

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
May 31, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees Incorporated Village of Saltaire Saltaire, New York

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire (Village), as of and for the year ended May 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire, as of May 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis, schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance – budget and actual – general fund, schedule of the Village's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability), schedule of Village pension contributions, and schedule of changes in the Village's total OPEB liability and related ratios on pages 16 through 21 and 44 through 49, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 5, 2024 on our consideration of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Incorporated Village of Saltaire's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

December 5, 2024

Cullen & Danowski, LLP

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Incorporated Village of Saltaire's (Village) discussion and analysis of the financial performance provides an overall review of the Village's financial activities for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2024 in comparison with the year ended May 31, 2023, with emphasis on the current year. This should be read in conjunction with the financial statements, notes to financial statements, and required supplementary information, which immediately follow this section.

1. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

- The Village's total net position, as reflected in the government-wide financial statements, decreased by \$2,244,504. This was due to an excess of expenses over revenues using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.
- The Village's expenses for the year, as reflected in the government-wide financial statements, totaled \$7,189,551. This was offset by program charges for services and capital grants and contributions totaling \$1,397,878. General revenues of \$3,547,169 amount to 71.73% of total revenues, and were not adequate to cover the balance of program expenses.
- The general fund's total fund balance, as reflected in the fund financial statements, increased by \$441,578. This was due to an excess of revenues over expenditures using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- On the balance sheet, the general fund unassigned fund balance at year end was \$2,399,750. This represents a decrease of \$224,492 from the prior year.
- The Village's 2024 property tax levy of \$2,729,692 was a 6.08% increase over the 2023 tax levy. The Village's property tax cap was 3.54%. The property tax levy exceeded the tax cap and was approved by 100% of the Board of Trustees.

2. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), the financial statements, and required supplementary information. The financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to financial statements. A graphic display of the relationship of these statements follows:



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

A. Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements present the governmental activities of the Village and are organized to provide an understanding of the fiscal performance of the Village, as a whole, in a manner similar to a private sector business. There are two government-wide financial statements - the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities. These statements provide both an aggregate and long-term view of the Village's finances.

These statements utilize the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes the financial effects of events when they occur, without regard to the timing of cash flows related to the events.

The Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the Village's assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Village is improving or deteriorating. To assess the overall health of the Village, one needs to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the Village's property tax base and the condition of the Village's infrastructure, equipment, buildings, and other capital assets.

The Statement of Activities

The Statement of Activities presents information showing the change in net position during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are recorded at the time the underlying financial event occurs. Revenues are recognized in the period when they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period when the liability is incurred. Therefore, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

B. Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Village's funds, not the Village as a whole. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Village also uses fund accounting to ensure compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The funds of the Village are reported in the governmental funds.

Governmental Funds

These statements utilize the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the period when they become measurable and available. It recognizes expenditures in the period when the Village incurs the liability, except for certain expenditures such as debt service on general long-term indebtedness, pension costs, and other postemployment benefits (OPEB), which are recognized as expenditures to the extent the related liabilities mature each period.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, the governmental fund financial statements focus on shorter-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year for spending in future years. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Village's operations and the services it provides.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the reader may better understand the long-term impact of the Village's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds Balance Sheet and the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Village maintains two individual governmental funds: general fund and capital projects fund, each of which is considered to be a major fund and is presented separately in the fund financial statements.

3. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE VILLAGE AS A WHOLE

A. Net Position

The Village's total net position decreased by \$2,244,504 between fiscal year 2024 and 2023. The decrease is due to expenses in excess of revenues using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. A summary of the Village's Statements of Net Position follows:

	2024	2023	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Assets				
Current and Other Assets	\$ 4,463,090	\$ 3,983,052	\$ 480,038	12.05 %
Capital Assets, Net	28,538,339	29,159,181	(620,842)	(2.13)%
Total Assets	33,001,429	33,142,233	(140,804)	(0.42)%
Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,073,333	1,345,434	(272,101)	(20.22)%
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Liabilities				
Current and Other Liabilities	782,854	738,181	44,673	6.05 %
Long-Term Liabilities	8,528,367	6,285,000	2,243,367	35.69 %
Total OPEB Liability	2,775,249	2,706,969	68,280	2.52 %
Net Pension Liability -				
Proportionate Share	501,334	727,320	(225,986)	(31.07)%
Total Liabilities	12,587,804	10 457 470	2,130,334	20.37 %
Total Liabilities	12,307,004	10,457,470	2,130,334	20.37 %
Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,650,031	1,948,766	(298,735)	(15.33)%
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	19,800,260	22,874,181	(3,073,921)	(13.44)%
Restricted	106,319	100,932	5,387	5.34 %
Unrestricted	(69,652)	(893,682)	824,030	92.21 %
Total Net Position	\$ 19,836,927	\$ 22,081,431	\$ (2,244,504)	(10.16)%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

The increase in current and other assets was primarily the result of the increase in cash, offset by a decrease in lease receivable.

The decrease in capital assets is due to depreciation expense in excess of capital assets additions. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 8 "Capital Assets" provides additional information.

Deferred outflows of resources represents contributions to the pension plan subsequent to the measurement date and actuarial adjustments of the pension and OPEB plans that will be amortized in future years.

The increase in current and other liabilities is primarily in connection with the increase in accounts payable, offset by a decrease in collections in advance.

The increase in long-term liabilities is the result of the issuance of a new bond offset by debt principal payments.

Total OPEB liability increased, based on the actuarial valuation of the plan. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 14 "Postemployment Healthcare Benefits", provides additional information.

Net pension liability – proportionate share represents the Village's share of the Employees' Retirement System collective net pension liability, at the measurement date of the respective year. The decrease in net pension liability is primarily due to the net change in the market value of the ERS; pension plan assets being in excess of the net change in the pension liability at the current year measurement dates. The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements, Note 12 "Pension Plans – New York State" provides additional information.

Deferred inflows of resources represents actuarial adjustments of the pension and OPEB plans that will be amortized in future years, as well as the amount of long-term leases receivable that will be amortized and recognized as lease revenues over the term of the lease.

The net investment in capital assets is the investment in capital assets at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and related outstanding debt.

The restricted amount relates to the Village's repair reserve. This number increased over the prior year due to interest earned.

The unrestricted (deficit) amount relates to the balance of the Village's net position. This balance does not include the Village's reserves, which are classified as restricted. Additionally, certain unfunded liabilities will have the effect of reducing the Village's unrestricted net position. One such unfunded liability is the total OPEB liability. In accordance with state guidelines, the Village is only permitted to fund OPEB on a "pay as you go" basis, and is not permitted to accumulate funds for the OPEB liability.

B. Changes in Net Position

The results of operations, as a whole, are reported in the Statement of Activities in a programmatic format. A summary of this statement for the years ended May 31, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

	 2024	2023		Increase (Decrease)		Percentage Change
Revenues						
Program Revenues						
Charges for Services	\$ 850,677	\$	846,312	\$	4,365	0.52 %
Operating Grants			3,157		(3,157)	(100.00)%
Capital Grants & Contributions	547,201		9,000		538,201	5,980.01 %
General Revenues						
Property Taxes	2,709,338		2,582,991		126,347	4.89 %
State Sources	67,184		84,375		(17,191)	(20.37)%
Other	770,647		690,523		80,124	11.60 %
Total Revenues	4,945,047		4,216,358		728,689	17.28 %
Expenses						
General government	1,574,309		1,729,436		(155,127)	(8.97)%
Public safety	614,115		494,622		119,493	24.16 %
Health	92,069		19,909		72,160	362.45 %
Transportation	2,327,429		373,916		1,953,513	522.45 %
Culture and recreation	895,139		739,933		155,206	20.98 %
Home and community	469,776		372,581		97,195	26.09 %
Debt Service - Interest	159,809		146,822		12,987	8.85 %
Depreciation - Unallocated	1,056,905		1,035,144		21,761	2.10 %
Total Expenses	7,189,551		4,912,363		2,277,188	46.36 %
Change in Net Position	\$ (2,244,504)	\$	(696,005)	\$	(1,548,499)	(222.48)%

Certain prior year revenues for capital grants and contributions have been reclassified from general revenues to program revenues to conform with the current year's presentation.

The Village's net position decreased by \$2,244,504 and \$696,005 for the years ended May 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The Village's revenues decreased when compared to the prior year, primarily due to the following changes:

- Capital grants and contributions increased due to donations for the playground.
- Property taxes increased to fund additional appropriations in the approved 2023-2024 budget.

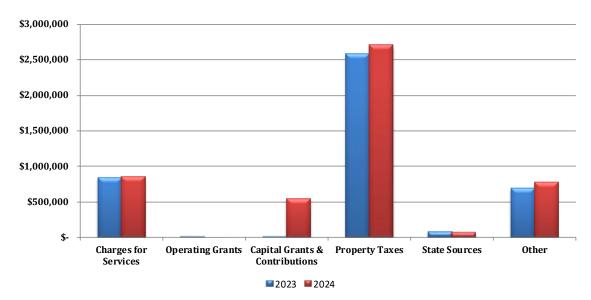
The Village's expenses increased when compared to the prior year, primarily due to the following changes:

• Transportation increased due to the construction of a building on Bay Promenade.

