TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT with Independent Auditors Report

For the Year Ending January 31, 2017

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

May 1, 2017

Board of Selectmen Town of Unity Unity, Maine

Report on the Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the major fund of Town of Unity, Maine, as of and for the year ended January 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit 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. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

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

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinions.

Opinions

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the major fund of the Town of Unity, Maine as of January 31, 2017 and the respective changes in financial position, and where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted Management's Discussion & Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. My opinion of the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the Unites States of America require that the budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. I 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 for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge I obtain during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated May 1, 2017, on my consideration of Town of Unity, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and on my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

Statement 1

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE Statement of Net Position January 31, 2017

ASSETS	Governmental <u>Activities</u>
Current Assets: Cash Receivables:	\$ 794,818
Taxes Liens	228,138 74,518
Total Current Assets	1,097,474
Noncurrent Assets: Capital assets net	6,835,093
Total Assets	7,932,567
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	14,294
Notes payable, current portion	25,000
Bonds payable, current portion	177,956
Total Current Liabilities Noncurrent Liabilities:	217,250
Notes payable, noncurrent portion	150,000
Bonds payable, noncurrent portion	2,570,812
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	2,720,812
Total Liabilities	2,938,062
NET POSITION Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted	3,911,325 1,083,180
Total net position	\$ 4,994,505

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE Statement of Activities For the Year Ended January 31, 2017

Function/Programs	<u>Expenses</u>	Charges for <u>Services</u>	Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and <u>contributions</u>	Net (Expense) <u>Revenues</u>
Governmental activities:	\$				
General government	197,934	15,458			(182,476)
Protection	117,301	4,683			(112,618)
Public works	1,136,494		34,964		(1,101,530)
Health and sanitation	143,267	62,876	1,377		(79,014)
Leisure services	11,372		5,337		(6,035)
Special assessments	1,487,288				(1,487,288)
Cemeteries	13,393				(13, 393)
Social services	14,479		652		(13,827)
Total governmental activities	3,121,528	83,017	42,330	0	(2,996,181)

Net (expense) / revenue 2 General revenues: 2,169,707 Excise taxes 269,034 Interest and costs on taxes 25,200 Intergovernmental: 84,296 Homestead exemption 51,059 Tree growth 10,709 US wildlife 10,709 Veterans reimbursement 2,45 Miscellaneous 8,253 Unrestricted interest 5,622 Cable franchise fees 4,441 Restricted interest 5,99 Sale of assets 20,811 Total general revenues 2,651,522 Change in Net position (344,659) Net position - beginning 5,339,164 Net position - ending 5,339,164 Net position - ending 4,994,505		<u>Governmental</u> Activities
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	Net position - ending \$	4,994,505

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE Balance Sheet Governmental Funds January 31, 2017

ASSETS	General <u>Fund</u> \$ 794,818	Total Governmental Funds 794,818
Receivables Taxes Liens	228,138 74,518	228,138 74,518
Total Assets	1,097,474	1,097,474
LIABILITIES Accounts payable Cash	14,294	14,294
Total Liabilities	14,294	14,294
UNEARNED REVENUE Unearned property taxes	254,000	254,000
Total Liabilities and Unearned Revenue	268,294	268,294
FUND BALANCES Fund Balances		
Committed for fire truck	47,920	47,920
Assigned revenues	24,312	24,312
Assigned expenditures Unassigned	331,978 424,970	331,978 424,970
onassigned	424,570	424/5/0
Total Fund Equity	829,180	829,180
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 1,097,474	\$
Amounts reported for governmental activistatement of net position are different control passets used in governmental	ent because:	=
Capital assets used in governmental not financial resources and, the reported in the funds.		6,835,093
Other long-term assets are not ava- current-periods expenditures and deferred in the funds.	254,000	
Long-term liabilities, including be not due and payable in the curren		
therefore are not reported in the		
Notes payable	(175,000)	
Bonds payable		(2,748,768)
Net position of gove	ernmental	\$ 4,994,505

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances $\hspace{1.5cm} \text{Governmental Funds}$

