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## **COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

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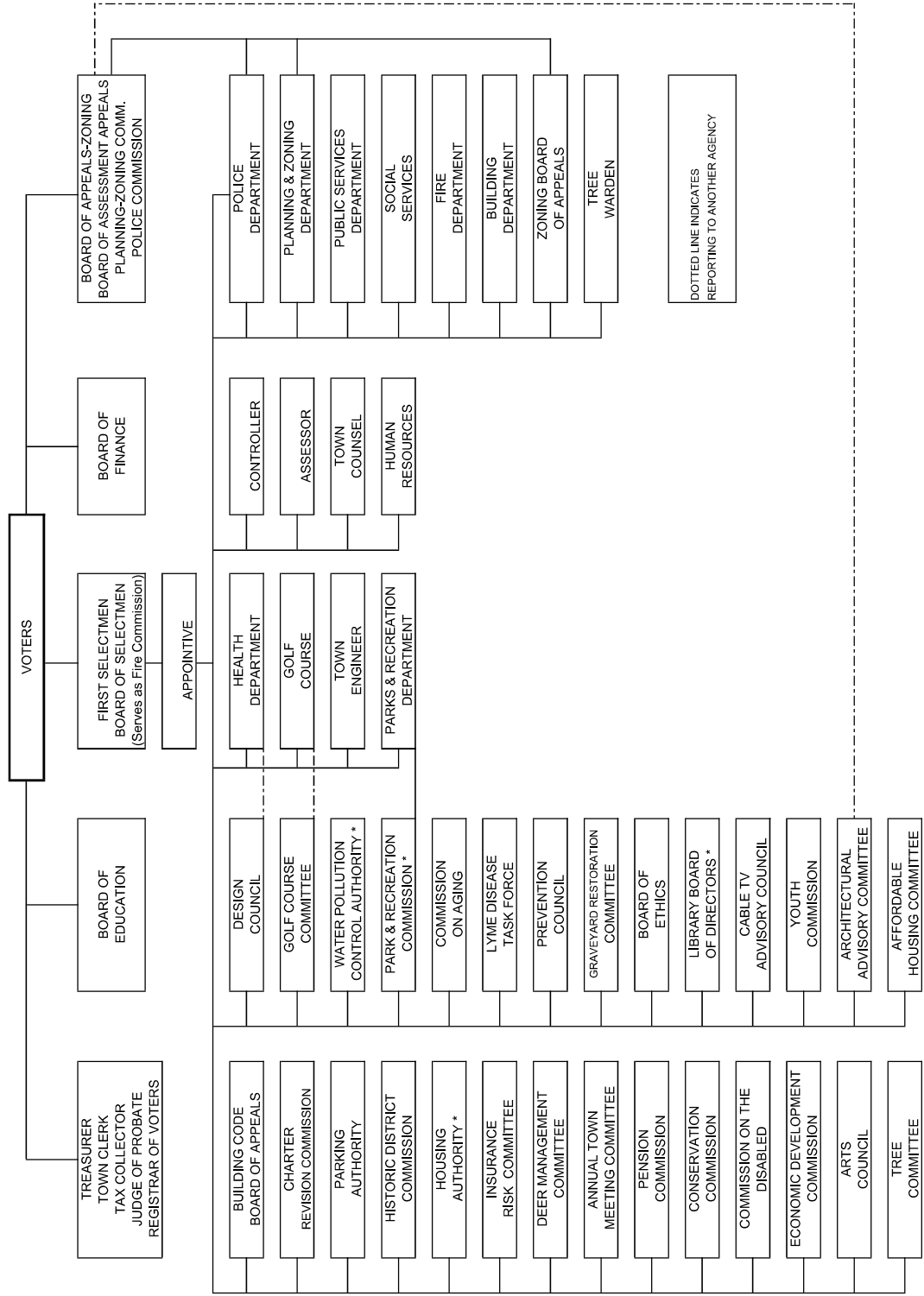
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## **Introductory Section**

TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



\* Appointed by Board of Selectmen but no direct reporting control



# TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD

## Finance Department

December 19, 2016

Board of Finance  
Town of Ridgefield  
Ridgefield, Connecticut 06877

State law requires that all local governments publish within six months of the close of each fiscal year a complete set of financial statements presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to that requirement, we hereby issue the comprehensive annual financial report of the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016.

This report consists of management's representations concerning the finances of the Town of Ridgefield. Consequently, management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all of the information presented in this report. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the Town of Ridgefield has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the government's assets from loss, theft or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the Town of Ridgefield's financial statements in conformity with GAAP. Because the cost of internal controls should not outweigh their benefit, the Town of Ridgefield's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable rather than absolute assurance that the financial statements will be free from material misstatement. As management, we assert that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this financial report is complete and reliable in all material respects.

The Town of Ridgefield's financial statements have been audited by Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the Town of Ridgefield for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The independent auditors concluded, based upon the audit, that there was a reasonable basis for rendering an unmodified opinion that the Town of Ridgefield's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. The independent auditors' report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report.

The independent audit of the financial statements of the Town of Ridgefield was part of a broader, federally mandated "Single Audit" designed to meet the special needs of federal grantor agencies and a similar State Single Audit. The standards governing single audit engagements require the independent auditor to report not only on the fair presentation of the financial statements, but also on the audited government's internal controls and compliance with legal requirements, with special emphasis on internal controls and legal requirements involving the administration of major federal and state awards. These reports are available in the Town of Ridgefield's separately issued Federal and State Single Audit Reports. GAAP require that management provide a narrative introduction, overview and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The Town of Ridgefield's MD&A can be found immediately following the independent auditors' report.

### **Profile of the Government**

The Town of Ridgefield was settled in 1708 by settlers from Norwalk and was incorporated as Connecticut's forty-third town in October 1709. It covers an area of 35 square miles in western Fairfield County on the New York State border and serves a population of approximately 25,000. The Town of Ridgefield is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal properties located within its boundaries. U.S. Route 7 and State Route Numbers 33, 35, 102 and 116 traverse the Town. The interchange of Interstate Routes 84 and 684 is conveniently located and accessible to Ridgefield. MetroNorth and intrastate buses provide passenger transportation.

The Town of Ridgefield, pursuant to its home-rule charter, has a Town Meeting form of government with a five-member elected Board of Selectmen and a five-member elected Board of Finance. Elections are held every four years for both the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance. Minority representation is guaranteed on all boards and commissions. The inhabitants also have the powers and privileges conferred and granted to Towns and Cities under the Constitution and the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut.

The First Selectman is the full-time chief executive and administrative officer of the Town and oversees the execution of all laws and ordinances governing the Town. He presides over the Board of Selectmen and has full voting privileges on the Board. He or his designee is also an ex-officio member of all Town boards, commissions and agencies, but without power to vote.

The responsibility for performing the day-to-day financial operations is shared by the Town Treasurer and a full-time Controller. The chief duties of the Treasurer are the custody of funds, receipts and deposits of monies due the Town, disbursement of the Town funds on order from authorized officials and execution of long and short-term investments for all funds. The Controller is responsible for the coordination and the administration of the financial affairs of the Town. He is responsible for the keeping of the accounts and financial records, the control over expenditures, payroll and preparing financial reports for proper budget control. He also works closely with the First Selectman and the Board of Finance in preparing the budget and financial planning.

## **Profile of the Government (continued)**

The Town of Ridgefield provides a full range of services, including police and fire protection, the construction and maintenance of streets and other infrastructure, public works, health and welfare, education and recreational activities. In addition to general Town activities, the governing body is financially accountable for the Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., a discretely presented component unit. Information regarding the activity of the Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., has been included as an integral part of the Town of Ridgefield's financial statements. Additional information about each entity can be found in Note 1.A. of the notes to the basic financial statements.

The annual budget serves as the foundation for the Town of Ridgefield's financial planning and control. The general fund is the only fund for which a legal budget is adopted. The budget policy and procedures are described in Note 2.A. of the notes to the basic financial statements. Budget to actual comparisons are provided in this report on Required Supplementary Information Schedules 1 and 2.

## **Factors Affecting Financial Condition**

The Town of Ridgefield, located in one of the highest per capita income areas of the United States, is a suburban residential community. Residents are predominantly professional, technical and managerial people employed in Fairfield County, Connecticut, Westchester County, New York and New York City.

**Local Economy.** Boehringer-Ingelheim, Ltd., a German drug research, development and manufacturing firm, owns 250 acres in the Town of Ridgefield. Facilities include an administrative office building, a research and development center, and an assessment and administrative support facility, totaling approximately 900,000 square feet.

Ridgefield has continued to see new commercial and retail development as new smaller retail establishments continue to locate here. Part of this trend is the development of mixed-use (commercial/residential) construction. Also, part of the development arena is the building of high end apartments for empty nesters, as well as one and two bedroom apartments that are meeting a specific demand. In addition, new commercial development continues to expand along Route 35 with plans being developed to revitalize the Branchville section of Route 7 and 35.

**Long-Term Financial Planning.** The cooperative relationship between Boehringer-Ingelheim and the Town is the model of future relationships envisioned by the Ridgefield Economic Development Commission. Boehringer-Ingelheim has initiated a multi-million dollar plan to expand its facilities in Ridgefield with upgrades to its manufacturing, research and development plant. To foster a favorable investment environment, the Town granted a seven-year tax incentive plan to Boehringer-Ingelheim upon obtaining its certificate of occupancy. The future tax benefit to Ridgefield will represent a significant increase to its commercial tax base.

Residential construction in the form of small to mid-sized multi-family dwellings is on the rise in and around the center of town. These developments are attractive to current residents as well as nearby communities because of Ridgefield's attractive Main Street and retail establishments that fill its side streets. These developments provide welcome growth to Ridgefield's Grand List.

## **Factors Affecting Financial Condition (continued)**

**General Fund Balance.** The unassigned fund balance of the General Fund increased by 6.1% in 2016. The current undesignated fund balance provides the Town with the equivalence of approximately 36 working days of expenditures. This significantly reduces the likelihood of the Town entering the short-term debt market to pay for current operating expenditures.

**Pension Trust Fund Operations.** The net assets held in trust increased \$642,029 to \$97,383,502 at June 30, 2016 primarily as a result of current year contributions. The Pension Trust Fund experienced a trust yield of .85% on a time weighted market value basis for this same period. Additional information on the Town of Ridgefield's pension arrangements can be found in Note 4.A. of the notes to the basic financial statements.

## **Relevant Financial Policies**

**General Fund Balance.** The Town's Board of Finance has established a Fund Balance percentage guideline. The goal is to maintain an unassigned Fund Balance range at between 8% to 9% of the following years' expenditures. Fund Balances in excess of the high end of the range are generally used to supplement subsequent years' budgets.

## **Awards and Acknowledgements**

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Town of Ridgefield for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Certificate of Achievement is a prestigious national award-recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government financial reports.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards. Such Comprehensive Annual Financial Report must satisfy both accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Certificate of Achievement Program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA.

The preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was made possible by the dedicated service of the entire Finance Department staff and assistance from the Treasurer and Chairman of the Pension Commission. In addition, without the leadership and support of the First Selectman, Rudolph Marconi, the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance, this report would not have been possible.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "K. F. Redmond", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Kevin F. Redmond  
Town Controller

## **TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**

### **LIST OF PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS JUNE 30, 2016**

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Rudolph Marconi, First Selectman  
Robert J. Herbert, Selectman  
Maureen Kozlark, Selectman  
Barbara Manners, Selectman  
Steven Zemo, Selectman

#### **BOARD OF FINANCE**

Dave Ulmer, Chairman  
Paul Sutherland, Vice Chairman  
Marty Heiser, Member  
Jessica Mancini, Member  
Michael Raduazzo, Member

#### **TOWN DEPARTMENTS**

Molly McGeehin, Treasurer  
Kevin F. Redmond, Controller  
Alfred Garzi, Tax Assessor  
Jane Berendsen-Hill, Tax Collector  
Dr. Karen Balwin, Superintendent of Schools  
Paul Hendrickson, Business Manager of Schools  
Peter Hill, Superintendent of Highways  
Charles Fisher, Town Engineer  
Barbara Serfilippi, Town Clerk  
John Roche, Chief of Police  
Kevin Tappe, Fire Chief  
William Reynolds, Building Official  
Betty Brosius, Planning & Zoning  
Edward Briggs, Health Department  
Paul Roche, Parks & Recreation Director  
Tony Phillips, Social Services Director

#### **AUDITORS**

Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C.



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**June 30, 2015**



Executive Director/CEO



## **Financial Section**



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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Board of Finance  
Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

### ***Auditors' Responsibility***

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

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

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

## ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, as of June 30, 2016 and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## ***Change in Accounting Principle***

As discussed in Note 3A to the financial statements, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the Town adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

## ***Other Matters***

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 14, the budgetary comparison information on pages 62 through 64 and the pension schedules on pages 65 through 72 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, which considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### ***Other Information***

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

### **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 19, 2016 on our consideration of the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C.*

West Hartford, Connecticut  
December 19, 2016

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

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### **Introduction**

This Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) incorporates the financial reporting requirements of the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 34. Fund statements measure and report the “operating results” of many funds by presenting the short-term performance of individual funds using the same measures governments use when financing current operations. Showing budgetary compliance is an important part of governmental accountability; therefore, we include the *original* budget as well as the final amended budget in this report.

Our objective is to provide a readable analysis of our financial performance for the year. Taken together, the following statements should enable you to assess whether the Town of Ridgefield’s financial position has improved or deteriorated as a result of the year’s operations. The CAFR includes government-wide financial statements prepared on the accrual basis for all of the Town’s activities. Accrual accounting measures not just current assets and current liabilities, but long-term assets and liabilities as well. It also reports all revenues and all costs of providing services each year, not just those received or paid in the current fiscal year.

In summary, the government-wide financial statements will allow:

- The assessment of the finances of the Town in its entirety, including the year’s operating results;
- Determination whether the overall financial position improved or deteriorated;
- Evaluation of whether current year revenues were sufficient to pay for current year services;
- Presentation of the costs of services the Town provides;
- Presentation of how each service is financed - through user fees and other program revenues versus general tax revenues;
- Understanding the extent to which your government has invested in capital assets, including roads, bridges, sewers, schools, parks, and other infrastructure assets.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

**Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)** - An introduction to the basic financial statements and an analytical overview of the Town’s financial activities. The MD&A provides an objective and easily readable analysis of the Town’s financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, or conditions.

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

**Government-Wide Financial Statements** are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Ridgefield’s finances in a manner similar to private-sector businesses. They include a *statement of net position* which presents information on all of the Town’s assets and liabilities with the difference between the two reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating. The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government’s net position changed during the most recent fiscal year.

All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. The government-wide financial statements include not only the Town itself (known as the *primary government*), but also the legally separate Ridgefield Library and Historical Association, Inc. for which the Town is financially accountable. Financial information for this *component unit* is reported separately from the financial information presented for the primary government itself.

Fiduciary activities whose resources are not available to finance our governmental programs are excluded from these statements.

Capital assets, including infrastructure, are reported along with depreciation expense in the statement of activities. Net position is reported as net investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted. Permanent endowments, or permanent fund principal amounts included in restricted net position, are shown as either expendable or nonexpendable.

Expenses are presented reduced by program revenues resulting in a measurement of "net (expense) revenue" for each of the government's functions. Program expenses include all direct expenses. General revenues such as taxes, unrestricted grants and contributions, and investment income are reported separately, ultimately arriving at the change in net position for the period.

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

*Governmental fund* financial statements include financial data for the general fund, special revenue funds, capital projects, and permanent fund. *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 activities* in the government-wide financial statements with similar information presented for *governmental funds* in the long-term impact of the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town maintains eighteen individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund, the capital nonrecurring fund, the bonded projects fund, and the sewer bond repayment fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other twelve special revenue governmental funds, two internal service funds, and one permanent fund are combined into single, aggregated presentations. Information for the permanent Ballard Park fund is presented separately. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

The Town of Ridgefield adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund.

A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

*Proprietary fund* financial statements include the financial data for the internal service fund which is the only type of proprietary fund maintained by the Town. *Internal service funds* are an accounting device used to calculate and allocate costs internally among the Town's various functions. The Town uses internal service funds for portions of the risk management program for property, casualty, worker's compensation and other claims. Because these services predominantly benefit governmental functions, they have been included within *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements.

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

### **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

Consist of notes that provide information essential to your understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

### **Required Supplementary Information (RSI)**

Consists of MD&A and the Town of Ridgefield's schedule of revenues and other sources and schedule of expenditures and other uses - budget and actual (RSI 1-2).

Town Pension Plan - Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Ratios -Last Three Fiscal Years (RSI-3a).

Firefighters Union Pension Plan - Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Ratios - Last Three Fiscal Years - (RSI-3b)

Police Union Pension Plan - Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Related Ratios - Last Three Fiscal Years - (RSI-3c)

Schedule of Employer Contributions - Town Pension Plan - Last 10 Fiscal Years (RSI-4a)

Schedule of Employer Contributions - Firefighters Union Pension Plan - Last 10 Fiscal Years (RSI-4b)

Schedule of Employer Contributions - Police Union Pension Plan - Last 10 Fiscal Years (RSI-4c)

Schedule of Investment Returns - Last Three Fiscal Years (RSI-5)

Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - Teachers' Retirement Plan - Last Two Fiscal Years (RSI-6)

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

### **Financial Highlights**

- ❖ The assets of the Town of Ridgefield exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent year by \$140,179,620 (net position). Of this amount, \$28,964,190 (*unrestricted*) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

- ❖ The government's total net position grew by \$8,822,562. This increase resulted primarily from increased fund balances of \$9,863,484, an excess of capital outlay over depreciation expense of \$1,972,505, and \$3,598,927 in deferred outflows related to changes in projected investment earnings. Offsetting these gains were \$1,150,193 decreases in property taxes and sewer use assessments, \$511,200 decrease in net pension assets, \$609,566 deferred outflows related to changes in the pension actuarial assumptions, a net \$1,149,416 increase related to debt and lease transactions, and a \$3,623,311 increase in net pension liability.
- ❖ As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combining ending fund balances of \$24,784,988, an increase of \$9,863,484 as noted above in comparison with the prior year. Of this amount, \$14,072,366 is available for spending at the government's discretion (unassigned fund balance).
- ❖ At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$14,074,534, or 9.67% of total general fund revenues of \$145,507,107. Total general fund balance of \$17,075,014 represented 11.73% of total general fund revenues.
- ❖ Ridgefield issued \$9,715,000 of new bonds and retired \$9,000,000 of outstanding principal resulting in total bonded debt outstanding of \$78,360,000. We continued to reduce our 2% drinking water notes from \$414,613 to \$390,928.

### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. Most of Ridgefield's net position (79.31%) reflect its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that are still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

	<b>Table 1. Net Position</b>	
	<b>Total Primary Government 2016</b>	<b>Total Primary Government 2015</b>
Current and other assets	\$ 34,727,919	\$ 30,552,441
Capital assets	192,473,153	190,571,959
Total Assets	<u>227,201,072</u>	<u>221,124,400</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>12,482,175</u>	<u>9,690,757</u>
Long-term liabilities	93,205,812	89,393,632
Other liabilities	5,759,495	9,941,837
Total Liabilities	<u>98,965,307</u>	<u>99,335,469</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>538,320</u>	<u>122,630</u>
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	111,173,490	102,182,274
Restricted	41,940	41,861
Unrestricted	<u>28,964,190</u>	<u>29,132,923</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 140,179,620</u>	<u>\$ 131,357,058</u>



The balance of *unrestricted net position*, \$28,964,190, may be used to meet the Town's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net position both for the Town as a whole as well as for its separate governmental activities.

Governmental activities brought in net general revenues of \$156,383,700 which exceeded its gross operating expenses of \$147,561,138 by the amount of the \$8,822,562 net asset increase. Gross expenses were offset by \$13,123,414 in charges for services, \$15,652,996 in operating grants and \$764,498 in capital grants and contributions. Of the net expenses, \$85,411,512 was accounted for by the Board of Education. Public safety net expenses of \$12,778,150, public works net expenditures of \$7,853,168, general government net expenses of \$4,828,652, and interest expense of \$2,501,597 constituted the majority of the Town's net expenses. The majority of the Town's revenues, aside from grants and service charges detailed above, was \$121,686,269 in property tax collections. We realized a sizable \$4,300,000 one-time revenue from the sale of a portion of the Schlumberger property along with a related state grant of \$385,000. Other revenue sources were \$639,721 in unrestricted grants and contributions, \$106,824 in investment income, and \$109,978 of miscellaneous income.

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities accounted for all of Ridgefield's increase in net position. Key elements contributing to this increase are as follows:

**Table 2. Changes in Net Position**

	<b>Total Primary Government 2016</b>	<b>Total Primary Government 2015</b>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 13,123,414	\$ 13,621,637
Operating grants and contributions	15,652,996	15,113,715
Capital grants and contributions	764,498	596,919
General revenues:		
Property taxes	121,686,269	122,270,035
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purpose	639,721	758,791
Unrestricted investment earnings	106,824	67,400
Gain on disposal of capital assets	4,300,000	
Miscellaneous	109,978	207,702
Total Revenues	<u>156,383,700</u>	<u>152,636,199</u>
Program Expenses:		
General government	6,326,206	5,292,556
Health and welfare	1,123,295	754,921
Recreation	7,395,346	7,377,584
Public safety	14,199,004	13,044,414
Public works	11,555,748	11,059,992
Education	102,626,124	101,157,259
Library	1,833,818	1,789,091
Interest	2,501,597	2,512,839
Total Program Expenses	<u>147,561,138</u>	<u>142,988,656</u>
Change in net position	8,822,562	9,647,543
Net Position - July 1	<u>131,357,058</u>	<u>121,709,515</u>
Net Position - June 30	\$ <u>140,179,620</u>	\$ <u>131,357,058</u>

Property taxes collected fell slightly by \$584 thousand or 0.48% between fiscal year 2015 and 2016. The collection rate remained consistent at 98.9%. Operating grants and contributions increased slightly in part, to a rise in education funding. Public works capital grants also dropped from 2015 levels by a modest \$217 thousand. We enjoyed a one-time revenue input from the sale of part of the Schlumberger property in the amount of \$4.3 million and a related state grant in the amount \$385 thousand.