As indicated on the graphs that follow, property taxes is the largest component of revenues recognized for the 2024 year (i.e., 54.8% and 61.3% of total for the years 2024 and 2023, respectively) and General government expenses is the largest category of expenses incurred for 2023 at 35.2% and transportation expenses incurred for 2024 at 32.4%.

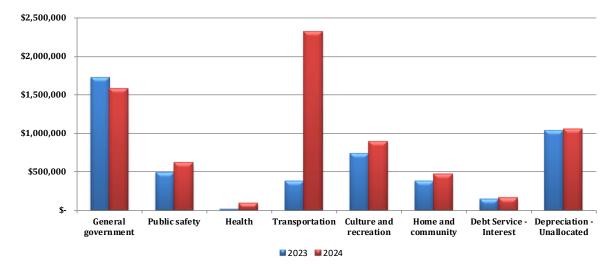
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

A graphic display of the distribution of revenues for the two years follows:



			Capital Grants			
	Charges for	Operating	&	Property		
	Services	Grants	Contributions	Taxes	State Sources	Other
2023	20.1%	0.1%	0.2%	61.3%	2.0%	16.3%
2024	17.2%	0.0%	11.1%	54.8%	1.4%	15.5%

A graphic display of the distribution of expenses for the two years follows:



	General				Culture and	Home and	Debt Service -	Depreciation -
	government	Public safety	Health	Transportation	recreation	community	Interest	Unallocated
2023	35.2%	10.0%	0.4%	7.6%	15.1%	7.6%	3.0%	21.1%
2024	21.9%	8.5%	1.3%	32.4%	12.5%	6.5%	2.2%	14.7%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

4. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE VILLAGE'S FUNDS

At May 31, 2024, the Village's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$3,367,300, which is an increase of \$754,635 over the prior year. This increase is due to an excess of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. A summary of the change in the components of fund balance by fund is as follows:

	2024		2023		Increase (Decrease)		Percentage Change
General Fund							
Nonspendable: Prepaids	\$	86,142	\$	79,664	\$	6,478	8.13 %
Restricted: Repairs		106,319		100,932		5,387	5.34 %
Assigned:							
Appropriated fund balance		107,257		-		107,257	N/A
Designated for fire company		3,321		3,321		-	0.00 %
Designated for park		546,948		-		546,948	N/A
Unassigned: Fund balance		2,399,750		2,624,242		(224,492)	(8.55)%
		3,249,737		2,808,159		441,578	15.72 %
Capital Projects Fund							
Assigned: Unappropriated fund balance		117,563		-		117,563	N/A
Unassigned: Fund balance (deficit)				(195,494)		195,494	(100.00)%
		117,563		(195,494)		313,057	160.14 %
Total Fund Balance	\$	3,367,300	\$	2,612,665	\$	754,635	28.88 %

A. General Fund

The net change on the general fund-fund balance is an increase of \$441,578 compared to a decrease of \$289,939 in 2023.

The following is a summary of the major changes that resulted in revenues increasing over the prior year:

	2024	2023	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
Real Property Taxes	\$ 2,709,338	\$ 2,582,991	\$ 126,347	4.89 %
Other Tax Items	8,793	5,223	3,570	68.35 %
Nonproperty Taxes	391,922	377,433	14,489	3.84 %
Other Local Revenue	1,767,810	1,171,158	596,652	50.95 %
State Sources	67,184	84,375	(17,191)	(20.37)%
Federal Sources	-	3,157	(3,157)	(100.00)%
Other Financing Sources	-	-	-	0.00 %
	\$ 4,945,047	\$ 4,224,337	\$ 720,710	17.06 %

The increase is primarily attributable to donations for the playground.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

The following is a summary of the major changes that resulted in expenditures and other financing uses decreasing from the prior year:

	2024	2023	Increase (Decrease)	Percentage Change
General Support	\$ 1,306,795	\$ 1,489,725	\$ (182,930)	(12.28)%
Public Safety	475,637	436,518	39,119	8.96 %
Health	72,901	19,909	52,992	266.17 %
Transportation	264,578	321,528	(56,950)	(17.71)%
Culture and Recreation	668,765	528,503	140,262	26.54 %
Home and Community Services	389,372	307,495	81,877	26.63 %
Employee Benefits	675,311	589,820	85,491	14.49 %
Debt Service	650,110	657,460	(7,350)	(1.12)%
Other Financing Uses		163,318	(163,318)	(100.00)%
	\$ 4,503,469	\$ 4,514,276	\$ (10,807)	(0.24)%

This decrease was mainly due to a decrease in transfers to the capital projects fund and a decrease in general support offset by an increase in culture and recreation for additional lifeguards.

B. Capital Projects Fund

The capital projects fund-fund balance deficit decreased due to a bond issuance.

5. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

A. 2023-2024 Budget

The Village's general fund adopted budget for the year ended May 31, 2024 was \$4,407,662.

The final budget was funded through a combination of estimated revenues and appropriated fund balance. The majority of this funding source was \$2,729,692 in estimated property taxes.

B. Change in General Fund's Unassigned Fund Balance (Budget to Actual)

The general fund's unassigned fund balance is the component of total fund balance that is the residual of prior years' excess revenues and other financing sources over expenditures, net of transfers to reserves, special designations, appropriations to fund the next year's budget, and amounts classified as nonspendable. The change in this balance demonstrated through a comparison of the actual revenues and expenditures for the year compared to budget follows:

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 2,624,242
Revenues Over Budget	537,385
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses Over Budget	(95,807)
Net Change in Nonspendable Fund Balance	(6,478)
Net Increase in Special Designations	(546,948)
Allocation to Reserves	(5,387)
Appropriated for the 2024-2025 Budget	 (107,257)
Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 2,399,750

Opening, Unassigned Fund Balance

The \$2,624,242 shown in the table is the portion of the Village's May 31, 2023 fund balance that was retained as unassigned.

Revenues Over Budget

The 2023-2024 final budget for revenues was \$4,407,662. Actual revenues recognized for the year were \$4,945,047. The excess of actual revenues over estimated or budgeted revenues was \$537,385, which contributes directly to the change to the general fund unassigned fund balance from May 31, 2023 to May 31, 2024. The accompanying Required Supplementary Information, Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund, provides additional information.

Expenditures and Other Financing Uses Over Budget

The 2023-2024 final budget for expenditures was \$4,407,662. Actual expenditures as of May 31, 2024 were \$4,503,469. The final budget was over expended by \$95,807. This over expenditure contributes directly to the change to the general fund unassigned fund balance from May 31, 2023 to May 31, 2024. The accompanying Required Supplementary Information, Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund, provides additional information.

Net Change in Nonspendable Fund Balance

Nonspendable fund balance consists of various prepaid insurance premiums and purchased ferry tickets available for resale. The resulting balance sheet assets cannot be spent because it is not in spendable form. Accordingly, an equal amount of fund balance is classified as nonspendable. The increase in nonspendable fund balance decreases unassigned fund balance.

Net Increase in Special Designations

The \$(546,948) shown in the previous table is made up of the designation of assigned fund balance for parks in the amount of \$546,948, the fire company designation remained the same as the prior year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

Allocation to Reserves

Monies transferred into authorized reserves do not affect the total fund balance, unless and until these monies are actually expended. The allocation to reserves represents interest earned on reserve balances.

Appropriated for the 2024-2025 Budget

The Village has chosen to use \$107,257 of the available May 31, 2024 unassigned fund balance to partially fund the 2024-2025 approved operating budget. As such, the May 31, 2024 unassigned fund balance must be reduced by this amount.

Closing, Unassigned Fund Balance

Based upon the summary changes shown in the above table, the unassigned fund balance at May 31, 2024 was \$2,399,750.

6. CAPITAL ASSETS, DEBT ADMINISTRATION, AND OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A. Capital Assets

At May 31, 2024, the Village had invested in a broad range of capital assets, as indicated in the table below. The net decrease in capital assets is due to depreciation expense of \$1,056,905 in excess of capital additions of \$436,063 recorded for the year ended May 31, 2024. A summary of the Village's capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation at May 31, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

		2024		2022		Increase		
		2024		2024		2023	(]	Decrease)
Land	\$	1,608,064	\$	1,608,064	\$	-		
Construction in Progress		440,448		19,179		421,269		
Buildings		6,509,498		6,721,669		(212,171)		
Improvements Other Than Buildings		252,124		325,339		(73,215)		
Machinery and Equipment		447,547		577,479		(129,932)		
Infrastructure		19,280,658		19,907,451		(626,793)		
Capital assets, net	\$	28,538,339	\$	29,159,181	\$	(620,842)		

B. Debt Administration

At May 31, 2024, the Village had total bonds payable of \$8,335,000. The decreases in outstanding debt represent principal payments made throughout the year, while the increase represents the current year bond issuance. A summary of the outstanding debt at May 31, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

Issue Date	Interest Rate	2024	 2023	(Increase Decrease)
Bonds Payable					
10/14/2014	2.00 - 3.00%	\$ 320,000	\$ 485,000	\$	(165,000)
10/20/2016	2.00 - 2.30%	4,330,000	4,620,000		(290,000)
2/19/2019	3.00 - 3.30%	1,125,000	1,180,000		(55,000)
3/13/2024	4.00 - 5.00%	 2,560,000	 -		2,560,000
		_			_
		\$ 8,335,000	\$ 6,285,000	\$	2,050,000

The Village's latest underlying, long-term credit rating from S&P Global Ratings is AAA/Stable.