For the Year Ended January 31, 2017

				Total
		General <u>Fund</u>		Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$	2,473,941	\$	2,473,941
Intergovernmental		188,807		188,807
Interest		6,221		6,221
Charges for services		83,018		83,018
Miscellaneous		34,882		34,882
Total Revenues	-	2,786,869		2,786,869
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government		193,105		193,105
Protection		126,101		126,101
Public works		2,715,321		2,715,321
Health and sanitation		143,267		143,267
Leisure services		11,372		11,372
Special assessments		1,487,288		1,487,288
Cemeteries		13,393		13,393
Social services		14,479		14,479
Total Expenditures	_	4,704,326	. .	4,704,326
Excess of Revenues Over				
(Under) Expenditures		(1,917,457)		(1,917,457)
Other Financing Sources:				
Debt issuance proceeds		2,250,000		2,250,000
Total Other Financing Sources	_	2,250,000		2,250,000
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources				
Over (Under) Expenditures		332,543		332,543
Fund Balances - beginning		496,637		496,637
Fund Balances - ending	\$	829,180	\$	829,180
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(10,000)

(344,659)

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE

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

For the Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2017

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 332,543
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the	
Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.	
While governmental activities report depreciation expense to	
allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets:	
Depreciation expense	(538, 345)
Capital asset purchases capitalized	2,070,897
Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the	
governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term	
liabilities in the Statement of Net Position	
Capital bond obligation principal payments	50,246
Debt issuance proceeds are a source of income in the	
governmental funds, but the issuance increases long-term	
liabilities in the Statement of Net Position	
Capital bond issuance proceeds	(2,250,000)
Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide	
current financial resources are not reported as revenues	
in the funds	

Deferred property tax revenue

Change in Net position of Governmental Activities \$

Statement 6

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE Statement of Net Position Fiduciary Fund January 31, 2017

Private
Purpose
<u>Trust</u>
<u>Fund</u>

ASSETS

Cash certificate of deposits \$ 7,028 Investments 126,427

Total Assets 133,455

NET POSITION

Held in Trust

133,455

Total Net position \$ 133,455

Statement 7

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position For the Year Ended January 31, 2017

Private Purpose <u>Trust Fund</u>

Additions:

Investment income \$ 17,949

Total Additions 17,949

Deductions:

Investment fees 813

Total Deductions 813

Change in Net position 17,136

Net position - beginning of year ____116,319

Net position - end of year \$ 133,455

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE Notes to Combined Financial Statements January 31, 2017

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

The Town of Unity was incorporated in 1804 under the laws of the State of Massachusetts. The Town operates under the Board of Selectmen/Town Meeting form of government.

The Town's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. Although the Town has the option to apply FASB pronouncements issued after that date to its business-type activities and enterprise funds, the Town has chosen not to do so. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Town are discussed below.

A. Reporting Entity

In evaluating how to define the reporting entity, financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit is made by applying the criteria set potential component units. forth in GAAP which defines the reporting entity as the primary government and those component units for which the primary government is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and either a) the ability to impose will by the primary government, or b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government. Application of this criterion and determination of type of presentation involves considering whether the activity benefits the government and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the government and is generally available to its citizens. Based upon the application of these criteria, there were no potential component units required to be included in this report.

B. Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the non fiduciary activities of the Town. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset

by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. The Town has elected not to allocate indirect costs among the programs, functions and segments. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

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

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Licenses, permits, fees, excise taxes and miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Interest income and charges for services are recorded as revenues when earned, since they are measurable and available.

Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, interest, and charges for services. Other receipts and taxes become measurable and available when cash is received by the Town and are recognized as revenue at that time.

Entitlements and shared revenues are recorded at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

met. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

The Town reports the following major governmental fund:

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

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund types:

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds.

Private-purpose trust funds are used to report trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

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

D. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical costs or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Property, plant, and equipment of the primary government is depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives ranging from 3 to 50 years.

E. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, if material, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs, if material, are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

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

F. Fund Equity

Reserved fund balance indicates that a portion of the fund balance is legally or otherwise segregated for a specific future use, and is indicated by the title of each reserve listed in the balance sheet. Unreserved-designated fund balances indicate amounts which either are required to be carried forward by law or contractual agreement, or which the Town has voted to carry forward.

G. Use of Estimates

Committed fund balance indicates that a portion of the fund balance is constrained for a specific future use, and is indicated by the title of each purpose listed in the balance sheet. Committed fund balances are voted on at Town Meetings. Assigned fund balances indicate amounts which either are intended to be carried forward by law or contractual agreement, or which the Board of Selectmen has voted to carry forward. Unassigned is the remaining amount which is available for general use.