Overall, program expenses rose \$4.572 million (3.20%) with increases in general government (\$1.034 million), health and welfare (\$368 thousand), public safety (\$1.155 million), and education (\$1.469 million).

Chart 1 presents the costs of educational services and the four most costly government services as well as each group's net cost (total cost less revenues and grants generated by the activities).

The Net Cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the Town's taxpayers by each of these functions.

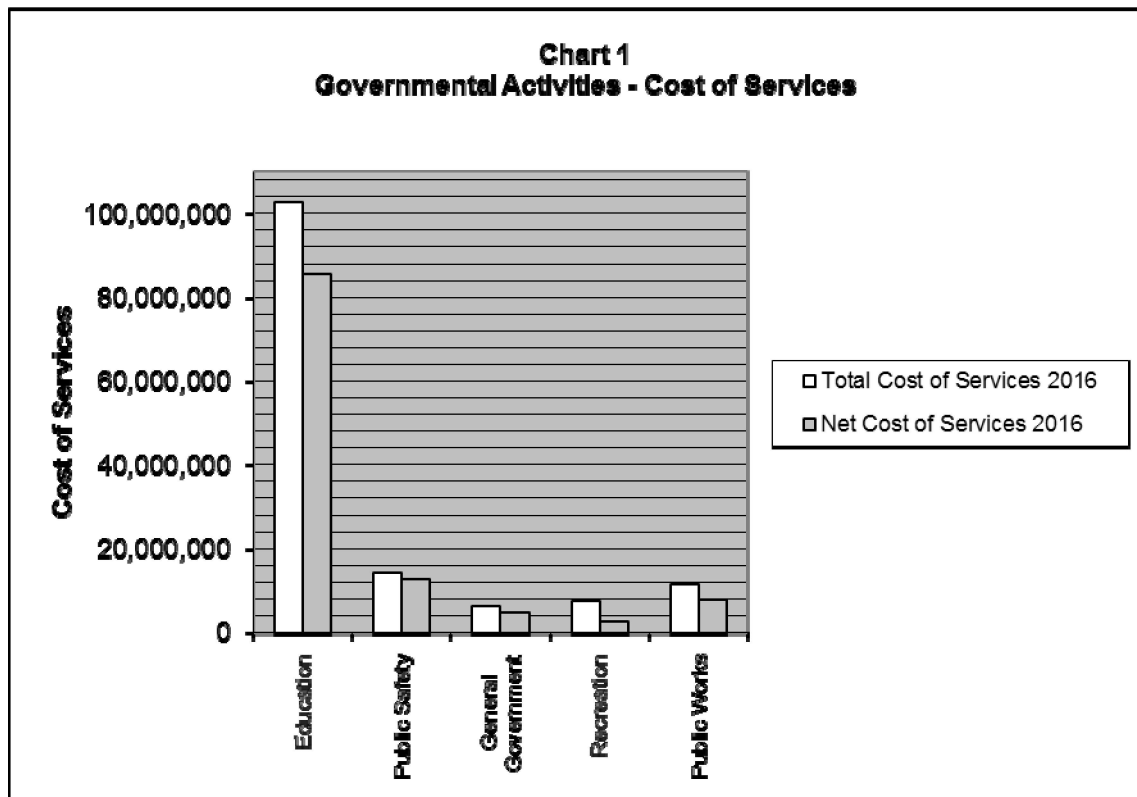
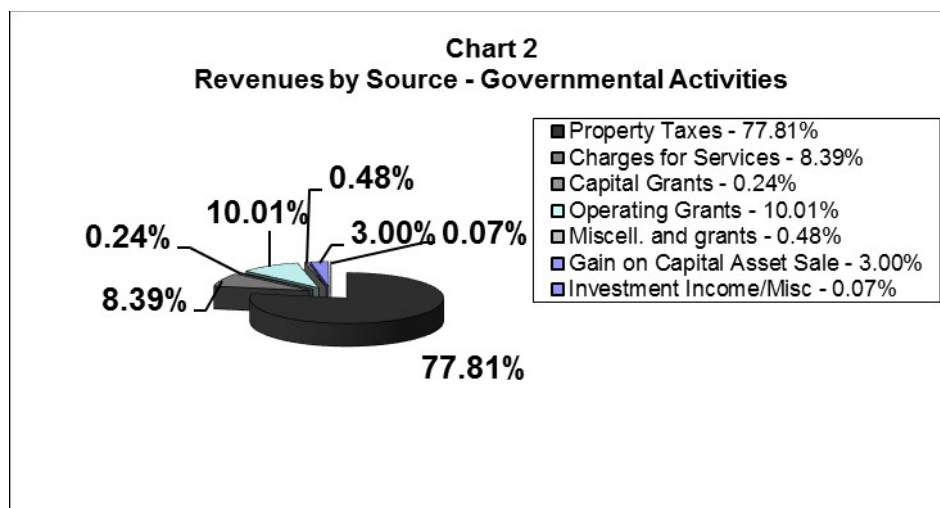


Chart 2 presents in five categories the most significant sources of revenues Ridgefield drew upon to fund its operations during the year and the percentage of total revenues represented by each.



### **Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**

As noted earlier, Ridgefield uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements. The Town of Ridgefield's governmental activities financial position improved over last year with an increase in net position of \$8,822,562.

**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 spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$24,784,988, an increase of \$9,863,484 from the prior year's \$14,921,504. At June 30, 2016, \$14,072,366 of the governmental funds fund balance constitutes *unassigned fund balance* that is available for spending at the government's discretion. Included in the combined fund balances of *restricted, committed, and assigned* are \$10,712,622 of balances with restricted balances of \$4,208,672, committed balances in the amount of \$3,460,761, and assigned balances of \$3,000,480. Further detail on the allocation of these different categories may be found in Note 3.G. Fund Balance of the Notes to the Financial Statements herein.

The general fund is the chief operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, the total general fund balance amounted to \$17,075,014, and the unassigned general fund balance was \$14,074,534. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned general fund balance and total general fund balance to total general fund revenues. Unassigned general fund balance of \$14,074,534 is 9.67% of general fund revenues of \$145,507,107 and total general fund balance of \$17,075,014 is 11.73% of general fund revenues.

The Town of Ridgefield's governmental funds fund balance increased by \$9,863,484 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this increase are as follows:

- The General Fund realized revenues of \$145,507,107 and expenditures of \$143,548,301 for a positive operating result of \$1,958,806. Transfers out of \$1,438,738 to other funds and transfers in of \$55,443 generated a net other financing use of (\$1,383,295). The net change in fund balance for the general fund was an increase of \$575,511 to \$17,075,014.

- The capital nonrecurring fund reflects revenues of \$274,640 and capital outlays of \$1,057,173 resulting in a net excess of expenditures over revenues of (\$782,533). The inclusion of \$540,000 of capital lease proceeds and transfers in of \$115,000 was partially offset by transfers out of \$30,443 for a net other financing source of \$624,557. When combined with the operating deficit of \$782,533, this fund realized a net reduction in fund balance of \$157,976 for and ending fund balance of \$187,215. We use this fund to account for our various capital projects.
- The bonded projects fund accounts for our debt transactions and capital outlays not paid for from the operating budget. This fund generated revenues of \$4,872,052 primarily from a one-time revenue of \$4,300,000 from the sale of a parcel of Schlumberger land and a state grant of \$385,000 in fiscal year 2016. We recorded \$6,412,361 of capital outlay and debt service of \$171,450 for capital projects for negative operating results of \$1,711,759. We added \$9,715,000 of new bonds, \$528,019 of bond premium, and \$275,000 of transfers in for a net other financing source of \$10,518,019. When applied to the prior year negative fund balance of \$6,225,544, this fund ended the year with a positive fund balance of \$2,580,716. Fund balance fluctuations are expected due to the timing of bond issuances which serve to replenish negative fund balances.
- The sewer bond repayment fund realized \$207,674 of revenues, mostly from service charges and experienced no direct disbursements. There were no expenditures nor transfers in, but we did show a transfer out of \$115,000 out to the capital and nonrecurring fund for a net change in fund balance of \$92,674 for a closing fund balance of \$1,957,517
- Other nonmajor governmental funds collectively realized total revenues of \$6,682,028 and total expenditures of \$7,208,751 for a combined operating shortfall of (\$526,723). Coupled with a net other financing sources and uses input of \$1,073,738, the nonmajor governmental funds fund balance increased a total of \$547,015 to \$2,984,526. For additional detail on the nonmajor governmental funds, see Exhibits B-1 and B-2 on pages 74 - 77 of this report.
- **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**
- During the year, there were \$100,000 of additional funds provided for the police department, \$25,000 for the golf course, and \$105,000 for parks and recreation increasing the original revenue budget of \$134,967,716 by \$230,000 to \$135,197,716. The police item represented police private duty revenue more than contemplated and the parks and recreation realization of higher activity fees. Total revenues exceeded the budget by \$1,460,303 led by property taxes being \$1,166,225 over budget. However, the revenue budget called for \$1,850,000 of fund balance to be drawn down which did not occur. As a result, the revenue budget concluded with a negative variance of \$389,697.
- On the expenditure side, general government expenditures were also increased by \$230,000 with several line item adjustments. Of note, parks and recreation added an extra \$130,000 and the police department \$100,000. Operationally, total expenditures generated a positive budget variance of \$1,145,631 with meaningful savings in general government (\$388,261), education (\$282,589), public safety (\$190,610), and public works (\$167,301).
- There were multiple adjustments within the education budget that resulted in no net change to its original \$86,053,364 budget.

Combined budget increases represented 0.17% of the original budget.

## **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets.** The Town of Ridgefield's investment in capital assets for its governmental assets includes land, buildings, and systems, improvements, machinery and equipment, park facilities, roads, highways, and bridges. Note 3.C. of Notes to the Financial Statements for June 30, 2016 details our capital asset additions (before depreciation) of \$6,656,535 during the fiscal year before dispositions of \$462,953 that result in a balance of \$275,119,272 (before depreciation of \$82,646,119). The total net increase (before depreciation) in the Town's investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was a net \$6,193,582, a 2.30% increase for governmental activities.

Major capital asset acquisitions/disposals during the current fiscal year included the following:

- New construction in progress of \$3,069,947 consists of Phase II work to increase public safety radio coverage, replacing obsolete low-band equipment with VHF high-band equipment, repurposing existing antennas, and taking advantage of the Police modern dispatch console.
- Golf course cart paths - \$27 thousand
- Building improvements - \$1.493 million:
  - ❖ BoE energy, technology, wireless, sidewalks - \$648 thousand
  - ❖ General government Main Street lighting, Lake Mamanasco storm drains, Schlumberger Property costs - \$767 thousand
  - ❖ Public Safety miscellaneous equipment - \$41 thousand
- Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment - \$1.592 million:
  - ❖ Fire Department ambulance \$244 thousand;
  - ❖ Highway Mack truck - \$174 thousand;
  - ❖ Various mowers and equipment for highway, golf, and parks and recreation - \$172 thousand;
  - ❖ Police vehicles and gear - \$217 thousand
- Infrastructure - \$474 thousand:
  - ❖ Gay Road Bridge replacement - \$341 thousand

Our dispositions amounted to \$462,953 of machinery and equipment that was either obsolete or fully depreciated.

**Table 3. Capital Assets at Year End**  
**(Net of Depreciation)**

	<b>Total Primary Government</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Land	\$ 29,612,176	\$ 29,612,176
Land improvements	1,583,680	1,633,210
Buildings	120,013,180	120,877,134
Machinery and equipment	8,236,692	8,255,889
Infrastructure	29,957,478	30,193,550
Construction in progress	3,069,947	
Total	<u>\$ 192,473,153</u>	<u>\$ 190,571,959</u>

Additional information on the Town of Ridgefield's capital assets can be found in Note 3.C., Capital Assets, in the Notes to Financial Statements, June 30, 2016 of this report.

**Long-term and Short-term Debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town of Ridgefield had outstanding \$78,360,000 of long-term bonded debt, 57% of which will be retired in five years. We also had outstanding \$390,928 of long-term water notes at 2%. We issued \$9,715,000 of new bonds at interest rates from 2.00% to 4.00% maturing in FY 2035. These bonds were issued to fund capital projects in the amounts of \$2.181 million for the schools, \$1.408 million for general purposes, and \$6.126 million for equipment and vehicles. We retired \$9,000,000 of bond principal through principal payments and \$23,685 of maturing long-term note principal. We retired \$5,000,000 of BANs maturing December 15, 2015 which were issued to fund the Schlumberger purchase. All our debt is a general obligation of the Town for which we pledge our full faith and credit for the payment of principal of and interest on our obligations.

**Table 4. Long-Term Debt**

	<b>Total Primary Government</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
General obligation bonds	\$ 78,360,000	\$ 77,645,000
Notes payable	390,928	414,613
Total	<u>\$ 78,750,928</u>	<u>\$ 78,059,613</u>

The Town of Ridgefield maintains an "Aaa" rating from Moody's Investors Service, Inc., an "AAA" rating from Standard & Poor's, and an "AAA" from FitchRatings for general obligation debt.

Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-374(b) limits the amount of general obligation debt a governmental entity may issue to 7 times its tax collections plus interest and lien fees. For June 30, 2016, the maximum amount of borrowing permitted under the formula would be \$858,562,523. With net borrowings for debt limit purposes of \$82,912,448, which includes \$4,655,573 of public improvement debt authorized but unissued, the Town of Ridgefield's outstanding general obligation debt is \$775,650,075 below the maximum debt limitation (see Note 3.F. Long-term Debt in Notes to Financial Statements and Table 11, June 30, 2016 of this report).

The Town of Ridgefield has no overlapping debt.

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

- The unemployment rate for the Town of Ridgefield at June 30, 2016 was 4.4%, up 0.50% from a year ago. This compares favorably to the state's average unemployment rate of 5.9% and the national average rate of 5.1% for the same period (not seasonally adjusted).
- Inflationary trends in the region compare favorably to the national indices.

The FY 2016 - 17 budget rose \$4,045,371, or 3.00% over last year, to \$139,013,087. Town operations increased by 2.00% while school operations increased by 4.99%. Current year (FY 2017) property taxes were up \$3,976,665 to \$125,491,793 or 3.27% above FY 2016's budget of \$121,515,128 which accounted for the bulk of the increase. Intergovernmental revenues were budgeted \$233,666 less reflecting cuts in State ECS and PILOT payments. The expected use of fund balance rose to \$1,950,000 up from the previous year's \$1,850,000 (which was not fully used).

While there were other modest increases and decreases in various revenue sources, in order to minimize the mill rate impact on the taxpayer as much as possible, we contemplate drawing down general fund balance by \$1,950,000 to complete balancing the budget as required by state law. We expect our ending general fund balance for FY 2016 to be \$17,075,014 and in the vicinity of 11.73% of general fund revenues, comparable for Fairfield County Aaa credits. To fund the new budget, the fiscal year 2017 mill rate rose to 26.69 mills from 26.01

On the expenditure side, Town operations were budgeted at \$34,703,538 (before capital outlays and debt service), a \$679,990 or 2.00% increase from the prior year. School operations increased \$4,295,864 to \$90,374,229, a 4.99% rise over last fiscal year. Debt service decreased a net \$55,483, or (0.46%) to \$12,060,320. Capital project expenditures for road paving and drainage were budgeted at \$1,875,000 (down \$875,000 from fiscal year 2016) in the operating budget as opposed to the capital budget.

Notable increases (or decreases) in existing Town functions are detailed below:

- ❖ Budgeted use of fund balance was increased from \$1,850,000 in FY 2016 to \$1,950,000 in FY 2017;
- ❖ While general government employee medical expenses rose \$297,328, employee pension costs fell \$378,378 which, when combined with other employee benefits, resulted in a \$94,519 reduction (1.24%) in this line;
- ❖ Recreation center costs rose by \$116,133 (4.76%) to \$2,554,650 reflecting a \$182,263 drop in part-time salaries but a new \$170,000 for seasonal aquatics/wellness activities along with other minor increases;
- ❖ Police salaries rose \$222,676 (6.29%) to \$3,762,274 under contractual agreements;
- ❖ Firefighting personnel services were increased \$212,568 (5.97%) largely due to anticipated overtime needs.

All of these factors contributed to Ridgefield's budget for the 2017 fiscal year.

### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Ridgefield's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Office of the Controller, 400 Main Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877.

# Basic Financial Statements



**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Primary Government Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Component Unit Ridgefield Library</b>
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 28,867,648	\$ 370,242
Restricted cash	11,409	
Investments	335,815	3,335,326
Restricted investments		1,714,555
Receivables, net	5,495,338	339,324
Other assets	17,709	108,248
Capital assets:		
Assets not being depreciated	32,682,123	246,441
Assets being depreciated, net	159,791,030	19,384,845
Total assets	<u>227,201,072</u>	<u>25,498,981</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources:		
Deferred charge on refunding	2,454,143	
Changes in pension projected investment earnings	8,095,713	
Changes in pension actuarial assumptions	245,360	
Changes in pension actuarial experience	1,686,959	
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>12,482,175</u>	<u>-</u>
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued items	3,068,070	171,750
Interest payable	1,243,708	
Unearned revenue	932,271	
Other liabilities	65,446	
Bond anticipation note payable	450,000	
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Due within one year	10,676,282	
Due in more than one year	82,529,530	2,227,404
Total liabilities	<u>98,965,307</u>	<u>2,399,154</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:		
Changes in pension actuarial experience	64,168	
Changes in pension actuarial assumptions	474,152	
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>538,320</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Position:		
Net investment in capital assets	111,173,490	19,631,286
Restricted for:		
Endowments		1,809,353
Perpetual trust held by third party		1,714,555
Permanent Fund:		
Expendable	41,940	
Unrestricted	<u>28,964,190</u>	<u>(55,367)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 140,179,620</u>	<u>\$ 23,099,827</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

EXHIBIT II

Functions/Program Activities	Program Revenues			Net Revenues (Expenses) and Changes in Net Position	
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Total Governmental Activities
Primary Government:					
Governmental Activities:					
General government	\$ 6,326,206	\$ 1,473,010	\$ 24,544	\$	\$ (4,828,652)
Health and welfare	1,123,295	86,723	315,106		(721,466)
Recreation	7,395,346	4,869,215	49,313		(2,476,818)
Public safety	14,199,004	1,347,556	73,298		(12,778,150)
Public works	11,555,748	2,893,823	429,210	764,498	(7,468,217)
Education	102,626,124	2,453,087	14,761,525		(85,411,512)
Library	1,833,818				(1,833,818)
Interest on long-term debt	2,501,597				(2,501,597)
Total Primary Government	\$ 147,561,138	\$ 13,123,414	\$ 15,652,996	\$ 764,498	(118,020,230)
Component Unit:					
Ridgefield Library Association, Inc.	\$ 3,463,436	\$ 54,666	\$ 2,390,094	\$ 357,951	(660,725)
General Revenues:					
Property taxes				121,686,269	
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs				639,721	
Investment income				106,824	(20,138)
Gain on sale of capital assets				4,300,000	
Miscellaneous				109,978	34,775
Net General Revenues				126,842,792	14,637
Change in Net Position				8,822,562	(646,088)
Net Position at Beginning of Year				131,357,058	23,745,915
Net Position at End of Year				\$ 140,179,620	\$ 23,099,827

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Nonrecurring</u>	<u>Bonded Projects</u>	<u>Sewer Bond Repayment</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 19,909,399	\$	\$ 3,122,000	\$ 2,072,517	\$ 3,435,082	\$ 28,538,998
Investments	305,284				30,531	335,815
Receivables, net	3,948,751	379,041		484,739	143,054	4,955,585
Due from other funds	192,627	245,000				437,627
Other assets					17,709	17,709
Total Assets	<u>\$ 24,356,061</u>	<u>\$ 624,041</u>	<u>\$ 3,122,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,557,256</u>	<u>\$ 3,626,376</u>	<u>\$ 34,285,734</u>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 1,524,414	\$ 68,780	\$ 91,284	\$	\$ 232,592	\$ 1,917,070
Accrued payroll	1,151,000					1,151,000
Due to other funds		190,856		115,000	131,771	437,627
Bond anticipation notes payable			450,000			450,000
Unearned revenue	772,832				159,439	932,271
Other	65,446					65,446
Total liabilities	<u>3,513,692</u>	<u>259,636</u>	<u>541,284</u>	<u>115,000</u>	<u>523,802</u>	<u>4,953,414</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:						
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	3,767,355					3,767,355
Unavailable revenue - special assessments		177,190		484,739		661,929
Unavailable revenue - other receivables					118,048	118,048
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>3,767,355</u>	<u>177,190</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>484,739</u>	<u>118,048</u>	<u>4,547,332</u>
Fund balances:						
Nonspendable					42,709	42,709
Restricted		187,215	2,580,716		1,440,741	4,208,672
Committed				1,957,517	1,503,244	3,460,761
Assigned	3,000,480					3,000,480
Unassigned	14,074,534				(2,168)	14,072,366
Total fund balances	<u>17,075,014</u>	<u>187,215</u>	<u>2,580,716</u>	<u>1,957,517</u>	<u>2,984,526</u>	<u>24,784,988</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 24,356,061</u>	<u>\$ 624,041</u>	<u>\$ 3,122,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,557,256</u>	<u>\$ 3,626,376</u>	<u>\$ 34,285,734</u>

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (Exhibit I) are different because of the following:

Fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit III)	\$ 24,784,988
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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Governmental capital assets	\$ 275,119,272	
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(82,646,119)</u>	192,473,153

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds:

Property tax, sewer use and sewer assessment interest and lien accrual	598,691
Property tax, sewer use, sewer assessment and loan receivable - accrual basis change	4,547,332
Interest and lien allowance for doubtful accounts	(58,938)
Deferred outflows related to changes in projected pension investment earnings	8,095,713
Deferred outflows related to changes in pension actuarial assumptions	245,360
Deferred outflows related to changes in actuarial experience	1,686,959

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of risk management to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are reported with governmental activities in the statement of net position.

