%	103.7%	100.0%	86.4%	96.3%	98.2%	94.7%	90.7%	97.9%

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of the Town's Contributions—
Employees' Retirement System
Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Year Ended December 31,									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	240,544	198,832	180,859	213,644	200,671	196,385	193,446	\$ 188,895	\$ 193,344	\$ 230,960
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(240,544)	(198,832)	(180,859)	(213,644)	(200,671)	(196,385)	(193,446)	(188,895)	(193,344)	(230,960)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Town's covered payroll	\$ 1,689,791	\$ 1,640,032	\$ 1,533,133	\$ 1,436,300	\$ 1,329,192	\$ 1,412,198	\$ 1,369,710	\$ 1,315,369	\$ 1,280,180	\$ 1,284,648
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.2%	12.1%	11.8%	14.9%	15.1%	13.9%	14.1%	14.4%	15.1%	18.0%

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances—
Budget and Actual—General Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Real property taxes	\$ 1,003,867	\$ 1,003,867	\$ 1,005,788	\$ 1,921
Real property tax items	11,000	11,000	13,899	2,899
Non-property tax items	1,380,000	1,380,000	1,399,455	19,455
Departmental income	271,960	486,628	513,847	27,219
Intergovernmental charges	6,500	6,500	6,500	-
Use of money and property	42,480	42,480	110,240	67,760
Sale of property and compensation for loss	-	31,451	32,688	1,237
Licenses and permits	59,000	59,000	64,735	5,735
Fines and forfeitures	96,000	96,000	101,278	5,278
Miscellaneous	42,000	73,000	79,955	6,955
State aid	126,600	224,516	246,043	21,527
Federal aid	-	530,734	530,734	-
Total revenues	<u>3,039,407</u>	<u>3,945,176</u>	<u>4,105,162</u>	<u>159,986</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government support	980,489	1,065,401	1,033,585	31,816
Public safety	813,366	992,801	977,399	15,402
Health	169,000	145,923	145,824	99
Transportation	148,617	148,617	148,592	25
Economic assistance and opportunity	44,500	165,331	134,652	30,679
Culture and recreation	409,656	466,071	423,387	42,684
Home and community services	40,000	69,149	61,141	8,008
Employee benefits	487,500	487,500	481,858	5,642
Debt service:				
Principal	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>2,850</u>	<u>2,850</u>	<u>2,850</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>3,105,978</u>	<u>3,553,643</u>	<u>3,419,288</u>	<u>134,355</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>(66,571)</u>	<u>391,533</u>	<u>685,874</u>	<u>294,341</u>
OTHER FINANCING (USES)				
Transfers out	<u>(100,000)</u>	<u>(759,654)</u>	<u>(759,654)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing (uses)	<u>(100,000)</u>	<u>(759,654)</u>	<u>(759,654)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances*	(166,571)	(368,121)	(73,780)	294,341
Fund balances—beginning	<u>2,414,453</u>	<u>2,414,453</u>	<u>2,414,453</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances—ending	<u>\$ 2,247,882</u>	<u>\$ 2,046,332</u>	<u>\$ 2,340,673</u>	<u>\$ 294,341</u>

* The net change in fund balances was included in the budget as an appropriation (i.e., spenddown) of fund balance and re-appropriation of prior year encumbrances.

The note to the required supplementary information is an integral part of this schedule.

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances—
Budget and Actual—Highway Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Real property taxes	\$ 1,426,400	\$ 1,426,400	\$ 1,429,152	\$ 2,752
Real property tax items	-	-	2,857	2,857
Non-property tax items	70,000	70,000	70,000	-
Intergovernmental charges	149,000	149,000	152,863	3,863
Use of money and property	19,000	19,000	38,335	19,335
Sale of property and compensation for loss	-	903	2,865	1,962
Miscellaneous	-	29,812	32,661	2,849
State aid	245,000	319,990	330,681	10,691
Total revenues	1,909,400	2,015,105	2,059,414	44,309
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Transportation	1,633,500	1,852,452	1,730,630	121,822
Employee benefits	315,900	315,900	301,937	13,963
Total expenditures	1,949,400	2,168,352	2,032,567	135,785
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(40,000)	(153,247)	26,847	180,094
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	(160,000)	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(160,000)	-	-	-
Net change in fund balances*	(200,000)	(153,247)	26,847	180,094
Fund balances—beginning	1,212,499	1,212,499	1,212,499	-
Fund balances—ending	\$ 1,012,499	\$ 1,059,252	\$ 1,239,346	\$ 180,094

* The net change in fund balances was included in the budget as an appropriation (i.e., spenddown) of fund balance.

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances—
Budget and Actual—Fire District Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Real property taxes	\$ 506,875	\$ 506,875	\$ 506,875	\$ -
Intergovernmental charges	-	-	750	750
Use of money and property	-	-	33,152	33,152
Miscellaneous	-	7,500	8,403	903
Total revenues	<u>506,875</u>	<u>514,375</u>	<u>549,180</u>	<u>34,805</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Public safety	247,338	318,522	316,245	2,277
Employee benefits	700	755	754	1
Debt service:				
Principal	60,000	60,000	60,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>4,275</u>	<u>4,275</u>	<u>4,275</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>312,313</u>	<u>383,552</u>	<u>381,274</u>	<u>2,278</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>194,562</u>	<u>130,823</u>	<u>167,906</u>	<u>37,083</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers out	<u>(199,500)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(199,500)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances*	(4,938)	80,823	117,906	37,083
Fund balances—beginning	<u>1,156,968</u>	<u>1,156,968</u>	<u>1,156,968</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances—ending	<u>\$ 1,152,030</u>	<u>\$ 1,237,791</u>	<u>\$ 1,274,874</u>	<u>\$ 37,083</u>

* The net change in fund balances was included in the budget as a re-appropriation of prior year encumbrances.