2. <u>Budgetary Accounting</u>

A budget is formally adopted for the General Fund, only, through the passage of a Town warrant, and is prepared on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

In the General Fund, the level of control (level at which expenditures may not exceed budget and applied revenues) is the accounts within each department. Unexpended appropriations and

2. <u>Budgetary Accounting</u>, continued

unexpended revenues are lapsed at the close of the year. Once adopted, the budget can only be amended by the townspeople at a special Town meeting.

3. <u>Deposits and Investments</u>

A. <u>Deposits</u>

At year end, the Town's carrying amount of deposits was \$801,847. The bank balances for all funds totaled \$911,172. Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure the District's deposits might not be recovered. As of January 31, 2017, all of the Town's deposits were insured or collateralized.

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B. Investment

At	January 31, 2017, the Investment Type	Town's investment Fund Type	balances Rating	were as follows <u>Fair Value</u>
	Equities			
	Dodge and Cox	Trust Fund	N/A \$	20,164 16%
	Dodge and Cox	Trust Fund	N/A	19,036 15%
	Dodge and Cox income fund	Trust Fund	N/A	10,055 8%
	Fidelity Growth fund	Trust Fund	N/A	19,611 16%
	Other	Trust Fund	N/A	53,984 43%
	NStar	Trust Fund	N/A	2,536 2.01%
	First Energy	Trust Fund	N/A	1,041 0.82%
			\$ -	126,427

The Town does not have a formal investment policy. Most equities are managed by the town's financial institution in the Town's name. The other investments are held by the Town.

4. <u>Property Tax</u>

Property taxes for the year were committed on July 5, 2016, on the assessed value listed as of April 1, 2016, for all taxable real and personal property located in the Town. Payment of taxes was due at the date of commitment with interest at 7.00% on all tax bills unpaid as of November 30, 2016.

Assessed values are periodically established by the Town's Assessor at 100% of assumed market value. The assessed value for the list of April 1, 2016 upon which the levy for the year ended January 31, 2017, was based, was \$130,658,200. This assessed value was 100% of the estimated market value.

Tax liens are placed on real property within twelve months following the tax commitment date if taxes are delinquent. The Town has the authority to foreclose on property eighteen months after the filing of the lien if tax liens and associated costs remain unpaid.

Property taxes levied during the year were recorded as receivables at the time the levy was made. The receivables collected during the year and in the first sixty days following the end of the fiscal year have

2. Budgetary Accounting, continued

been recorded as revenues. The remaining receivables have been recorded as deferred revenues.

5. Operating Property

Operating and nonoperating property are recorded at cost or, in the case of contributed property, at the fair market value at the date of acquisition. Depreciation is computed on the straight line method based upon the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Balance February 1 <u>2016</u>	<u>Increases</u>		<u>Decreases</u>	٠	Balance January 31 <u>2017</u>
Assets not being deprecia	ted					
Land \$	140,963	\$	\$		\$	140,963
Assets being depreciated						
Land improvements	72,688					72,688
Buildings	1,108,503					1,108,503
Equipment	41,350					41,350
Vehicles	526,964					526,964
Infrastructure	19,840,413	2,070,897				21,911,310
	21,730,881	2,070,897	\$	0	\$	23,801,778
Less accumulated deprecia	tion				•	
Land improvements	16,153	1,817				17,970
Buildings	282,723	29,055				311,778
Equipment	41,350					41,350
Vehicles	315,865	20,555				336,420
Infrastructure	15,772,249	486,918				16,259,167
	16,428,340	538,345		0		16,966,685
Capital Assets, net \$	5,302,541	\$ 1,532,552	_\$:	0	\$	6,835,093
Depreciation Expense:						
Public safety	\$	41,446				
General government		4,829				
Public works		492,070				
	\$	538,345				

6. <u>Long-term Debt</u>

The following is a summary of long-term debt transactions of the Town for the year ended January 31, 2017:

Long-term debt payable at February 1, 2016	\$	724,013
Debt proceeds		2,250,000
Debt Retired		(50,246)
Long-term debt payable at January 31, 2017	\$_	2,923,767
Interest Paid		19,366

Long-term debt payable at January 31, 2017 is comprised of the following:

	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Final Maturity <u>Date</u>		Balance End of <u>Year</u>
Long-term Debt Account Group				
Firehouse refinance	1.5 to 3.7%	2032	\$	498,767
Town office	2.25%	2023		175,000
Road Loan	2.414%	2021		750,000
Road Bond	2.38%	2026		1,500,000
			\$_	2,923,767