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Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Bonds payable	(78,360,000)
Notes payable	(390,928)
Bond premium	(6,821,145)
Deferred charge on refunding	2,454,143
Net OPEB obligation	(1,054,000)
Net pension liability	(4,440,105)
Deferred inflows related to pension actuarial experience	(64,168)
Deferred inflows related to pension actuarial assumptions	(474,152)
Interest payable on bonds	(1,243,708)
Compensated absences	(1,285,901)
Lease obligations	<u>(853,733)</u>

Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit I)	\$ <u>140,179,620</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Nonrecurring</u>	<u>Bonded Projects</u>	<u>Sewer Bond Repayment</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:						
Property taxes	\$ 122,758,353	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 122,758,353
Intergovernmental	13,768,527	242,420	187,052		1,830,948	16,028,947
Charges for services	8,806,620			207,674	4,195,812	13,210,106
Contributions					644,293	644,293
Income from investments	99,035	7,710			79	106,824
Other	74,572	24,510	4,685,000		10,896	4,794,978
Total revenues	<u>145,507,107</u>	<u>274,640</u>	<u>4,872,052</u>	<u>207,674</u>	<u>6,682,028</u>	<u>157,543,501</u>
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	11,293,120				91,674	11,384,794
Health and welfare	441,636				204,710	646,346
Community grants	231,294					231,294
Recreation	5,630,366				113,086	5,743,452
Public safety	9,048,215				120,936	9,169,151
Public works	7,091,693				1,833,144	8,924,837
Education	96,082,052				4,845,201	100,927,253
Library	1,833,818					1,833,818
Debt service	11,896,107		171,450			12,067,557
Capital outlay		1,057,173	6,412,361			7,469,534
Total expenditures	<u>143,548,301</u>	<u>1,057,173</u>	<u>6,583,811</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,208,751</u>	<u>158,398,036</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>1,958,806</u>	<u>(782,533)</u>	<u>(1,711,759)</u>	<u>207,674</u>	<u>(526,723)</u>	<u>(854,535)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Issuance of bonds			9,715,000			9,715,000
Premium on issuance of bonds			528,019			528,019
Issuance of capital lease		540,000				540,000
Transfers in	55,443	115,000	275,000		1,098,738	1,544,181
Transfers out	(1,438,738)	(30,443)		(115,000)	(25,000)	(1,609,181)
Net other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,383,295)</u>	<u>624,557</u>	<u>10,518,019</u>	<u>(115,000)</u>	<u>1,073,738</u>	<u>10,718,019</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	575,511	(157,976)	8,806,260	92,674	547,015	9,863,484
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>16,499,503</u>	<u>345,191</u>	<u>(6,225,544)</u>	<u>1,864,843</u>	<u>2,437,511</u>	<u>14,921,504</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 17,075,014</u>	<u>\$ 187,215</u>	<u>\$ 2,580,716</u>	<u>\$ 1,957,517</u>	<u>\$ 2,984,526</u>	<u>\$ 24,784,988</u>

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN**  
**FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Exhibit II) are different because of the following:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit IV)	\$ 9,863,484
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period:

Capital outlay	6,656,535
Less current year depreciation	(4,684,030)

The net effect of various miscellaneous transactions involving capital assets (i.e., sales, trade-ins and donations) is to increase net position. In the statement of activities, only the loss on the sale of capital assets is reported. However, in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the capital assets sold.

	(71,311)
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds:

Decrease in property tax, sewer use, sewer assessment and loan receivable - accrual basis change	(642,496)
Decrease in property tax, sewer use and sewer assessment interest and lien revenue	(507,697)
Decrease in property tax and sewer use allowance for doubtful accounts	(9,536)
Change in net pension asset/liability	(511,200)
Deferred outflows related to changes in projected investment earnings	3,598,927
Deferred outflows related to changes in pension actuarial assumptions	(609,566)
Deferred outflows related to changes in actuarial experience	73,676

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) 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 in the statement of activities. The details of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items are as follows:

Issuance of capital leases	(540,000)
Issuance of bonds	(9,715,000)
Premium on bonds	(528,019)
Payments on general obligations bonds	9,000,000
Payments on notes payable	23,685
Payments on capital leases	609,918

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds:

OPEB obligation	199,000
Compensated absences	(77,511)
Accrued interest	(25,162)
Deferred charge on refunding	(271,620)
Bond premium amortization	839,058
Change in net pension liability	(3,623,311)
Deferred inflows related to pension actuarial experience	(415,690)

The net revenue of the activities of the Internal Service Fund is reported with governmental activities.	<u>190,428</u>
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Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities (Exhibit II)	<u>\$ 8,822,562</u>
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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

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	<b>Governmental</b> <b>Activities</b> <hr/> <b>Internal</b> <b>Service</b> <b>Funds</b> <hr/>
Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 340,059
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	<hr/> -
Net Position:	
Unrestricted	\$ <hr/> <hr/> 340,059

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
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	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
	<b>Internal Service Funds</b>
Operating Revenues:	
Insurance proceeds	\$ 183,206
Operating Expenses:	
Claims incurred	<u>57,778</u>
Operating Income	125,428
Transfers in	<u>65,000</u>
Change in Net Position	190,428
Net Position at Beginning of Year	<u>149,631</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u><u>\$ 340,059</u></u>

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
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	<b>Governmental Activities Internal Service Funds</b>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Cash received as insurance proceeds	\$ 183,206
Cash paid for benefits, claims and administration	(60,624)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>122,582</u>
Cash Flows Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities:	
Transfers in	<u>65,000</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash	187,582
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	<u>152,477</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	<u>\$ 340,059</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities:	
Operating income (loss)	\$ 125,428
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Decrease in accounts payable	<u>(2,846)</u>
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	<u>\$ 122,582</u>

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

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	<b>Pension and Other Employee Benefit Trust Funds</b>	<b>Agency Funds</b>
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>93,113</u>	\$ <u>1,779,670</u>
Investments - at fair value:		
Mutual funds:		
Equity	100,232,607	
Certificates of deposit		246,859
Total investments	<u>100,232,607</u>	<u>246,859</u>
Other assets:		
Prepaid benefits	<u>262,674</u>	
Total assets	100,588,394	\$ <u><u>2,026,529</u></u>
Liabilities:		
Due to others		\$ <u><u>2,026,529</u></u>
Net Position Restricted for Pensions and Other Postemployment Benefits	\$ <u><u>100,588,394</u></u>	

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Pension and Other Employee Benefit Trust Funds</b>
Additions:	
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ 4,911,423
Plan members	553,134
Total contributions	<u>5,464,557</u>
Net investment income:	
Net change in fair value of investments	(447,896)
Interest and dividends	1,125,956
	<u>678,060</u>
Less investment expense	(31,250)
Net investment income	<u>646,810</u>
Total additions	<u>6,111,367</u>
Deductions:	
Benefits	4,914,886
Administration	83,707
Total deductions	<u>4,998,593</u>
Change in Net Position	1,112,774
Net Position at Beginning of Year	<u>99,475,620</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u>\$ 100,588,394</u>

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## **1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### **A. Financial Reporting Entity**

The Town of Ridgefield (the Town) was incorporated in 1709 and covers an area of 35 square miles. The Town operates under a Selectmen-Town Meeting form of government as prescribed by the Connecticut General Statutes and its charter, which was adopted in November 1978. The Town provides the following services as authorized by its charter: public safety (police and fire), public works (streets and highways), public health and social services, and education encompassing grades K-12.

The Town has considered all agencies, departments, commissions, boards (including the Board of Education), authorities and funds to determine the "financial reporting entity" of the Town. The "financial reporting entity" includes all funds of the Town (primary government) and its component unit. Component units are legally separate entities for which the elected officials of the Town are financially accountable. Financially accountable means 1) that the Town appoints the majority of the entity's governing body and can impose its will on the entity or the entity provides financial benefits to or imposes financial burdens on the Town, 2) that the entity is fiscally dependent on the Town, or 3) that the financial statements would be misleading if the entity were not included.

#### **Discretely Presented Component Unit**

The Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., a nonprofit, is included in the Town's reporting entity as a component unit because the Town appoints a voting majority of the Library's board and provides significant operating subsidies. The Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., operates a free public library for the Town residents. The Town appoints 9 of the 12 board members and subsidizes approximately 75% of operations.

The Ridgefield Library Association, Inc.'s audit report is on file at the Library, 472 Main Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877.

### **B. Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the Town have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government 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.

#### **Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component unit. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues. The primary government is reported separately from the legally separate component unit for which the primary government is financially accountable.

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

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Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements, excluding agency funds. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Agency funds have no measurement focus.

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, except for property taxes, which are only considered available when collected during the fiscal year.

Property taxes, licenses and interest 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. In determining when to recognize intergovernmental revenues (grants and entitlements), the legal and contractual requirements of the individual programs are used as guidance. Revenues are recognized when the eligibility requirements have been met. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Town.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, claims and judgments, are recorded when payment is due.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The *Capital Nonrecurring Fund* accounts for the major capital improvements and acquisition of equipment for nonfinancial sources. Capital outlays are financed by the issuance of capital leases and capital grants.

The *Bonded Projects Fund* is used to account for the financial revenues to be used for major capital asset construction and/or purchases. Capital outlays are financed by the issuance of general obligation bonds and capital grants.

The *Sewer Bond Repayment Fund* accounts for assessments for new sewer connections. The major source of revenue for this fund is sewer assessment charges.

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Additionally, the government reports the following fund types:

The *Internal Service Funds* account for risk financing activities for insurance claims and deductibles as allowed by GASB Statement No. 10 as well as claims involving heart and hypertension compensation under Connecticut General Statutes.

The *Pension and Other Employee Benefit Trust Funds* account for the activities of the Ridgefield Retirement System and Ridgefield Retiree Health Plan, which accumulates resources for pension benefit payments to qualified employees and for health benefit payments to qualified retired employees, respectively.

*Agency Funds* account for monies held as custodian for outside student and municipal groups and agencies.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges between the internal service fund 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.

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

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

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. Unrestricted resources are used in the following order: committed, assigned then unassigned.

### **Component Unit**

The financial statements of the Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., have been prepared on the accrual basis.

### **C. Cash Equivalents**

The Town's cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits, money market accounts and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less.

### **D. Investments**

Investments are stated at fair value.

### **E. Receivables and Payables**

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

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All trade, property tax, sewer use and sewer assessment receivables, including those of its component unit, are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. The allowance for uncollectibles is based on an analysis of amounts that are not expected to be collected at June 30, 2016.

**F. Restricted Assets**

The restricted assets for the Town are restricted for endowment purposes. The Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., has several bequests that are restricted to expenditure of the investment income only for the donor-designated purpose.

**G. Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 for equipment, \$20,000 for improvements and \$100,000 for infrastructure, and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

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

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Property, plant and equipment of the primary government as well as the component unit are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Years</b>
Land improvements	25
Buildings	25 - 75
Machinery and equipment	5 - 25
Infrastructure	50 - 100

**Component Unit**

**Inexhaustible Collections and Books**

The values of inexhaustible collections and research books are not readily determinable and are not capitalized. Books purchased and used in circulation are determined to have useful lives of less than one year and are not capitalized.

**H. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of net 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 or fund balance that applies to a future period or periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Town reports a deferred charge on refunding and deferred outflows related to pension in the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. A deferred outflow of resources related to pension results from differences between expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions or

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other inputs, and changes in projected investment earnings. These amounts are deferred and included in pension expense in a systematic and rational manner over a period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with benefits through the pension plan (active employees and inactive employees).

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net 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 or fund balance that applies to a future period or periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Town reports a deferred inflow of resources related to pensions in the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred inflow of resources related to pension results from differences between expected and actual experience and changes in assumptions. These amounts are deferred and included in pension expense in a systematic and rational manner over a period equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with benefits through the pension plan (active employees and inactive employees). For governmental funds, the Town reports unavailable revenue, which arises only under the modified accrual basis of accounting. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from several sources: property taxes, special assessments and other receivables. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) in the period in which the amounts become available.

**I. Compensated Absences**

All employees are granted vacation and sick time based upon contractual provisions. At anniversary year-end, unused vacation and sick time do not accumulate or vest (other than Board of Education employees, firefighters and highway union workers); therefore, in the event of termination or retirement, employees are not compensated for unused vacation and sick time.

The Board of Education employees are paid vacation on a fiscal year basis, and, therefore, unused vacation lapses at June 30. The Town employees are paid vacation on a calendar date basis, and, therefore, a liability for unused vacation has been recorded in the government-wide financial statements. Compensated absences are reported in the governmental funds, primarily the General Fund, only if the amount has matured. Matured amounts are defined as unused reimbursable leave still outstanding following an employee's resignation or retirement.

Certified employees at the Board of Education may accumulate up to 180 days of unused sick time. Firefighters and municipal union workers may accumulate unlimited unused sick time. There is no vesting for these amounts.

**J. Net Pension Liability**

The net pension liability is measured as the portion of the actuarial present value of projected benefits that is attributed to past periods of employee service (total pension liability), net of the pension plan's fiduciary net position. The pension plan's fiduciary net position is determined using the same valuation methods that are used by the pension plan for purposes of preparing its statement of fiduciary net position. The net pension liability is measured as of a date (measurement date) no earlier than the end of the employer's prior fiscal year, consistently applied from period to period.

**K. Net OPEB Obligation**

The net other post employment benefit (OPEB) obligation represents the cumulative difference between the annual OPEB cost and the Town's contributions to the plans. These amounts are calculated on an actuarial basis and are recorded as a noncurrent liability in the government-wide financial statements.



## **L. Long-Term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

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

## **M. Equity**

Equity in the government-wide financial statements is defined as “net position” and is classified in the following categories:

### **Invested in Capital Assets**

This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

### **Restricted Net Position**

Net position restrictions are externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

### **Unrestricted Net Position**

This component consists of net position that does not meet the definition of “restricted” or “Invested in Capital Assets.”

The equity of the fund financial statements is defined as “fund balance” and is classified in the following categories:

### **Nonspendable Fund Balance**

This represents amounts that cannot be spent due to form (e.g., inventories and prepaid amounts).

### **Restricted Fund Balance**

This represents amounts constrained for a specific purpose by external parties, such as grantors, creditors, contributors, or laws and regulations of their governments.

### **Committed Fund Balance**

This represents amounts constrained for a specific purpose by the government using its highest level of decision-making authority (Ridgefield Board of Finance) through the resolution process.

### **Assigned Fund Balance**

This includes amounts constrained to be used for a specific purpose by Executive Management or the Board of Finance, which have been delegated authority to assign amounts by the Town Charter. For the General Fund, this includes the designations of fund balance for subsequent year's budget. The Board of Finance approves the assignment of fund balance for subsequent year's budget through a resolution.

**Unassigned Fund Balance**

This represents fund balance in the General Fund in excess of restricted, committed and assigned fund balance. If another governmental fund has a fund balance deficit, it is reported as a negative amount in unassigned fund balance.

**N. Property Taxes**

Property taxes are assessed on property as of October 1. Taxes are billed the following July and are due in four installments, July 1, October 1, January 1 and April 1. Motor vehicle taxes are billed in July and are due in one installment on July 1. Liens are effective on the assessment date and are continued by filing before the end of the fiscal year following the due date. For fund financial statements, all property taxes receivable at June 30 have been recorded as a deferred inflow of resources, since they are not considered to be available to finance expenditures of the current fiscal year.

**O. Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, including disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities and reported revenues, expenses and expenditures during the fiscal year.

**2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**A. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

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

- In April, the Board of Finance submits to a public hearing, at which taxpayer comments are obtained, the proposed operating budget for the year commencing July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- The Board of Finance submits their final proposed budget to the annual Town Meeting, which is held on the first Monday in May. Those in attendance at the annual Town Meeting may comment on the proposed budget before it is forwarded to a referendum vote. Appropriations may not be increased. The date of the machine vote is also established by the annual Town Meeting, which must be held not less than seven nor more than fourteen days from the date of the annual Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen is responsible for establishing the hours of voting. This process is repeated, if necessary, until a budget is approved.
- The Board of Finance, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter and the Connecticut General Statutes, is authorized to transfer unexpended balances from one department's appropriation to another. Management may not authorize any additional appropriations. The Board of Finance may provide any single requesting agency with a special appropriation from General Fund unassigned fund balance a sum not to exceed \$50,000 cumulative and/or \$250,000 in the aggregate to all requesting agencies in any fiscal year. Special appropriations in excess of \$3,000,000 must be taken to referendum. During the year ended June 30, 2016, there was an additional appropriation of \$230,000.
- Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year.

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- Except for encumbrance accounting, the budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- The legal level of control, the level at which expenditures may not exceed appropriations, is at the department level.
- The Board of Education, which is not a separate legal entity but a function of the Town, is authorized under state law to make any transfers required within its budget at its discretion. Any additional appropriations must have Board of Education and Board of Finance approval and, if over \$50,000, Town Meeting approval.
- Encumbrances are recognized as a valid and proper charge against a budget appropriation in the year in which the purchase order, contract or other commitment is issued, and, accordingly, encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported in budgetary reports (RSI 2) as expenditures in the current year. Generally, all unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end, except those for the capital projects funds. Appropriations for capital projects are continued until completion of applicable projects, even when projects extend more than one fiscal year.

**B. Deficit Fund Equity**

The following individual funds had deficit fund balances at June 30, 2016:

Nonmajor governmental funds:	
Youth Barn	2,168

The deficit in the Youth Barn will be funded by future operating transfers from the General Fund.

**C. Donor Restricted Endowments**

The Town has received an endowment for the maintenance of Ballard Park. The amounts are reflected in net position as non-spendable and restricted for permanent funds. The investment income (including appreciation, if any) is approved for expenditure by the individual Board of Finance.

**D. Capital Projects Authorizations**

The following is a summary of bonded projects and capital nonrecurring projects at June 30, 2016:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Current Year Expenditures</u>	<u>Cumulative Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2016</u>
School buildings	\$ 7,287,705	\$ 715,505	\$ 6,200,999	\$ 1,086,706
Sewer	2,905,000	361,219	2,902,211	2,789
Infrastructure	37,458,031	1,515,452	35,602,288	1,855,743
Municipal buildings	4,385,421	295,799	3,697,028	688,393
Motor vehicles	2,494,655	710,800	2,359,844	134,811
Machinery and equipment	6,652,992	3,330,753	5,765,861	887,131
Total	<u>\$ 61,183,804</u>	<u>\$ 6,929,528</u>	<u>\$ 56,528,231</u>	<u>\$ 4,655,573</u>

### **3. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

#### **A. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments**

The deposit of public funds is controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes (Section 7-402). Deposits may be made in a “qualified public depository” as defined by Statute or, in amounts not exceeding the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance limit, in an “out of state bank” as defined by the Statutes, which is not a “qualified public depository.”

The Connecticut General Statutes (Section 7-400) permit municipalities to invest in: 1) obligations of the United States and its agencies, 2) highly rated obligations of any state of the United States or of any political subdivision, authority or agency thereof, and 3) shares or other interests in custodial arrangements or pools maintaining constant net asset values and in highly rated no-load open end money market and mutual funds (with constant or fluctuating net asset values) whose portfolios are limited to obligations of the United States and its agencies, and repurchase agreements fully collateralized by such obligations. Other provisions of the Statutes cover specific municipal funds with particular investment authority. The provisions of the Statutes regarding the investment of municipal pension funds do not specify permitted investments. Therefore, investment of such funds is generally controlled by the laws applicable to fiduciaries and the provisions of the applicable plan.

The Statutes (Sections 3-24f and 3-27f) also provide for investment in shares of the State Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF) and the State Tax Exempt Proceeds Fund (TEPF). These investment pools are under the control of the State Treasurer, with oversight provided by the Treasurer’s Cash Management Advisory Board, and are regulated under the State Statutes and subject to annual audit by the Auditors of Public Accounts. Investment yields are accounted for on an amortized-cost basis with an investment portfolio that is designed to attain a market-average rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles. Investors accrue interest daily based on actual earnings, less expenses and transfers to the designated surplus reserve, and the fair value of the position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

#### **Deposits**

##### **Deposit Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Town’s deposit will not be returned. The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The deposit of public funds is controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes. Deposits may be placed with any qualified public depository that has its main place of business in the State of Connecticut. Connecticut General Statutes require that each depository maintain segregated collateral (not required to be based on a security agreement between the depository and the municipality and, therefore, not perfected in accordance with federal law) in an amount equal to a defined percentage of its public deposits based upon the depository’s risk based capital ratio.

Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures*, \$22,380,506 of the Town’s bank balance of \$23,451,699 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ 20,042,455
Uninsured and collateral held by the pledging bank’s trust department, not in the Town’s name	<u>2,338,051</u>
Total Amount Subject to Custodial Credit Risk	<u><u>\$ 22,380,506</u></u>

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At June 30, 2016, the entire balance of the component unit's deposits was covered by federal depository insurance.

**Cash Equivalents**

At June 30, 2016, the Town's cash equivalents amounted to \$10,222,793. The following table provides a summary of the Town's cash equivalents (excluding U.S. government guaranteed obligations) as rated by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The pools all have maturities of less than one year.

	<b>Standard &amp; Poor's</b>
Money Market Funds*	
State Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF)	AAAm
*Not rated	

At June 30, 2016, the component unit's cash equivalents include money market funds of \$262,771 with no rating.

**Investments**

At June 30, 2016, the Town had the following investments:

<b>Investment Type</b>	<b>Credit Rating</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Investment Maturities (Years)</b>		
			<b>Less Than 1</b>	<b>1 - 10</b>	<b>More Than 10</b>
Interest-bearing investments:					
Certificates of deposit	*	\$ 582,674	\$ 337,223	\$	\$ 245,451
Total		582,674	\$ 337,223	\$ -	\$ 245,451
Other investments:					
Mutual funds		100,232,607			
Total Investments		\$ 100,815,281			

\*Subject to coverage by Federal Depository Insurance and collateralization.

At June 30, 2016, the component unit's investments include mutual funds of \$485,185 with no rating or maturity, equity securities of \$1,236,904 with no rating or maturity, exchange traded funds of \$778,234 with no rating or maturity, fixed income securities of \$709,454 with no rating or maturity, hedge funds of \$125,549 with no rating or maturity and \$1,714,555 beneficial interest in a perpetual trust.