C. Other Long-Term Liabilities

Included in the Village's long-term liabilities are the estimated amounts due for net pension liability – proportionate share and total OPEB liability, which are based on actuarial valuations. A summary of the outstanding other long-term liabilities at May 31, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

	 2024	 2023	Increase Decrease)
Net pension liability - proportionate share Total OPEB liability	\$ 501,334 2,775,249	\$ 727,320 2,706,969	\$ (225,986) 68,280
	\$ 3,276,583	\$ 3,434,289	\$ (157,706)

7. ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

A. Subsequent Year's Budget

The general fund budget, the only fund with a legally adopted budget, as approved by the Board of Trustees (Board) for the year ending May 31, 2025, is \$4,700,886. This is an increase of \$293,224 or 6.65% over the previous year's budget.

The Village budgeted non-property tax revenues at a \$43,830 increase over the prior year's estimate. Additionally, the Village has elected to appropriate \$107,257 of fund balance towards the next year's budget. A property tax increase of 5.21% (tax levy to tax levy) was needed to meet the funding shortfall and cover the increase in appropriations.

B. Future Budgets

Factors to consider that could influence future budgets:

- Uncertainty with state aid complicates long-range planning.
- Rise in employee cost centers of employee salaries and health benefits, as well as contributions to pension programs.
- Changing circumstances of unforeseen events and risks including natural disasters and global pandemics.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

- Impact of external factors such as market trends, economic conditions, and regulatory changes.
- The combination of high inflation and high-interest rates can impact all lines of the budget.
- Social and demographic changes with population, age distribution, and personal income can have significate and lasting effects.
- Legal and intergovernmental factors constraining tax increases, forbidding particular revenue sources, and mandating some services.

C. Tax Cap

New York State law limits the increase in the property tax levy of municipalities to the lesser of 2% or the rate of inflation. There are additional statutory adjustments in the law. Municipalities may override the tax levy limit by first passing a local law that allows for the tax levy limit to be exceeded. A subsequent vote to override the tax levy limit requires a 60% vote of the voting power of the governing body to pass (i.e., super majority). Based on the law, the Village's tax cap was 4.79%. The Village's 2024-2025 property tax increase of 5.21% exceeded the tax cap and was approved by 100% of the Board.

8. CONTACTING THE VILLAGE

This financial report is designed to provide the reader with a general overview of the Village's finances and to demonstrate the Village's accountability for the funds it receives. Requests for additional information can be directed to:

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INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SALTAIRE Statement of Net Position

May 31, 2024

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	
Unrestricted	\$ 3,847,906
Restricted	106,319
Receivables	
Taxes receivable	9,760
Due from other governments	13,648
Prepaids	86,142
Lease receivable	399,315
Capital assets:	
Not being depreciated	2,048,512
Being depreciated, net of accumulated depreciation	26,489,827
Total Assets	33,001,429
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions	452,146
Other postemployment benefits	621,187
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,073,333
LIABILITIES	
Payables	
Accounts payable	241,523
Accrued liabilities	86,379
Due to employees' retirement system	34,499
Other liabilities	10,500
Unearned credits: collections in advance	409,953
Long-term liabilities	,
Due and payable within one year	
Bonds payable, net	515,000
Total other postemployment benefits liability	176,038
Due and payable after one year	
Bonds payable, net	8,013,367
Total other postemployment benefits liability	2,599,211
Net pension liability	501,334
Total Liabilities	12,587,804
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred leases	399,315
Pensions	262,761
Other postemployment benefits	987,955
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	1,650,031
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	19,800,260
Restricted: Repairs	106,319
Unrestricted (deficit)	(69,652)
Total Net Position	\$ 19,836,927

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SALTAIRE Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended May 31, 2024

		Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and	
	 Expenses		narges for Services	-	oital Grants ontributions		Changes in Vet Position
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS							
General government	\$ 1,574,309	\$		\$		\$	(1,574,309)
Public safety	614,115		119,825				(494,290)
Health	92,069		20,000				(72,069)
Transportation	2,327,429						(2,327,429)
Culture and recreation	895,139		432,841		547,201		84,903
Home and community	469,776		278,011				(191,765)
Debt service - interest	159,809						(159,809)
Depreciation - unallocated	 1,056,905						(1,056,905)
Total Functions and Programs	\$ 7,189,551	\$	850,677	\$	547,201		(5,791,673)
GENERAL REVENUES							
Real property taxes							2,709,338
Other tax items							8,793
Nonproperty taxes							391,922
Use of money and property							320,797
Licenses and permits							46,985
Miscellaneous							2,150
State aid							67,184
Total General Revenues							3,547,169
Change in Net Position							(2,244,504)
Total Net Position - Beginning of Year							22,081,431
Total Net Position - End of Year						\$	19,836,927

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SALTAIRE Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds

May 31, 2024

	 General	 Capital Projects	Go	Total vernmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents				
Unrestricted	\$ 1,801,828	\$ 2,046,078	\$	3,847,906
Restricted	106,319	, ,		106,319
Receivables	·			·
Taxes receivable	9,760			9,760
Due from other funds	1,718,803			1,718,803
Due from other governments	13,648			13,648
Prepaids	86,142			86,142
Lease receivable	 399,315			399,315
Total Assets	\$ 4,135,815	\$ 2,046,078	\$	6,181,893
			·	
LIABILITIES				
Payables				
Accounts payable	\$ 31,811	\$ 209,712	\$	241,523
Due to other funds		1,718,803		1,718,803
Due to employees' retirement system	34,499			34,499
Other liabilities	10,500			10,500
Unearned credits: collections in advance	 409,953	 		409,953
Total Liabilities	 486,763	 1,928,515		2,415,278
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	200 245			200 245
Deferred leases	 399,315	 - _		399,315
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable: Prepaids	86,142			86,142
Restricted: Repairs	106,319			106,319
Assigned:				
Appropriated fund balance	107,257			107,257
Designated for Fire Company	3,321			3,321
Designated for Park	546,948			546,948
Unappropriated		117,563		117,563
Unassigned: Fund balance	 2,399,750			2,399,750
Total Fund Balances	 3,249,737	 117,563		3,367,300
Total Liebilities Defermed Inflammed				
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$ 4,135,815	\$ 2,046,078	\$	6,181,893

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position

May 31, 2024

Total Governmental Fund Balances

\$ 3,367,300

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

The costs of building and acquiring capital assets financed from the governmental funds are reported as expenditures in the year they are incurred, and the assets do not appear on the Balance Sheet. However, the Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets among the assets of the Village as a whole, and their original costs are expensed annually over their useful lives.

Original cost or present value of capital assets Less: Accumulated depreciation	\$ 39,319,737 (10,781,398)	28,538,339
Proportionate share of long-term liability, as well as deferred outflows and in with participation in the state retirement systems are not current financial re and are not reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflows of resources Net pension liability - employees' retirement system Deferred inflows of resources	452,146 (501,334) (262,761)	(311,949)
Total other postemployment benefits liability and deferred outflows and infloproviding benefits in retirement are not current financial resources or liability reported in the funds.		
Deferred outflows of resources Total other postemployment benefits liability Deferred inflows of resources	621,187 (2,775,249) (987,955)	(3,142,017)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, there reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. Long-term liabilities at year		
Accrued interest long-term debt Bonds payable	(86,379) (8,528,367)	(8,614,746)

Total Net Position

\$ 19,836,927

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures

and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended May 31, 2024

	General	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES Real property taxes Real property tax items Non-property taxes Departmental income Intergovernmental income Use of money and property Licenses and permits Miscellaneous	\$ 2,709,338 8,793 391,922 809,469 41,208 320,797 46,985 549,351	\$	\$ 2,709,338 8,793 391,922 809,469 41,208 320,797 46,985 549,351
State aid	67,184		67,184
Total Revenues	4,945,047		4,945,047
EXPENDITURES General government Public safety Health Transportation Culture and recreation Home and community Employee benefits Debt service Principal Interest	1,306,795 475,637 72,901 264,578 668,765 389,372 675,311 510,000 140,110	2,440,310	1,306,795 475,637 72,901 2,704,888 668,765 389,372 675,311 510,000 140,110
Total Expenditures	4,503,469	2,440,310	6,943,779
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	441,578	(2,440,310)	(1,998,732)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Premium on obligation Proceeds of debt		193,367 2,560,000	193,367 2,560,000
Total Other Financing Sources		2,753,367	2,753,367
Net Change in Fund Balances	441,578	313,057	754,635
Fund Balances (Deficit) - Beginning of Year	2,808,159	(195,494)	2,612,665
End of Year	\$ 3,249,737	\$ 117,563	\$ 3,367,300

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended May 31, 2024

Net Change in Fund Balances

\$ 754,635

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Capital Related Differences

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are capitalized and shown in the Statement of Net Position and allocated over their useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. This is the amount by which, depreciation exceeded capital outlays and other additions in the period.