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances—
Budget and Actual—Water District Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance with</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>
REVENUES				
Real property taxes	\$ 887,596	\$ 887,596	\$ 887,596	\$ -
Departmental income	-	4,800	5,373	573
Intergovernmental charges	1,528	1,528	1,528	-
Use of money and property	-	-	23,446	23,446
Total revenues	<u>889,124</u>	<u>893,924</u>	<u>917,943</u>	<u>24,019</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Home and community services	111,799	117,585	117,584	1
Debt service:				
Principal	373,192	375,001	375,000	1
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>405,393</u>	<u>406,800</u>	<u>406,800</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>890,384</u>	<u>899,386</u>	<u>899,384</u>	<u>2</u>
Net change in fund balances*	(1,260)	(5,462)	18,559	24,021
Fund balances—beginning	<u>861,138</u>	<u>861,138</u>	<u>861,138</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances—ending	<u>\$ 859,878</u>	<u>\$ 855,676</u>	<u>\$ 879,697</u>	<u>\$ 24,021</u>

* The net change in fund balances was included in the budget as an appropriation (i.e., spenddown) of fund balance.

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances—
Budget and Actual—Refuse and Garbage District Fund
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Real property taxes	\$ 669,459	\$ 669,459	\$ 669,459	\$ -
Departmental income	4,700	4,700	5,295	595
Use of money and property	6,000	6,000	11,682	5,682
Total revenues	<u>680,159</u>	<u>680,159</u>	<u>686,436</u>	<u>6,277</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General governmental support	615	615	615	-
Home and community services	644,019	662,769	659,466	3,303
Debt service:				
Principal	35,000	35,000	35,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	525	525	525	-
Total expenditures	<u>680,159</u>	<u>698,909</u>	<u>695,606</u>	<u>3,303</u>
Net change in fund balances	-	(18,750)	(9,170)	2,974
Fund balances—beginning	<u>219,728</u>	<u>219,728</u>	<u>219,728</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances—ending	<u>\$ 219,728</u>	<u>\$ 200,978</u>	<u>\$ 210,558</u>	<u>\$ 2,974</u>

The note to the required supplementary information is an integral part of this schedule.

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Note to the Required Supplementary Information
Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Budgetary Basis of Accounting—Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America for all governmental funds, with the exception of the Capital Projects Fund and Special Purpose Fund. The Capital Projects Fund and Special Purpose Fund do not have appropriated budgets since there are other means to control the use of these resources (e.g., grant awards) and sometimes span a period of more than one year.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund, function and department. The Town's department heads may make transfers of appropriations within a department. Transfers of appropriations between departments require the approval of the Town Board. The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is at the department level.

Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year even if they have related encumbrances.

Actual results of operations presented in accordance with GAAP and the Town's accounting policies do not recognize encumbrances and restricted fund balance as expenditures until the period in which the actual goods or services are received and a liability is incurred. Encumbrances are only reported on the balance sheet of the governmental funds included within restricted, committed or assigned fund balance. Significant encumbrances, if any, are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The General Fund and Fire District Fund original budgets for the year ended December 31, 2024 included encumbrances from the prior year of \$1,571 and \$4,938, respectively.

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TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Combining Balance Sheet—Nonmajor Governmental Funds
December 31, 2024

	<u>Special Revenue</u>			Total
	<u>Drainage</u>	<u>Special Purpose</u>	<u>Street Lighting</u>	<u>Nonmajor Funds</u>
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 32,845	\$ 76,163	\$ 25,773	\$ 134,781
Total assets	<u>\$ 32,845</u>	<u>\$ 76,163</u>	<u>\$ 25,773</u>	<u>\$ 134,781</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,663	\$ 2,663
Intergovernmental payables	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>563</u>
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,226</u>	<u>3,226</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Assigned:				
Specific use	<u>32,845</u>	<u>76,163</u>	<u>22,547</u>	<u>131,555</u>
Total fund balances	<u>32,845</u>	<u>76,163</u>	<u>22,547</u>	<u>131,555</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 32,845</u>	<u>\$ 76,163</u>	<u>\$ 25,773</u>	<u>\$ 134,781</u>

TOWN OF EDEN, NEW YORK
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and
Changes in Fund Balances—Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Special Revenue</u>			Total
	<u>Drainage</u>	<u>Special Purpose</u>	<u>Street Lighting</u>	<u>Nonmajor Funds</u>
REVENUES				
Real property taxes	\$ -	\$ -	61,778	\$ 61,778
Real property tax items	-	-	123	123
Use of money and property	755	1,482	995	3,232
Miscellaneous	-	13,500	2,919	16,419
Total revenues	<u>755</u>	<u>14,982</u>	<u>65,815</u>	<u>81,552</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Transportation	-	-	29,526	29,526
Debt service:				
Principal	-	-	31,000	31,000
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	4,650	4,650
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>65,176</u>	<u>65,176</u>
Net change in fund balances	755	14,982	639	16,376
Fund balances—beginning	<u>32,090</u>	<u>61,181</u>	<u>21,908</u>	<u>115,179</u>
Fund balances—ending	<u>\$ 32,845</u>	<u>\$ 76,163</u>	<u>\$ 22,547</u>	<u>\$ 131,555</u>

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

Honorable Town Board
Town of Eden, New York:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standard* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Eden, New York (the "Town") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 14, 2025.

Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Report On Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

Drescher & Malecki LLP

May 14, 2025