**Interest Rate Risk**

The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

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**Credit Risk - Investments**

As indicated above, State Statutes limit the investment options of cities and towns. The Town has no investment policy that would limit its investment choices due to credit risk other than State Statutes governing investments in obligations of any State or political subdivision or in obligations of the State of Connecticut or political subdivision.

**Concentration of Credit Risk**

The Town has no policy limiting an investment in any one issuer that is in excess of 5% of the Town's total investments. No more than 5% of the Town's investments were invested in any one issuer.

**Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk for an investment is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (the institution that pledges collateral or repurchase agreement securities to the Town or that sells investments to or buys them for the Town), the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Town does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2016, the Town did not have any uninsured and unregistered securities held by the counterparty or by its trust department or agent that were not in the Town's name.

The Town's investment policy, in conformity with applicable Connecticut General Statutes, authorizes investment in the State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF) and Cutwater Asset Management Class Plus Investment. The value of the position in the pools is the same as the value of the pool shares. Regulatory oversight for the State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment Fund is provided quarterly by the Investment Advisory Council and the Treasurer's Cash Management Board. Regulatory oversight for Cutwater Asset Management - Connecticut CLASS Plus Investment is provided by an investment advisory council consisting of members appointed by the municipalities. Other authorized investments include pooled and joint investments meeting the requirements of the policy, excluding those pools investing in "derivative" securities, certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements and obligations of the United States and agencies of the federal government.

The Pension Trust Fund is also authorized to invest in corporate bonds, domestic common stocks, domestic equity real estate and international equities. The investments of this fund are held in trust by a trustee bank, which executes investment transactions under the direction of the pension plan's investment manager.

The Town adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. The new disclosure is presented below:

The Town categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements); followed by quoted prices in inactive markets or for similar assets or with observable inputs (Level 2 measurements); and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The Town has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2016:

	<b>June 30, 2016</b>	<b>Fair Value Measurement Listing Level 1</b>
Investments by fair value level:		
Mutual funds	\$ <u>100,232,607</u>	\$ <u>100,232,607</u>

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Mutual funds classified in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities. The Town holds no Level 2 or Level 3 inputs.

On June 30, 2016, the component unit held \$2,711,387 in Level 1 investments, \$498,390 in Level 2 investments and \$2,053,879 in Level 3 investments. In addition the component unit held investments of \$125,549 measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient.

**B. Receivables**

Receivables as of June 30, 2016 for the Town's individual major funds and nonmajor and fiduciary funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Non- Recurring</u>	<u>Sewer Bond Repayment</u>	<u>Nonmajor and Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivables:					
Property taxes*	\$ 3,838,878	\$	\$	\$	\$ 3,838,878
Assessments/use charges*			494,053	129,903	623,956
Intergovernmental		187,851		15,387	203,238
Loans receivable		177,190			177,190
Other	181,396	14,000		5,229	200,625
Gross receivables	<u>4,020,274</u>	<u>379,041</u>	<u>494,053</u>	<u>150,519</u>	<u>5,043,887</u>
Less allowance for uncollectibles**	<u>71,523</u>		<u>9,314</u>	<u>7,465</u>	<u>88,302</u>
Net Total Receivables	<u>\$ 3,948,751</u>	<u>\$ 379,041</u>	<u>\$ 484,739</u>	<u>\$ 143,054</u>	<u>\$ 4,955,585</u>

\* Does not include accrued interest on property taxes of \$572,828 and use charges of \$25,863.

\*\* Does not include allowance for uncollectibles on accrued interest on property taxes of \$57,239 and use charges of \$1,699.

Ridgefield Library, the component unit, has recorded contributions receivable in the amount of \$361,831. Ridgefield Library expects \$211,619 to be collected within one year and \$150,212 to be collected within one to five years. The allowance for uncollectibles was \$18,400. A rate of 1.25% was used for contributions expected to be received in more than one year, resulting in discounts to net present value of \$4,107.

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**C. Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 was as follows:

**Primary Government**

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 29,612,176	\$	\$	\$ 29,612,176
Construction in progress		3,069,947		3,069,947
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>29,612,176</u>	<u>3,069,947</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,682,123</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	6,512,981	27,224		6,540,205
Buildings	152,417,946	1,493,182		153,911,128
Machinery and equipment	33,247,331	1,592,385	462,953	34,376,763
Infrastructure	47,135,256	473,797		47,609,053
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>239,313,514</u>	<u>3,586,588</u>	<u>462,953</u>	<u>242,437,149</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	4,879,771	76,754		4,956,525
Buildings	31,540,812	2,357,136		33,897,948
Machinery and equipment	24,991,442	1,540,271	391,642	26,140,071
Infrastructure	16,941,706	709,869		17,651,575
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>78,353,731</u>	<u>4,684,030</u>	<u>391,642</u>	<u>82,646,119</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>160,959,783</u>	<u>(1,097,442)</u>	<u>71,311</u>	<u>159,791,030</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ <u>190,571,959</u>	\$ <u>1,972,505</u>	\$ <u>71,311</u>	\$ <u>192,473,153</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 460,509
Health and welfare	8,080
Public safety	361,906
Public works	1,173,810
Recreation	476,466
Education	<u>2,203,259</u>
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ <u>4,684,030</u>



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**Component Unit**

Activity for the Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., for the year ended June 30, 2016 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 246,441	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 246,441
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>246,441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>246,441</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	19,477,635	10,000		19,487,635
Furnishings and equipment	1,179,571	3,196		1,182,767
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>20,657,206</u>	<u>13,196</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,670,402</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	473,500	389,491		862,991
Furnishings and equipment	248,109	174,457		422,566
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>721,609</u>	<u>563,948</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,285,557</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>19,935,597</u>	<u>(550,752)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,384,845</u>
Ridgefield Library Association, Inc., Capital Assets, Net	\$ <u>20,182,038</u>	\$ <u>(550,752)</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>19,631,286</u>

**D. Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers**

Interfund balances are a result of timing differences between the dates payments occurred for various activities. The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2016 is as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds	\$ 1,771
General Fund	Capital Nonrecurring Fund	190,856
Capital Nonrecurring Fund	Sewer Bond Repayment	115,000
Capital Nonrecurring Fund	Nonmajor governmental funds	<u>130,000</u>
		\$ <u>437,627</u>

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Transfers are used to account for the financing by the General Fund of various programs and activities in other funds. The transfers that occurred during the year are as follows:

	<b>Transfers In</b>					
	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Capital Nonrecurring Fund</b>	<b>Bonded Projects</b>	<b>Internal Service Funds</b>	<b>Nonmajor Govern- mental Funds</b>	<b>Total Transfers Out</b>
Transfers out:						
General Fund		\$	275,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 1,098,738	\$ 1,438,738
Capital Nonrecurring Fund	\$ 30,443					30,443
Sewer Bond Repayment		115,000				115,000
Nonmajor Governmental	<u>25,000</u>					<u>25,000</u>
Total Transfers In	<u>\$ 55,443</u>	<u>\$ 115,000</u>	<u>275,000</u>	<u>\$ 65,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,098,738</u>	<u>\$ 1,609,181</u>

**E. Short-Term Obligations - Bond Anticipation Notes**

The Town uses bond anticipation notes during the construction period of various public projects prior to the issuance of the bonds at the completion of the project.

Bond anticipation note transactions for the year ended June 30, 2016 were as follows:

Outstanding, July 1, 2015	\$ 5,000,000
New borrowings	450,000
Repayments	<u>(5,000,000)</u>
Outstanding, June 30, 2016	<u>\$ 450,000</u>

The bond anticipation note outstanding at June 30, 2016 bears interest at 1.0% and matures on December 15, 2016.

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**F. Long-Term Debt**

**Changes in Long-Term Liabilities**

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental Activities:					
Bonds payable:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 77,645,000	\$ 9,715,000	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 78,360,000	\$ 8,905,000
Unamortized bond premiums	<u>7,132,184</u>	<u>528,019</u>	<u>839,058</u>	<u>6,821,145</u>	
Total bonds payable	84,777,184	10,243,019	9,839,058	85,181,145	8,905,000
Notes payable	414,613		23,685	390,928	24,177
Compensated absences	1,208,390	92,482	14,971	1,285,901	1,285,901
Net pension liability	816,794	3,623,311		4,440,105	
OPEB obligation	1,253,000		199,000	1,054,000	
Lease obligations	<u>923,651</u>	<u>540,000</u>	<u>609,918</u>	<u>853,733</u>	<u>461,204</u>
Total Governmental Activities Long-Term Liabilities	<u>\$ 89,393,632</u>	<u>\$ 14,498,812</u>	<u>\$ 10,686,632</u>	<u>\$ 93,205,812</u>	<u>\$ 10,676,282</u>

All long-term liabilities are generally liquidated by the General Fund.

**General Obligation Bonds**

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities.

General obligation bonds are direct obligations of the Town for which full faith and credit are pledged and are payable from taxes levied on all taxable properties located within the Town.

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General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Interest Rate (%)</u>	<u>Balance Outstanding June 30, 2016</u>
General purpose:		
General obligation - improvement	3-6.2%	\$ 389,835
General obligation - improvement	1.75-5%	750,743
General obligation - refunding	2.25-5%	18,691,265
General obligation - refunding	2.375-5%	5,272,371
General obligation - refunding	2-5%	4,157,901
General obligation - improvement	2-4%	7,451,187
General obligation - improvement	3.0-4.0%	6,656,842
General obligation - refunding	2.0-5.0%	5,291,030
General obligation - improvement	2.0-4.0%	7,533,800
Total general purpose		<u>56,194,974</u>
School:		
School improvement - improvement	3-6.2%	65,455
School improvement - improvement	1.75-5%	3,784,257
School improvement - refunding	2.25-5%	1,993,735
School improvement - refunding	2.375-5%	6,901,018
School improvement - refunding	2-5%	427,099
School improvement - improvement	2-4%	1,468,813
School improvement - improvement	3.0-4.0%	653,158
School improvement - refunding	2.0-5.0%	3,508,279
School improvement - improvement	2.0-4.0%	2,181,200
Total school		<u>20,983,014</u>
Sewer:		
Sewer - improvement	3-6.2%	19,710
Sewer - refunding	2.375-5%	946,611
Sewer - refunding	2.0-5.0%	215,691
		<u>1,182,012</u>
Total Outstanding		<u>\$ 78,360,000</u>

**General Obligation Bonds - Advance Refunding**

In prior years, the Town defeased certain general obligation bonds by placing the proceeds of new bonds in an irrevocable trust to provide for future debt service payments on the old bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and liability for the defeased bonds are not included in the Town's financial statements. At June 30, 2016, \$6,175,000 of the defeased debt is outstanding and \$6,276,925 is the balance remaining in escrow.

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**Notes Payable**

**Water Main Payable**

The State of Connecticut drinking water notes, bearing interest at 2%, will be paid out of General Fund operations and will mature in the year 2031.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds and notes payable are as follows:

	<b>General Obligation Bonds</b>		<b>Notes Payable</b>	
	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>
2017	\$ 8,905,000	\$ 2,976,164	\$ 24,177	\$ 7,825
2018	9,085,000	2,550,324	24,680	7,323
2019	8,985,000	2,149,576	25,193	6,810
2020	9,105,000	1,762,869	25,717	6,286
2021	8,560,000	1,376,014	26,252	5,751
2022-2026	20,325,000	3,431,316	139,679	20,335
2027-2031	9,880,000	1,437,601	125,230	5,448
2032-2034	3,515,000	243,317		
Total	\$ <u>78,360,000</u>	\$ <u>15,927,181</u>	\$ <u>390,928</u>	\$ <u>59,778</u>

**Capital Lease**

The Town has entered into lease agreements as lessee for financing the acquisition of computers and various pieces of equipment. The lease agreements qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of its future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The asset acquired through the capital leases are as follows:

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
Asset:	
Equipment	\$ 5,437,766
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>4,403,766</u>
Total	\$ <u>1,034,000</u>

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The future minimum lease obligation and the net present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2016 were as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
2017	\$ 473,693
2018	291,389
2019	108,585
Total minimum lease payments	<u>873,667</u>
Less amount representing interest	<u>19,934</u>
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments	\$ <u><u>853,733</u></u>

**Authorized but Unissued Bonds**

The total of authorized but unissued bonds at June 30, 2016 is \$4,655,573. In most cases, interim financing is obtained through bond anticipation notes or other short-term borrowings until the issuance of long-term debt.

**Statutory Debt Limitation**

The Town's indebtedness does not exceed the legal debt limitations as required by Connecticut General Statutes as reflected in the following schedule:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Debt Limit</u>	<u>Net Indebtedness</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General purpose	\$ 275,966,525	\$ 60,850,547	\$ 215,115,978
Schools	551,933,051	20,983,014	530,950,037
Sewers	459,944,209	1,078,887	458,865,322
Urban renewal	398,618,314		398,618,314
Pension deficit	367,955,367		367,955,367

The total overall statutory debt limit for the Town is equal to seven times annual receipts from taxation, \$858,562,523.

The indebtedness reflected above includes bonds outstanding in addition to the amount of bonds authorized and unissued against which bond anticipation notes are issued and outstanding.

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**G. Fund Balance**

The components of fund balance for the governmental funds at June 30, 2016 are as follows:

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Major Capital Project Funds Capital Nonrecurring Fund</b>	<b>Bonded Projects Fund</b>	<b>Major Special Revenue Fund Sewer Bond Repayment Fund</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
Fund balances:						
Nonspendable:						
Inventory	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 17,709	\$ 17,709
Endowment					25,000	25,000
Restricted for:						
Grants					1,162,903	1,162,903
Parks and recreation - donations					140,752	140,752
Branchville Railroad Station					27,295	27,295
Public safety - donations					99,531	99,531
Solid waste					10,260	10,260
Capital projects		187,215	2,580,716			2,767,931
Committed to:						
Sewer assessment				1,957,517		1,957,517
Sewer operations					1,136,525	1,136,525
Education					366,719	366,719
Assigned:						
Town - encumbrances	234,552					234,552
Education - encumbrances	815,928					815,928
Subsequent year's budget	1,950,000					1,950,000
Unassigned	14,074,534				(2,168)	14,072,366
Total Fund Balances	\$ 17,075,014	\$ 187,215	\$ 2,580,716	\$ 1,957,517	\$ 2,984,526	\$ 24,784,988

Significant encumbrances at June 30, 2016 are contained in the above table in the assigned category of the General Fund.

**H. Operating Lease**

In 1997, the Town signed a lease with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Branchville Railroad Station Parking Lot for a 20-year period of time commencing on October 1, 1995 to and including September 30, 2015, with the option to renew for two additional successive five-year periods of time. The Town renewed this lease on July 1, 2016 for five additional years.

In lieu of an annual lease payment, the Town must reinvest all surplus revenue derived from rail parking and rail-related leases into the improvement and maintenance of rail station buildings, rail station parking and mutually agreed upon rail station services. The Town set up a Parking Fund, which collected \$47,472 in fees and permits and spent \$38,372 in parking expenditures during fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Fund balance at June 30, 2016 is \$27,295.

#### **4. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS**

##### **A. Pension Plan**

###### **Summary**

The Town administers three single employer, defined benefit pension plans (Town of Ridgefield Pension Plan, Town of Ridgefield Police Union Pension Plan and Town of Ridgefield Firefighters Union Pension Plan). The plans were established through an ordinance adopted May 7, 1964 and amended July 1, 1984. The Pension Commission makes recommendations for plan provisions, which are approved by the Board of Finance. The plans are considered to be part of the Town's financial reporting entity and are included in the Town's financial reports as Pension Trust Funds. Separate, stand-alone reports are not issued.

Management of the plans rests with the Town's Pension Commission, which consists of seven appointed members, each serving three-year terms.

###### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Plan Asset Matters**

###### **Basis of Accounting**

The Town's pension trust funds financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues (contributions and investment income) are recognized when they are earned and expenses (benefits and administration) are recognized when they are incurred. Contributions are recognized when due, pursuant to formal commitments (as well as statutory or contractual requirements, as appropriate). Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plans.

###### **Valuation of Investments**

Investments are valued at fair value. Securities traded on a national exchange are valued at June 30, 2016 quoted market price. There are no investments of 5% or greater in any one organization.

###### **Plan Description and Benefits Provided**

###### **Benefit Provisions**

The plans' membership is open to substantially all Town employees with the exception of certified teachers and administrative personnel at the Board of Education. Administrative costs are financed from investment earnings.

###### **Employer Contributions**

Recommended contributions to each of the three plans are determined each year as part of the actuarial valuation using the frozen entry age method. The contributions for the year ended June 30, 2016 represent 15.47% of covered payroll.

###### **Employee Contributions**

General employees of the Town have no required contribution. The contribution requirements of other departments are as follows (expressed as a percentage of annual compensation): Police 6%, Fire 6%, Highway 4% and Board of Education Secretaries 2%.



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At June 30, 2016, plan membership consisted of the following:

	<b>Town Pension Plan</b>	<b>Police Union Pension Plan</b>	<b>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</b>
Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	227	36	20
Vested terminated employees	117	2	1
Active plan members	<u>351</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>28</u>
Total Participants	<u>695 *</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>49</u>

\* The participants in the Town Pension Plan are comprised of 438 employees from the Board of Education and 257 employees from the Town.

## **Investments**

### **Investment Policy**

The Pension Commission has responsibility for selecting and hiring investment organizations and monitoring their results. The Commission's goal is to have a broadly diversified portfolio of assets allocated in a manner that that is intended to achieve the stated return objective. The Pension Commission is responsible for allocations among asset classes, and other investment characteristics, including expected return, risk, correlation and the assets' overall role in the portfolio.

The following was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy and long-term expected real rate of return as of June 30, 2016:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return*</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Domestic Equity	40.00%	7.95%	3.18%
Balanced Funds - Market Neutral	10.00%	5.50%	0.56%
International Equity	28.00%	9.00%	2.48%
Fixed Income Investment Grade	<u>22.00%</u>	<u>2.70%</u>	<u>0.60%</u>
Total Portfolio	100.00%		6.82%
Long-Term Inflation Expectation			<u>2.00%</u>
Long-Term Expected Nominal Return			6.75%

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The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined by assigning a target allocation to each major asset class, and then estimating the rate of return for each asset class based on intermediate and long term investment horizons. These ranges were then combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the above table.

**Rate of Return**

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expense, was .62%. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

**Net Pension Liability**

The components of the net pension liability of the Town at June 30, 2016, were as follows:

	<b>Town Pension Plan</b>	<b>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</b>	<b>Police Union Pension Plan</b>
Total pension liability	\$ 53,638,291	\$ 18,106,143	\$ 29,605,280
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>51,843,863</u>	<u>17,229,499</u>	<u>27,836,247</u>
Net Pension Liability	\$ <u>1,794,428</u>	\$ <u>876,644</u>	\$ <u>1,769,033</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	96.65%	95.16%	94.02%

**Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	3.25%
Investment rate of return	6.75%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Section 430 Mortality with separate male and female pre- and post-retirement rates as published by the United States Treasury Department for 2014.

The demographic assumptions used in the July 1, 2015 valuation were selected based on the plan population being representative of a normal population. The mortality table used was the latest available, based on large population studies of retirement plan participants with appropriate mortality improvement projections. Experience studies were not performed because the size of the plan population would render the results of any such studies statistically unreliable. Retirement age assumptions are chosen to represent our best estimate of each participant's expected retirement age, given the type of employment and the available benefits, as well as our historical knowledge of retirement trends for this plan's population.

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**Discount Rate**

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

**Changes in the Net Pension Liability (Asset)**

<b>Town Pension Plan</b>			
	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>		
	<b>Total Pension Liability</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>	<b>Net Pension Liability (Asset)</b>
	<b>(a)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(a)-(b)</b>
Balances as of July 1, 2015	\$ 50,585,539	\$ 51,096,739	\$ (511,200)
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	1,543,202		1,543,202
Interest on total pension liability	3,092,338		3,092,338
Differences between expected and actual experience	329,208		329,208
Changes in assumptions	(436,794)		(436,794)
Employer contributions		1,709,440	(1,709,440)
Member contributions		249,518	(249,518)
Net investment income		300,620	(300,620)
Benefit payments, including refund to employee contributions	(1,475,202)	(1,475,202)	-
Administrative expenses		(37,252)	37,252
Net changes	3,052,752	747,124	2,305,628
Balances as of June 30, 2016	\$ 53,638,291	\$ 51,843,863	\$ 1,794,428

<b>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</b>			
	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>		
	<b>Total Pension Liability</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>	<b>Net Pension Liability</b>
	<b>(a)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(a)-(b)</b>
Balances as of July 1, 2015	\$ 17,386,946	\$ 17,227,767	\$ 159,179
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	305,631		305,631
Interest on total pension liability	1,175,734		1,175,734
Differences between expected and actual experience	29,731		29,731
Changes in assumptions	(243,324)		(243,324)
Employer contributions		353,931	(353,931)
Member contributions		108,610	(108,610)
Net investment income		100,180	(100,180)
Benefit payments, including refund to employee contributions	(548,575)	(548,575)	-
Administrative expenses		(12,414)	12,414
Net changes	719,197	1,732	717,465
Balances as of June 30, 2016	\$ 18,106,143	\$ 17,229,499	\$ 876,644

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<b>Police Union Pension Plan</b>			
	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>		
	<b>Total Pension Liability</b>	<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>	<b>Net Pension Liability</b>
	<b>(a)</b>	<b>(b)</b>	<b>(a)-(b)</b>
Balances as of July 1, 2015	\$ 28,629,974	\$ 27,972,359	\$ 657,615
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	526,306		526,306
Interest on total pension liability	1,929,739		1,929,739
Differences between expected and actual experience	160,007		160,007
Changes in assumptions	(505,637)		(505,637)
Employer contributions		661,629	(661,629)
Member contributions		195,006	(195,006)
Net investment income		162,498	(162,498)
Benefit payments, including refund to employee contributions	(1,135,109)	(1,135,109)	-
Administrative expenses		(20,136)	20,136
Net changes	975,306	(136,112)	1,111,418
Balances as of June 30, 2016	\$ 29,605,280	\$ 27,836,247	\$ 1,769,033

Amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2014 Blue Collar Male and Female Pre- and Post-Retirement Mortality Tables for purposes of developing mortality rates.

**Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate**

The following presents the net pension liability of the Town, calculated using the discount rate of 6.75%, as well as what the Town's net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (5.75%) or 1 percentage point higher (7.75%) than the current rate:

<b>Net Pension Liability (Asset)</b>	<b>1% Decrease in Discount Rate (5.75%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (6.75%)</b>	<b>1% Increase in Discount Rate (7.75%)</b>
Town Pension Plan	\$ 9,111,027	\$ 1,794,428	\$ (4,373,496)
Firefighters Union Plan	3,188,356	876,644	(1,016,905)
Police Union Plan	6,102,062	1,769,033	(1,695,920)

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**Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the Town recognized pension expense of \$4,212,165 (\$2,537,828, \$562,309 and \$1,112,028 for the Town Pension Plan, Firefighters Union Pension Plan and Police Union Pension Plan, respectively). At June 30, 2016, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension from the following sources:

	<b>Town Pension Plan</b>	
	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,383,769	\$
Changes of assumptions	139,077	
Net difference between projected and actual earning on pension plan investments	4,286,203	
Total	\$ 5,809,049	\$ -

	<b>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</b>	
	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	\$ (64,168)
Changes of assumptions		(98,166)
Net difference between projected and actual earning on pension plan investments	1,452,707	
Total	\$ 1,452,707	\$ (162,334)

	<b>Police Union Pension Plan</b>	
	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 303,190	\$
Changes of assumptions	106,283	(375,986)
Net difference between projected and actual earning on pension plan investments	2,356,803	
Total	\$ 2,766,276	\$ (375,986)

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

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Town Pension Plan</u>	<u>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</u>	<u>Police Union Pension Plan</u>
2017	\$ 1,544,146	\$ 336,691	\$ 708,909
2018	1,544,146	336,691	708,909
2019	1,544,146	405,117	629,360
2020	949,805	211,874	343,112
2021	226,806		

**B. Elected Officials**

**Plan Description**

The Town administers a single employer, defined contribution plan, which is included in the Town's financial statements in the pension trust fund. The plan, established in July 1983, requires the employer to contribute 9% of each participant's compensation. The Town contributed \$26,423 during the year ended June 30, 2016. Officials are not required to contribute, but can make voluntary contributions up to 10% of annual compensation. At June 30, 2016, the net position available for benefits include \$473,891 of assets designated for this plan.

The Town Clerk, Tax Collector and First Selectman are the only plan members.

Significant accounting policies are the same as those discussed under defined benefit plans.

Other than the pension payment, there are no other postemployment benefits furnished to elected officials by the Town.

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**C. Plan Financial Statements**

Financial statements for each individual pension plan as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016 are as follows:

	<b>Town Pension Plan</b>	<b>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</b>	<b>Police Union Pension Plan</b>	<b>Elected Officials Pension Plan</b>	<b>Total Pension Trust Funds</b>
<b>Assets:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 48,587	\$ 16,147	\$ 26,087	\$ 444	\$ 91,265
Investments - at fair value:					
Mutual funds:					
Equity	51,655,437	17,166,878	27,735,077	472,171	97,029,563
Other assets:					
Prepaid benefits	139,839	46,474	75,083	1,278	262,674
Total assets	51,843,863	17,229,499	27,836,247	473,893	97,383,502
<b>Net Position:</b>					
Net Position Restricted for Pension Benefits	\$ 51,843,863	\$ 17,229,499	\$ 27,836,247	\$ 473,893	\$ 97,383,502
	<b>Town Pension Plan</b>	<b>Firefighters Union Pension Plan</b>	<b>Police Union Pension Plan</b>	<b>Elected Officials Pension Plan</b>	<b>Total Pension Trust Funds</b>
<b>Additions:</b>					
Contributions:					
Employer	\$ 1,709,440	\$ 353,931	\$ 661,629	\$ 26,423	\$ 2,751,423
Plan members	249,518	108,610	195,006		553,134
Total contributions	1,958,958	462,541	856,635	26,423	3,304,557
Net investment income:					
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	(280,223)	(93,383)	(151,473)	(3,046)	(528,125)
Interest and dividends	597,424	199,089	322,934	6,493	1,125,940
	317,201	105,706	171,461	3,447	597,815
Less investment expense	(16,581)	(5,526)	(8,963)	(180)	(31,250)
Net investment income	300,620	100,180	162,498	3,267	566,565
Net additions	2,259,578	562,721	1,019,133	29,690	3,871,122
<b>Deductions:</b>					
Benefits	1,475,202	548,575	1,135,109		3,158,886
Administration	37,252	12,414	20,136	405	70,207
Total deductions	1,512,454	560,989	1,155,245	405	3,229,093
Change in Net Position	747,124	1,732	(136,112)	29,285	642,029
Net Position at Beginning of Year	51,096,739	17,227,767	27,972,359	444,608	96,741,473
Net Position at End of Year	\$ 51,843,863	\$ 17,229,499	\$ 27,836,247	\$ 473,893	\$ 97,383,502

## **D. Teachers' Retirement**

### **Plan Description**

Teachers, principals, superintendents or supervisors engaged in service of public schools are provided with pensions through the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System, a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Teachers Retirement Board. Chapter 167a of the State Statutes grants authority to establish and amend the benefit terms to the Teachers Retirement Board. The Teachers Retirement Board issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at [www.ct.gov](http://www.ct.gov).

### **Benefit Provisions**

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

### **Normal Retirement**

Retirement benefits for employees are calculated as 2% of the average annual salary times the years of credited service (maximum benefit is 75% of average annual salary during the 3 years of highest salary).

### **Early Retirement**

Employees are eligible after 25 years of credited service including 20 years of Connecticut service, or age 55 with 20 years of credited service including 15 years of Connecticut service with reduced benefit amounts.

### **Disability Retirement**

Employees are eligible for service-related disability benefits regardless of length of service. Five years of credited service is required for nonservice-related disability eligibility. Disability benefits are calculated as 2% of average annual salary times credited service to date of disability, but not less than 15% of average annual salary, nor more than 50% of average annual salary.

### **Contributions**

Per Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-183z (which reflects Public Act 79-436 as amended), contribution requirements of active employees and the State of Connecticut are approved, amended and certified by the State Teachers Retirement Board and appropriated by the General Assembly.

#### *Employer (School Districts)*

School District employers are not required to make contributions to the plan.

The statutes require the State of Connecticut to contribute 100% of each school districts' required contributions, which are actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of the benefits earned by employees during the year, with any additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

#### *Employees*

Effective July 1, 1992, each teacher is required to contribute 6% of salary for the pension benefit.



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**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

At June 30, 2016, the Town reports no amounts for its proportionate share of the net pension liability, and related deferred outflows and inflows, due to the statutory requirement that the State pay 100% of the required contribution. The amount recognized by the Town as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related state support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the Town were as follows:

Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the Town	<u>112,430,005</u>
Total	\$ <u>112,430,005</u>

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014. At June 30, 2016, the Town has no proportionate share of the net pension liability.

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the Town recognized pension expense and revenue of \$9,008,476 in Exhibit II for on-behalf amounts for the benefits provided by the State.

**Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2014, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.00%
Salary increase	3.75-7.00%, including inflation
Investment rate of return	8.50%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected 19 years using scale AA, with a two-year setback for males and females for the period after service retirement and for dependent beneficiaries.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2010.

Future cost-of-living increases for members who retire on or after September 1, 1992 are assumed to be an annual cost-of-living adjustment of 2%.

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The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major class are summarized in the following table:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
Large Cap U.S. equities	21.0%	7.3%
Developed non-U.S. equities	18.0%	7.5%
Emerging markets (non-U.S.)	9.0%	8.6%
Core fixed income	7.0%	1.7%
Inflation linked bond fund	3.0%	1.3%
Emerging market bond	5.0%	4.8%
High yield bonds	5.0%	3.7%
Real estate	7.0%	5.9%
Private equity	11.0%	10.9%
Alternative investments	8.0%	0.7%
Liquidity fund	6.0%	0.4%
Total	100.0%	

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that State contributions will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates in the future years. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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

The Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability is \$-0- and, therefore, the change in the discount rate would only impact the amount recorded by the State of Connecticut.

#### **Other Information**

Additional information is included in the required supplementary information section of the financial statements. A schedule of contributions is not presented as the Town has no obligation to contribute to the plan.

**E. Postemployment Healthcare Plan - Retiree Health Plan**

**Plan Description**

The Retiree Health Plan (RHP) is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by the Town of Ridgefield. The RHP provides medical insurance benefits to eligible retirees and their spouses. Certain employees of the Town are eligible to participate in the plan. Benefit provisions are established through negotiations between the Town and the various unions representing the employees.

A trust was officially approved by the Board of Selectmen on December 14, 2009. As in prior years, all expenses for postemployment benefits were paid out of the general fund during fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. The Town used a phase-in funding approach. The plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report.

At July 1, 2015, plan membership consisted of the following:

	<b>Retiree Health Plan</b>
Retired members	84
Spouses of retired members	60
Active plan members	<u>833</u>
Total Participants	<u><u>977</u></u>

**Funding Policy**

The contribution requirements of plan members and the Town are also negotiated with the various unions representing the employees. Retired plan members and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits are required to contribute specified amounts monthly towards the cost of health insurance premiums as follows:

**Board of Education - Certified Employees (Teachers and Administrators)**

The cost per month for Board of Education employees receiving medical coverage is \$960 per month for retiree only coverage and \$1,838 per month for retiree and spouse coverage to age 65, and \$247 and \$494 per month, respectively, thereafter.

**Town Employees**

The cost per month for Board of Education employees receiving medical coverage is \$960 per month for retiree only coverage and \$1,838 per month for retiree and spouse coverage to age 65, and \$247 and \$494 per month, respectively, thereafter.

**Police Employees**

The cost per month for Board of Education employees receiving medical coverage is \$960 per month for retiree only coverage and \$1,838 per month for retiree and spouse coverage to age 65, and \$247 and \$494 per month, respectively, thereafter.

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**Board of Education - Non-Certified Employees**

The cost per month for Board of Education employees receiving medical coverage is \$960 per month for retiree only coverage and \$1,838 per month for retiree and spouse coverage to age 65, and \$247 and \$494 per month, respectively, thereafter.

**Employer Contributions**

Employer contributions to the plan of \$2,160,000 were made in accordance with actuarially determined requirements. Of this amount \$1,776,000 represents premium payments and \$394,000 was contributed to prefund benefits.

**Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligations**

The Town of Ridgefield's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years. The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Town's net OPEB obligation:

	<b>Retiree Health Plan</b>
Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 1,942,000
Interest on net OPEB obligation	100,000
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(81,000)</u>
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	1,961,000
Contributions made	<u>2,160,000</u>
Change in net OPEB obligation	(199,000)
Net OPEB obligation, beginning of year	<u>1,253,000</u>
Net OPEB Obligation, End of Year	<u><u>\$ 1,054,000</u></u>

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014 are presented below.

<b>Fiscal Year Ending</b>	<b>Annual OPEB Cost (AOC)</b>	<b>Actual Contribution</b>	<b>Percentage of AOC Contributed</b>	<b>Net OPEB Obligation</b>
6/30/2014	\$ 2,181,000	\$ 1,780,000	81.61 %	\$ 1,267,000
6/30/2015	1,884,000	1,898,000	100.74	1,253,000
6/30/2016	1,961,000	2,160,000	110.15	1,054,000

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**Schedule of Employer Contributions**

<b>Fiscal Year Ending</b>	<b>Annual Required Contribution</b>	<b>Percentage Contributed</b>
6/30/2014	\$ 2,193,000	81.17%
6/30/2015	1,869,000	101.55%
6/30/2016	1,942,000	111.23%

**Schedule of Funding Progress**

<b>Valuation Date</b>	<b>Actuarial Value of Assets</b>	<b>Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)</b>	<b>Unfunded AAL (UAAL)</b>	<b>Funded Ratio</b>	<b>Covered Payroll</b>	<b>UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</b>
7/1/2011	\$ 629,000	\$ 21,844,000	\$ 21,215,000	\$ 2.88 %	\$ 52,746,000	40.22%
7/1/2013	1,746,000	23,054,000	21,308,000	7.57	57,316,000	37.18%
7/1/2015	2,732,000	25,057,000	22,325,000	10.90	61,700,000	36.18%

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

Projections for benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the July 1, 2015 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions include an 8% investment rate of return, which is the rate of the expected long-term investment returns of plan assets calculated based on the funding policy of the plan at the valuation date. The annual healthcare cost trend rate is 9.0% in 2015 and will decrease by 0.5% per year down to 5.0% in 2021 and beyond. Projected salary increases were 3%. The inflation rate was 3%. The actuarial value of assets was determined using the closed group method. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period at July 1, 2013 was 24 years.

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**Schedule of OPEB Net Position**

	<b>OPEB Trust Fund</b>
Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,848
Investments	<u>3,203,044</u>
Total assets	<u>3,204,892</u>
Net Position	\$ <u><u>3,204,892</u></u>

**Schedule of Changes in OPEB Net Position**

	<b>OPEB Trust Fund</b>
Additions:	
Contributions:	
Employer	\$ <u>2,160,000</u>
Net investment income:	
Net change in fair value of investments	80,229
Interest and dividends	<u>16</u>
Net investment income	<u>80,245</u>
Total additions	<u>2,240,245</u>
Deductions:	
Benefits	1,756,000
Administration	<u>13,500</u>
Total deductions	<u>1,769,500</u>
Change in Net Position	470,745
Net Position at Beginning of Year	<u>2,734,147</u>
Net Position at End of Year	\$ <u><u>3,204,892</u></u>

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
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**5. OTHER INFORMATION**

**A. Risk Management**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to public official liability, police liability, Board of Education legal liability, theft or impairment of assets, errors and omissions, injury to employees and natural disasters.

The Town has a risk management program for property, casualty, workers' compensation and other claims. As part of this program, resources have been accumulated in an internal service fund to pay deductibles and losses. Third-party coverage is maintained for claims greater than the established risk assumption policy.

A schedule of changes in the claims liability for heart and hypertension and workers' compensation judgments for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, is presented below:

		<b>Accrued Liability Beginning of Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates</b>	<b>Accrued Liability Claim Payments</b>	<b>Accrued Liability End of Fiscal Year</b>
2016-15	\$	-	\$ 57,778	\$ 57,778	\$ -
2015-14		-	210,184	210,184	-

**B. Commitments and Litigation**

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

The Town is a defendant in various lawsuits, the outcome of which is not presently determinable. In the opinion of the Town attorneys, the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Town.

The Town may be subject to rebate penalties to the federal government relating to various bond and note issues. The Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

## **Required Supplementary Information**



**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
Property Taxes:					
Property taxes	\$ 121,065,128	\$	\$ 121,065,128	\$ 121,862,674	\$ 797,546
Interest and lien fees	450,000		450,000	819,744	369,744
Telephone tax	77,000		77,000	75,935	(1,065)
Total property taxes	<u>121,592,128</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>121,592,128</u>	<u>122,758,353</u>	<u>1,166,225</u>
Intergovernmental:					
Education cost sharing	2,063,814		2,063,814	2,005,380	(58,434)
School transportation grants	603		603	1,986	1,383
Elderly circuit freeze	60,000		60,000	55,212	(4,788)
Mashantucket/Mohegan fund grant	16,620		16,620	15,718	(902)
Paid in lieu of taxes	139,278		139,278	-	(139,278)
Municipal revenue sharing bonus pool	561,986		561,986	561,986	-
Miscellaneous	100,000		100,000	46,348	(53,652)
Total intergovernmental	<u>2,942,301</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,942,301</u>	<u>2,686,630</u>	<u>(255,671)</u>
Charges for Services:					
Town Clerk's fees including conveyance taxes	1,007,000		1,007,000	955,679	(51,321)
Building, plumbing and electrical permits	551,000		551,000	424,747	(126,253)
Planning and zoning commission	78,000		78,000	62,610	(15,390)
Water and septic permits and fees	50,000		50,000	50,733	733
Highway permits	7,000		7,000	7,800	800
Solid waste facility	30,000		30,000	9,438	(20,562)
Parking Authority	60,000		60,000	47,576	(12,424)
Police Department	136,000	100,000	236,000	545,881	309,881
Fire Department	715,000		715,000	740,425	25,425
Golf course	1,300,000	25,000	1,325,000	1,429,502	104,502
Parks and recreation	2,997,715	105,000	3,102,715	3,248,102	145,387
Out of town tuition	100,000		100,000	138,745	38,745
Utilities and fuel	304,000		304,000	245,999	(58,001)
Rental of Town property	912,572		912,572	899,383	(13,189)
Total charges for services	<u>8,248,287</u>	<u>230,000</u>	<u>8,478,287</u>	<u>8,806,620</u>	<u>328,333</u>
Investment Income	60,000		60,000	98,966	38,966
Miscellaneous	250,000		250,000	432,450	182,450
Total revenues	<u>133,092,716</u>	<u>230,000</u>	<u>133,322,716</u>	<u>134,783,019</u>	<u>1,460,303</u>
Other Financing Sources:					
Utilization of fund balance	1,850,000		1,850,000		(1,850,000)
Transfers in:					
Sewer operating fund	25,000		25,000	25,000	-
Total other financing sources	<u>1,875,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,875,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(1,850,000)</u>
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>\$ 134,967,716</u>	<u>\$ 230,000</u>	<u>\$ 135,197,716</u>	<u>134,808,019</u>	<u>\$ (389,697)</u>

Budgetary revenues are different than GAAP revenues because:

Turf field fund revenues not budgeted for - combination of fund for GASB 54 purposes	69
State of Connecticut on-behalf contributions to the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System for Town teachers are not budgeted.	9,008,476
Under liquidation of prior year encumbrances is recorded as miscellaneous revenue for budgetary reporting. This amount is excluded for GAAP financial reporting purposes.	(357,878)
Transfers in to the capital nonrecurring funds that were budgeted as a credit to debt service expenditures	30,443
The Board of Education does not budget for a combination of intergovernmental grants, charges for services and other revenue amounts received which are credited against education expenditures for budgetary reporting. These amounts are recorded as revenues and expenditures for GAAP financial reporting purposes.	2,073,421

Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources as Reported on the Statement of Revenues,  
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds - Exhibit IV

\$ 145,562,550

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	Original Budget	Transfers and Additional Appropriations	Final Budget	Actual			Variance with Final Budget
				Expenditures	Encumbrances	Total	
General Government:							
Selectmen	\$ 349,845	\$	\$ 349,845	\$ 347,962	\$	\$ 347,962	\$ 1,883
Board of Finance	79,899		79,899	79,431		79,431	468
Legal counsel	224,800	(300)	224,500	145,626		145,626	78,874
Administrative support services	262,697		262,697	262,541		262,541	156
Department of Finance	439,311		439,311	438,134		438,134	1,177
Data processing	474,446		474,446	474,408		474,408	38
Registrars	127,780		127,780	119,868		119,868	7,912
Assessor	377,385		377,385	363,026		363,026	14,359
Tax Collector	223,385		223,385	221,850		221,850	1,535
Town Treasurer	29,730		29,730	29,698		29,698	32
Town Clerk	261,324		261,324	236,525		236,525	24,799
Planning and zoning	354,375		354,375	332,068		332,068	22,307
Zoning board of appeals	71,950		71,950	68,946		68,946	3,004
Building Department	227,923		227,923	216,572		216,572	11,351
Probate court	6,466	300	6,766	6,748		6,748	18
Conservation Commission	33,472		33,472	27,085		27,085	6,387
Commissions and Committees	56,850		56,850	46,013		46,013	10,837
Insurance and benefits	7,995,410		7,995,410	7,792,286		7,792,286	203,124
Miscellaneous	26,000		26,000	26,000		26,000	-
Total general government	11,623,048	-	11,623,048	11,234,787	-	11,234,787	388,261
Health and Welfare:							
Health department	238,741		238,741	227,502		227,502	11,239
Social services	214,146		214,146	214,134		214,134	12
Total health and welfare	452,887	-	452,887	441,636	-	441,636	11,251
Community Grants	231,294		231,294	231,294		231,294	-
Parks and Recreation:							
Parks and recreation	3,454,270	105,000	3,559,270	3,495,116	4,995	3,500,111	59,159
Tree care	256,067		256,067	255,946		255,946	121
Golf course	1,022,646	25,000	1,047,646	1,034,462		1,034,462	13,184
Athletic fields	433,503		433,503	433,483		433,483	20
School grounds	427,863		427,863	411,359		411,359	16,504
Total parks and recreation	5,594,349	130,000	5,724,349	5,630,366	4,995	5,635,361	88,988
Public Safety:							
Police Department	5,066,778	100,000	5,166,778	5,117,406		5,117,406	49,372
Fire Department	3,990,591	(52,000)	3,938,591	3,810,309		3,810,309	128,282
Parking Authority	38,600		38,600	29,458	1,402	30,860	7,740
Emergency management	5,000		5,000	4,497		4,497	503
Animal control	91,258		91,258	86,545		86,545	4,713
Total public safety	9,192,227	48,000	9,240,227	9,048,215	1,402	9,049,617	190,610
Public Works:							
Highway Department	3,107,509		3,107,509	2,990,858		2,990,858	116,651
Roads/ADA - CP Financing	2,750,000		2,750,000	2,508,801	224,232	2,733,033	16,967
Town buildings	556,029	42,000	598,029	596,726		596,726	1,303
Utilities	903,913		903,913	874,314		874,314	29,599
Solid waste	60,000		60,000	58,035		58,035	1,965
School buildings	53,775	10,000	63,775	62,959		62,959	816
Total public works	7,431,226	52,000	7,483,226	7,091,693	224,232	7,315,925	167,301