Capital outlays and other additions \$ 436,063
Depreciation expense (1,056,905)

Long-Term Debt Transactions Differences

Proceeds and premium from the issuance of bonds are other financing sources in the governmental funds, but increase long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and do not affect the Statement of Activities.

(2,753,367)

(620,842)

Repayment of long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not affect the Statement of Activities.

Bonds payable 510,000

Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. This is the amount by which accrued interest increased from May 31, 2023 to May 31, 2024.

(19,699)

490,301

Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits Differences

The change in the proportionate share of the collective pension expense of the state retirement plans and the change in other postemployment benefits expense reported in the Statement of Activities did not affect current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.

Employees' retirement system(90,248)Other postemployment benefits(24,983)

(115,231)

Change in Net Position (Deficit) of Governmental Activities

\$ (2,244,504)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Incorporated Village of Saltaire (the "Village"), which was established in 1917, is governed by its Charter, New York State Village Law and other general laws of the State of New York and various local laws. The Board, consisting of five members, is the legislative body responsible for overall operations. The Mayor serves as the Chief Executive Officer and the Treasurer serves as the Chief Fiscal Officer.

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Significant accounting principles and policies used by the Village are as follows:

A. Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity is based on criteria set forth by GASB. The financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, which is the Village, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The following basic services are provided: general support, public safety and fire protection, sanitation, recreation, street maintenance, and lighting.

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of the Village. The Village is not a component unit of another reporting entity. The decision to include a potential component unit in the Village's reporting entity is based on several criteria including legal standing, fiscal dependency, and financial accountability. Based on the application of these criteria, there are no other entities that would be included in the Village's reporting entity.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present information about the overall governmental financial activities of the Village. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of interfund transactions. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, state aid, intergovernmental revenues, and other exchange and nonexchange transactions. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants, while capital grants reflect capital-specific grants, if applicable.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the Village at fiscal year-end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between program expenses and revenues for each function of the Village's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Employee benefits are allocated to functional areas in proportion to the payroll expended for those areas. Program revenues include (a) charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including real property taxes and state aid, are presented as general revenues.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide information about the Village's funds. The Village's financial statements present the following fund type:

Governmental Funds - are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use, and balances of expendable financial resources, and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The emphasis of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds as defined by GASB, each displayed in a separate column. The following are the Village's major governmental funds:

General Fund - is the general operating fund and is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Capital Projects Fund – is used to account for the financial resources used for acquisition, construction, renovation, or major repair of capital facilities and other capital assets.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus describes what type of information is reported, and is either the economic resources measurement focus or the current financial resources measurement focus. The economic resources measurement focus reports all assets, liabilities, and deferred resources related to a given activity, as well as transactions of the period that affect net position. For example, all assets, whether financial (e.g., cash and receivables) or capital (e.g., property and equipment) and liabilities (including long-term debt and obligations) are reported. The current financial resources measurement focus reports more narrowly on assets, liabilities, and deferred resources that are relevant to near-term liquidity, along with net changes resulting from transactions of the period. Consequently, capital assets and the unmatured portion of long-term debt and certain other liabilities the Village would not expect to liquidate currently with expendable available financial resources would not be reported.

Basis of accounting describes when changes are recognized, and is either the accrual basis of accounting or the modified accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes changes in net position when the underlying event occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. The modified accrual basis of accounting recognizes changes only at the point they affect near-term liquidity.

The government-wide fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Village gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include real property taxes, state aid, grants, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from real property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from state aid is recognized in the fiscal year it is apportioned by the state. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Charges for services are recognized in the year the services are provided.

The governmental funds financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when 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 Village considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, pension costs, and OPEB, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. Capital assets acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, franchise taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Village.

D. Real Property Taxes

Real property taxes are levied no later than May 15^{th} and become a lien on June 1^{st} . The Village collects its own taxes. Taxes are collected during the month of June without penalty. A 5% penalty is assessed on taxes paid after July 1^{st} , and an additional 1% is assessed each month on taxes paid after July. Unpaid Village taxes can be collected through tax sales.

E. Restricted Resources

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net resources are available, the Village's policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use, and with associated legal requirements, many of which are described elsewhere in these Notes to Financial Statements.

F. Interfund Transactions

The operations of the Village include transactions between funds. These transactions may be temporary in nature, such as with interfund borrowings. The Village typically loans resources between funds for the purpose of providing cash flow. These interfund receivables and payables are expected to be repaid within one year. Permanent transfers of funds include transfers to provide financing or other services. This includes the transfer of unrestricted general fund revenues to finance various programs that the Village must account for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

In the government-wide statements, eliminations have been made for all interfund receivables and payables between the funds.

The governmental funds report all interfund transactions as originally recorded. Interfund receivables and payables are netted on the accompanying governmental funds balance sheet when it is the Village's practice to settle these amounts at a net balance based upon the right of legal offset.

A detailed disclosure by individual fund for interfund receivables and payables activity is provided subsequently in these Notes to Financial Statements.

G. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingencies at the date of the financial statements and the reported revenues and

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and assumptions are made in a variety of areas, including pension costs, OPEB, potential contingent liabilities, and useful lives of capital assets.

H. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, bank deposits, and investments with an original maturity date of 90 days or less from date of acquisition.

Certain cash balances are restricted by various legal and contractual obligations, such as legal reserves and debt agreements.

I. Receivables

Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles, if any. However, no allowance for uncollectibles has been provided since it is believed that such allowance would not be material.

J. Lease Receivable

The Village leases a parking lot, passenger ferry, freight, cartage, and a house to third parties. Lease receivables are measured and recorded at the present value of lease payments expected to be received by the Village during the lease terms using an implicit discount rate, net of any provision for estimated uncollectible amounts. As lease payments are received from the lessee, they are first allocated to the amortization of the discount on the lease receivable and recognized as interest revenue, and then to lease receivable.

K. Prepaid Items

Prepaid items represent payments made by the Village for which benefits extend beyond year end. These payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as assets on the Statement of Net Position and Balance Sheet using the consumption method.

Under the consumption method, a current asset for the prepaid item is recorded at the time of receipt and/or purchase and an expense/expenditure is reported in the year the goods or services are consumed.

A portion of fund balance has been classified as nonspendable to indicate that prepaids do not constitute available spendable resources.

L. Capital Assets

The government-wide financial statements report both capital and intangible assets, such as right-to-use leased and subscription-based information technology assets. Capital assets are reported at actual cost, when the information is available, or at estimated historical cost based on professional third-party information. Donated assets are reported at acquisition value at the date of donation. Intangible assets are reported based on the estimated lease and subscription liabilities calculated in accordance with GASB standards.

All capital and intangible assets, except land and construction in progress, are depreciated/amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

	•	talization reshold	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings	\$	25,000	40 years
Machinery and Equipment		5,000	3-10 years
Infrastructure		1	25-40 years

M. Deferred Outflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources, in the Statement of Net Position, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until that time. The Village has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item is related to pensions and consists of the Village's proportionate share of changes in the collective net pension asset or liability not included in collective pension expense and the Village's contributions to the pension system (ERS) subsequent to the measurement date. The second item is related to OPEB and represents the change in the total OPEB liability not included in OPEB expense.

N. Short-Term Debt

The Village may issue bond anticipation notes (BAN), in anticipation of proceeds from the subsequent sale of bonds. These notes are recorded as current liabilities of the funds that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of bonds. State law requires that BANs issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term financing within five years after the original issue date; seven years if originally issued during calendar year 2015 through, and including, 2021. The notes, or renewal thereof, may not extend more than two years beyond the original date of issue, unless a portion is redeemed within two years and within each twelve-month period thereafter.

No short-term debt was issued during the year ended May 31, 2024.

O. Employee Benefits

Village employees are granted vacation and sick leave and earn compensatory absences in varying amounts. Vacation and sick days must be used in the year earned and cannot be accumulated.

P. Other Benefits

Eligible Village employees participate in the ERS.

Village employees may choose to participate in the Village's elective deferred compensation plan established under Internal Revenue Code §457.

The Village provides individual or family health insurance coverage for active employees pursuant to the Village employment policy.

In addition to providing these benefits, the Village provides individual, family, or surviving spouse postemployment health insurance coverage for eligible retired employees. The Village's employment policy determines if Village employees are eligible for these benefits if they meet the minimum service requirements. Healthcare benefits are provided through plans whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. The cost of providing post-retirement benefits is shared between the Village and the

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

retired employee. The Village recognizes the cost of providing health insurance by recording its share of insurance premiums as an expenditure in the governmental funds as the liabilities for premiums mature (come due for payment).