6. <u>Long-term Debt, continued</u>

The annual requirement to amortize all long-term debt outstanding as of January 31, 2017 are as follows:

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Year		Principal	Interest
		<u>Payable</u>	<u>Payable</u>
2017	\$	202,956 \$	33,333
2018		193,593	42,124
2019		195,298	39,849
2020		197,870	36,713
2021		199,825	34,182
2022-2026		962,860	125,331
2027-2031		729,207	53,564
2032-2036		242,158	8,859
	Total \$	2 923 767 s	373,955
	Total \$_	<u>2,923,767</u> \$	373,9

In accordance with 30-A MRSA, Section 5702, as amended, no municipality shall incur debt for specified purposes in excess of 15 percent of the state valuation of such municipality. At January 31, 2017, the Town was in compliance with these regulations.

7. <u>Assigned Revenues</u>

The Town has set aside certain balances for accumulation until expenditure in future years. These accounts were as follows at January 31, 2017:

Sale of lots	\$ 6,971
State revenue sharing	17,341
Total	\$ 24,312

8. <u>Unassigned General Fund Fund Equity</u>

The unassigned General Fund fund equity reflected a change for the current year as follows:

Balance - February 1, 2016		\$ 359,471
<pre>Increase (Decrease):</pre>		
Actual over (under) budgeted revenues	67,189	
Actual under (over) budgeted expenditures	3,310	
Utilization per town vote	(5,000)	,
Net Increase (Decrease)		65,499
Balance - January 31, 2017		\$ 424,970

9. Risk Management

The Town of Unity is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town maintains insurance coverage for part of its risk management. Expenditures and claims are recognized when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. In determining claims, events that might create claims, but for which none have been reported, are considered. The Town's management estimates that the amount of actual or potential claims against the Town as of January 31, 2017, will not materially affect the financial condition of the Town.

10. <u>Assigned Expenditures</u>

The portion of the General Fund fund equity which has been assigned for subsequent year's expenditure represents amounts budgeted during the current accounting period that are to be expended in the subsequent year. These accounts, were as follows at January 31, 2017:

Protection		1,500
Town building repairs		179,103
Fire house repair		12,507
Fire department equipment		138,868

Total \$ 331,978

11. <u>Subsequent Events</u>

Management has made an evaluation of subsequent events to and including the May 1, 2017, which was the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that there are no events that would require recognition or disclosure in these financial statements.

TOWN OF UNITY, MAINE Budget Comparison Schedule General Fund

For the year ended January 31, 2017

	Budgete	Variance with final budget positive		
_	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>(negative)</u>
Revenues:	\$		•	\$
Taxes	2,464,235	2,464,235	2,473,941	9,706
Intergovernmental	181,480	186,816	188,807	1,991
Interest			6,221	6,221
Charges for services	12,300	75,169	83,018	7,849
Miscellaneous			34,882	34,882
Total revenues	2,658,015	2,726,220	2,786,869	60,649
Expenditures: Current:				
General government	209,837	209,837	193,105	16,732
Protection	154,738	154,738	126,101	28,637
Public works	622,600	2,872,600	2,715,321	157,279
Health and sanitation	129,657	192,526	143,267	49,259
Leisure services	5,500	10,837	11,372	(535)
Special assessments	1,611,590	1,611,590	1,487,288	124,302
Cemeteries	18,500	18,500	13,393	5,107
Social services	16,906	16,906	14,479	2,427
Total expenditures	2,769,328	5,087,534	4,704,326	383,208
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over (under expenditures	(111, 313)	(2,361,314)	(1,917,457)	443,857
Other Financing Sources				
Debt issuance proceeds		2,250,000	<u>2,250,000</u>	0
Total Other Financing Sources	0	2,250,000	2,250,000	0
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under)				
Expenditures	(111, 313)	(111, 314)	332,543	443,857
Fund Balance - beginning of year	496,637	496,637	496,637	0
Fund Balance - ending of year	\$ 385,324	\$ 385,323	\$ 829,180	\$ 443,857

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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

May 1, 2017

Board of Selectmen Town of Unity, Maine

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Town of Unity, Maine as of and for the year ended January 31, 2017, which collectively comprise Town of Unity, Maine's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated May 1, 2017. I conducted my audits 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.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audits, I considered Town of Unity, Maine's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Town of Unity, Maine's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Town of Unity, Maine's internal control over financial reporting.

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 entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

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As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Town of Unity, Maine's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I 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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audits, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Selectmen, management and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.