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	Original Budget	Transfers and Additional Appropriations	Final Budget	Actual			Variance with Final Budget
				Expenditures	Encumbrances	Total	
Contingency	\$ 61,200	\$ -	\$ 61,200	\$ 40,784	\$ 3,924	\$ 44,708	\$ 16,492
Education:							
Certified salaries	43,084,827	54,130	43,138,957	43,138,957		43,138,957	-
Noncertified salaries	10,111,355	11,744	10,123,099	10,119,724		10,119,724	3,375
Fringe benefits	15,839,365	62,326	15,901,691	15,894,405	7,286	15,901,691	-
Professional services	1,084,247	(76,712)	1,007,535	980,202	23,487	1,003,689	3,846
Utility services - sewer and water	149,100	29,531	178,631	173,457	4,814	178,271	360
Equipment repair and maintenance	318,411	184,716	503,127	434,591	68,536	503,127	-
Building repairs	1,474,497	190,558	1,665,055	1,620,199	44,856	1,665,055	-
Transportation services	5,052,176	(317,387)	4,734,789	4,698,870	34,725	4,733,595	1,194
Insurance - property and liability	315,215	1,282	316,497	316,497		316,497	-
Communications - telephone	304,476	(81,015)	223,461	218,598	4,863	223,461	-
Advertising services	8,000	(5,833)	2,167	2,167		2,167	-
Printing services	45,942	(24,220)	21,722	21,722		21,722	-
Food management services	22,000	5,099	27,099	12,346	14,753	27,099	-
Travel, mileage and training	144,531	(23,227)	121,304	120,088	1,216	121,304	-
Other purchased services	1,805,945	147,555	1,953,500	1,858,502	82,353	1,940,855	12,645
Tuition - out of district facilities	1,175,000	18,150	1,193,150	635,189	372,876	1,008,065	185,085
Supplies and materials	1,193,808	(26,155)	1,167,653	1,090,294	75,490	1,165,784	1,869
Energy - electricity, gas and fuel	2,141,966	(38,524)	2,103,442	1,978,381	50,886	2,029,267	74,175
Books	498,599	(100,494)	398,105	385,026	13,079	398,105	-
Equipment	147,744	2,997	150,741	139,143	11,598	150,741	-
Dues and fees - memberships	90,298	(19,079)	71,219	70,764	455	71,219	-
Miscellaneous	70,124	4,558	74,682	69,987	4,655	74,642	40
Athletics program	975,738		975,738	975,738		975,738	-
Total education	86,053,364	-	86,053,364	84,954,847	815,928	85,770,775	282,589
Library	1,833,818	-	1,833,818	1,833,818		1,833,818	-
Debt Service	11,865,803	-	11,865,803	11,865,664		11,865,664	139
Total expenditures	134,339,216	230,000	134,569,216	132,373,104	1,050,481	133,423,585	1,145,631
Other Financing Uses:							
Transfers out:							
Tiger Hollow Fund	63,000		63,000	63,000		63,000	-
Turf Field	55,000		55,000	55,000		55,000	-
Heart and Hypertension Fund	65,000		65,000	65,000		65,000	-
Youth Barn	60,000		60,000	60,000		60,000	-
Bonded Projects	275,000		275,000	275,000		275,000	-
Revaluation Fund	110,500		110,500	110,500		110,500	-
Total other financing uses	628,500	-	628,500	628,500	-	628,500	-
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	\$ 134,967,716	\$ 230,000	\$ 135,197,716	\$ 133,001,604	\$ 1,050,481	134,052,085	\$ 1,145,631

Budgetary expenditures are different than GAAP expenditures because:

Revaluation fund expenses not budgeted for - combination of fund for GASB 54 purposes	17,549
Transfers to the revaluation and turf field funds that are collapsed under GASB 54 - not a GAAP expenditure	(165,500)
State of Connecticut on-behalf payments to the Connecticut State Teachers' Retirement System for Town teachers are not budgeted.	9,008,476
Encumbrances for purchases and commitments ordered but not received are reported in the year the order is placed for budgetary purposes, but in the year received for GAAP financial reporting purposes.	(1,050,481)
Encumbrances for purchases and commitments ordered in the previous year that were received and liquidated in the current year are reported for GAAP financial statement reporting purposes.	1,021,046
Transfers in to the capital nonrecurring funds that were budgeted as a credit to debt service expenditures.	30,443
The Board of Education does not budget for a combination of intergovernmental grants, charges for services and other revenue amounts received which are credited against education expenditures for budgetary reporting. These amounts are recorded as revenues and expenditures for GAAP financial reporting purposes.	2,073,421

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses as Reported on the Statement of Revenues,  
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds - Exhibit IV

\$ 144,987,039

## TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT

## TOWN PENSION PLAN

## SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS

## LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS

	2014	2015	2016
Total pension liability:			
Service cost	\$ 1,447,332	\$ 1,469,904	\$ 1,543,202
Interest	2,840,427	3,122,207	3,092,338
Differences between expected and actual experience	221	1,585,644	329,208
Changes of assumptions		711,684	(436,794)
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(1,288,272)	(1,384,009)	(1,475,202)
Net change in total pension liability	2,999,708	5,505,430	3,052,752
Total pension liability - beginning	42,080,401	45,080,109	50,585,539
Total pension liability - ending	45,080,109	50,585,539	53,638,291
Plan fiduciary net position:			
Contributions - employer	1,550,489	1,594,234	1,709,440
Contributions - member	240,371	253,567	249,518
Net investment income	7,963,970	433,446	300,620
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(1,288,272)	(1,384,009)	(1,475,202)
Administrative expense	(33,036)	(30,601)	(37,252)
Other	390,274		
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	8,823,796	866,637	747,124
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	41,406,306	50,230,102	51,096,739
Plan fiduciary net position - ending	50,230,102	51,096,739	51,843,863
Net Pension Liability (Asset) - Ending	\$ (5,149,993)	\$ (511,200)	\$ 1,794,428
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	111.42%	101.01%	96.65%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 14,309,518	\$ 14,219,170	\$ 13,301,228
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	-35.99%	-3.60%	13.49%

## Notes to Schedule:

*Changes of assumptions.* In 2015, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for purposes of developing mortality rates.

*Changes of assumptions.* In 2016, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2014 Blue Collar Male and Female Pre- and Post-Retirement Mortality Tables for purposes of developing mortality rates.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
FIREFIGHTERS UNION PENSION PLAN  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS  
LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Total pension liability:			
Service cost	\$ 279,175	\$ 287,805	\$ 305,631
Interest	1,062,259	1,118,848	1,175,734
Differences between expected and actual experience	24,583	(160,952)	29,731
Changes of assumptions		127,273	(243,324)
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(520,379)	(568,834)	(548,575)
Net change in total pension liability	845,638	804,140	719,197
Total pension liability - beginning	15,737,168	16,582,806	17,386,946
Total pension liability - ending	<u>16,582,806</u>	<u>17,386,946</u>	<u>18,106,143</u>
Plan fiduciary net position:			
Contributions - employer	427,271	391,809	353,931
Contributions - member	107,813	110,292	108,610
Net investment income	2,745,052	146,879	100,180
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(520,379)	(568,834)	(548,575)
Administrative expense	(11,387)	(10,369)	(12,414)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	2,748,370	69,777	1,732
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	14,409,620	17,157,990	17,227,767
Plan fiduciary net position - ending	<u>17,157,990</u>	<u>17,227,767</u>	<u>17,229,499</u>
Net Pension Liability (Asset) - Ending	\$ <u>(575,184)</u>	\$ <u>159,179</u>	\$ <u>876,644</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	103.47%	99.08%	95.16%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,631,953	\$ 1,691,743	\$ 1,655,514
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	-35.25%	9.41%	52.95%

Notes to Schedule:

*Changes of assumptions.* In 2015, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for purposes of developing mortality rates.

*Changes of assumptions.* In 2016, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2014 Blue Collar Male and Female Pre- and Post-Retirement Mortality Tables for purposes of developing mortality rates.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
POLICE UNION PENSION PLAN  
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY (ASSET) AND RELATED RATIOS  
LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Total pension liability:			
Service cost	\$ 522,253	\$ 525,652	\$ 526,306
Interest	1,744,572	1,825,216	1,929,739
Differences between expected and actual experience	(258,928)	344,394	160,007
Changes of assumptions		198,703	(505,637)
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(1,043,728)	(1,073,671)	(1,135,109)
Net change in total pension liability	964,169	1,820,294	975,306
Total pension liability - beginning	25,845,511	26,809,680	28,629,974
Total pension liability - ending	<u>26,809,680</u>	<u>28,629,974</u>	<u>29,605,280</u>
Plan fiduciary net position:			
Contributions - employer	700,325	666,957	661,629
Contributions - member	194,230	197,840	195,006
Net investment income	4,548,876	239,025	162,498
Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions	(1,043,728)	(1,073,671)	(1,135,109)
Administrative expense	(18,870)	(16,874)	(20,136)
Other	(390,274)		-
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	3,990,559	13,277	(136,112)
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning	23,968,523	27,959,082	27,972,359
Plan fiduciary net position - ending	<u>27,959,082</u>	<u>27,972,359</u>	<u>27,836,247</u>
Net Pension Liability (Asset) - Ending	\$ <u>(1,149,402)</u>	\$ <u>657,615</u>	\$ <u>1,769,033</u>
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	104.29%	97.70%	94.02%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,786,130	\$ 2,725,530	\$ 2,824,325
Net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	-41.25%	24.13%	62.64%

Notes to Schedule:

*Changes of assumptions.* In 2015, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for purposes of developing mortality rates.

*Changes of assumptions.* In 2016, amounts reported as changes of assumptions resulted primarily from adjustments to assumed life expectancies as a result of adopting the RP-2014 Blue Collar Male and Female Pre- and Post-Retirement Mortality Tables for purposes of developing mortality rates.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS - TOWN PENSION PLAN  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 1,693,900	\$ 1,452,534	\$ 1,468,009	\$ 1,454,663	\$ 1,522,605	\$ 1,573,625	\$ 1,556,663	\$ 1,399,891	\$ 1,208,388	\$ 1,136,878
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	1,709,440	1,594,234	1,550,489	1,589,725	1,563,553	1,523,632	1,543,653	1,270,216	1,176,732	1,114,908
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ (15,540)</u>	<u>\$ (141,700)</u>	<u>\$ (82,480)</u>	<u>\$ (135,062)</u>	<u>\$ (30,948)</u>	<u>\$ 49,993</u>	<u>\$ 13,010</u>	<u>\$ 129,675</u>	<u>\$ 31,656</u>	<u>\$ 21,970</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 13,301,228	\$ 14,219,170	\$ 14,309,518	\$ 14,251,512	\$ 13,535,316	\$ 13,748,035	\$ 13,617,621	\$ 13,459,105	\$ 13,317,463	\$ 13,011,479
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	12.85%	11.21%	10.84%	11.15%	11.48%	11.08%	11.34%	9.44%	8.84%	8.57%

**Notes to Schedule**

Valuation date: July 1, 2015  
Measurement date: June 30, 2016  
Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method Entry Age Normal  
Amortization method Level dollar  
Remaining amortization period 30 years, open  
Asset valuation method 5-year smoothed market  
Inflation 2.0%  
Salary increases 3.25%  
Investment rate of return 6.75%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Retirement age Normal Retirement Date

Mortality - Actives / Retirees RP-2000/proj. with MP-2014 generationally

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS - FIREFIGHTERS UNION PENSION PLAN  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 353,931	\$ 395,562	\$ 392,478	\$ 415,095	\$ 385,234	\$ 418,651	\$ 385,142	\$ 303,518	\$ 256,045	\$ 276,088
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	353,931	391,809	427,271	436,433	412,385	391,172	367,843	282,314	250,194	265,167
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ 3,753	\$ (34,793)	\$ (21,338)	\$ (27,151)	\$ 27,479	\$ 17,299	\$ 21,204	\$ 5,851	\$ 10,921
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,655,514	\$ 1,691,743	\$ 1,631,953	\$ 1,585,620	\$ 1,642,192	\$ 1,716,216	\$ 1,820,999	\$ 1,689,935	\$ 1,710,044	\$ 1,447,147
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	21.38%	23.16%	26.18%	27.52%	25.11%	22.79%	20.20%	16.71%	14.63%	18.32%

**Notes to Schedule**

Valuation date: July 1, 2015  
Measurement date: June 30, 2016  
Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level dollar
Remaining amortization period	30 years, open
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	3.25%
Investment rate of return	6.75%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Retirement age	Normal Retirement Date
Mortality - Actives / Retirees	RP-2000/proj. with MP-2014 generationally



**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS - POLICE UNION PENSION PLAN  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 655,614	\$ 559,327	\$ 643,297	\$ 650,407	\$ 592,451	\$ 658,822	\$ 647,992	\$ 591,988	\$ 533,454	\$ 592,737
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	661,629	666,957	700,325	683,842	724,062	615,578	618,886	512,470	482,959	532,847
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ (6,015)</u>	<u>\$ (107,630)</u>	<u>\$ (57,028)</u>	<u>\$ (33,435)</u>	<u>\$ (131,611)</u>	<u>\$ 43,244</u>	<u>\$ 29,106</u>	<u>\$ 79,518</u>	<u>\$ 50,495</u>	<u>\$ 59,890</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,824,325	\$ 2,725,530	\$ 2,786,130	\$ 2,772,407	\$ 2,719,721	\$ 2,701,960	\$ 2,950,860	\$ 3,068,170	\$ 2,937,107	\$ 2,773,362
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	23.43%	24.47%	25.14%	24.67%	26.62%	22.78%	20.97%	16.70%	16.44%	19.21%

**Notes to Schedule**

Valuation date: July 1, 2015  
Measurement date: June 30, 2016  
Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of June 30, two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level dollar
Remaining amortization period	30 years, open
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed market
Inflation	2.0%
Salary increases	3.25%
Investment rate of return	6.75%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Retirement age	Normal Retirement Date
Mortality - Actives / Retirees	RP-2000/proj. with MP-2014 generationally

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS  
LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense*	18.83%	0.85%	0.62%

\*The annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense is identical for the Town, Firefighters and Police Union Pension plans.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY**  
**TEACHERS RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**LAST TWO FISCAL YEARS**

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Town's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.00%	0.00%
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	\$
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the Town	<u>112,430,005</u>	<u>103,919,009</u>
Total	\$ <u>112,430,005</u>	\$ <u>103,919,009</u>
Town's covered-employee payroll	\$ 43,138,957	\$ 39,494,735
Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.00%	0.00%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (asset)	61.51%	59.50%

## **General Fund**

The General Fund is the principal fund of the Town and is used to account for all activities of the Town, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund accounts for the normal recurring activities of the Town (i.e., general government, public safety, public works, health, social services, recreation, education, etc.). These activities are funded principally by property taxes, user fees and grants from other governmental units.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

Grand List Year	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2015	Current Year Levy	Lawful Corrections		Transfer to Suspense	Adjusted Amount Collectible	Collections Interest and Lien Fees		Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2016
			Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Total	
1999 and Prior	\$ 29,284	\$	\$	\$	\$	29,284	3,992	3,207	\$ 7,199
2000	20,152					20,152	5,024	3,597	8,621
2001	32,480					32,480	9,337	4,912	14,249
2002	40,768					40,768	10,720	5,203	15,923
2003	60,861					60,861	20,432	9,229	29,661
2004	73,589					73,589	21,757	8,948	30,705
2005	82,764					82,764	27,873	10,212	38,085
2006	118,720					118,720	29,613	9,640	39,253
2007	139,164					139,164	32,422	9,708	42,130
2008	155,223					155,223	40,044	9,406	49,450
2009	318,176					318,176	130,849	78,960	209,809
2010	462,593					462,593	172,790	107,294	280,084
2011	586,674		14,985	14,410	58,452	528,797	203,141	87,396	290,537
2012	785,626		14,115	20,823		778,918	277,633	109,859	387,492
2013	1,491,860		11,501	135,693	15,553	1,352,115	679,023	100,840	779,863
Suspense					(6,582)	6,582	6,582	8,469	15,051
Total Prior Year	4,397,934	-	40,601	170,926	67,423	4,200,186	1,671,232	566,880	2,238,112
2014		121,534,940	424,916	493,058	51,272	121,415,526	120,105,602	252,863	120,358,465
Grand Total	\$ 4,397,934	\$ 121,534,940	\$ 465,517	\$ 663,984	\$ 118,695	\$ 125,615,712	\$ 121,776,834	\$ 819,743	\$ 122,596,577
									\$ 3,838,878

# Nonmajor Governmental Funds

## **Special Revenue Funds**

Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenues that are legally restricted to expenditure for particular purposes.

**Town Aid Road** - is used to account for Connecticut Department of Transportation grants relating to improvements to local roads.

**Sewer Operating I, II, and III** - is used to account for sewer use charges and related expenditures relating to the sewer operating facility in the three sewer districts.

**Public Safety Donations** - is used to account for public donations for Fire and Police Departments and expenditures relating to departmental public safety equipment.

**Cafeteria** - is used to account for operations of the school lunch program, including the receipt and expenditure of related federal and state funding.

**Education Grants** - is used to account for U.S. Department of Education and Connecticut Department of Education grants as well as local grants relating to education.

**School Miscellaneous** - is used to account for rent receipts associated with the rental of school property, participant fees and expenditures relating to summer and adult educational programs for Ridgefield school students and imprest cash disbursements relating to Ridgefield's school system.

**Tiger Hollow** - is used to account for the revenues and expenditures relating to the Ridgefield High School Football Field renovation and perpetual maintenance. The major source of revenue for this fund is contributions.

**Youth Barn** - is used to account for the revenues and expenditures relating to a youth facility and activity. The major sources of revenue for this fund are fees and contributions.

## **Nonmajor Governmental Funds (Continued)**

**Miscellaneous Grants** - are used to account for small nonrecurring grant funds and related expenditures for those specific purposes.

**Social Services** - is used to account for local grants and expenditures relating to the Town's social services.

**Solid Waste** - is used to account for the solid waste collection expenditures relating to all Town facilities. The major source of revenue is fees.

**Parking Fund** - is used to account for the revenues and expenditures relating to the Branchville Railroad Station. The major source of revenue is fees.

## **Permanent Fund**

The permanent fund is used to report resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, maybe used for purposes that support the reporting government's programs.

**Ballard Park Fund** - is used to account for an endowment pursuant to a trust agreement that restricts the use of that endowment's investment earnings to the preservation of Ballard Park.

TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
 JUNE 30, 2016

EXHIBIT B-1

	Special Revenue Funds						
	Town Aid Road	Sewer Operating I, II, and III	Public Safety Donations	Cafeteria	Education Grants	School Miscellaneous	Tiger Hollow
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 417,632	\$ 1,220,211	\$ 103,029	\$ 188,552	\$ 18,147	\$ 328,399	\$ 253,812
Investments							
Receivables, net		122,438		20,264	352		
Other assets				17,709			
Total Assets	<u>\$ 417,632</u>	<u>\$ 1,342,649</u>	<u>\$ 103,029</u>	<u>\$ 226,525</u>	<u>\$ 18,499</u>	<u>\$ 328,399</u>	<u>\$ 253,812</u>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$	88,076	\$ 3,498	\$ 89,123	\$	\$	\$ 130,000
Due to other funds							
Unearned revenue				81,373	18,499		
Total liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>88,076</u>	<u>3,498</u>	<u>170,496</u>	<u>18,499</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130,000</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources:							
Unavailable revenue - other receivables		118,048					
Fund Balances:							
Nonspendable				17,709			123,812
Restricted	417,632	1,136,525	99,531	38,320		328,399	
Committed							
Unassigned							
Total fund balances	<u>417,632</u>	<u>1,136,525</u>	<u>99,531</u>	<u>56,029</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>328,399</u>	<u>123,812</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 417,632</u>	<u>\$ 1,342,649</u>	<u>\$ 103,029</u>	<u>\$ 226,525</u>	<u>\$ 18,499</u>	<u>\$ 328,399</u>	<u>\$ 253,812</u>

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TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)  
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
 JUNE 30, 2016

EXHIBIT B-1

	Special Revenue Funds					Permanent Fund	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Youth Barn	Miscellaneous Grants	Social Services	Solid Waste	Parking Fund	Ballard Park Fund	
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 331,215	\$ 493,798	\$ 41,088	\$ 27,790	\$ 11,409	\$ 3,435,082
Investments						30,531	30,531
Receivables, net							143,054
Other assets							17,709
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ 331,215	\$ 493,798	\$ 41,088	\$ 27,790	\$ 41,940	\$ 3,626,376
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>							
<b>Liabilities:</b>							
Accounts payable	\$ 397	\$ 11,329	\$ 8,846	\$ 30,828	\$ 495	\$	\$ 232,592
Due to other funds	1,771						131,771
Unearned revenue		59,567					159,439
Total liabilities	2,168	70,896	8,846	30,828	495	-	523,802
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</b>							
Unavailable revenue - other receivables							118,048
<b>Fund Balances:</b>							
Nonspendable						25,000	42,709
Restricted		260,319	484,952	10,260	27,295	16,940	1,440,741
Committed							1,503,244
Unassigned	(2,168)						(2,168)
Total fund balances	(2,168)	260,319	484,952	10,260	27,295	41,940	2,984,526
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ -	\$ 331,215	\$ 493,798	\$ 41,088	\$ 27,790	\$ 41,940	\$ 3,626,376

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	Special Revenue Funds						
	Town Aid Road	Sewer Operating I, II, and III	Public Safety Donations	Cafeteria	Education Grants	School Miscellaneous	Tiger Hollow
Revenues:							
Intergovernmental	\$ 379,236	\$	\$ 800	\$ 183,167	\$ 1,160,654	\$	
Charges for services		1,804,200		1,828,506		188,555	
Contributions			25,650			328,441	36,211
Income from investments							
Other		10,896					
Total revenues	<u>379,236</u>	<u>1,815,096</u>	<u>26,450</u>	<u>2,011,673</u>	<u>1,160,654</u>	<u>516,996</u>	<u>36,211</u>
Expenditures:							
Current:							
General government							
Health and welfare							
Parks and recreation							11,204
Public safety	111,998	1,472,409	104,333				
Public works							
Education	<u>111,998</u>	<u>1,472,409</u>	<u>104,333</u>	<u>2,038,356</u>	<u>1,160,654</u>	<u>1,646,191</u>	<u>11,204</u>
Total expenditures							
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	267,238	342,687	(77,883)	(26,683)	-	(1,129,195)	25,007
Other Financing Sources (Uses):							
Transfers in							
Transfers out		(25,000)					
Net other financing sources (uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>975,738</u>	<u>63,000</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	267,238	317,687	(77,883)	(26,683)	-	(153,457)	88,007
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	150,394	818,838	177,414	82,712	-	481,856	35,805
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 417,632</u>	<u>\$ 1,136,525</u>	<u>\$ 99,531</u>	<u>\$ 56,029</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 328,399</u>	<u>\$ 123,812</u>