Q. Long-Term Debt

The Village borrows money in order to acquire land or equipment, construct buildings, or make improvements. This enables the cost of these capital assets to be borne by the present and future taxpayers receiving the benefit of the capital assets. These long-term liabilities are full faith and credit debt of the local government. The repayment of principal and interest will be in the general fund.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds recognize bond premiums during the current period, with the face amount of debt issued reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on long-term debt issuances are reported as other financing sources. Further, the unmatured principal of general long-term debt does not require current appropriation and expenditure of governmental fund financial resources.

In the government-wide financial statements, premiums received on long-term debt issuances are netted with bonds payable and amortized over the life of the bonds.

R. Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future reporting period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue/expense credit) until that time. The Village has three items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item is related to the long-term lease receivable for the various lease agreements the Village has with third parties. Revenues will be recognized systematically over the terms of the lease agreements. The second item is related to pensions reported in the government-wide Statement of Net Position and consists of the Village's proportionate share of changes in the collective net pension liability not included in collective pension expense. The third item is related to OPEB and represents the change in the total OPEB liability not included in OPEB expense.

S. Equity Classifications

Government-Wide Statements

In the Government-wide statements there are three classes of net position:

Net investment in capital assets – Consists of net capital assets (cost less accumulated depreciation) reduced by outstanding balances of related debt obligations from the acquisition, construction, and improvements of those assets.

Restricted – Reports net position when constraints placed on the assets or deferred outflows of resources are either 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 – Reports the balance of net position that does not meet the definition of the above two classifications.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Fund Statements

The fund statements report fund balance classifications according to the relative strength of spending constraints placed on the purpose for which resources can be used, as follows:

Nonspendable – Consists of amounts that are inherently nonspendable in the current period either because of their form or because they must be maintained intact. Nonspendable fund balance consists of prepaids, which is recorded in the general fund.

Restricted – Consists of amounts that are subject to externally enforceable legal purpose restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Village has established the following restricted fund balances:

Repairs Reserve

Repairs Reserve (GML §6-d) is used to pay the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment, which repairs are of a type not recurring annually. The Board, without voter approval, may establish a repair reserve fund by a majority vote of its members. Voter approval is required to fund this reserve (Opinion of the New York State Comptroller 81-401). Expenditures from this reserve may be made only after a public hearing has been held, except in emergency situations. If no hearing is held, the amount expended must be repaid to the reserve fund over the next two subsequent fiscal years. The reserve is accounted for in the general fund.

Assigned – Consists of amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint that represents an intended use established by the Village's Board. The purpose of the assignment must be narrower than the purpose of the general fund, and in funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the residual, positive amount of fund balance. Assigned fund balance also includes an amount appropriated to partially fund the subsequent year's budget, as well as amounts designated for the Fire Company and the park.

Unassigned – Represents the residual classification for the Village's general fund and could report a surplus or deficit. In funds other than the general fund, the unassigned classification is used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending of available resources.

Fund Balance Classification

Any portion of fund balance may be applied or transferred for a specific purpose by law, voter approval if required by law or by formal action of the Board if voter approval is not required. Amendments or modification to the applied or transferred fund balance must also be approved by formal action of the Board.

The Board shall delegate the authority to assign fund balance, for encumbrance purposes, to the person(s) to whom it has delegated the authority to sign purchase orders.

In circumstances where an expenditure is incurred for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications (that is restricted, assigned, or unassigned) the expenditure is to be spent first from the restricted fund balance to the extent appropriated by the budget or any Board approved budget revision and then from the assigned fund balance to the extent that there is an appropriation and then from the unassigned fund balance.

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2. FUTURE ACCOUNTING STANDARD

The GASB Statements are issued to set GAAP for state and local governments. The following is not an all-inclusive list of GASB statements issued, but statements that the Village feels may have a future impact on these financial statements. The Village will evaluate the impact of these pronouncements and implement them, as applicable, if material.

Effective for the Year Ending	Statement
May 31, 2025	GASB No. 101 – Compensated Absences
May 31, 2026	GASB No. 102 – Certain Risk Disclosures
May 31, 2027	GASB No. 103 – Financial Reporting Model Improvements

GASB Statement No. 101 was issued to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and amending previously required disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 102 was issued to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about risks related to a government's vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations or constraints.

GASB Statement No. 103 was issued to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision making and assessing a government's accountability. This Statement also addresses certain application issues.

3. <u>EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS AND THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS</u>

Due to the differences in the measurement focus and basis of accounting used in the government-wide statements and the governmental fund statements, certain financial transactions are treated differently. The financial statements contain a full reconciliation of these items.

A. Total Fund Balances of Governmental Funds vs. Net Position of Governmental Activities

Total fund balances of the Village's governmental funds differ from net position of governmental activities reported in the Statement of Net Position. This difference primarily results from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the current financial resources focus of the governmental funds Balance Sheet, as applied to the reporting of capital assets and deferred outflows of resources, and long-term assets and liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources.

B. Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances vs. Statement of Activities

Differences between the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances and the Statement of Activities fall into any of four broad categories.

Long-Term Revenue and Expense Differences

Long-term revenue differences arise because governmental funds report revenues only when they are considered "available", whereas the Statement of Activities reports revenues when earned. Differences in long-term expenses arise because governmental funds report on a current financial resources

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measurement focus and the modified accrual basis, whereas the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting is used on the Statement of Activities.

Capital Related Differences

Capital related differences include the difference between proceeds from the sale of capital assets reported on fund statements and the gain or loss on the sale of assets as reported on the Statement of Activities, and the difference between recording an expenditure for the acquisition of capital items in the fund statements and depreciation expense on those items as recorded in the Statement of Activities.

Long-Term Debt Transaction Differences

Long-term debt transaction differences occur because the issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, but is recorded as a liability in the Statement of Net Position. In addition, both interest and principal payments are recorded as expenditures in the fund statements when due and payable, whereas interest expense is recorded in the Statement of Activities as it accrues, and principal payments are recorded as a reduction of liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

Pension and Other Postemployment Benefits Differences

Pension differences occur as a result of recognizing pension costs using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expenditure is recognized based on the contractually required contribution as calculated by the plan, versus the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expense is recognized related to the Village's proportionate share of the collective pension expense of the plan.

OPEB differences occur as a result of recognizing OPEB costs using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expenditure is recognized for health insurance premiums and OPEB costs as they mature (come due for payment), versus the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, whereby an expense is recognized related to the future cost of benefits in retirement over the term of employment.

4. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgets

The Village's administration submits a tentative budget for approval by the Board for the general fund. The tentative budget includes proposed expenditures and the proposed means of financing for the general fund. A public hearing is held on the tentative budget by April 15. After completion of the budget hearing, the Board may further change the tentative budget. Such budget, as so revised, shall be adopted by resolution no later than May 1. All subsequent modifications of the budget must be approved by the Board.

Appropriations established by adoption of the budget constitute a limitation on expenditures (and encumbrances), that may be incurred. Appropriations authorized for the year may be increased by the amount of encumbrances carried forward from the prior year. Appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year unless expended or encumbered. Encumbrances will lapse if not expended in the subsequent year. Appropriations authorized for the current year can be funded by the planned use of specific reserves, and can be increased by budget amendments approved by the Board as a result of selected new revenue sources not included in the original budget (when permitted by law) and appropriations of fund balance. These supplemental appropriations may occur subject to legal restrictions, if the Board approves them because

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of a need that exists which was not determined at the time the budget was adopted. No supplemental appropriations occurred during the year.

Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with GAAP.

Budgets are established and used for individual capital projects based on authorized funding. The maximum project amount authorized is based upon the estimated cost of the project. These budgets do not lapse and are carried over to subsequent fiscal years until the completion of the projects.

B. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is used for budget control and monitoring purposes and is reported as a part of the governmental funds. Under this method, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded to reserve applicable appropriations. Outstanding encumbrances as of year end are presented as part of assigned fund balance, unless classified as restricted, and do not represent expenditures or liabilities. These commitments will be honored in the subsequent period. Related expenditures are recognized at that time, as the liability is incurred or the commitment is paid.

C. Over Expenditure of the General Fund Budget

The following general fund appropriation categories were over expended; public safety, health, transportation, culture and recreation, home and community, and employee benefits. Additionally, the Village over expended the general fund budget by \$95,807.

5. DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INVESTMENTS

The Village's investment policies are governed by state statutes and Village policy. Resources must be deposited in Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the state. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements, and obligations of New York State or its localities. Collateral is required for demand and time deposits, and certificates of deposit not covered by FDIC insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its Agencies and obligations of New York State and its municipalities. Investments are stated at fair value.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Village may be unable to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside agency. GASB directs that deposits be disclosed as exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are as follows:

- A. Uncollateralized.
- B. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, or
- C. Collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the Village's name.

The Village's aggregate bank balances were covered by FDIC insurance or fully collateralized by securities pledged on the Village's behalf at year end.