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**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)  
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	Special Revenue Funds					Permanent Fund		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Youth Barn	Miscellaneous Grants	Social Services	Solid Waste	Parking Fund	Ballard Park Fund		
Revenues:								
Intergovernmental		\$ 36,132	\$ 70,959	\$ 251,041	\$ 47,472		\$	1,830,948
Charges for services	425	47,423	28,190					4,195,812
Contributions	5,933	29,860	218,198					644,293
Income from investments						79		79
Other								10,896
Total revenues	6,358	113,415	317,347	251,041	47,472	79		6,682,028
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government		91,674						91,674
Health and welfare	56,602	18,092	130,016					204,710
Parks and recreation		15,004	86,878					113,086
Public safety		16,603						120,936
Public works				210,365	38,372			1,833,144
Education								4,845,201
Total expenditures	56,602	141,373	216,894	210,365	38,372	-		7,208,751
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(50,244)	(27,958)	100,453	40,676	9,100	79		(526,723)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfers in	60,000							1,098,738
Transfers out								(25,000)
Net other financing sources (uses)	60,000	-	-	-	-	-		1,073,738
Net Change in Fund Balances	9,756	(27,958)	100,453	40,676	9,100	79		547,015
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	(11,924)	288,277	384,499	(30,416)	18,195	41,861		2,437,511
Fund Balances at End of Year	(2,168)	260,319	484,952	10,260	27,295	41,940	\$	2,984,526

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF SEWER USE CHARGES  
DISTRICT I  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Uncollected Sewer Use Charges July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Current Year Charges</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount Collectible</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Uncollected Sewer Use Charges June 30, 2016</u>
2007	\$ 293	\$	\$	\$ 293	\$	\$ 293
2008	292			292		292
2009	779			779	390	389
2010	5,707			5,707	1,072	4,635
2011	8,824			8,824	1,853	6,971
2012	11,665			11,665	2,818	8,847
2013	15,315		(25)	15,290	3,076	12,214
2014	28,659			28,659	12,377	16,282
2015	47,482		102	47,584	29,848	17,736
2016		1,365,240	8,223	1,373,463	1,317,398	56,065
Total	\$ 119,016	\$ 1,365,240	\$ 8,300	\$ 1,492,556	\$ 1,368,832	\$ 123,724

**SCHEDULE OF SEWER USE CHARGES  
DISTRICT II  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Uncollected Sewer Use Charges July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Current Year Charges</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount Collectible</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Uncollected Sewer Use Charges June 30, 2016</u>
2011	\$ 166	\$	\$	\$ 166	\$	\$ 166
2012	350			350		350
2013	700			700		700
2014	1,050			1,050	350	700
2015	5,236			5,236	4,024	1,212
2016		303,400		303,400	301,000	2,400
Total	\$ 7,502	\$ 303,400	\$ -	\$ 310,902	\$ 305,374	\$ 5,528

**SCHEDULE OF SEWER USE CHARGES  
DISTRICT III  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Uncollected Sewer Use Charges July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Current Year Charges</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount Collectible</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Uncollected Sewer Use Charges June 30, 2016</u>
2015	\$ 1,045	\$	\$ (44)	\$ 1,001	\$ 1,050	\$ (49)
2016		24,850	2	24,852	24,152	700
Total	\$ 1,045	\$ 24,850	\$ (42)	\$ 25,853	\$ 25,202	\$ 651

# Internal Service Funds

Internal service funds are used to account for claims involving risk financing activities under GASB Statement No. 10.

**Property and Casualty** - is used to account for property and casualty insurance claims.

**Heart and Hypertension** - is used to account for claims involving heart and hypertension compensation under Connecticut General Statutes.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds</b>		
	<b>Property and Casualty</b>	<b>Heart and Hypertension</b>	<b>Total</b>
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>191,144</u>	\$ <u>148,915</u>	\$ <u>340,059</u>
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>-</u>
Net Position:			
Unrestricted	\$ <u><u>191,144</u></u>	\$ <u><u>148,915</u></u>	\$ <u><u>340,059</u></u>

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES  
 AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
 INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds</b>		
	<b>Property and Casualty</b>	<b>Heart and Hypertension</b>	<b>Total</b>
Operating Revenues:			
Insurance proceeds	\$ 183,206	\$	\$ 183,206
Operating Expenses:			
Claims incurred	48,785	8,993	57,778
Operating Income (Loss)	134,421	(8,993)	125,428
Transfers in		65,000	65,000
Change in Net Position	134,421	56,007	190,428
Net Position at Beginning of Year	56,723	92,908	149,631
Net Position at End of Year	\$ 191,144	\$ 148,915	\$ 340,059

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Governmental Activities - Internal Service Funds</b>		
	<b>Property and Casualty</b>	<b>Heart and Hypertension</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Cash received as insurance proceeds	\$ 183,206	\$	\$ 183,206
Cash paid for benefits, claims and administration	(51,574)	(9,050)	(60,624)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	131,632	(9,050)	122,582
Cash Flows Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Transfers in		65,000	65,000
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	131,632	55,950	187,582
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	59,512	92,965	152,477
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 191,144	\$ 148,915	\$ 340,059
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities:			
Operating income (loss)	\$ 134,421	\$ (8,993)	\$ 125,428
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Decrease in accounts payable	(2,789)	(57)	(2,846)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	\$ 131,632	\$ (9,050)	\$ 122,582



# Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity for individuals, private organizations or other governments.

## Trust Funds

Trust funds are used to account for assets and resources held by the Town in a trust.

**Pension Trust Fund** - The Pension Trust Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for pension benefit payments to qualified public employees.

**OPEB Trust Fund** - The OPEB Trust Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for other postemployment benefit payments to qualified public employees.

## Agency Fund

Agency funds are used to report resources held by the reporting government in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities).

**Student Activities** - is used to account for the public school students' extracurricular activities.

**Performance Bonds** - is used to account for the full performance of contractual obligation bonds.

**Contractor's Driveway Bonds** - is used to account for the full performance of contractual obligations for approved driveway plan bonds.

**Ridgebury Cemetery** - is used to account for the Ridgebury Cemetery organizational funds.

**Open Space Conservation Commission** - is used to account for the Ridgefield Conservation Commission organizational funds.

**Holiday Trust** - is used to account for contributions to support annual holiday events.

**Welcome to Ridgefield Fund** - is used to account for contributions to support the beautification of Main Street landscape.

**McKeon Farm Preservation Trust** - is used to account for contributions to support the effort to preserve McKeon Farm as open space.

**Flexible Spending Account** - is used to account for that portion of employees' earnings that are deducted and used to pay for qualified medical costs on a pre-tax basis.

**Tiger Hollow Scholarship Fund** - is used to account for funds related to college scholarships granted by Tiger Hollow.

**Miscellaneous** - is used to account for various Town organizations with minor activities and account balances.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PENSION AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Pension Trust Fund</b>	<b>OPEB Trust Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>91,265</u>	\$ <u>1,848</u>	\$ <u>93,113</u>
Investments - at fair value:			
Mutual funds:			
Equity	<u>97,029,563</u>	<u>3,203,044</u>	<u>100,232,607</u>
Other assets:			
Prepaid benefits	<u>262,674</u>		<u>262,674</u>
Total assets	<u>97,383,502</u>	<u>3,204,892</u>	<u>100,588,394</u>
Net Position	\$ <u><u>97,383,502</u></u>	\$ <u><u>3,204,892</u></u>	\$ <u><u>100,588,394</u></u>

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**PENSION AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<b>Pension Trust Fund</b>	<b>OPEB Trust Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>
Additions:			
Contributions:			
Employer	\$ 2,751,423	\$ 2,160,000	\$ 4,911,423
Plan members	553,134		553,134
Total contributions	<u>3,304,557</u>	<u>2,160,000</u>	<u>5,464,557</u>
Net investment income:			
Net change in fair value of investments	(528,125)	80,229	(447,896)
Interest and dividends	1,125,940	16	1,125,956
	<u>597,815</u>	<u>80,245</u>	<u>678,060</u>
Less investment expense	<u>(31,250)</u>		<u>(31,250)</u>
Net investment income	<u>566,565</u>	<u>80,245</u>	<u>646,810</u>
Total additions	<u>3,871,122</u>	<u>2,240,245</u>	<u>6,111,367</u>
Deductions:			
Benefits	3,158,886	1,756,000	4,914,886
Administration	70,207	13,500	83,707
Total deductions	<u>3,229,093</u>	<u>1,769,500</u>	<u>4,998,593</u>
Change in Net Position	642,029	470,745	1,112,774
Net Position at Beginning of Year	<u>96,741,473</u>	<u>2,734,147</u>	<u>99,475,620</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u>\$ 97,383,502</u>	<u>\$ 3,204,892</u>	<u>\$ 100,588,394</u>

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**AGENCY FUNDS**  
**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2016</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents:				
Student Activities	\$ 535,587	\$ 1,364,516	\$ 1,422,735	\$ 477,368
Performance Bonds	581,916	32,690	107,885	506,721
Contractor's Driveway Bonds	79,000		4,000	75,000
Ridgebury Cemetery	9,732	1,686	11,418	-
Open Space Conservation Commission	236,793	47,199	5,261	278,731
Holiday Trust Fund	27,463	19,020	27,599	18,884
Welcome to Ridgefield Fund	814	34,636	35,450	-
McKeon Farm Preservation Trust	11,283	2,828		14,111
Flexible Spending Account	26,641	25,125	24,676	27,090
Tiger Hollow Scholarship Fund	5,096	4		5,100
Miscellaneous	302,752	367,989	294,076	376,665
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,817,077	1,895,693	1,933,100	1,779,670
Investments:				
Ridgebury Cemetery	235,524	14,167	2,832	246,859
Total Assets	\$ <u>2,052,601</u>	\$ <u>1,909,860</u>	\$ <u>1,935,932</u>	\$ <u>2,026,529</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Due to others:				
Student Activities	\$ 535,587	\$ 1,364,516	\$ 1,422,735	\$ 477,368
Performance Bonds	581,916	32,690	107,885	506,721
Contractor's Driveway Bonds	79,000		4,000	75,000
Ridgebury Cemetery	245,256	15,853	14,250	246,859
Open Space Conservation Commission	236,793	47,199	5,261	278,731
Holiday Trust Fund	27,463	19,020	27,599	18,884
Welcome to Ridgefield Fund	814	34,636	35,450	-
McKeon Farm Preservation Trust	11,283	2,828		14,111
Flexible Spending Account	26,641	25,125	24,676	27,090
Tiger Hollow Scholarship Fund	5,096	4		5,100
Miscellaneous	302,752	367,989	294,076	376,665
Total Liabilities	\$ <u>2,052,601</u>	\$ <u>1,909,860</u>	\$ <u>1,935,932</u>	\$ <u>2,026,529</u>

## Statistical Section

The objectives of statistical section information are to provide financial statement users with additional historical perspective, context and detail to assist in using the information in the financial statements, notes to financial statements and required supplementary information to understand and assess economic condition.

Statistical section information is presented in the following categories:

- *Financial trends information* is intended to assist users in understanding and assessing how financial position has changed over time.
- *Revenue capacity information* is intended to assist users in understanding and assessing the factors affecting the ability to generate *own-source revenues* (property taxes, charges for services, etc.).
- *Debt capacity information* is intended to assist users in understanding and assessing debt burden and the ability to issue additional debt.
- *Demographic and economic information* is intended 1) to assist users in understanding the socioeconomic environment and 2) to provide information that facilitates comparisons of financial statement information over time and among governments.
- *Operating information* is intended to provide contextual information about operations and resources to assist readers in using financial statement information to understand and assess economic condition.

The accompanying tables are presented in the above order. Refer to the Table of Contents for applicable page number locations.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in the tables is derived from the comprehensive annual financial reports for the relevant year.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**NET POSITION BY COMPONENT**  
**LAST TEN YEARS**  
**(Accrual Basis of Accounting)**

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Governmental Activities:										
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 60,639,192	\$ 62,909,126	\$ 68,136,764	\$ 75,686,053	\$ 79,350,980	\$ 82,564,434	\$ 92,535,842	\$ 93,277,534	102,182,274	\$ 111,173,490
Restricted for:										
Permanent fund:										
Expendable	53,776	48,444	42,869	41,674	57,753	54,475	41,682	41,773	41,861	41,940
Unrestricted	14,747,928	18,460,647	17,914,847	15,694,003	16,601,772	25,782,426	19,051,251	20,978,070	29,132,923	28,964,190
Total Governmental Activities										
Net Position	\$ 75,440,896	\$ 81,418,217	\$ 86,094,480	\$ 91,421,730	\$ 96,010,505	\$ 108,401,335	\$ 111,628,775	\$ 114,297,377	\$ 131,357,058	\$ 140,179,620
Primary Government:										
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 60,639,192	\$ 62,909,126	\$ 68,136,764	\$ 75,686,053	\$ 79,350,980	\$ 82,564,434	\$ 92,535,842	\$ 93,277,534	102,182,274	\$ 111,173,490
Restricted	53,776	48,444	42,869	41,674	57,753	54,475	41,682	41,773	41,861	41,940
Unrestricted	14,747,928	18,460,647	17,914,847	15,694,003	16,601,772	25,782,426	19,051,251	20,978,070	29,132,923	28,964,190
Total Primary Government										
Net Position	\$ 75,440,896	\$ 81,418,217	\$ 86,094,480	\$ 91,421,730	\$ 96,010,505	\$ 108,401,335	\$ 111,628,775	\$ 114,297,377	\$ 131,357,058	\$ 140,179,620

\* As restated

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**LAST TEN YEARS**  
**(Accrual Basis of Accounting)**

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Expenses:										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$ 5,578,405	\$ 4,980,763	\$ 7,001,880	\$ 7,558,307	\$ 4,485,127	\$ 5,080,033	\$ 5,547,382	\$ 7,239,708	\$ 5,292,556	\$ 6,326,206
Health and welfare	994,587	1,076,389	946,811	814,918	813,904	854,954	766,590	1,128,544	754,921	1,123,295
Recreation	6,928,229	6,973,383	6,742,497	6,299,705	6,904,437	7,062,174	7,270,110	7,558,077	7,395,346	7,377,584
Public safety	10,380,405	11,351,722	10,781,037	10,891,047	12,266,773	12,233,586	12,854,341	13,142,993	13,044,414	14,199,004
Public works	8,626,653	8,926,118	8,824,842	7,346,310	9,522,503	9,208,835	8,536,286	9,551,580	11,059,992	11,555,748
Education	78,943,085	104,833,414	87,303,629	91,142,573	91,081,269	94,281,327	96,137,658	99,372,877	101,157,259	102,626,124
Library	1,545,200	1,610,000	1,642,400	1,642,400	1,682,300	1,685,946	1,584,665	6,716,725	1,789,091	1,833,818
Interest expense	5,797,800	5,361,558	4,810,322	3,914,351	4,014,647	3,655,086	3,304,355	2,813,682	2,512,839	2,501,597
Total Primary Government Expenses	118,794,364	145,113,347	128,053,418	129,609,611	130,770,960	134,061,941	136,001,387	147,524,186	142,988,656	147,561,138
Program Revenues:										
Governmental activities:										
Charges for services:										
General government	2,356,361	1,839,287	1,235,053	1,346,634	1,405,011	1,880,008	1,648,127	1,780,912	1,652,541	1,473,010
Health and welfare	119,123	129,035	151,158	158,125	76,415	73,145	78,782	80,556	84,006	86,723
Recreation	3,885,215	4,205,128	3,968,287	3,826,202	3,981,291	4,047,108	4,194,262	4,535,460	4,829,262	4,869,215
Public safety	929,183	1,153,373	1,272,191	1,213,883	1,101,760	1,137,401	1,213,322	1,384,985	1,371,383	1,347,556
Public works	2,815,363	3,299,671	2,769,637	2,912,354	2,610,381	2,639,730	2,843,994	2,812,681	2,813,339	2,893,823
Education	2,386,642	2,207,114	2,348,860	2,161,821	2,595,245	3,485,665	2,825,214	2,535,127	2,871,106	2,453,087
Operating grants and contributions	9,316,257	31,536,057	11,075,194	12,724,035	13,100,693	13,728,634	15,679,679	17,836,669	15,113,715	15,652,996
Capital grants and contributions	308,068	365,589	445,243	121,219	690,743				596,919	764,498
Total Primary Government Program Revenues	22,116,212	44,735,254	23,265,623	24,464,273	25,561,539	26,991,691	28,483,380	30,966,390	29,332,271	29,540,908
Net Expenses:										
Governmental activities	(96,678,152)	(100,378,083)	(104,787,795)	(105,145,338)	(105,209,421)	(107,070,250)	(107,518,007)	(116,557,796)	(113,656,385)	(118,020,230)
General Revenues and Other										
Changes in Net Position:										
Governmental activities:										
Property taxes	100,455,882	104,397,451	107,950,909	109,369,264	112,078,692	114,105,779	113,078,138	117,235,686	122,270,035	121,686,269
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	153,097	845,721	690,850	744,776	731,357	867,242	706,590	241,212	758,791	639,721
Gain on sale of capital assets	19,037		42,734		25,549					4,300,000
Investment income	1,268,395	911,853	295,397	90,470	79,161	69,732	49,688	68,309	67,400	106,824
Donations of capital assets	858,840									
Miscellaneous	1,186,234	178,566	65,864	313,640	148,443	4,418,333	48,768	1,681,191	207,702	109,978
Total governmental activities	103,941,485	106,333,591	109,045,754	110,518,150	113,063,202	119,461,086	113,883,184	119,226,398	123,303,928	126,842,792
Change in Net Position	\$ 7,263,333	\$ 5,955,498	\$ 4,257,959	\$ 5,372,812	\$ 7,853,781	\$ 12,390,836	\$ 6,365,177	\$ 2,668,602	\$ 9,647,543	\$ 8,822,562

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Modified Accrual Basis of Accounting)**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011*	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
General fund:										
Reserved	\$ 841,150	\$ 799,156	\$ 762,120	\$ 419,421	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Designated for subsequent year's budget	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	450,000						
Unreserved and undesignated	7,641,661	7,904,484	7,826,306	8,417,747						
Assigned					1,226,175	4,116,077	2,941,188	3,158,728	3,228,924	3,000,480
Unassigned					9,048,490	11,507,184	11,709,896	12,897,561	13,270,579	14,074,534
Total General Fund	\$ 9,482,811	\$ 9,903,640	\$ 9,588,426	\$ 9,287,168	\$ 10,274,665	\$ 15,623,261	\$ 14,651,084	\$ 16,056,289	\$ 16,499,503	\$ 17,075,014
All other governmental funds:										
Reserved	\$ 947,418	\$ 1,147,242	\$ 1,620,451	\$ 1,916,393	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Unreserved, reported in:										
Special revenue funds	2,347,284	1,870,865	1,586,791	1,376,629						
Capital projects funds	(7,652,327)	(719,392)	(3,544,178)	(5,967,946)						
Permanent funds	28,776	23,444	15,368	15,938						
Nonspendable					1,128,427	1,079,006	23,886	36,568	32,258	42,709
Restricted					2,316,294	2,878,258	1,630,657	1,647,461	1,441,636	4,208,672
Committed					(599,191)	(11,307,731)	1,930,587	2,325,461	3,215,991	3,460,761
Unassigned							(3,751,893)	(3,410,135)	(6,267,884)	(2,168)
Total All Other Governmental Funds	\$ (4,328,849)	\$ 2,322,159	\$ (321,568)	\$ (2,658,986)	\$ 2,845,530	\$ (7,350,467)	\$ (166,763)	\$ 599,355	\$ (1,577,999)	\$ 7,709,974

\*Note: The Town implemented GASB 54 during 2011.



**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
LAST TEN YEARS  
(Accrual Basis of Accounting)**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>Revenues:</b>										
Property taxes	\$ 100,065,605	\$ 104,080,550	\$ 107,419,676	\$ 109,378,457	\$ 111,206,601	\$ 113,029,057	\$ 113,464,133	\$ 116,757,863	\$ 121,797,734	\$ 122,758,353
Intergovernmental	9,244,867	31,610,291	11,735,668	13,148,682	14,079,840	14,133,293	15,491,612	17,207,634	15,579,550	16,028,947
Charges for services	12,533,981	12,437,141	11,984,238	11,747,758	11,889,261	13,366,884	12,719,811	13,241,517	13,745,908	13,210,106
Contributions	415,675	1,158,152	496,696	459,573	447,800	463,980	899,729	870,247	829,875	644,293
Interest and investment income	1,231,797	869,627	288,985	89,702	79,160	69,732	49,636	68,301	67,400	106,824
Other	1,174,035	216,475	169,490	257,383	303,127	4,458,189	121,308	1,719,937	267,702	4,794,878
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>124,665,960</b>	<b>150,372,236</b>	<b>132,094,753</b>	<b>135,081,555</b>	<b>138,005,789</b>	<b>145,521,135</b>	<b>142,746,229</b>	<b>149,865,499</b>	<b>152,288,069</b>	<b>157,543,501</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>										
<b>Current:</b>										
General government	9,059,947	9,582,204	9,533,790	10,042,185	10,399,600	10,955,041	11,314,409	11,018,400	11,176,665	11,384,794
Health and welfare	810,197	927,711	830,407	703,107	642,513	705,628	655,289	695,659	644,406	646,346
Community grants	232,545	224,162	293,100	178,775	204,075	216,675	229,322	225,772	233,625	231,294
Recreation	4,947,335	5,145,899	5,252,263	4,771,092	5,054,088	5,194,679	5,550,156	5,933,736	5,761,086	5,743,452
Public safety	7,249,288	8,098,038	8,339,019	8,207,636	8,365,740	8,376,538	8,715,521	9,019,151	9,055,973	9,169,151
Public works	5,459,233	6,037,325	6,208,517	5,807,367	5,876,015	5,838,627	5,926,346	6,768,034	8,772,892	8,924,837
Education	75,526,940	102,647,607	84,980,715	87,995,339	88,812,606	92,779,775	94,801,380	97,411,126	99,672,413	100,927,253
Library	1,545,200	1,610,000	1,642,400	1,642,400	1,682,300	1,685,946	1,584,665	1,716,725	1,789,091	1,833,818
Debt service:										
Principal	8,357,918	8,479,970	9,437,910	11,042,788	10,815,982	10,432,461	9,883,836	9,837,729	10,028,202	9,023,685
Interest	6,143,087	5,502,546	5,450,183	3,495,998	3,902,122	3,915,480	3,555,423	3,659,296	3,182,269	3,043,872
Bennett's pond settlement										
Capital outlay	5,815,293	5,018,365	3,837,148	4,312,674	4,309,975	10,735,186	5,559,317	10,421,400	4,599,885	7,469,534
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>125,146,983</b>	<b>153,273,827</b>	<b>135,805,452</b>	<b>138,199,361</b>	<b>140,065,016</b>	<b>150,836,036</b>	<b>147,774,664</b>	<b>156,706,028</b>	<b>154,916,507</b>	<b>158,398,036</b>
<b>Deficiency of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	<b>(481,023)</b>	<b>(2,901,591)</b>	<b>(3,710,699)</b>	<b>(3,117,806)</b>	<b>(2,059,227)</b>	<b>(5,314,901)</b>	<b>(5,028,435)</b>	<b>(6,840,529)</b>	<b>(2,628,438)</b>	<b>(854,535)</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>										
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent			(31,378,050)		(35,639,464)			(11,237,245)		
Premium on refunding bonds			2,981,845		3,631,170			1,131,311		
Refunding bonds			28,635,000		32,225,000			10,240,000		
Issuance of bonds	9,640,000				6,385,000		10,600,000	8,170,000		9,715,000
Premium on issuance of bonds					514,299		272,462	332,786		528,019
Issuance of drinking water bonds					529,288					
Issuance of capital lease					496,084		510,000	440,000		540,000
Proceeds from sale of assets	559,254	713,700	512,963	479,130		510,000			959,298	
Transfers in	41,850									
Transfers out	3,964,852	2,648,233	1,421,842	1,450,976	1,637,736	1,126,320	1,754,540	1,279,716	1,194,443	1,544,181
<b>Total other financing sources</b>	<b>(4,229,426)</b>	<b>(2,648,233)</b>	<b>(1,421,842)</b>	<b>(1,450,976)</b>	<b>(1,664,736)</b>	<b>(1,168,820)</b>	<b>(1,897,040)</b>	<b>(1,344,716)</b>	<b>(1,259,443)</b>	<b>(1,609,181)</b>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>336,530</b>	<b>10,353,700</b>	<b>751,758</b>	<b>479,130</b>	<b>8,114,377</b>	<b>467,500</b>	<b>11,239,962</b>	<b>9,011,852</b>	<b>894,298</b>	<b>10,718,019</b>
<b>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year, or as Restated</b>	<b>(144,493)</b>	<b>7,452,109</b>	<b>(2,958,941)</b>	<b>(2,638,676)</b>	<b>6,055,150</b>	<b>(4,847,401)</b>	<b>6,211,527</b>	<b>2,171,323</b>	<b>(1,734,140)</b>	<b>9,863,484</b>
<b>Fund Balance at End of Year</b>	<b>5,298,455</b>	<b>4,773,690</b>	<b>12,225,799</b>	<b>9,266,858</b>	<b>7,065,045</b>	<b>13,120,195</b>	<b>8,272,794</b>	<b>14,484,321</b>	<b>16,655,644</b>	<b>14,921,504</b>
<b>Fund Balance at End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 5,153,962</b>	<b>\$ 12,225,799</b>	<b>\$ 9,266,858</b>	<b>\$ 6,628,182</b>	<b>\$ 13,120,195</b>	<b>\$ 8,272,794</b>	<b>\$ 14,484,321</b>	<b>\$ 16,655,644</b>	<b>\$ 14,921,504</b>	<b>\$ 24,784,888</b>
<b>Debit Service as a Percentage to Noncapital Expenditures</b>	<b>12.15%</b>	<b>9.43%</b>	<b>11.17%</b>	<b>10.64%</b>	<b>10.71%</b>	<b>9.66%</b>	<b>9.70%</b>	<b>8.90%</b>	<b>8.82%</b>	<b>7.95%</b>

TABLE 5

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**ASSESSED AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**amounts presented in thousands**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Assessed Property Values</b>			<b>Total Taxable Assessed Value</b>	<b>Mill Rate</b>	<b>Estimated Actual Taxable Value</b>	<b>Assessed Value as a Percentage of Actual Value</b>
	<b>Real</b>	<b>Personal</b>	<b>Tax Exempt</b>				
2007	\$ 3,873,447	\$ 373,305	\$ 34,076	\$ 4,212,676	24.23	\$ 8,030,910	52.46%
2008	5,098,296	373,702	33,258	5,438,740	24.87	8,031,355	67.72%
2009	5,167,975	363,214	38,220	5,492,969	19.91	7,409,510	74.13%
2010	5,516,832	371,707	72,982	5,815,557	20.00	7,601,307	76.51%
2011	5,552,991	382,940	78,709	5,857,222	20.40	7,509,258	78.00%
2012	5,602,283	399,288	80,666	5,920,905	20.37	6,846,962	86.47%
2013	4,304,007	388,746	73,873	4,618,880	25.38	6,893,850	67.00%
2014	4,381,922	395,256	76,790	4,700,388	26.01	7,238,148	64.94%
2015	4,425,869	423,857	137,980	4,711,746	26.01	7,248,840	65.00%
2016	4,448,564	425,681	133,959	4,740,286	26.69	7,292,748	65.00%

Source: Town Assessor's office

Note: By state law property is assessed at 70% of actual value with periodic revaluation of real property.  
The estimated actual amount is the equalized grand list which is estimated by the State of Connecticut,  
Office of Policy and Management.

TABLE 6

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**DIRECT PROPERTY TAX RATES**  
**LAST TEN YEARS**  
**(Rates per \$1,000 of Assessed Value)**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Direct Rates</b>			<b>Overlapping Rates</b>	
	<b>Basic Rate</b>	<b>General Obligation Debt Service</b>	<b>Total Direct</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>County</b>
2007	21.05	3.18	24.23	N/A	N/A
2008	21.83	3.04	24.87	N/A	N/A
2009	17.53	2.38	19.91	N/A	N/A
2010	17.69	2.31	20.00	N/A	N/A
2011	18.09	2.31	20.40	N/A	N/A
2012	18.12	2.25	20.37	N/A	N/A
2013	22.71	2.67	25.38	N/A	N/A
2014	23.34	2.67	26.01	N/A	N/A
2015	23.47	2.54	26.01	N/A	N/A
2016	24.28	2.41	26.69	N/A	N/A

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS  
CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO  
(Unaudited)**

	2016			2007		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Gross Taxable Assessed Grand List	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Gross Taxable Assessed Grand List
Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 309,998,145	1	6.60%	\$ 201,503,024	1	4.85%
Eversource (CL&P)	23,071,560	2	0.49%	14,180,290	4	0.34%
Equity One (Copps Hill)	19,390,000	3	0.41%	17,308,910	3	0.42%
Stephen J. Zemo	13,523,150	4	0.29%	7,003,983	10	0.17%
Ridgefield Professional Building	12,896,570	5	0.27%	10,614,845	5	0.26%
Ridgefield Waterside Properties	12,181,870	6	0.26%			
Flat Rock Corp	11,303,591	7	0.24%			
JMF Realty	10,108,740	8	0.21%			
Harrison Hunter	9,719,428	9	0.20%			
Eureka V., LLC	9,366,880	10	0.20%			
Ridgefield Bank				7,939,740	7	0.19%
Irief II (formally CCC of Ridgefield, CT)				8,641,600	6	0.21%
Schlumberger Technical Corporation				19,263,890	2	0.46%
Athena Holdings, LLC				7,280,000	9	0.18%
Pambianchi Motors				7,592,490	8	0.18%
	\$ 431,559,934		9.17%	\$ 301,328,772		7.26%

Source: Town Assessor's office

TABLE 8

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**

Levy Year	Taxes Levied for the Fiscal Year		Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Collections in Subsequent Years	Total Collections to Date			
			Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Levy		
2005	\$	99,974,730	\$	99,045,063	\$	541,332	\$	99,586,395	99.61%
2006		104,203,399		103,123,944		774,606		103,898,550	99.71%
2007		107,467,697		106,190,473		822,966		107,013,439	99.58%
2008		108,814,209		107,420,320		851,946		108,272,266	99.50%
2009		111,397,853		109,814,265		971,574		110,785,839	99.45%
2010		113,330,243		111,582,933		1,083,691		112,666,624	99.41%
2011		112,915,443		111,212,321		1,006,638		112,218,959	99.38%
2012		116,369,248		114,891,284		1,560,953		116,452,237	100.07%
2013		121,462,861		120,015,866				120,015,866	98.81%
2014		121,534,941		120,156,239				120,156,239	98.87%

Source: Tax Collector's office and Finance office

TABLE 9

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**RATIO OF NET GENERAL BONDED DEBT TO**  
**ASSESSED VALUE AND NET GENERAL BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	General Bonded Debt Obligation Bonds(3)	Percentage of Actual Taxable Value of Property	Other Government				Total		Assessed Value (1)(3)	Population (2)	Per Capita Income (2)	Percentage of Personal Income (2)	Total Long-Term Debt Per Capita
			Activities Debt		Per Capita	Primary Government Debt (3)							
			Notes Payable (3)	Capital Leases (3)									
2007	\$ 123,092	2.92%	\$ 3,455	\$ 771	\$ 4,981	\$ 127,318	\$ 4,212,276	24,710	\$ 72,941	7.06%	\$ 5,152		
2008	124,582	2.29%	2,829	843	5,040	128,254	5,438,740	24,720	75,155	6.90%	5,188		
2009	117,472	2.14%	2,191	806	4,776	120,469	5,492,969	24,595	70,366	6.96%	4,898		
2010	107,748	1.85%	1,541	542	4,447	109,831	5,815,557	24,228	70,366	6.44%	4,533		
2011	107,289	1.83%	1,406	505	4,352	109,200	5,857,222	24,652	67,076	6.60%	4,430		
2012	96,793	1.63%	692	503	3,890	97,988	5,920,905	24,885	74,926	5.26%	3,938		
2013	97,210	2.10%	463	508	3,881	98,181	4,618,880	25,045	75,470	5.19%	3,920		
2014	95,686	2.04%	438	462	3,802	96,586	4,700,388	25,164	77,342	4.96%	3,838		
2015	84,777	1.80%	415	924	3,324	86,116	4,711,746	25,505	76,750	4.40%	3,376		
2016	85,492	1.80%	391	462	3,387	86,345	4,740,286	25,244	75,554	4.53%	3,420		

(1) See Table 5 for taxable property value data

(2) See Table 12 for income and population data. These ratios are calculated using personal income and population for the calendar year.

(3) Amounts expressed in thousands.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
SCHEDULE OF DEBT LIMITATION  
CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES, SECTION 7-374(b)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

Tax Base:	
Total tax collections	\$ 122,596,577
Reimbursement of Revenue Loss on:	
Elderly tax freeze and homeowners' grants	55,212
Total Base	\$ <u>122,651,789</u>

	<u>Public Improvement</u>	<u>Schools</u>	<u>Sewers</u>	<u>Urban Renewal</u>	<u>Pension Deficit</u>
Debt Limitation:					
2 1/4 Times Base	\$ 275,966,525	\$	\$	\$	\$
4 1/2 Times Base		551,933,051			
3 3/4 Times Base			459,944,209		
3 1/4 Times Base				398,618,314	
3 Times Base					367,955,367
Total limitations	<u>275,966,525</u>	<u>551,933,051</u>	<u>459,944,209</u>	<u>398,618,314</u>	<u>367,955,367</u>
Indebtedness:					
Bonds outstanding	56,194,974	20,983,014	1,182,012		
Bonds authorized but unissued	4,655,573				
Sewer notes payable			390,928		
Less sewer assessments			(494,053)		
Total indebtedness (1)	<u>60,850,547</u>	<u>20,983,014</u>	<u>1,078,887</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt Limitation in Excess of Outstanding and Authorized Debt	<u>\$ 215,115,978</u>	<u>\$ 530,950,037</u>	<u>\$ 458,865,322</u>	<u>\$ 398,618,314</u>	<u>\$ 367,955,367</u>

Notes: (1) The total of the above indebtedness amounts to: \$ 82,912,448

In no event shall total indebtedness exceed seven times the base for debt limitation computation: \$ 858,562,523

(2) There is no overlapping debt for the Town of Ridgefield.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Debt limit	\$ 699,930,735	\$ 727,968,528	\$ 751,329,068	\$ 766,281,747	\$ 778,274,042	\$ 790,889,505	\$ 793,904,069	\$ 816,623,311	\$ 851,751,488	\$ 858,562,523
Total net debt applicable to limit	118,675,388	120,421,909	114,044,065	106,508,712	105,088,571	98,829,152	99,096,548	91,600,588	83,055,879	82,912,448
Legal Debt Margin	\$ 581,255,347	\$ 607,546,619	\$ 637,285,003	\$ 659,773,035	\$ 673,185,471	\$ 692,060,353	\$ 694,807,521	\$ 725,022,723	\$ 768,695,609	\$ 775,650,075
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	16.96%	16.54%	15.18%	13.90%	13.50%	12.50%	12.48%	11.22%	9.75%	9.66%

Note: The State of Connecticut General Statutes require that in no event shall the total debt of the Town exceed seven (7) times the annual receipts from taxation.



**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Population</b>	<b>Per Capita Income</b>	<b>Personal Income (1)</b>	<b>Median Age (2)</b>	<b>School Enrollment (3)</b>	<b>Unemployment Rate (4)</b>
2007	24,710	\$ 72,941	\$ 1,802,372,110	38	5,498	3.10%
2008	24,720	75,155	1,857,831,600	39	5,591	2.80%
2009	24,595	70,366	1,730,651,770	41	5,480	6.10%
2010	24,228	70,366	1,704,827,448	41	5,400	5.80%
2011	24,652	67,076	1,653,557,552	42	5,377	6.40%
2012	24,885	74,926	1,864,533,510	42	5,312	6.40%
2013	25,045	75,470	1,890,146,150	42	5,233	5.80%
2014	25,164	77,342	1,946,234,088	43	5,263	4.70%
2015	25,505	76,750	1,957,508,750	43	5,194	3.60%
2016	25,244	75,554	1,907,285,176	43	4,996	3.90%

Sources: Population, per capita income, personal income and median age, U.S. Bureau of the Census and Connecticut Department of Health.

- (1) U.S. Bureau of the Census
- (2) Connecticut Economic Resource Center
- (3) Town of Ridgefield, Board of Education
- (4) Connecticut Economic Digest

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS  
CURRENT YEAR AND NINE YEARS AGO  
(Unaudited)**

	2016			2007		
	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Employment
Boehringer-Ingelheim, Inc.	2,700	1	23.33%	3,005	1	27.66%
Fairfield County Bankcorp	206	2	1.78%	147	4	1.35%
Laurel Ridge Health Care Center	189	3	1.63%	150	3	1.38%
Ridgefield Crossings	155	4	1.34%	100	8	0.92%
Stop & Shop	150	5	1.30%	140	5	1.29%
Adam Broderick Salon & Spa	139	6	1.20%	198	2	1.82%
Ridgefield BMW	98	7	0.85%			0.00%
Kohl's Department Store	90	8	0.78%	130	6	1.20%
Ullman Devices, Corp	50	9	0.43%	65	9	0.60%
Pamby Motors, Inc.	48	10	0.41%	56	10	0.52%
Schlumberger Technical Corporation				125	7	1.15%
	<u>3,825</u>		<u>33.05%</u>	<u>4,116</u>		<u>37.89%</u>

**Source:** Telephone survey and Department of Labor, State of Connecticut

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
<u>General government</u>										
Management services										
Finance	28.4	28.4	28.4	28.4	28.4	28.4	28.4	27.4	28.9	30.5
Planning	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	6.5	7.0
Building	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.5	4.5
	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
<u>Public Health</u>										
Health	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0
Social Services	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.4
<u>Public safety</u>										
Police	46.9	46.9	46.9	46.9	46.9	46.9	46.9	46.9	48.5	48.5
Fire	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	42.5	38.0	37.8
Parking	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7
Canine	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.8	1.8
<u>Public works</u>										
	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	29.0	29.0
<u>Public Recreation</u>										
Recreation	37.1	37.1	37.1	37.1	37.1	37.1	37.1	37.3	50.0	50.0
Golf Course	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	14.0	14.0
Tree Warden	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
<u>Public Education</u>										
Certified	478.3	469.0	469.0	460.8	460.8	460.8	460.2	462.2	469.8	459.7
Non-certified	233.5	242.0	242.0	231.4	231.4	231.4	248.8	242.7	227.4	217.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>925.1</b>	<b>924.3</b>	<b>924.3</b>	<b>905.8</b>	<b>905.8</b>	<b>905.8</b>	<b>922.6</b>	<b>918.8</b>	<b>929.3</b>	<b>911.5</b>

Source: Town of Ridgefield, Human Resources Department and Board of Education, Personnel Department.

Notes: Full-time employees are scheduled to work 1,820 or 2,080 hours per year (including vacation and sick leave). Full-time equivalent employment is calculated by dividing total labor hours by 1,820 or 2,080 based on the employment classification.

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM**  
**LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS**  
(Unaudited)

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
<u>General Government</u>										
<u>Legal Counsel:</u>										
Professional fees	\$ -	\$ 145,627	\$ 275,004	\$ 267,381	\$ 288,307	\$ 181,081	\$ 184,766	\$ 201,721	\$ 303,069	\$ 265,603
<u>Town Clerk's Office:</u>										
Licenses issued	2,793	2,765	2,743	2,671	2,798	3,054	3,073	3,111	2,958	2,949
Record vital statistics	386	369	760	434	436	509	448	427	230	427
Document recordings	4,961	5,165	5,495	7,077	6,744	6,427	6,189	6,357	6,392	7,134
<u>Registrar of Voters:</u>										
Registered voters	16,667	16,155	16,500	16,677	17,090	16,225	16,352	16,131	15,019	14,961
Elections and referenda	3	4	3	2	5	4	3	3	4	2
<u>Planning and Development</u>										
Building permits issued	2,087	2,009	2,381	2,220	2,336	1,734	1,666	1,719	2,146	2,067
Value of building permits	\$ 49,083,484	\$ 57,782,819	\$ 62,343,391	\$ 75,311,852	\$ 114,539,257	\$ 44,575,354	\$ 36,179,734	\$ 50,918,011	\$ 88,204,342	\$ 117,022,051
Zoning permits issued	267	294	313	245	258	249	258	260	306	350
<u>Public Safety</u>										
<u>Police Department:</u>										
Motor vehicle citations	6,727	6,835	5,848	6,148	4,984	4,988	4,926	4,679	5,806	3,231
General citations	8,597	8,597	3,266	2,981	2,716	2,637	2,468	1,532	1,496	844
<u>Fire Department:</u>										
Fire related calls	1,292	1,105	1,292	1,213	1,419	1,229	1,103	1,327	1,217	1,215
Medical related calls	2,045	2,200	2,045	2,287	2,158	2,141	2,046	1,952	1,952	1,889
<u>Parking Authority:</u>										
Parking violations	3,253	4,005	3,497	3,054	3,118	2,455	1,641	1,796	2,585	1,359
<u>Public Works</u>										
Miles of street resurfacing	13.9	7.0	6.3	6.7	6.7	5.1	5.4	4.3	4.3	9.0
Work Orders completed	536	502	638	556	591	571	606	419	401	465
<u>Public Recreation</u>										
Rounds of golf	40,464	36,045	38,573	35,761	35,888	33,349	37,138	37,001	38,078	38,247
Recreation center members	6,923	6,944	6,556	6,526	6,434	5,882	6,008	6,373	6,669	6,858
Summer camp participants	2,813	2,638	2,559	2,381	2,396	1,198	1,252	1,116	1,141	1,400
Martin park beach passes	702	609	689	772	696	583	548	531	563	538
<u>Public Education</u>										
Student enrollment	4,996	5,194	5,263	5,233	5,312	5,377	5,400	5,480	5,591	5,498

Source(s): Various Town Departments

**TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT  
CAPITAL ASSET STATISTICS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM  
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS  
(Unaudited)**

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
<u>General Government</u>										
Vehicles	9	9	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
<u>Public Safety</u>										
Police stations	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fire stations	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Police vehicles	20	21	21	19	19	17	18	18	20	20
Fire vehicles	16	16	16	16	16	16	17	17	16	16
<u>Public Works</u>										
Town roads (miles)	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2	193.2
Town sidewalks (miles)	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.5	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	13.6
Sanitary sewers (miles)	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3	20.3
Storm sewers (miles)	88.0	88.0	88.0	88.0	88.0	88.0	88.0	88.0	88.0	87.6
Treatment plants	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Highway vehicles	40	37	37	38	38	38	38	38	37	37
<u>Public Recreation</u>										
Acreage	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156
<u>Athletic facilities:</u>										
Baseball diamonds	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
Basketball courts - Outside	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Soccer fields	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Football fields	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Playgrounds	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Tennis courts	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Skate board park	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nature areas	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39
Picnic areas	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Swimming pools	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Vehicles	17	18	18	17	17	17	16	18	18	17
<u>Public Education</u>										
Elementary schools	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Middle schools	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
High schools	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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