The Village did not have any investments at year end or during the year, except as discussed in the note below. Consequently, the Village was not exposed to any material interest rate risk or foreign currency risk.

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Investment pool:

The Village participates in the New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (NYCLASS), a multimunicipal cooperative investment pool agreement pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law (GML) Article 3-A and 5-G, whereby it holds a portion of the investments in cooperation with other participants. NYCLASS is rated AAAm by S&P Global Ratings. The investments are highly liquid and are considered to be cash equivalents. All NYCLASS portfolio holdings are collateralized in accordance with GML §10.

The Village's investments in NYCLASS consisted of repurchase agreements, U.S. Treasury Securities, and collateralized bank deposits, with various interest rates and due dates. The dollar weighted average days to maturity (WAM) of NYCLASS at May 31, 2024, was 38 days and the weighted average life (WAL) was 72 days. These investments are included in cash in the amount of \$1,432,699 in the General Fund.

Securities, other than repurchase agreements, are valued at the most recent market bid price as obtained from one or more market makers for such securities. Repurchase agreements are recorded at cost, which approximates fair value. The lead participant of NYCLASS is the Village of Rhineback. Additional information concerning NYCLASS, including the annual report, can be found on its website at www.newyorkclass.org.

6. DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The Village is owed \$13,648 in mortgage tax from Suffolk County at May 31, 2024. Village management expects this amount to be fully collectible.

7. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund balances and activities at May 31, 2024, are as follows:

	Interfund				
	Receivable	Payable			
General Fund Capital Projects Fund	\$ 1,718,803	\$ 1,718,803			
Total	\$ 1,718,803	\$ 1,718,803			

8. CAPITAL ASSETS

A. Changes

Capital assets balances and activity for the year ended May 31, 2024, were as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	May 31, 2023	Additions	Reductions	May 31, 2024
Governmental activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,608,064	\$	\$	\$ 1,608,064
Construction in progress	19,179	421,269		440,448
Total capital assets				
not being depreciated	1,627,243	421,269		2,048,512

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	Balance May 31, 2023	Additions	Reductions	Balance May 31, 2024
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	8,959,194			8,959,194
Improvements Other Than Buildings	1,168,983			1,168,983
Machinery and Equipment	2,061,599	14,794	(50,140)	2,026,253
Infrastructure	25,116,795		-	25,116,795
Total capital assets				
being depreciated	37,306,571	14,794	(50,140)	37,271,225
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	\$ 2,237,525	\$ 212,171	\$	2,449,696
Improvements Other Than Buildings	843,644	73,215		916,859
Machinery and Equipment	1,484,120	144,726	(50,140)	1,578,706
Infrastructure	5,209,344	626,793		5,836,137
Total accumulated depreciation	9,774,633	1,056,905	(50,140)	10,781,398
Total capital assets,				
being depreciated, net	27,531,938	(1,042,111)		26,489,827
Capital assets, net	\$ 29,159,181	\$ (620,842)	\$ -	\$ 28,538,339

The total depreciation expense recorded in the government-wide statements is \$1,056,905.

B. Impairment Losses

The Village evaluates prominent events or changes in circumstances affecting capital assets to determine whether impairment of a capital asset has occurred. The Village's policy is to record an impairment loss in the period when the Village determines that the carrying amount of the asset will not be recoverable. At May 31, 2024, the Village has not recorded any such impairment losses.

9. LEASES RECEIVABLE

The Village entered into multiple lease agreements. The passenger ferry lessee pays semi-annual fixed payments of \$41,572 at an interest rate of 1.8680%. The parking lot lessee pays semi-annual fixed payments of \$100,382 at an interest rate of 1.8680%. The Freight Contract lessee pays annual fixed payments of \$8,814 at an interest rate of 1.868%. The Dr. house/office lessee pays annual fixed payments of \$20,000 at an interest rate of 1.7717%. The cartage lessee pays annual fixed payments of \$10,000 at an interest rate of 1.9293%. Each lease has one extension option for 36 months.

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10. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A. Changes

Long-term liability balances and activity, excluding pension, for the year are summarized below:

	Balance May 31, 2023	Additions	Reductions	Balance May 31, 2024	Amounts Due Within One Year
Long-term debt: Bonds payable Premium on bonds	\$ 6,285,000 -	\$ 2,560,000 193,367	\$ (510,000) -	\$ 8,335,000 193,367	\$ 515,000
Other long-term liabilities Total OPEB liability	2,706,969	68,280		2,775,249	176,038
	\$ 8,991,969	\$ 2,821,647	\$ (510,000)	\$ 11,303,616	\$ 691,038

The general fund has typically been used to liquidate long-term liabilities.

For total OPEB liability, please see section titled "Postemployment Healthcare Benefits" for additional information.

B. Bonds Payable

Bonds payable is comprised of the following:

Description	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Interest Rate	Outstanding at May 31, 2024
Refunding Serial Bonds Serial Bonds Serial Bonds Serial Bonds	10/14/2014 10/20/2016 2/19/2019 3/13/2024	6/15/2025 6/15/2036 12/15/2039 12/15/2044	2.00 - 3.00% 2.00 - 2.30% 3.00 - 3.30% 4.00 - 5.00%	\$ 320,000 4,330,000 1,125,000 2,560,000
				\$ 8,335,000

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The following is a summary of debt service requirements for bonds payable:

Fiscal Year Ending May 31,	Principal		nding May 31, Principal Interes		Interest		Total	
2025	\$	515,000	\$	209,599	\$	724,599		
2026		610,000		223,535		833,535		
2027		465,000		208,785		673,785		
2028		470,000		195,935		665,935		
2029		485,000		182,935		667,935		
2030 - 2034		2,645,000		707,088		3,352,088		
2035 - 2039		2,270,000		344,955		2,614,955		
2040 - 2044		875,000		107,800		982,800		
		_		_		_		
Total	\$	8,335,000	\$	2,180,632	\$	10,515,632		

C. Interest Expense

Interest on long-term debt for the year was composed of:

Interest paid	\$ 140,110
Less interest accrued in the prior year	(66,680)
Plus interest accrued in the current year	 86,379
Total interest expense on long-term debt	\$ 159,809

11. REMEDIES UPON DEFAULT IN BOND PAYMENTS

The bonds are general obligation contracts between the Village and the owners for which the faith and credit of the Village are pledged and remedies for enforcement of payment are not expressly included in the Village's contract with such owners. Upon default in the payment of principal of or interest on the bonds at the suit of the owner, a court has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to render judgment against the Village. A court also has the power, in proper and appropriate proceedings, to order payment of a judgment on such bonds from funds lawfully available therefor or, in the absence thereof, to order the Village to take all lawful action to obtain the same, including the raising of the required amount in the next annual tax levy.

Section 99-b of the State Finance Law provides for a covenant between New York State and the purchasers and the holders and owners from time to time of the bonds issued by villages in New York State. In the event a holder or owner of any bond issued by a village for village purposes shall file with the Office of the New York State Comptroller (OSC), a verified statement describing such bond and alleging default in the payment thereof or the interest thereon or both. The OSC shall thereafter deduct and withhold from the next succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such state aid or assistance due to such village such amount thereof as may be required to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds of such village then in default. In the event such state aid or assistance initially so withheld shall be insufficient to pay said amounts in full, the OSC shall similarly deduct and withhold from each succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such state aid or assistance due such village such amount or amounts thereof as may be required to cure such default.

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12. PENSION PLANS - NEW YORK STATE

A. General Information

The Village participates in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). This is a cost-sharing multiple employer, defined benefit, public employee retirement system. The system provides retirement, disability, withdrawal, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries related to years of service and final average salary.

B. Provisions and Administration

Obligations of employers and employees to contribute and benefits to employees are governed by the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (NYSRSSL). The net position of the ERS is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the ERS. As set forth in the NYSRSSL, the Comptroller of the State of New York (Comptroller) serves as the trustee of the fund and is the administrative head of the ERS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the ERS, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The Village also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan (GLIP), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The ERS is included in the State's financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided may be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

C. Funding Policies

Plan members who joined the systems before July 27, 1976, are not required to make contributions. Those joining on or after July 27, 1976, and before January 1, 2010, with less than ten years of credited services are required to contribute 3% of their salary. Those joining on or after January 1, 2010 and before April 1, 2012, are required to contribute 3% of their salary throughout active membership. Those joining on or after April 1, 2012, are required to contribute between 3% and 6% dependent on their salary throughout active membership. Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate based on covered salaries paid. The Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions for the ERS' fiscal year ended March 31st, and employer contributions are either paid by the prior December 15th less a 1% discount or by the prior February 1st. The Village paid 100% of the required contributions as billed by the ERS for the current year. The Village's average contribution rate was 10.50% of covered payroll for fiscal year ended March 31, 2024.

The Village's share of the required contributions, based on covered payroll for the Village's year ended May 31, 2024 was \$156,706 at an average contribution rate of 10.93%.

D. Pension Asset/(Liability), Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At May 31, 2024, the Village reported the following asset/(liability) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) for the ERS. The net pension asset/(liability) was measured as of March 31, 2024. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset/(liability) was determined by an actuarial valuation. The Village's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability) was based on a projection of the Village's long-term share of contributions to the system relative to the projected contributions of all

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participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the ERS in reports provided to the Village.

Measurement date	Mar	ch 31, 2024
Village's proportionate share of the		
net pension liability	\$	(501,334)
Village's portion of the Plan's		
net pension liability	C	.0034049%
Change in proportion since the prior		
measurement date		0.0000132

For the year ended May 31, 2024, the Village recognized a pension expense of \$256,419. At May 31, 2024, the Village reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of		_	Deferred Iflows of
	R	esources	R	esources
Differences between expected and				_
actual experience	\$	161,479	\$	13,670
Changes of assumptions		189,543		
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments				244,899
Changes in proportion and differences				
between the Village's contributions and proportionate share of contributions		66,626		4,192
Village contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		34,498		
Total	\$	452,146	\$	262,761

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

Year Ending May 31,	
2025	\$ (59,076)
2026	112,216
2027	150,845
2028	(49,098)
	\$ 154,887

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Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

Measurement date	March 31, 2024
Actuarial valuation date	April 1, 2023
Inflation	2.90%
Salary increases	4.40%
Investment rate of return (net of investment	
expense, including inflation)	5.90%
Cost of living adjustments	1.50%

Annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020 system experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale MP-2021. The previous actuarial valuation as of April 1, 2020 used the same assumptions for the measurement of total pension liability.

The actuarial assumptions were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2020.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expenses and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

The target allocation and best estimates of the arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized below:

	TargetAllocation	Long-term Expected Rate of Return
Measurement date		March 31, 2024
Asset class		
Domestic equity	32.0%	4.00%
International equity	15.0%	6.65%
Real estate equity	9.0%	4.60%
Private equity	10.0%	7.25%
Alternatives investments	10.0%	5.25-5.79%
Fixed income	23.0%	1.50%
Cash	1.0%	0.25%
	100.0%	

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.90%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates,

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actuarially determined. Based upon the assumptions, the systems' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset/(Liability) to the Discount Rate Assumption

The following presents the Village's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) calculated using the discount rate of 5.90%, as well as what the Village's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (4.90%) or 1 percentage point higher (6.90%) than the current rate:

	Current					
		% Decrease	A	ssumption	19	% Increase
ERS		4.90%		5.90%		6.90%
Village's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$	(1,576,246)	\$	(501,334)	\$	396.440

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

The components of the current-year net pension liability of the employers as of the measurement date were as follows:

Measurement date		lars in Thousands) Iarch 31, 2024
Employers' total pension liability	\$	(240,696,851)
Plan fiduciary net position	_	225,972,801
Employers' net pension liability	\$	(14,724,050)
Ratio of plan fiduciary net position to the employers' total pension liability		93.88%

Pavables to the Pension Plan

Employer contributions are paid annually based on the system's fiscal year, which ends on March 31st. Accrued retirement contributions as of May 31, 2024, represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024 based on paid ERS covered wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of May 31, 2024 amounted to \$34,499 of employer contributions. Employee contributions are remitted monthly.

13. PENSION PLAN - OTHER

The Village has established a deferred compensation plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code §457 for all employees. The Village makes no contribution to this plan.

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14. POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTHCARE BENEFITS

A. General Information About the OPEB Plan

Plan Description – The Village provides OPEB for eligible retired employees of the Village. The benefits provided to employees upon retirement are based on provisions in the employee handbook the Village has in place. The plan is a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered through the New York State Health Insurance Program – Empire Plan. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

Benefits Provided – The Village provides healthcare benefits for eligible retirees. The benefit terms are in accordance with the Village's employment policy. The policy is on file at the Village offices and is available upon request.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms – At May 31, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	4
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-
Active employees	15
	19

B. Total OPEB Liability

The Village's total OPEB liability of \$2,775,249 was measured as of May 31, 2024, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 1, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the total OPEB liability to the measurement date.

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs – The total OPEB liability, as of the measurement date, was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Inflation	3.00%	
Salary increases	3.50%	
Discount rate	4.40%	
Healthcare cost trend rates	7.00%	decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2038
Retirees' share of benefit-related costs		Individual hired prior to May 1, 2011 Individual hired after May 1, 2011 Dependents

The discount rate was based on the S&P Municipal Bond 20 Year High-Grade Rate Index.

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Mortality rates were based on PubG.H-2010 Mortality Table – General with Mortality Improvement using Scale MP-2020.

The plan does not have credible data on which to perform an experience study. As a result, a full actuarial experience study is not applicable.

C. Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

Balance at May 31, 2023	\$ 2,706,969
Changes for the year Service cost	116,056
Interest on total OPEB liability Changes of benefit terms	112,618 -
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes in assumptions or other inputs	- (58,638)
Benefit payments	(101,756)
Other changes	68,280
Balance at May 31, 2024	\$ 2,775,249

Changes of assumptions and other inputs reflect a change in the discount rate from 4.24% in 2023 to 4.40% in 2024.

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Village, as well as what the Village's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (3.40%) or 1 percentage point higher (5.40%) than the current discount rate:

	Discount							
	1% Decrease Rate 1% I				% Increase			
OPEB		3.40%	3.40% 4.40%			5.40%		
Total OPEB liability	\$	(2,449,053)	\$ (2,775,249)		\$	3,177,212		

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Village, as well as what the Village's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.00%) or 1 percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current healthcare cost trend rate:

		Discount		
	1% Decrease	1% Increase		
	6.00%	8.00%		
	decreasing to	decreasing to		
OPEB	3.50%	5.50%		
Total OPEB liability	\$ (3,245,648)	\$ (2,775,249)	\$ (2,405,225)	

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D. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended May 31, 2024, the Village recognized OPEB expense of \$126,739. At May 31, 2024, the Village reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred						
	C	utflows		Inflows			
	of	Resources	of Resources				
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	39,045	\$	114,865			
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		582,142		873,090			
Total	\$	621,187	\$	987,955			

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

50)
14)
78)
55)
93)
78)
68)

15. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage as compared to the prior year, and settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past three years.

16. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The Village has received grants, which are subject to audit by agencies of the state and federal governments. Such audits may result in disallowances and a request for a return of funds. Based on prior audits, the Village's administration believes disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

B. Certiorari Proceedings

From time to time, the Village is involved in certiorari proceedings under which taxpayers seek reduction in the assessed value of property upon which taxes are measured. A reduction in assessed valuation may result in a refund of real property taxes previously paid by the claimant. It is not possible to estimate the amount of refunds, if any, that the Village may be required to make for taxes collected through May 31, 2024, which could affect future operating budgets of the Village.

C. Litigation

The Village is not aware of any material pending or threatened litigation claims against the Village. The Village is also unaware of any unasserted claims or assessments that would require financial statement disclosure.

17. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Village has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the auditor's report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No significant events were identified that would require adjustment of or disclosure in the financial statements.

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - General Fund

For the Year Ended May 31, 2024

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	al Budget iance with Actual
REVENUES	 3			
Local Sources				
Real Property Taxes	\$ 2,729,692	\$ 2,729,692	\$ 2,709,338	\$ (20,354)
Real Property Tax Items				
Interest & penalties on real property taxes	 5,000	 5,000	 8,793	 3,793
Non-Property Taxes				
Utilities gross receipts tax	8,000	8,000	5,132	(2,868)
Franchises	 378,290	378,290	 386,790	 8,500
Total Non-Property Taxes	 386,290	 386,290	 391,922	 5,632
Departmental Income				
Zoning fees	10,000	10,000	2,370	(7,630)
Safety inspection fees	80,500	80,500	78,617	(1,883)
Park & recreational charges	352,500	352,500	351,569	(931)
Special recreational facility charges	68,970	68,970	66,595	(2,375)
Library receipts	12,500	12,500	14,677	2,177
Health	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Water sales	 276,100	 276,100	 275,641	 (459)
Total Departmental Income	 820,570	 820,570	 809,469	 (11,101)
Intergovernmental Charges				
Public safety	 40,800	40,800	 41,208	 408
Use of Money and Property				
Interest & earnings	148,387	148,387	180,925	32,538
Rental of real property	 139,870	 139,870	 139,872	 2
Total Use of Money and Property	 288,257	 288,257	 320,797	 32,540
Licenses and Permits	 49,500	 49,500	 46,985	 (2,515)
Fines and Forfeited Bail	 3,500	3,500	 	 (3,500)
Miscellaneous				
Other miscellaneous	3,000	3,000	2,150	(850)
Gifts & donations	 1,000	 1,000	 547,201	 546,201
Total Miscellaneous	 4,000	 4,000	 549,351	 545,351
State Aid				
Revenue sharing	2,726	2,726	2,726	-
Mortgage tax	74,000	74,000	60,531	(13,469)
Other general governmental aid	 3,327	 3,327	 3,927	 600
Total State Aid	80,053	80,053	67,184	(12,869)
Total Revenues	\$ 4,407,662	\$ 4,407,662	 4,945,047	\$ 537,385

Note to Required Supplementary Information

Budget Basis of Accounting

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - General Fund (Continued) For the Year Ended May 31, 2024

		Original Final Budget Budget		Actual	Final Budget Variance with Actual		
EXPENDITURES		Dauger		Dauger	 11000001		1101441
General Government Support							
Legislative Board							
Contractual	\$	3,750	\$	3,750	\$ 4,740	\$	(990)
Village Justice Court		-,		-,	,		()
Personal services		5,250		5,250	6,179		(929)
Contractual		250		250	59		191
Fiscal Agent Fees							
Contractual		_		_	2,500		(2,500)
Auditor					_,~~~		(=,===)
Contractual		33,500		33,500	34,300		(800)
Clerk and Staff		,		,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		()
Personal services		453,500		453,500	459,426		(5,926)
Equipment		2,500		2,500	2,445		55
Contractual		69,548		69,548	93,790		(24,242)
Law							, ,
Contractual		139,375		139,375	53,324		86,051
Election		,-		,-	,-		,
Contractual		1,500		1,500	1,435		65
Buildings - Village Hall		,		,	,		
Personal services		221,259		221,259	213,967		7,292
Equipment		10,000		10,000	6,380		3,620
Contractual		218,250		218,250	254,873		(36,623)
Unallocated Insurance							(00,000)
Contractual services		130,271		130,271	109,995		20,276
Refund of taxes		100,271		100,271	100,000		20,270
Contractual services		62,905		62,905	58,751		4,154
MTA Taxes		,		,			-,
Contractual services		6,390		6,390	 4,631		1,759
Total General Government Support		1,358,248		1,358,248	 1,306,795		51,453
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Public Safety Police							
Personal services					220.710		(220.710)
		306,270		306,270	328,719		(328,719)
Contractual		300,270		300,270	31,849		274,421
Fire Department		44.200		44.200	22.062		21 127
Personal services		44,200		44,200	23,063		21,137
Equipment		21,600		21,600	21,842		(242)
Contractual	-	60,510		60,510	 70,164		(9,654)
Total Public Safety		432,580		432,580	 475,637		(43,057)
Health							
Public Health							
Personal services		40,950		40,950	48,694		(7,744)
Contractual		31,670		31,670	24,207		7,443
Contractual		31,070		31,070	 24,207		7,403
Total Health		72,620		72,620	 72,901		(281)
Transportation							
Sidewalks							
Personal services		133,462		133,462	148,874		(15,412)
Equipment		63,630		63,630	51,454		12,176
Contractual		48,410		48,410	42,529		5,881
Off-Street Parking		10,110		10,110	12,327		3,001
Contractual		15,980		15,980	 21,721		(5,741)
Total Transportation				261 402	264 570		
Total Transportation		261,482		261,482	 264,578		(3,096)

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - General Fund (Continued)

For the Year Ended May 31, 2024

		Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual		nal Budget riance with Actual
EXPENDITURES								
Culture & Recreation								
Playground Personal services	\$	222,950	\$	222,950	\$	_	\$	222,950
Equipment	Φ	1,750	Ψ	1,750	Ψ	-	Ψ	1,750
Contractual		79,400		79,400		_		79,400
Special Recreation		. 5,100		, ,,100				, ,,100
Personal services		271,688		271,688		284,508		(12,820)
Equipment		5,000		5,000		7,403		(2,403)
Contractual		11,250		11,250		11,377		(127)
Youth								
Personal services		-		-		258,778		(258,778)
Equipment		-		-		1,733		(1,733)
Contractual		-		-		78,572		(78,572)
Culture		04.000		24.000		40.655		4.005
Personal services		21,000		21,000		19,675		1,325
Equipment		2,500		2,500		- (710		2,500
Contractual		7,000		7,000		6,719		281
Total Culture & Recreation		622,538		622,538		668,765		(46,227)
Home & Community Refuse								
Personal services		61,407		61,407		60,870		537
Equipment		1,000		1,000		· -		1,000
Contractual		104,265		104,265		87,812		16,453
Water transportation and distribution								
Personal services		126,184		126,184		143,382		(17,198)
Equipment		11,100		11,100		12,586		(1,486)
Contractual		31,750		31,750		84,722		(52,972)
Total Home & Community		335,706		335,706		389,372		(53,666)
Employee Benefits								
State employee retirement		149,560		149,560		166,484		(16,924)
Social security & Medicare		143,295		143,295		146,800		(3,505)
Workers' compensation		35,190		35,190		36,524		(1,334)
Disability insurance		5,825		5,825		12,735		(6,910)
Unemployment insurance		18,045		18,045		15,405		2,640
Hospital & medical insurance		308,878		308,878		297,363		11,515
Total Employee Benefits		660,793		660,793		675,311		(14,518)
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Debt Service Principal		510,000		510,000		510,000		
Interest		140,110		140,110		140,110		_
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Total Debt Service		650,110		650,110		650,110		
Total Expenditures		4,394,077		4,394,077		4,503,469		(109,392)
OTHER FINANCING USES								
Budgetary Provisions for Other Uses		13,585		13,585		<u> </u>		13,585
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	\$	4,407,662	\$	4,407,662		4,503,469	\$	(95,807)
Net Change in Fund Balance						441,578		
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year						2,808,159		
Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	3,249,737		

Note to Required Supplementary Information

Budget Basis of Accounting

Budgets are adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Schedule of the Village's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Asset/(Liability)

Last Seven Fiscal Years

Employees' Retirement System

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Village's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability)	0.0034049%	0.0033917%	0.0035219%	0.0031105%	0.0024971%	0.0024332%	0.0027228%
Village's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability)	\$ (501,334)	\$ (727,320)	\$ 287,903	\$ (3,097)	\$ (661,255)	\$ (172,400)	\$ (87,878)
Village's covered payroll	\$ 1,492,235	\$ 1,182,268	\$ 1,194,620	\$ 1,249,160	\$ 1,039,285	\$ 911,247	\$ 909,804
Village's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) as a percentage of its covered payroll	33.60 %	61.52 %	24.10 %	0.25 %	63.63 %	18.92 %	9.66 %
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	93.88%	90.78%	103.65%	99.95%	86.39%	96.27%	98.24%
Discount rate	5.90%	5.90%	5.90%	5.90%	6.80%	7.00%	7.00%

An additional year of historical information will be added each year, subsequent to the year of implementation, until 10 years of historical data is available.

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF SALTAIRE Schedule of Village Pension Contributions

Last Six Fiscal Years

Employees' Retirement System

	 2024	 2023	 2022	2021	 2020	 2019
Contractually required contribution	\$ 156,706	\$ 125,415	\$ 175,002	\$ 145,816	\$ 126,136	\$ 129,239
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 156,706	 125,415	 175,002	 145,816	 126,136	 129,239
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$
Village's covered payroll	\$ 1,433,176	\$ 1,249,735	\$ 1,185,369	\$ 1,188,604	\$ 1,144,965	\$ 917,996
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	10.93%	10.04%	14.76%	12.00%	11.00%	14.00%

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Schedule of Changes in the Village's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Last Six Fiscal Years

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total OPEB liability						
Service cost	\$ 116,056	\$ 142,605	\$ 166,639	\$ 118,920	\$ 107,888	\$ 91,903
Interest	112,618	90,406	50,390	74,426	75,964	83,705
Changes in benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	(50,760)
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	49,930	-	(298,096)	-	(39,434)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	(58,638	(759)	(883,146)	505,242	197,828	(60,586)
Benefit payments	(101,756	(37,214)	(82,077)	(40,330)	(44,805)	(42,070)
Other changes			. <u>-</u>		118	(50,533)
Net change in total OPEB liability	68,280	244,968	(748,194)	360,162	336,993	(67,775)
Total OPEB liability, beginning	2,706,969	2,462,001	3,210,195	2,850,033	2,513,040	2,580,815
Total OPEB liability, ending	\$ 2,775,249	\$ 2,706,969	\$ 2,462,001	\$ 3,210,195	\$ 2,850,033	\$ 2,513,040
Covered employee payroll	\$ 1,131,277	\$ 1,093,000	\$ 804,250	\$ 804,250	\$ 649,500	\$ 649,500
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	245.32%	247.66%	306.12%	399.15%	438.80%	386.92%
Discount rate	4.40%	4.24%	3.70%	1.59%	3.05%	3.05%
Healthcare trend rates	7.00% to 4.509 by 2038	6 7.00% to 4.50% by 2038	6.00% to 4.50% by 2036	6.00% to 4.50% by 2036	7.10% to 4.50% by 2029	7.10% to 4.50% by 2029

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Note to Required Supplementary Information

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 to pay related benefits



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

To the Board of Trustees Incorporated Village of Saltaire Saltaire, New York

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire (Village), as of and for the year ended May 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Village's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 5, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

Cullen & Danowski, LLP

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

We noted certain matters that we have reported to the Board of Trustees and management of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire in a separate letter dated December 5, 2024.

Purpose of this Report

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

December 5, 2024